

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.

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NOTICES (Children go to Sunday School and Crèche)

RESOURCES FOR PARENTS

READING: Job 42:10-17 (pg. 447)

SONG: Behold Him

SONG: Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

READING: 2 Corinthians 4:16- 5:10 (pg. 966)

SERMON

PRAYERS

SONG: No Other Name

BLESSING

NOTICES

Connect with us

If you're new to Grace Church and would like to be more involved or stay up to date with Grace Church news, you can connect via the QR code or email info@greenwich.church. We'd love to hear from you!



Grace Groups – join our mid-week small groups:

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

Wednesdays, 7.45pm: King William Building,
Greenwich

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

Serving

There are many ways to get involved at Grace Church, and volunteering is a great way to get stuck in! Scan the QR code to sign up.



Purchase of 4 Feather's Place

Grace Church has the opportunity to buy a property in Greenwich, used for ministry and to house one of our ministers. If you're able to contribute, contact treasurer@greenwich.church by October 31st.

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, 5th November, Luke 7:1-10



Welcome!

Sunday 29th October 2023

“This light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison.”

2 Corinthians 4:17 (ESV)

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2 Corinthians 4:16 – 5:10 (ESV)

¹⁶ So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷ For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸ as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

⁵ For we know that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. ² For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, ³ if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. ⁴ For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. ⁵ He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

⁶ So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, ⁷ for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸ Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹ So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. ¹⁰ For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

Why should we be courageous when the Christian life feels weak?

Key text: 2. Corinthians 4:17

“For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison”

1. We are being prepared for the immortal life of Jesus (4:16-5:5)

Preparation for something more (4:16-18)

Evidenced by our spiritual groan (5:1-5)

2. We will appear before the Judge of all (5:6-10)

Application: Courageous Christians

COFFEE QUESTIONS:

1. In your own words, why should you be courageous when the Christian life feels weak?
2. What would it look like for you to have courage?