

ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME

SONG: Across the Lands

REMEMBRANCE

CONFESSION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
We have sinned against you
And against our fellow men,
In thought and word and deed,
In the evil we have done
And in the good we have not done,
Through ignorance, 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.

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NOTICES (Children go to Sunday School and Crèche)

RESPONSIVE READING: 1 John 4:7-12

SONG: My Song is Love Unknown

SONG: Behold Him

READING: Luke 7:36-50 (pg. 864)

SERMON

PRAYERS

Q&A: Text 07520 632 065

SONG: Amazing Grace

BLESSING

NOTICES

Connect with us

If you're new at Grace Church, or wanting to be more involved, we'd love to hear from you. Scan the QR code or email info@greenwich.church



Grace Groups – all are welcome as we meet midweek for bible study, prayer and fellowship:

Tuesdays, 7.45pm: Canada Water Library and The Chantry, Mottingham

Wednesdays, 7.45pm: King William Building, Greenwich

Other times also available. Contact Michaela: michaela.may@greenwich.church

Women's Christmas Pudding Event

Join us at 7pm on November 24th as we prepare Christmas puddings and reflect together on the topic of "rest". All ingredients and equipment provided. £12.50 per person. Email womentsevents@greenwich.church to sign up.

Link-up lunches

Connect with others over a meal. Sign up with the QR Code.



Giving

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Next Sunday, 19th November, Luke 8:1-21



Welcome!

Sunday 12th November 2023

“Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.”

John 15:13 (ESV)

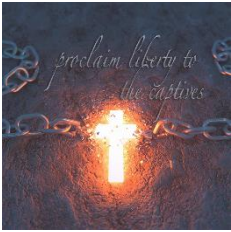
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Luke 7:36-50 (ESV)



³⁶One of the Pharisees asked him to eat with him, and he went into the Pharisee's house and reclined at table. ³⁷And behold, a woman of the city, who was a sinner, when she learned that he was reclining at table in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster flask of ointment, ³⁸and standing behind him at his feet, weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head and kissed his feet and anointed them with the ointment. ³⁹Now when the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would have known who and what sort of woman this is who is touching him, for she is a sinner." ⁴⁰And Jesus answering said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." And he answered, "Say it, Teacher."

⁴¹"A certain moneylender had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. ⁴²When they could not pay, he cancelled the debt of both. Now which of them will love him more?" ⁴³Simon answered, "The one, I suppose, for whom he cancelled the larger debt." And he said to him, "You have judged rightly." ⁴⁴Then turning toward the woman he said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave me no water for my feet, but she has wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. ⁴⁵You gave me no kiss, but from the time I came in she has not ceased to kiss my feet. ⁴⁶You did not anoint my head with oil, but she has anointed my feet with ointment. ⁴⁷Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven—for she loved much. But he who is forgiven little, loves little." ⁴⁸And he said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." ⁴⁹Then those who were at table with him began to say among themselves, "Who is this, who even forgives sins?" ⁵⁰And he said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace."

INTRODUCTION: Does the church put you off Jesus?

Sinners love Jesus: it's frankly embarrassing and doesn't reflect well on him at all. *He can't be a prophet!* (vv36-39)

A PARABLE: WHO LOVES MORE? (vv40-43)

The self-righteous reject Jesus: it's frankly embarrassing and doesn't reflect well on them at all. (v44-46)

THE PARABLE APPLIED: He who is forgiven much loves much. But he who is forgiven little loves little. (v47)

Jesus is offering forgiveness and peace with God. *He must be more than a prophet!* (vv48-50)

APPLICATION / COFFEE QUESTIONS:

How much do you love Jesus?

How much has he forgiven you?

How embarrassed are you at other people he chooses to forgive?