### **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 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. Common Worship, © The Archbishops' Council of the Church of England, 2000-2006 NOTICES (Children go to Sunday School and Crèche)

**SONG:** I Surrender All

SONG: Speak O Lord

**READING:** James 4:4-10 (pg. 1012)

SERMON: Joshua 23:1-16

PRAYERS

SONG: Only A Holy God

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

We'll meet to pray & study the Bible at 7:45pm in the King William Building, Greenwich (Tuesday or Wednesday) and at the Chantry, Mottingham, (Wednesday).

#### Baptism – June 25th

Isaac Williams will get baptised at our Eltham Service at 4pm, followed by an informal Summer Garden Party with a 'Bring & Share' Picnic. Anyone is welcome!

#### Summer Weekend Away: 7-9 July

Join us for fun, fellowship and fabulous Bible teaching in Ashburnham Place, Sussex. Booking for overnight tickets is closed, but you can still join for the day. See:

www.greenwich.church/weekendaway

There will be no services in any of our locations on July  $9^{th}$ .

### 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, 25<sup>th</sup>June, Galatians 4:21-5:1



# Welcome!

Sunday 18th June 2023

"The Lord your God is a consuming fire, a jealous God." Deuteronomy 4:24 (ESV)

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## Joshua 23:1-16 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup>A long time afterward, when the Lord had given rest to Israel from all their surrounding enemies, and Joshua was old and well advanced in years, <sup>2</sup>Joshua summoned all Israel, its elders and heads, its judges and officers, and said to them,

"I am now old and well advanced in years. 3 And you have seen all that the Lord your God has done to all these nations for your sake, for it is the Lord your God who has fought for you. <sup>4</sup>Behold, I have allotted to you as an inheritance for your tribes those nations that remain, along with all the nations that I have already cut off, from the Jordan to the Great Sea in the west. 5 The Lord your God will push them back before you and drive them out of your sight. And you shall possess their land, just as the Lord your God promised you. 6 Therefore, be very strong to keep and to do all that is written in the Book of the Law of Moses, turning aside from it neither to the right hand nor to the left, <sup>7</sup> that you may not mix with these nations remaining among you or make mention of the names of their gods or swear by them or serve them or bow down to them, 8 but you shall cling to the Lord your God just as you have done to this day. 9 For the Lord has driven out before you great and strong nations. And as for you, no man has been able to stand before you to this day. <sup>10</sup> One man of you puts to flight a thousand, since it is the Lord your God who fights for you, just as he promised you. <sup>11</sup>Be very careful, therefore, to love the Lord your God. <sup>12</sup>For if you turn back and cling to the remnant of these nations remaining among you and make marriages with them, so that you associate with them and they with you, <sup>13</sup> know for certain that the Lord your God will no longer drive out these nations before you, but they shall be a snare and a trap for you, a whip on your sides and thorns in your eyes, until you perish from off this good ground that the Lord your God has given you.

<sup>14</sup> "And now I am about to go the way of all the earth, and you know in your hearts and souls, all of you, that not one word has failed of all the good things that the Lord your God promised concerning you. All have come to pass for you; not one of them has failed. <sup>15</sup> But just as all the good things that the Lord your God promised concerning you have been fulfilled for you, so the Lord will bring upon you all the evil things, until he has destroyed you from off this good land that the Lord your God has given you, <sup>16</sup> if you transgress the covenant of the Lord your God, which he commanded you, and go and serve other gods and bow down to them. Then the anger of the Lord will be kindled against you, and you shall perish quickly from off the good land that he has given to you."

## Cling to the Lord your God 23:6-11

... be People of the Book

**Don't cling to these nations** 23:11-26

... don't 'do an Achan' (from Joshua 7)

#### COFFEE QUESTIONS:

- 1. To whom am I married?!
- 2. How can I be a person of the book and cling to the Lord?
- 3. How might I 'do an Achan' and cling to the nations?