

## ORDER OF SERVICE

### WELCOME

**SONG** Thine Be The Glory

**CHILDRENS TALK (A.M)**

### 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

**CONGREGATIONAL READING (A.M)**

**READING**

**SERMON**

**PRAYERS**

**SONG** Mighty to Save

**BLESSING**

**OPTIONAL Q&A (P.M)**

Next Sunday: 28<sup>th</sup> March: Matt 27:27-51

## NOTICES

### EMERGING FROM LOCKDOWN: SURVEY

As we emerge from lockdown, we need your help with our planning. We'd like everyone in the church to complete our short survey, which should take you less than 5 minutes. Use the QR code below to access it.

### BIG QUESTIONS

Our next Big Questions event will be happening **tonight at 7pm** and the title is: What would Jesus say about...the importance of the arts?

### EASTER

- **On 2nd April (Good Friday)**, we're all welcome to attend a physical service at St. Helen's Bishopsgate (one of our sending churches). It will be at 10:30am at St. Helen's Church, EC3A 6AT. It will also be live streamed.

- **On 4th April (Easter Sunday)**, we'll have two all-age Easter services: an in person 10:30am meeting at Eltham College Chapel; an online 4pm meeting on Zoom and Facebook.

### WEEKEND AWAY

As mentioned over the last couple of weeks, our weekend away has been moved to 9th-11th July. It will be taking place at Ashburnham Place in East Sussex. More details will be announced in the coming weeks, but do put the dates in your diary if you'd like to join us.



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# GRACE CHURCH GREENWICH

## Welcome!

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2021

*For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again,  
even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him  
those who have fallen asleep.*

*1 Thessalonians 4:14*

# MARK 5:21-43

<sup>21</sup> And when Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered about him, and he was beside the sea. <sup>22</sup> Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, and seeing him, he fell at his feet <sup>23</sup> and implored him earnestly, saying, “My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live.” <sup>24</sup> And he went with him.

And a great crowd followed him and thronged about him. <sup>25</sup> And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, <sup>26</sup> and who had suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better but rather grew worse. <sup>27</sup> She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his garment. <sup>28</sup> For she said, “If I touch even his garments, I will be made well.” <sup>29</sup> And immediately the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. <sup>30</sup> And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone out from him, immediately turned about in the crowd and said, “Who touched my garments?” <sup>31</sup> And his disciples said to him, “You see the crowd pressing around you, and yet you say, ‘Who touched me?’” <sup>32</sup> And he looked around to see who had done it. <sup>33</sup> But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling and fell down before him and told him the whole truth. <sup>34</sup> And he said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.”

<sup>35</sup> While he was still speaking, there came from the ruler's house some who said, “Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?” <sup>36</sup> But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, “Do not fear, only believe.” <sup>37</sup> And he allowed no one to follow him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. <sup>38</sup> They came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and Jesus saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. <sup>39</sup> And when he had entered, he said to them, “Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping.” <sup>40</sup> And they laughed at him. But he put them all outside and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him and went in where the child was. <sup>41</sup> Taking her by the hand he said to her, “Talitha cumi,” which means, “Little girl, I say to you, arise.” <sup>42</sup> And immediately the girl got up and began walking (for she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement. <sup>43</sup> And he strictly charged them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

# WAKEY-WAKEY!

Introduction: why have the same sermon again?

1) **We should not fear death** because, for Jesus, death is but sleep

“Do not **fear**, only **believe**” (v36)

2) **We should (instead) fear Jesus**

“The woman...came in **fear and trembling**...” (v33)

“Your **faith** has made you well” (v34)

3) **Jesus *really* wants us to learn this**

## COFFEE QUESTIONS

1) How can we better take what God says in the Bible and use it to rewire our instincts, to challenge our feelings if they are out of step, to shape our behaviour?

2) What difficult situations in your life right now might be an opportunity to grow in faith, rather than turn away from God in resentment?