

# Sunday Worship

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Oppression &  
Remembering

**August 16, 2020**

The Gospel &  
Redemption in a Time of  
Exodus

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**Live Stream Prelude**

**GATHERING**

**Pastoral Moment**

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## **Welcome/Call to Worship**

> *Welcome from Grace Sacramento.*

> *My name is ... Thank you for joining us on the live stream of our worship service this morning.*

*1. We want to connect and hear from you. If you're visiting for the first time or are new to Grace, we would love to meet you, help answer any questions, add you to our weekly email or get you connected to our wonderful community.*

*You can let us know you were here by visiting us on our website. Find the "contact us" tab and let us know more about you and how we can care for you and your family.*

*2. If you are in need of material help or prayer or another kind of assistance, follow the resources button on our website.*

*3. If you'd like to give to Grace from home follow the "give" link on the menu for instructions for online giving or where to mail a gift if you'd like. [Pause]*

*This morning, we are called into worship by the words of Psalm 133.*

How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!

It is like precious oil poured on the head,  
    running down on the beard,  
running down on Aaron's beard,  
    down on the collar of his robe.

It is as if the dew of Hermon  
    were falling on Mount Zion.

For there the Lord bestows His blessing,  
    even life forevermore.

> *Please stand if you are able and join me in this call and response:*

We are gathered in all our different places  
to worship here in this unique way.

**How good it is to worship together in unity!**

We come from our different occupations, different kinds of families and diverse activities.

**How good it is to worship together in unity!**

We come as unique individuals,  
bound together in the love of Christ.

**How good it is to worship together in unity!**

*Let's continue to worship together in unity.*

## **Forever**

V1, V2, PC, C, V3, PC, Cx2

## **Mighty To Save**

V1, C, V2, C, B, Cx2

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## **Confession/Assurance**

**[Chris Odneal]** *For our confession today, we are going to read pieces of a corporate confession on the screen and then be led in musical responses by Mia.*

*The song we will be singing throughout our confession is called, "Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy", which is a beautiful summary of the gospel of grace. It was written by Joseph Hart in the 1700's during the time of the 1<sup>st</sup> Great Awakening. This hymn proclaims that what the law demands of us, the gospel gives us as a free gift. We are reminded that our salvation is not a result of works or man's doing, but that it is by grace alone, we are saved through faith alone. We are called to come before our God, who stands ready to save us sinners, to the uttermost.*

### **[Sung Response]**

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched,  
Weak and wounded, sick and sore;  
Jesus, ready, stands to save you,  
Full of pity, joined with power.  
He is able, He is able;  
He is willing; doubt no more.

### **[Spoken Together]**

**Lord God,  
we have sinned against You;  
we have done evil in Your sight.  
We are sorry and repent.**

### **[Sung Response]**

Come ye needy, come, and welcome,  
God's free bounty glorify;  
True belief and true repentance,  
Every grace that brings you nigh.  
Without money, without money  
Come to Jesus Christ and buy.

### **[Spoken Together]**

**Have mercy on us according to Your love.  
Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.**

### **[Sung Response]**

Come, ye weary, heavy laden,  
Bruised and broken by the fall;  
If you tarry 'til you're better,  
You will never come at all.  
Not the righteous, not the righteous;  
Sinners Jesus came to call.

### **[Spoken Together]**

**Renew a right spirit within us  
and restore us to the joy of Your salvation;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

### **[Sung Response]**

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Let not conscience make you linger,  
Nor of fitness fondly dream;  
All the fitness He requires  
Is to feel your need of Him.  
This He gives you, this He gives you,  
'Tis the Spirit's rising beam.

**[Chris]** *Receive this assurance...*

May the Father of all mercies  
cleanse you from your sins,  
and restore you in His image  
to the praise and glory of His name,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

**[Sung Response]**

Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended;  
Pleads the merit of His blood.  
Venture on Him; venture wholly,  
Let no other trust intrude.  
None but Jesus, none but Jesus  
Can do helpless sinners good.

***I Will Follow***

V1, V2, C, V3, C, V4, V5, Cx2

**Passing of the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you

**And also with you**

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## **Prayers of the People**

[Julie] God calls us to be a praying people. Let us join in prayer, offering our praise, thanksgiving, and intercessions to God.

[Charles] God, like Your people rescued from Egypt,  
we too have known Your love,  
and experienced Your care and provision.  
You invite us to extend that love to the world around us—  
to care for others as deeply as we care for ourselves.  
And so, we bring the needs of our world before You now.  
Lord, in Your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

[Julie] We pray for the many who do not have enough:  
enough food to eat, or shelter to keep warm;  
enough employment, or money to pay their bills;  
enough medicine or medical care.  
Lord, in Your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

[Charles] We also pray for those who have more than enough,  
but who still struggle to find meaning and purpose in life;  
who indulge in dangerous or self-serving activities  
to dull their pain or loneliness.  
Lord, in Your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

[Julie] God, Your grace reaches out to all of us.  
You call us to live as citizens of Your kingdom,  
working together with one heart and mind.  
Strengthen us to live in a manner worthy  
of the Good News we have received,  
offering our lives in service of Your kingdom,  
where the last are first, and the first are last,  
and there is grace enough for all.

Lord, in Your mercy,

**Hear our prayer. Amen.**

## WORD

### Scripture Reading

Exodus 1:8-14, 2:23-25

Please stand if you are able for a reading from God's Holy Word. Today's Scripture reading is from Exodus 1:8-14 and 2:23-25. Please read with me the verses in bold.

[1:8] Now there arose a new king over Egypt, who did not know Joseph.

**[9] And he said to his people, "Behold, the people of Israel are too many and too mighty for us.**

[10] Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, lest they multiply, and, if war breaks out, they join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land."

**[11] Therefore they set taskmasters over them to afflict them with heavy burdens. They built for Pharaoh store cities, Pithom and Raamses.**

[12] But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and the more they spread abroad. And the Egyptians were in dread of the people of Israel.

**[13] So they ruthlessly made the people of Israel work as slaves**

**[14] and made their lives bitter with hard service, in mortar and brick, and in all kinds of work in the field. In all their work they ruthlessly made them work as slaves.**

[2:23] During those many days the king of Egypt died, and the people of Israel groaned because of their slavery and cried out for help. Their cry for rescue from slavery came up to God.

**[24] And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob.**

**[25] God saw the people of Israel—and God knew.**

This is the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God!**

### Sermon

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### *God With Us*

V1, C, V2, C, Bx2, Cx2, Ending

## SENDING

### Benediction

### Live Stream Closing Video

### Communion

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