ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME

SONG: Amazing Grace

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: Thou Who Wast Rich **SONG:** You Alone Can Rescue

READING: Acts 4:32-5:11 (pg. 912)

2 Corinthians 9:9-15 (pg. 967)

SERMON

PRAYERS

SONG: Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

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



Summer Fellowship

Join us for our last Summer Fellowship meeting to learn about the life of John G. Paton - this Wednesday, 7.45pm, King William Building.

Grace Groups 2023/2024

This year, we will be doing a Bible Overview starting in the week of September 18th.

Tuesdays, 7.45pm: Canada Water Library + The Chantry, Eltham

Wednesdays, 7.45pm: King William Building, Greenwich

Thursdays, 10am: Women's Daytime Group

For more details, reach out to Michaela: michaela.may@greenwich.church.

Autumn Weekend Away

Sign up now for our Weekend Away at Ashburnham Place with Christopher Ash: October 13th–15th.



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, 3rd September, John 8:30-47 Eltham Service at 4pm will resume from next Sunday.



Welcome!

Sunday 27th August 2023

"For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich."

2 Corinthians 8:9 (ESV)

www.greenwich.church @GCGreenwich GraceChurchGreenwich



Grace Church takes the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults seriously. If you have any concerns, please email our safeguarding officer, Sarah Wilde, at safeguarding@greenwich.church, or contact the Diocese of Southwark Safeguarding Team (020 7939 9423). See www.greenwich.church/safeguarding.

Acts 4:32-5:11 (ESV)

³² Now the full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common. ³³ And with great power the apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴ There was not a needy person among them, for as many as were owners of lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold ³⁵ and laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. ³⁶ Thus Joseph, who was also called by the apostles Barnabas (which means son of encouragement), a Levite, a native of Cyprus, ³⁷ sold a field that belonged to him and brought the money and laid it at the apostles' feet.

5 But a man named Ananias, with his wife Sapphira, sold a piece of property, ² and with his wife's knowledge he kept back for himself some of the proceeds and brought only a part of it and laid it at the apostles' feet. ³ But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and to keep back for yourself part of the proceeds of the land? ⁴ While it remained unsold, did it not remain your own? And after it was sold, was it not at your disposal? Why is it that you have contrived this deed in your heart? You have not lied to man but to God." ⁵ When Ananias heard these words, he fell down and breathed his last. And great fear came upon all who heard of it. ⁶ The young men rose and wrapped him up and carried him out and buried him.

⁷ After an interval of about three hours his wife came in, not knowing what had happened. ⁸ And Peter said to her, "Tell me whether you sold the land for so much." And she said, "Yes, for so much." ⁹ But Peter said to her, "How is it that you have agreed together to test the Spirit of the Lord? Behold, the feet of those who have buried your husband are at the door, and they will carry you out." ¹⁰ Immediately she fell down at his feet and breathed her last. When the young men came in they found her dead, and they carried her out and buried her beside her husband. ¹¹ And great fear came upon the whole church and upon all who heard of these things.

2 Corinthians 9:9-15 (ESV)

⁹ As it is written, "He has distributed freely, he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." ¹⁰ He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹ You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God. ¹² For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God. ¹³ By their approval of this service, they will glorify God because of your submission that comes from your confession of the gospel of Christ, and the generosity of your contribution for them and for all others, ¹⁴ while they long for you and pray for you, because of the surpassing grace of God upon you. ¹⁵ Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift!

1. God has been generous to Christians

2. And in turn true Christians are generous to one another

COFFEE QUESTIONS

- 1. What examples do you see around you of Christian generosity? How does this encourage you?
- 2. How are you moved to be generous to Christians in need?