

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!

All Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works!

Psalms 105:1-2

SONG OF PRAISE

A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD / MARTIN LUTHER

1. A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper he, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe does seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great, and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

2. Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing, were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God’s own choosing. doth ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he; Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same; and he must win the battle.
3. And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God has willed his truth to triumph through us. The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.

4. That Word above all earthly powers no thanks to them abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; the body they may kill: God’s truth abideth still; his kingdom is forever!

COLLECT FOR PROPER 12

from The Book of Common Prayer

Leader O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

SONGS OF PRAISE

PROVIDE FOR ME / RYAN DELMORE

Maker of the heavens
Maker of the earth
I look up to the mountains
Where does my help come from?
It comes from You, it comes from You
It comes from You
My strength and my shield

You will save me in times of trouble
You will hold me in times of doubt
You will provide for me
Lover of my soul

You will provide for me
You will provide for me

ALTOGETHER GOOD / ZACH BOLEN, BRIAN EICHELBERGER

1. How could we recount the ways
That You have multiplied our faith?
The wisdom of Your ways
The currents of Your grace, expressed
In every moment, every wave

CHORUS

In the longing of our souls
In the darkness where we go
You are there, You are love
You are altogether good
In the weakness of our faith
In the silence where we wait
You are here, You’re enough
You are altogether good

2. Through our joys and in our griefs
You have led us to believe
The wisdom of Your ways
The currents of Your grace, express
Our only hope for all our days
Instrumental Bridge:

BRIDGE

I love You, Lord, I love You, Lord
You are my more,
wholly present and pure
I love You, Lord, I love You, Lord
You are my more,
wholly present and pure

CONFESSION OF SIN

From the Book of Common Prayer

Leader Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

(Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Romans 8:37-39

Leader No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

SONG OF ASSURANCE

WHAT WONDROUS LOVE / ANONYMOUS, GREG SCHEER

1. What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, that caused the Lord of bliss
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul.

2. When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down, O my soul!
When I was sinking down beneath God’s righteous frown,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.

3. To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb, I will sing.
To God and to the Lamb who is the great “I AM,”
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
while millions join the theme, I will sing.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you!

* Children ages 2 to 5th grade are invited to participate in our children’s program during the sermon; children return for Communion.

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINISTRY MOMENT

Global Church Ministry | Jason Kueh

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 29:16-35

¹⁶ Now Laban had two daughters. The name of the older was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. ¹⁷ Leah’s eyes were weak, but Rachel was beautiful in form and appearance. ¹⁸ Jacob loved Rachel. And he said, “I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel.” ¹⁹ Laban said, “It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me.” ²⁰ So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her. ²¹ Then Jacob said to Laban, “Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed.” ²² So Laban gathered together all the people of the place and made a feast. ²³ But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob, and he went in to her. ²⁴ (Laban gave his female servant Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her servant.) ²⁵ And in the morning, behold, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, “What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?” ²⁶ Laban said, “It is not so done in our country,

to give the younger before the firstborn. ²⁷ Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years.” ²⁸ Jacob did so, and completed her week. Then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel to be his wife. ²⁹ (Laban gave his female servant Bilhah to his daughter Rachel to be her servant.) ³⁰ So Jacob went in to Rachel also, and he loved Rachel more than Leah, and served Laban for another seven years. ³¹ When the LORD saw that Leah was hated, he opened her womb, but Rachel was barren. ³² And Leah conceived and bore a son, and she called his name Reuben, for she said, “Because the LORD has looked upon my affliction; for now my husband will love me.” ³³ She conceived again and bore a son, and said, “Because the LORD has heard that I am hated, he has given me this son also.” And she called his name Simeon. ³⁴ Again she conceived and bore a son, and said, “Now this time my husband will be attached to me, because I have borne him three sons.” Therefore his name was called Levi. ³⁵ And she conceived again and bore a son, and said, “This time I will praise the LORD.” Therefore she called his name Judah. Then she ceased bearing.

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God!

MORNING MESSAGE

Nick Locke

“Leah Longs”
Sermon Series: *The Blessed Mess: Promise, Failure, and the Faithfulness of God*

THE OFFERING & OFFERTORY

During the offertory, we consider all that we have and all that God may be asking us to give. Please take this time to ask God how you might give of your financial gifts, personal time and even vocational calling. There are different ways to give. You may place your offering in the blue box at the back of the sanctuary on Sunday mornings; mail your offering to 254 N Lake Ave #287, Pasadena, CA 91101; or scan the QR code to give via our app (iOS and Android) or website: www.gracepasadena.org/give.



COMMUNION

GUIDELINES: The sacrament of Communion is also called the Lord’s Supper or Eucharist. It is the family meal for those who are willing to forsake their sin and trust in Jesus Christ for salvation. The invitation is from Jesus Christ alone, not from this church or any minister. If you are baptized and can call yourself a Christian, come to the table.

DIRECTIONS: When instructed, please come forward to receive Communion. Receive the bread and juice from the servers and return to your seat. Communion will be taken together after the Song of Communion.

CHILDREN: Children who are baptized, can profess faith in Jesus Christ in an age appropriate manner, and have talked to a pastor or an elder may participate in communion.



COMMUNION SONG

SATISFIED IN YOU (PSALM 42) / BRIAN EICHELBERGER

1. I have lost my appetite
And a flood is welling up
behind my eyes
So I eat the tears I cry
And if that were not enough
They know just the words
to cut and tear and prod
When they ask me “Where’s your God?”

PRE-CHORUS
Why are you downcast, oh my soul?
Why so disturbed within me?
I can remember when
you showed your face to me

CHORUS
As a deer pants for water,
so my soul thirsts for you
And when I behold Your glory,
You so faithfully renew
Like a bed of rest for my fainting flesh
I am satisfied in You

2. When I’m staring at the ground
It’s an inbred feedback loop
that brings me down
So it’s time to lift my brow
And remember better days
When I loved to worship You
and all Your ways
With the sweetest songs of praise

PRE-CHORUS:
Why are you downcast, oh my soul?
Why so disturbed within me?
I can remember when you showed your
grace to me

COMMUNION ACCLAMATION

Leader Let us declare the great mystery of our faith as signed and sealed in
this sacrament

All Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again!

Leader These are the gifts of God for you, the people of God.

CLOSING SONG

WHO YOU SAY I AM / BEN FIELDING, REUBEN MORGAN

1. Who am I that the highest King
would welcome me?
I was lost but He brought me in
Oh His love for me
Oh His love for me

CHORUS 1
Who the Son sets free
Oh is free indeed
I’m a child of God, yes I am

2. Free at last, He has ransomed me
His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin
Jesus died for me
Yes He died for me

CHORUS
As a deer pants for water,
so my soul thirsts for you
And when I survey Your wonder,
You so faithfully renew
Like a bed of rest for my fainting flesh
I am satisfied in You

BRIDGE
Let my sighs give way to songs
that sing about your faithfulness
Let my pain reveal your glory
as my only real rest
Let my losses show me
all I truly have is you
‘Cause all I truly have is You

3. So when I’m drowning out at sea
And Your breakers and Your waves
crash down on me
I’ll recall Your safety scheme
You’re the one who made the waves
And Your Son went out
to suffer in my place
And to tell me that I’m safe

ENDING TAG
So why am I down?
Why so disturbed?
I am satisfied in You

BENEDICTION

Romans 15:13

Leader May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so
that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

All Thanks be to God, Amen!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Field Day | Friday, July 31, 6:30 pm at Victory Park in Pasadena

Door of Hope Summer Carnival | Saturday, August 8, 9:30a-2:30p at PazNaz |
Scan the QR code for more information and to sign up to serve.

Worship Night | Wednesday, 8/12, at 6:30 pm in La Cañada

Psalms Jesus Sang - an album for Grace Pasadena by Noah Sierota and the Grace
Pasadena Worship Team | available on Apple Music and Spotify



GRACE PASADENA’S MISSION STATEMENT

Grace Pasadena exists to **Experience** & **Extend** the life-giving grace of God

GRACE PASADENA’S CORE VALUES

God-Centered Worship – We seek to be transformed in worship as we experience the
wonder of God and respond appropriately

Gospel-Driven Identity – We seek a personal experience of the gospel that both humbles
us, and assures us that we are more deeply valued and loved by God than we can possibly
imagine

Outward-Facing Community – We seek the betterment of our city as we extend God’s grace
by loving our neighbors as ourselves

Kingdom-Minded Movement – We seek to extend the Kingdom of Jesus Christ by creating
community and global partnerships that can reach and serve those in need

GIVING & BUDGET

	JAN-JUN 2026	JUL 2026
GIVING & INCOME* AS OF 7/23/2026	\$286,931	\$20,464
BUDGETED EXPENSE	359,216	57,607
DIFFERENCE	-72,285	-37,143

* includes general offerings, ministry specific giving, and interest income
2026 Full Year Budget: \$715,228



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Was not Jacob’s girdle of truth and sincerity unbuckled,
when he used that sinful policy to get the blessing? He
was not the plain man then, but the supplanter, but he
had as good have stayed God’s time; he was paid home
in his own kind. He put a cheat on his father, and did
not Laban put a cheat on him, giving Leah for Rachel?

WILLIAM GURNALL (1616–1679)

Seven years to Jacob seemed as a few days, for the
love that he had to Rachel; and so love sweetens our
obedience: “His commandments are not grievous” (1
John 5:3). But when we are wedded to worldly things,
and will not be reclaimed from them, then every
heavenly business is an interruption to what we would
be at, what we delight in.

THOMAS MANTON (1620-1677)

ORDINARY TIME | PROPER 12
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