ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME

SONG: Everlasting God CHILDREN'S TALK

CONFESSION Almighty God, our heavenly Father, We have sinned against you And against our neighbour, In thought and word and deed, In the evil we have done And in the good we have not done, Through negligence, through weakness, Through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Iesus Christ. Who died for us,

Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may serve you In newness of life

To the glory of your name. Amen. Common Worship, © The Archbishops' Council of the Church of England, 2000-2006

NOTICES

(Children go to Sunday School and Crèche)

RESPONSIVE READING: 1 Samuel 2:4-8

SONG: How Firm a Foundation

READING: 1 Samuel 17:1-11 (pg. 239)

SERMON: 1 Samuel 17:12-58 (pg. 239)

PRAYERS

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen

SONG: It Is Well with My Soul

COMMUNION

SONG: In Christ Alone

BLESSING

NOTICES Connect with us

If you're new at Grace Church or have been coming for a while, we'd love to connect. Sign up to our Newsletter or WhatsApp Group by scanning the OR code or emailing info@greenwich.church.



Grace Groups

... are a key part of our church life. We meet weekly to study the Bible, pray and have fellowship. Join us on Tuesdays at 8pm in Canada Water Library or the Chantry in Eltham, and Wednesdays at 8pm in Greenwich. For more details, speak to a member of the team.

Upcoming Events

15th January, 8pm, Christianity Explored

17-19th January, **Students & Young Adults** Weekend Away

25th January, **Investing in Marriage** morning at St. Helen's

1st February, **Parenting** Morning (older years)

1st February, Lunar New Year Lunch

To sign up for any of these events, see our newsletter or contact info@greenwich.church.

Giving

Grace Church is funded wholly by the donations of its members. See www.greenwich.church/give or set up a bank transfer (40-52-40/00027789) or to give tax efficiently contact treasurer@ greenwich.church.

Next Sunday: 1 Samuel 24



Welcome!

Sunday 12th January 2025

"My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."

2 Corinthians 12:9 (ESV)



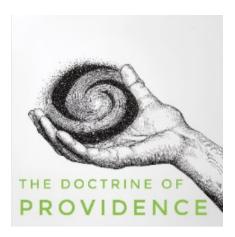






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God gives us ... through apparent weakness

1)	In a war with giants
2)	the little guy wins

APPLICATION

Jesus won the ultimate battle with the ultimate giant, through apparent weakness, for God's glory

All Christian victory is cross-shaped

If we forget Providence, we look for strength in the wrong places. If we remember Providence, we can have great confidence despite our weakness

3) ... because "God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong" (1 Corinthians 1:27; cf. 1 Samuel 2:4)

4) ... for his glory

Discussion Starter:

How have you looked for human strength in the wrong places? How does the doctrine of Providence give you confidence despite our weakness?