

ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME

SONG: All Creatures of Our God and King

CHILDREN'S TALK

CONFESSION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
We have sinned against you
And against our neighbour,
In thought and word and deed,
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 Jesus 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,
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NOTICES (Children go to Sunday School and Crèche)

SONG: How Great Thou Art

SONG: Praise to the Lord

READING: 1 Timothy 5:3-16 (pg.993)

READING: 1 Timothy 5:17-6:2 (pg. 993)

SERMON

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: Behold Our God

BLESSING

NOTICES

Connect with us

If you're new at Grace Church, we'd love to connect. Sign up to our Newsletter or WhatsApp Group by scanning the QR code or emailing info@greenwich.church



Summer Schedule

In August, you can join for **Summer Fellowship** on Tuesday nights at 8pm in Canada Water, or on Wednesday nights at 8pm in Greenwich.

20/21st August – Charles Spurgeon

27/28th August – Gresham Machen

There are **no Sunday services at Eltham** during the month of August.

Weekend Away

Our Autumn Weekend Away will take place from 11th to 13th October 2024 in Ashburnham Place. Sign-ups are open now!



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 Timothy 6:3-6:21

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Welcome!

Sunday 18th August 2024

“And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good.”

Genesis 1:31a (ESV)



1 Timothy 5:3-6:2



³Honour widows who are truly widows. ⁴But if a widow has children or grandchildren, let them first learn to show godliness to their own household and to make some return to their parents, for this is pleasing in the sight of God. ⁵She who is truly a widow, left all alone, has set her hope on God and continues in supplications and prayers night and day, ⁶but she who is self-indulgent is dead even while she lives. ⁷Command these things as well, so that they may be without reproach. ⁸But if anyone does not provide for his relatives, and especially for members of his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

⁹Let a widow be enrolled if she is not less than sixty years of age, having been the wife of one husband,¹⁰ and having a reputation for good works: if she has brought up children, has shown hospitality, has washed the feet of the saints, has cared for the afflicted, and has devoted herself to every good work. ¹¹But refuse to enrol younger widows, for when their passions draw them away from Christ, they desire to marry ¹²and so incur condemnation for having abandoned their former faith. ¹³Besides that, they learn to be idlers, going about from house to house, and not only idlers, but also gossips and busybodies, saying what they should not. ¹⁴So I would have younger widows marry, bear children, manage their households, and give the adversary no occasion for slander. ¹⁵For some have already strayed after Satan. ¹⁶If any believing woman has relatives who are widows, let her care for them. Let the church not be burdened, so that it may care for those who are truly widows.

¹⁷Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honour, especially those who labour in preaching and teaching. ¹⁸For the Scripture says, "You shall not muzzle an ox when it treads out the grain", and, "The labourer deserves his wages." ¹⁹Do not admit a charge against an elder except on the evidence of two or three witnesses. ²⁰As for those who persist in sin, rebuke them in the presence of all, so that the rest may stand in fear. ²¹In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus and of the elect angels I charge you to keep these rules without prejudging, doing nothing from partiality. ²²Do not be hasty in the laying on of hands, nor take part in the sins of others; keep yourself pure. ²³(No longer drink only water, but use a little wine for the sake of your stomach and your frequent ailments.) ²⁴The sins of some men are conspicuous, going before them to judgement, but the sins of others appear later. ²⁵So also good works are conspicuous, and even those that are not cannot remain hidden.

⁶Let all who are under a yoke as slaves regard their own masters as worthy of all honour, so that the name of God and the teaching may not be reviled. ²Those who have believing masters must not be disrespectful on the ground that they are brothers; rather they must serve all the better since those who benefit by their good service are believers and beloved.

Teach and urge these things.

What does godliness in the church actually look like?

A church that reflects an ordered creation

- 1) Honour true widows (5:3-16)
- 2) Honour elders, especially those who teach (5:17-25)
- 3) Honour earthly masters (6:1-2)

Application: Grace Church, a church that foreshadows the ordered new creation

Coffee Questions:

1. What might it look like for you personally to reflect an ordered creation?
2. How does Grace Church reflect an ordered creation? What have we done well? What can we do better?