

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 139:7-8, 11-12

Leader Where can I go from your Spirit?
Where can I flee from your presence?

All If I go up to the heavens, you are there;
if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.

Leader If I say, “Surely the darkness will hide me
and the light become night around me,”

All even the darkness will not be dark to you;
the night will shine like the day,
for darkness is as light to you.

SONGS OF PRAISE

PRAISE THE LORD ALL YOU NATIONS/PEOPLE (PSALM 117) / MUSIC: NOAH SIEROTA

Praise the Lord all you nations
 Extol him all people
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 Praise the Lord

REFRAIN
 For great is your steadfast love toward us
 Your faithfulness endures forevermore

BE THOU MY VISION / TRANS. MARY E. BYRNE

1. Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
 Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art.
 Thou my best thought, by day or by night;
 Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my Light.
 2. Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;
 I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
 Thou my great Father, I Thy true Son;
 Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.
 3. Riches I heed not, nor man’s empty praise;
 Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
 Thou and Thou only, first in my heart;
 High King of Heaven, my treasure Thou art.
 4. High King of Heaven, my victory won,
 May I reach Heaven’s joys, O bright Heaven’s sun!
 Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
 Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Psalm 139:23-24

Leader Search me, God, and know my heart;
 test me and know my anxious thoughts.

All See if there is any offensive way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting.

(Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Romans 8:14-15

Leader For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, “Abba, Father.”

SONG OF ASSURANCE

OPEN MY LIPS / FERNANDO ORTEGA

Open my lips
 I will sing your praise forever
 Open my lips O Lord
 I will sing your praise forever
 A broken spirit and a contrite heart
 These you will not despise
 Open my lips
 I will sing your praise forever

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE BRILLIANCE

You hear us calling,
 You hear us calling,
 Abba Father
 You hear us calling,
 You hear us calling,
 Abba Father
 Lord have mercy,
 Christ have mercy
 Lord have mercy,
 Christ have mercy
 You hear us calling,
 You Hear us calling,
 Abba Father
(prayer)
 You hear us calling,
 You Hear us calling,
 Abba Father
(prayer)

Lord have mercy,
 Christ have mercy
 Lord have mercy,
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SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 28:10-19

¹⁰ Jacob left Beersheba and set out for Harran. ¹¹ When he reached a certain place, he stopped for the night because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones there, he put it under his head and lay down to sleep. ¹² He had a dream in which he saw a stairway resting on the earth, with its top reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. ¹³ There above it stood the LORD, and he said: “I am the LORD, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your descendants the land on which you are lying. ¹⁴ Your descendants will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out to the west and to the east, to the north and to the south. All peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring. ¹⁵ I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.” ¹⁶ When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he thought, “Surely the LORD is in this place, and I was not aware of it.” ¹⁷ He was afraid and said, “How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God; this is the gate of heaven.” ¹⁸ Early the next morning Jacob took the stone he had placed under his head and set it up as a pillar and poured oil on top of it. ¹⁹ He called that place Bethel, though the city used to be called Luz.

Reader This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God!

MORNING MESSAGE

Nick Locke

“Jacob Awakens”
 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

IN THIS PLACE / JON GUERRA, TAYA GAUKRODGER

1. Here now
 To You I’m paying attention
 You know I’m needing a vision
 Of what I cannot see
 Find me
 And break my habit of hiding
 And may Your promise define me
 In my wandering
 2. Show me
 The multitudes that surround me
 A revelation of glory
 A portrait of Your heart

Chorus
 Welcome, Spirit of God
 I know that You love me though I am lost
 Give me the eyes of faith
 In darkness or brilliance, and I will say
 Surely You are in this place
 Surely You are in this place
 Surely You are in this place

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

DOXOLOGY / THOMAS KEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 praise Him, all creatures here below;
 praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
 praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
 Amen.

BENEDICTION

2 Corinthians 13:14

Leader

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All

Thanks be to God, Amen!

NOTES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today! Fellowship in the Park

| 5-7 pm at Victory Park in Pasadena | Pack a meal and join us!

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.

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 VISION STATEMENT

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

- **As** we grow in the knowledge of the gospel of Jesus Christ
- **In** every sphere of life
- **For** our neighborhoods, city and the world

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 7/16/2026	\$286,931	\$13,550
BUDGETED EXPENSE	359,216	57,607
DIFFERENCE	-72,285	-44,057
* includes general offerings, ministry specific giving, and interest income		
2026 Full Year Budget: \$715,228		



This anointed pillar is a type of the messiah, or anointed, who is often called a stone or a rock... This is the stone that was Jacob’s pillow; it signified the dependence the saints have upon Christ, and that it is in him they have rest and repose, as Christ invites those that are weary to come to him, and they shall find rest. The psalmist says he will lay him down and sleep, and awake, the Lord sustaining him. And as the stones of the temple rested on the foundation, so the saints, the living stones, rest upon Christ, building and resting upon that rock.

JONATHAN EDWARDS (1703-1758)

The drama of redemption is the good news that we need every day. We do not ascend to God. He descended to us, assuming our humanity. Jesus Christ fulfilled all righteousness for us and bore our judgment. He was raised to the right hand of the Father as the beginning of the new creation. With the Father, the victorious Christ sent his Spirit to raise us from spiritual death and to indwell us as the guarantee of our bodily resurrection.

MICHAEL HORTON

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