

Sunday Worship

A Tale of Two Kings

December 29, 2019

Advent: Kingdom Come

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10:30A

10:26a **Holy Holy Holy (Nicaea)**
V1, V3, V4, Tag

GATHERING

10:30a **Welcome/Call to Worship**

> *Welcome to Grace Sacramento*

> *My name is ... and I'm so happy you are here. Please take a moment and let us know you are here by filling out the welcome card in your bulletin. It's a way for us to get in touch with you if you'd like more information about the ministries we offer and for you to let us know how we can pray for you or serve your family.*

> *The call to worship is an invitation to come to Christ and to delight in Him. As we read these words based on Isaiah 9 & John 1 let us draw our attention and center our hearts on Christ. Please stand if you are able and join me in the call and response this morning.*

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light.

The light has shined on the nations who live in the shadow of death.

The true light that enlightens every person is coming into the world. The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth, and we beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father.

The Lord is our light and our salvation. We shall not be afraid.

Let's continue to worship!

10:32a **Praise to the Lord (Joyful, Joyful)**

V1, Interlude, V2, Interlude, V3, Interlude, Tag x2, Interlude, V4

10:36a **What A Beautiful Name**

V1, C1, V2, C2, Instr., B1, B2, C3

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10:40a **Confession/Assurance**

The coming of Christ is the beginning of the good news that we call the gospel. The gospel calls us to turn away from sin and be faithful to Christ. As we offer ourselves to Him in repentance and faith, we renew our confidence and trust in His mercy. Let's confess together.

Confession

Almighty and merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You and one another in both our actions and our inactions. We recognize that in Jesus our light has come, yet often we choose to walk in the shadows and ignore the light.

Gracious God, forgive our sins and remove from us the veil of darkness which shrouds our lives. Illumine us by your Word so we may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Lift up your eyes and see the grace of God poured out into your lives.

The light of God shines through the darkness. Our hearts rejoice for Christ is in our midst.

Thanks be to God!

10:44a **Offering**

10:44:30a ***God With Us***

V1, C, V2, C, Bx4 (minus last line until 4th time), Cx2, Ending

10:48:30a **Doxology**

10:49a **GraceKids Prayer**

10:50a **Passing of the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you

And also with you

10:52a **Prayers of the People**

We pray together now in the name our Savior come to earth:

God of light and life our prayers rise before You this day in hope and faith.

We pray for Your church around the world, for this church Grace Sacramento and for gospel churches around our city.

Flame of abundant love, be our Joy in proclaiming Your Good News to the world.

We pray for all who are coming to faith in Christ, all who wonder about Christ, and all who are struggling with their faith...

Light of all creation, guide us to lead, teach and nurture Your disciples.

We pray for those in need of food, shelter, clothing, and of God's healing touch, especially friends and family who have asked for our prayers ...(petitions may be added)

Comforter of the suffering, warm our hands to loving service, fuel our passion to challenge injustice and violence and to pursue peace and reconciliation.

We pray for the world, especially where there is trouble and suffering, far away or nearby... (petitions may be added)

Holy Spirit kindle the flame of faith within us, that in our prayers and service, we may know your transforming presence at work in the world around us. All this we ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

10:55a **Ministry Moment**

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WORD

10:56a **Scripture Reading**

Matthew 2:13-18

Please stand if you are able for a reading from God's Holy Word. Today's Scripture reading is from Matthew 2:13-18. Please read with me the verses in blue.

[13] Now when they had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you, for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him."

[14] And he rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed to Egypt

[15] and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, "Out of Egypt I called my son."

[16] Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, became furious, and he sent and killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had ascertained from the wise men.

[17] Then was fulfilled what was spoken by the prophet Jeremiah:

**[18] "A voice was heard in Ramah,
weeping and loud lamentation,
Rachel weeping for her children;
she refused to be comforted, because they are no more."**

L: This is the Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God!

10:59a **Sermon**
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TABLE

11:34a **Communion**
> Servers: Daniel Yoon, Jeff Clay, Mark Lee, Jeff Lynch
> Prayer Ministers: Kris Glass, Judith Pothier

11:40a **All Glory Be To Christ**
V1, C1a, V2, C1b, V3, C1c

SENDING

11:44a **Benediction**

11:45a **Postlude**

11:48a **12/29/19 Art: Golden Shimmering Geometric Crowns**

11:45a