



GRACE

PRESBYTERIAN

CHURCH

Sunday, July 26, 2026

Welcome & Preparation: Tom Ayres

Call to Worship: Psalm 96

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord all the earth. Sing to the Lord, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day.

All: **Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples. For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods.**

Leader: For all the gods of the nations are but idols, but the Lord made the heavens.

All: **Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and glory are in his sanctuary. Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let the sea resound and all that is in it.**

Song of Worship: **To God Be the Glory**

To God be the glory, great things he hath done:
so loved he the world that he gave us his son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the lifegate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done.

Oh, perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
to ev'ry believer the promise of God.
The vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done.

Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son,
but purer, and higher, and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done.

Prayer of Adoration: (Concluded by all saying the Lord's Prayer)

Our father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Silent Praise & Thanksgiving:

Scripture Reading: Romans 6:1-8 Korey Tietjen

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.

Songs of Worship: **It is Finished**

You looked into the endless void
The wonder yet to be
And in the dark Your ageless voice
Spread out the galaxies
A sea of stars before Your eyes
Your glory filled the newborn skies
And You said, "It is good"
And the earth bears witness
It is finished.

You looked into the crucible
That burned with agony
You humbly chose the Father's will
And climbed to Calvary
Your blood for all my sin, poured out
Your final breath that shook the ground
And You said, "It is done"
And Your scars bear witness
It is finished

I look into the holy place
And through the open veil
I see my risen King of Grace
Who pleads my pardon still
My healing in Your sacrifice
My name within Your wounds inscribed
And You say, "You are mine"
And Your love bears witness
It is finished

I'll look into eternity
When sorrow's seas have dried
I'll see the Lamb who died for me
In beauty glorified
With open arms You'll bring me home
To bow in worship at Your throne
And You'll say, "Come and rest"
As my heart bears witness
It is finished

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As my heart bears witness
It is finished

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My comforter my all in all
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again

And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Til He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

King of Kings

In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope, without light
'Til from Heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes
To fulfill the law and prophets
To a virgin came the word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt

Praise the Father, praise the Son
Praise the Spirit, three in one
God of glory, Majesty
Praise forever to the King of Kings

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross
For even in your suffering
You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake you died

Praise the Father, praise the Son
Praise the Spirit, three in one
God of glory, Majesty
Praise forever to the King of Kings

And the morning that You rose
All of Heaven held its breath
'Til that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death
And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe

For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored

And the Church of Christ was born
Then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel, shall not faint
By His blood and in His name
In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me

Praise the Father, praise the Son
Praise the Spirit, three in one
God of glory, Majesty
Praise forever to the King of Kings (*Repeat*)

Praise forever to the King of Kings

Children's Dismissal & Announcements: Fill out our [Connection Card](http://www.gracehamptons.org/connect). www.gracehamptons.org/connect

- **GraceCamp Set Up.** TODAY after the worship service. All hands on deck! Stick around to help transform the church into a World Cup extravaganza! Lunch will be served!
- **GraceCamp: World Cup!** Monday, July 27th to Friday, July 31st, 6-8:30PM. Looking for the perfect summer activity for your kids and their friends? Invite them to the best summer camp in the Hamptons! Kids entering K-6th grade will experience GraceCamp: World Cup combines sportsmanship, teamwork, and nonstop fun with interactive Bible teaching and meaningful friendships all in one unforgettable week! Visit gracehamptons.org/gracecamp to register and for more information.
- **No Summer Bible Study this week.**
- **Re-envisioning Grace Session 3.** Sunday, August 2nd, after the worship service. This session is a chance to look at ourselves as stewards of what God has given us. Head over to the classroom next to Mark's office to discuss our Grace Church's strengths and the community we love and serve.
- **GraceYouth: Laser Tag!** Wednesday, August 5th, 6:30PM. We'll be playing laser tag at Grace Church - 6th graders are welcome! Invite your friends because the more we have the better the game becomes! For more information, contact Lesley Middlekauff (lesley@gracehamptons.org).
- **Pickleball Tournament!** Saturday, August 8th, 8:30AM at SYS. We are thrilled to invite you to our first ever Pickleball Tournament! Proceeds will go to benefit Flying Point for Autism. This tournament is indoors and open to anyone! Registration fee is \$75. For more information and to register, visit gracehamptons.org/pickleball.
- **GraceYouth: Beach Bonfire at Long Beach.** Wednesday, August 12th, 6:30PM. Come down to Long Beach in Sag Harbor for a great night of playing games, enjoying a bonfire, and friends! For more information, contact Lesley Middlekauff (lesley@gracehamptons.org).
- **Great Questions.** Starting Sunday, August 16th. Grace Church will host a 45-minute gathering, following the worship service on four consecutive Sundays (Aug. 16th - Sept. 6th) where we will answer a few questions in which you have expressed interest.
- **Little Free Pantry.** Our LFP has become essential to our community and gets regular, consistent use and so our supplies are once again severely depleted. Please consider donating items to help us regularly re-stock the pantry. Visit gracehamptons.org/LFP to find our [Amazon link](#) to order supplies and have them shipped straight to Grace Church!

- **Prayer Requests!** To submit a praise or prayer request or to join the Grace Presbyterian Church Prayer Chain Email, go to the Grace Church app or email prayer@gracehamptons.org.
- **BUILD Team Care.** If a need for care arises within our church body, email BUILDTeam@gracehamptons.org.

Offertory: *To give via text, text the word “GIVE” to 833-892-6212. First time givers will have to fill out a short form with billing information. After the initial setup, giving is as easy as sending a text message.*

Prayer of Confession:

Leader: Most merciful Father, we have sinned against and are guilty before you. Forgive us the sins of our tongues —

All: **For deception and untruthfulness in our dealings with others; for resentment, coldness, impatience, and tempers out of control.**

Leader: Forgive us for the sins of our eyes —

All: **For impurity in our glances and imagination; for pining after more beauty, comfort, status, and wealth than you have given us.**

Leader: Forgive us the sins of our hearts —

All: **For hard-heartedness toward you and our neighbors; for pride, self-absorption, self-pity; and above all for rebelling against your Lordship and doubting your love.**

Now, Holy Father, kill our envy, remove our pride, melt our hearts. Give us grace to be holy, kind, gentle, pure, to live for you and not for ourselves, to be transformed into your likeness, to live wholly for your glory. Take away our mourning and give us music; remove our sackcloth and give us your beauty. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

Private Confession:

Words of Encouragement: Psalm 103:11-13

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him.

Prayer of the People: David Klein

Sermon Series: *The Glory of Jesus in the Gospel of John*

Sermon Text: John 20:1-31

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¹ Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. ² So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” ³ So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. ⁴ Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb

first. ⁵ And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, ⁷ and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. ⁸ Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹ for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰ Then the disciples went back to their homes.

¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. ¹² And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. ¹³ They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." ¹⁴ Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to him in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord" — and that he had said these things to her.

¹⁹ On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ²⁰ When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." ²² And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld."

²⁴ Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

²⁶ Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." ²⁸ Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Sermon:

Life in His Name

Rev. Mark Middlekauff

The Lord's Supper:

Hymn of Response:

Behold Our God

Who has held the oceans in His hand
Who has numbered every grain of sand
Kings and nations tremble at His voice
All creation rises to rejoice

Behold our God seated on His throne
Come, let us adore Him
Behold our King, nothing can compare
Come, let us adore Him!

Who has given counsel to the Lord
Who can question any of His words
Who can teach the One who knows all things
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds

Behold our God seated on His throne
Come, let us adore Him
Behold our King, nothing can compare
Come, let us adore Him!

Who has felt the nails upon His hands
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man
God eternal, humbled to the grave
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign!

Behold our God seated on His throne
Come, let us adore Him
Behold our King, nothing can compare
Come, let us adore Him!

Men: You will reign forever!

Women: Let Your glory fill the earth

(Repeat)

Behold our God seated on His throne
Come, let us adore Him
Behold our King, nothing can compare
Come, let us adore Him! *(Repeat)*

Benediction:

Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

Dismissal:

Minister: He is risen.

All: He is risen indeed!