

ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME

SONG: Come People of the Risen King.

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)

RESPONSIVE READING: Daniel 7:13-14

SONG: Behold the Power of His Word

READING: Luke 5:17-26 (pg. 861)

SERMON

PRAYERS

SONG: Before the Throne of God Above

COMMUNION

SONG: It is well with my Soul

BLESSING

NOTICES

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If you're new at Grace Church,
or wanting to be more involved,
we'd love to hear from you.
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THIS WEEK – Grace Groups continue

We'd encourage everyone to be part of a midweek group, meeting at 7:45pm – 9:15pm in Greenwich or in Mottingham. If you'd like to join, please speak to Fiona after the service.
This week we'll be looking at Mark 4:35-6:6

Book discussion – The Air We Breathe

Come at 7.45pm on 21st November in The Plume of Feathers, Greenwich, to discuss Glen Scrivener's book about how contemporary Western values such as consent, equality and freedom owe their existence to Christianity.

Van Drivers Needed

Speak to Arlene if you are 25 or over with a UK driving license and would be willing to join a rota to drive the church van from Greenwich to Eltham and back again on a Sunday. With many volunteers we will spread the workload.

Prayer Triplets

Feel free to organize one yourself, or contact Jono if you are a man and Fiona if you're a woman if you'd like to be put together with others

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, 13th November: Luke 5:27-6:5



Welcome!

Sunday 6th November 2022

*“The Son of Man
has authority on earth
to forgive sins.”*

Luke 5:24 (ESV)

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Luke 5:17-26 (ESV)



¹⁷ On one of those days, as he was teaching, Pharisees and teachers of the law were sitting there, who had come from every village of Galilee and Judea and from Jerusalem. And the power of the Lord was with him to heal. ¹⁸ And behold, some men were bringing on a bed a man who was paralyzed, and they were seeking to bring him in and

lay him before Jesus, ¹⁹ but finding no way to bring him in, because of the crowd, they went up on the roof and let him down with his bed through the tiles into the midst before Jesus.

²⁰ And when he saw their faith, he said, "Man, your sins are forgiven you." ²¹ And the scribes and the Pharisees began to question, saying, "Who is this who speaks blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God alone?"

²² When Jesus perceived their thoughts, he answered them, "Why do you question in your hearts? ²³ Which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Rise and walk?' ²⁴ But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he said to the man who was paralyzed—"I say to you, rise, pick up your bed and go home."

²⁵ And immediately he rose up before them and picked up what he had been lying on and went home, glorifying God. ²⁶ And amazement seized them all, and they glorified God and were filled with awe, saying, "We have seen extraordinary things today."

Introduction: want and can

1) Jesus *wants* to forgive sin (priority)

- For the paralyzed man then (v20)

- For all people since then (cf. Luke 24:45-47)

2) Jesus *can* forgive sin (authority)

- Because he is the "Son of Man" (cf. Daniel 7:13-14)

- And an extraordinary miracle proves he has the authority

COFFEE QUESTIONS

What does Greenwich most need?

Who alone can give Greenwich what they most need?