

ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME

SONG: 10,000 Reasons

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)

SONG: A Mighty Fortress

SONG: The Lion and the Lamb

READING: Exodus 7:8-12 (pg.49)

READING: Luke 8:26-39 (pg. 865)

SERMON

PRAYERS

Q&A: Text 07520 632065

SONG: Jesus

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

Christmas Carol Services

We'll be celebrating our Saviour Jesus Christ with **Traditional Carols** next Sunday and an **All Age Carol Service** on 17th December. There will also be a Christmas Sensory for Babies 0-2 years during the Traditional Carol Service.

Please collect flyers to distribute and invite others. More information at www.greenwich.church/christmas

Link-up lunches

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



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, 10th December, Traditional Carol Service



Welcome!

Sunday 3rd December 2023

“The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil.”

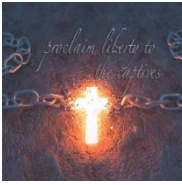
1 John 3:8 (ESV)

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Luke 8:26-39 (ESV)

²⁶ Then they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee.²⁷ When Jesus had stepped out on land, there met him a man from the city who had demons. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he had not lived in a house but among the tombs. ²⁸ When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him and said with a loud voice, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me.” ²⁹ For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him. He was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.) ³⁰ Jesus then asked him, “What is your name?” And he said, “Legion,” for many demons had entered him. ³¹ And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. ³² Now a large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³ Then the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and drowned.

³⁴ When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵ Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. ³⁶ And those who had seen it told them how the demon-possessed man had been healed. ³⁷ Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. ³⁸ The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹ “Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.” And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

What is the solution to evil in our world?

1. Jesus is the solution to evil in our world

-The *ease* of the defeat

-The *result* of the defeat

2. But not everyone wants the solution

COFFEE QUESTIONS:

-Jesus gives a taster of evil's defeat in this passage. In what ways do you find that captivating?

-Where might we be in danger of preferring a world with evil to a world without evil?