ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME

SONG: He Will Hold Me Fast

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: The God of Abraham Praise

SONG: Yes and Amen

READING: Hebrews 6:13-18 (pg. 1004)

SERMON: Genesis 22:1-19 (pg. 16)

PRAYERS

Q&A: Text 07520 632 065

SONG: Every Promise

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 arlene.ellis@greenwich.church

Enquirers' Course
For anyone wanting to look into the faith or go over the basics we are launching a new course this month. Please email explore@greenwich.church

Grace Groups
Join us for our small groups, 7:45pm – 9:15pm in the King William Building, Greenwich (Tuesday or Wednesday) or the Chantry, Mottingham (Wednesday). Please speak to Michaela, michaela.may@greenwich.church or just turn up.

This week we'll be looking at Mark 8:11-30.

Sex, Dating and Relationships Seminar
The seminar will take place on 20th January at Andrew Latimer's house. For more details, email Jono: jono.pick@greenwich.church

Parenting Morning
On Saturday 28 January, 9:30am-1pm, St Helen's Bishopsgate is hosting an event for parents on the topic, "Raising children in a sexualised culture". William Taylor will be speaking. To sign up and register for childcare, sthelensbishopsgatechurch.churchsuite.com/forms/zavjfvvi

Giving
Grace Church is funded wholly by the donations of its members – you can give by bank transfer (40-52-40/00027789) or visit www.greenwich.church/give To give tax efficiently contact treasurer@greenwich.church

Next Sunday, 22nd January, Genesis 22:1-19

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GRACE CHURCH GREENWICH

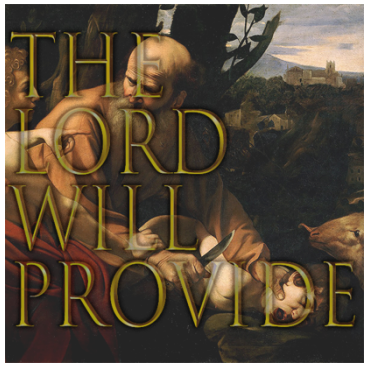
Welcome!

Sunday 15th January 2023

"Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful."

Hebrews 10:23 (ESV)

Genesis 22:1-19 (ESV)



1 After these things God tested Abraham and said to him,
"Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." 2 He said, "Take
your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go
to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt
offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell
you." 3 So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his
donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his
son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and
arose and went to the place of which God had told
him. 4 On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw
the place from afar. 5 Then Abraham said to his young
men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over
there and worship and come again to you." 6 And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering
and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of
them together. 7 And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am,
my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt
offering?" 8 Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my
son." So they went both of them together.

9 When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and
laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the
wood. 10 Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. 11 But the
angel of the Lord called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said,
"Here I am." 12 He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I
know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from
me." 13 And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught
in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt
offering instead of his son. 14 So Abraham called the name of that place, "The Lord will
provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided."

15 And the angel of the Lord called to Abraham a second time from heaven 16 and said, "By
myself I have sworn, declares the Lord, because you have done this and have not withheld your
son, your only son, 17 I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars
of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of
his enemies, 18 and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you
have obeyed my voice." 19 So Abraham returned to his young men, and they arose and went
together to Beersheba. And Abraham lived at Beersheba.

"10 lonely seconds to justify my whole existence" or "when I run, I feel His pleasure"

1. **God's servant is tested to the limit…and passes**

2. **And therefore God's salvation purposes are confirmed**

Coffee Questions:

- **In what ways do we feel the pressure to "justify our existence"?**

- **What difference would it make if we really believed that Jesus has passed the only test that really matters?**