ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME

SONG: All Creatures of Our God and King

CONFESSION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,

We have sinned against you

And against our neighbour,

In thought and word and deed,

In the evil we have done

And in the good we have not done,

Through negligence, 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)

INTERVIEW

RESPONSIVE READING: Revelation 1:5b-

7 (pg. 1028)

SONG: Here I Am To Worship

SONG: Speak O Lord

READING: 2 Peter 1:1-15 (pg. 1018)

SERMON

PRAYERS

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation

but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power

and the glory are yours

now and for ever. Amen

SONG: O Praise the Name

BLESSING

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Connect with us

If you're new at Grace Church or have been coming for a while, we'd love to connect. Sign up to our Newsletter or WhatsApp Group by scanning the QR code or emailing info@greenwich.church.



Electoral Roll 2025

If you consider yourself an active member of Grace Church, are over 16 and baptised, please fill out the form which can be found at the QR code.



Dates for your Diary

26th February, Vision Evening

20th-22nd June, Weekend Away

Giving

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Next Sunday: 2 Peter 1:12-21

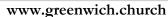


Welcome!

Sunday 2nd February 2025

"Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master."

Matthew 25:23 (ESV)











2 Peter 1:1-15

¹ Simeon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ,

To those who have obtained a faith of equal standing with ours by the righteousness of our God and Saviour Jesus Christ:

² May grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.

³His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, ⁴by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire. ⁵ For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, ⁶ and knowledge with selfcontrol, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, ⁷ and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. 8 For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ For whoever lacks these qualities is so short-sighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins. ¹⁰ Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to make your calling and election sure, for if you practise these qualities you will never fall. ¹¹ For in this way there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

¹²Therefore I intend always to remind you of these qualities, though you know them and are established in the truth that you have. ¹³I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to stir you up by way of reminder, ¹⁴ since I know that the putting off of my body will be soon, as our Lord Jesus Christ made clear to me. ¹⁵ And I will make every effort so that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things.

Why should we remember the gospel?

Especially when we weren't there!

Answer: because we heard the CALL (1:3, 10)

Called to the knowledge of our LORD and Saviour Jesus Christ (1:2, 3, 8, 2:20, 3;18)

1) Called to be partakers of the divine nature (1:1-5)

2) Called to grow to be like Him (1:6-9)

Knowledge of him = Slow thinking Self-control = Fast thinking

Application

Be diligent to make your calling sure (1:10-11) Remember! (1:12-15)

Discussion Questions:

Can you recount when you experience the call (drawn to the person of Jesus)? How does this make you thankful for your call? What might it look like in practice for you to "be diligent"?