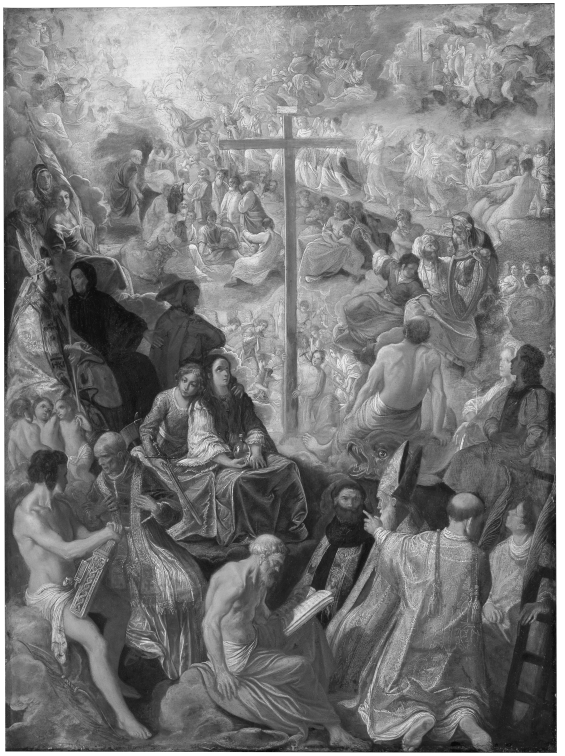
GRACE

SOUTH BAY



NOVEMBER 8, 2026

ORDINARY TIME

Sunday November 8, 2026

Ordinary Time

Ordinary Time offers us the space to find our place in God's story through a long stretch of days to absorb and assimilate it. In Ordinary Time, we fully take in the gospel, allowing it to take shape in our daily living, making connections between Jesus' story and our lives.

"Seasons." Seeking God's Face, https://seekinggodsface.org/seasons

Grace South Bay exists to

Gather the convinced and unconvinced into community
Grow together as Jesus does His work of forgiving and renewing
Go out to live for a story bigger than ourselves

Fill out our Connect Card

Thanks for visiting Grace! We would love to know a little more about you. The QR code to the right will take you to our online connect card. There you can fill out your name and email address, check any of the boxes that apply and ask any questions you might have. We'll do our best to answer them and help you get more connected at Grace.

Cover Image

Elsheimer, Adam. *The Frankfurt Altarpiece of the Exaltation of the True Cross*, 1603 – 1605

This painting points to the cross, highlighting the King of all kings. The figures surrounding the Cross—Old Testament patriarchs like Moses and Abraham, royal figures like King David, early Church Fathers, and saints—are deliberately arranged to pay homage to this divine focal point. They represent the span of salvation history, all bowing or looking upward toward the ultimate King.

Reflection

The following Reflection Quotes are provided to catalyze thought, and are therefore not always representative of the views of Grace South Bay.

Play Like a Champion Today

Sign near the Notre Dame football team's locker room

Giants are not what we think they are. The same qualities that appear to give them strength are often the sources of great weakness.

Malcolm Gladwell, David and Goliath: Underdogs, Misfits, and the Art of Battling Giants

The story is telling us that the Israelites cannot go up against Goliath. They can't do it. They need a substitute. When David goes in on their behalf, he is not a full-grown man, but a vulnerable and weak figure, a mere boy. He goes virtually as a sacrificial lamb.

Tim Keller

The True King — A Series in 1 & 2 Samuel

Israel wanted a king "like the nations," someone who could fight their battles for them. They got Saul and then David. Both times it went sideways. Saul looked every inch a king and lost the throne, and David, the one God actually chose, won his battles only to break his own household to pieces. These aren't heroes for us to copy; they're an honest record of God's people learning that no ruler, however gifted, could carry the hopes they kept piling on him. That's where the good news comes in. Every ruler and throne in these books turns out at least a size too small. But this checkered story creates an outline of a True King who won't let his people down—one we believe has come. Join us Sunday mornings as we trace how the whole book, from a forgotten woman's song to the showdown with Goliath, strains forward toward Jesus.

Gather Call to Worship

Prelude

Words of Preparation

***Call to Worship**

Romans 11:33-36

L: Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

P: How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

L: For who has known the mind of the Lord,
or who has been his counselor?
Or who has given a gift to him
that he might be repaid?

P: For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

***Prayer of Approach**

Concluded with the Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:9-13)

All: Our Father, who is in heaven,
hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come,
your 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 yours is the kingdom,
and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

"L" indicates the portion read by the worship leader
"P" indicates the portion read by the people
*** congregation stand, if able**

***Song of Praise**

To Christ the Lord

To Christ the Lord let every tongue
Its noblest tribute bring
When he's the subject of the song
Who can refuse to sing
Survey the beauties of his face
And on his glories dwell
Think of the wonder of his grace
And all his triumphs tell

He saw me plunged in deep distress
He fled to my relief
For me he bore the shameful cross
And carried all my grief
His hand a thousand blessings pours
Upon my guilty head
His presence gilds my darkest hours
And guards my sleeping bed

To him I owe my life and breath
And all the joys I have
He makes me triumph over death
And saves me from the grave
To Heav'n the place of his abode
He brings my weary feet
Shows me the glories of my God
And makes my joy complete

Since from his bounty I receive
Such proofs of love divine
Had I a thousand hearts to give
Lord, they should all be thine
A thousand men could not compose
A worthy song to bring
Yet your love is a melody
Our hearts can't help but sing

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Scripture Reading

Matthew 6:25-26

Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?

Prayer of Confession

All: Lord, what do we have in life that has not been given by you? Have mercy on us Son of God. We enter your presence in need of cleansing, we need cleansing because the world and the things it offers us grip our wayward hearts.

You say to trust you, but we love to control our own scenarios. You say to love our neighbors, but we ignore them with our self-serving lives. You say to live humbly, but we are proud and stiff-necked like the Israelites of old.

Forgive us Lord, we have no hope outside of your grace and forgiveness found in Jesus, he is our only hope in this life and the life to come. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Psalm 3:3

But you, O LORD, are a shield about me, my glory, and the lifter of my head.

At this time kids are dismissed to their GraceKids classes

***Song of Response**

Mighty to Save

Everyone needs compassion
Love that's never failing
Let mercy fall on me
Everyone needs forgiveness
The kindness of a Savior
The hope of nations

Savior he can move the mountains
My God is mighty to save
He is mighty to save
Forever Author of salvation
He rose and conquered the grave
Jesus conquered the grave

So take me as you find me
All my fears and failures
Fill my life again
I give my life to follow
Everything I believe in
Now I surrender

Shine your light and
Let the whole world see
We're singing
For the glory of the risen King

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AT A GLANCE

Congregational Meeting - Today
Men's Breakfast - Nov 21
Young Adults Friendsgiving - Nov 21

Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you.
- Romans 15:7

SERMON TEXT

1 Samuel 17

26 And David said to the men who stood by him, "What shall be done for the man who kills this Philistine
and takes away the reproach from Israel? For who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy
the armies of the living God?" 27 And the people answered him in the same way, "So shall it be done to
the man who kills him."

31 When the words that David spoke were heard, they repeated them before Saul, and he sent for him.
32 And David said to Saul, "Let no man's heart fail because of him. Your servant will go and fight with this
Philistine." 33 And Saul said to David, "You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him, for
you are but a youth, and he has been a man of war from his youth." 34 But David said to Saul, "Your
servant used to keep sheep for his father. And when there came a lion, or a bear, and took a lamb from
the flock, 35 I went after him and struck him and delivered it out of his mouth. And if he arose against
me, I caught him by his beard and struck him and killed him. 36 Your servant has struck down both lions
and bears, and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, for he has defied the armies of the
living God." 37 And David said, "The Lord who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of
the bear will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine." And Saul said to David, "Go, and the Lord be
with you!"

38 Then Saul clothed David with his armor. He put a helmet of bronze on his head and clothed him with
a coat of mail, 39 and David strapped his sword over his armor. And he tried in vain to go, for he had not
tested them. Then David said to Saul, "I cannot go with these, for I have not tested them." So David put
them off. 40 Then he took his staff in his hand and chose five smooth stones from the brook and put
them in his shepherd's pouch. His sling was in his hand, and he approached the Philistine.

41 And the Philistine moved forward and came near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him.
42 And when the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was but a youth, ruddy and
handsome in appearance. 43 And the Philistine said to David, "Am I a dog, that you come to me with
sticks?" And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. 44 The Philistine said to David, "Come to me, and I
will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the beasts of the field." 45 Then David said to the
Philistine, "You come to me with a sword and with a spear and with a javelin, but I come to you in the
name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. 46 This day the Lord

will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head. And I will give the dead bodies of the host of the Philistines this day to the birds of the air and to the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, 47 and that all this assembly may know that the Lord saves not with sword and spear. For the battle is the Lord's, and he will give you into our hand."

48 When the Philistine arose and came and drew near to meet David, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine. 49 And David put his hand in his bag and took out a stone and slung it and struck the Philistine on his forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, and he fell on his face to the ground.

50 So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and struck the Philistine and killed him. There was no sword in the hand of David. 51 Then David ran and stood over the Philistine and took his sword and drew it out of its sheath and killed him and cut off his head with it. When the Philistines saw that their champion was dead, they fled. 52 And the men of Israel and Judah rose with a shout and pursued the Philistines as far as Gath and the gates of Ekron, so that the wounded Philistines fell on the way from Shaaraim as far as Gath and Ekron.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.
P: Thanks be to God.

David vs. Goliaths

Rev. Bob Crossland

Grow Responding to the Word

***Song of Reflection**

By Faith We See the Hand of God

By faith we see the hand of God
In the light of creation's grand design
In the lives of those who prove his faithfulness
Who walk by faith and not by sight

By faith our fathers roamed the earth
With the pow'r of his promise in their hearts
Of a holy city built by God's own hand
A place where peace and justice reign

We will stand as children of the promise
We will fix our eyes on him
Our soul's reward
Till the race is finished
And the work is done
We'll walk by faith and not by sight

By faith the prophets saw a day
When the longed-for Messiah would appear
With the pow'r to break
The chains of sin and death
And rise triumphant from the grave

By faith the church was called to go
In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news
In every corner of the earth

By faith this mountain shall be moved
And the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon his name

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This morning due to our congregational meeting at 9:45am - GraceKids will remain in their classes until the conclusion of the meeting. Please pick up your child(ren) at the conclusion of the service/meeting from the 2nd floor classroom.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Words of Institution

Communion Acclamation

L: Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:
P: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again!
L: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
P: Therefore let us keep the feast.
L: These are the gifts of God for the people of God. Feed on them in your hearts by faith, and with thanksgiving.

Songs of Communion

I Will Wait for You (Psalm 130)

Out of the depths I cry to you
In darkest places I will call
Incline your ear to me anew
And hear my cry for mercy Lord

Were you to count my sinful ways
How could I come before your throne
Yet full forgiveness meets my gaze
I stand redeemed by grace alone

I will wait for you, I will wait for you
On your word I will rely
I will wait for you, surely wait for you
'Til my soul is satisfied

So put your hope in God alone
Take courage in his power to save
Completely and forever won
By Christ emerging from the grave

Now he has come to make a way
And God himself has paid the price
That all who trust in him today
Find healing in his sacrifice

I will wait for you, I will wait for you
Through the storm and through the night
I will wait for you, surely wait for you
For your love is my delight

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Go Blessing and Sending

***Song of Sending**

Doxology: Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen, amen.

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***Benediction**

Numbers 6:24 - 26

L: 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.

P: Amen!

***Charge**

L: Let us go forth to serve the world as those
who love our LORD and Savior, Jesus Christ.

P: Thanks be to God!

Following the Worship Service

We have snacks and coffee every Sunday following the service. Stick around and meet a new friend!

About Grace

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Women's Care Team *Our pastors and elders have invited this team of women to augment the shepherding ministry of the Session through the Director of Women's Ministry, Jen Stegmann. This team provides an additional layer of care specifically focused on the needs of women here at Grace. These team members are equipped as trusted confidants of our church leadership, attend Session meetings, and communicate regularly with Jen.*

Affiliation *Grace South Bay is affiliated with the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA) and with a group of churches that partner to form new congregations in major cities throughout the world. If you are moving and need recommendations for churches, please speak with one of our pastors.*

Biblical References *Unless otherwise noted, Scripture quotations are from The Holy Bible, English Standard Version ©2001*

Community Groups, Affinity Groups, and Ministries

Community Groups are places of care and community where we live the Christian life together. Most groups are discussing the sermon, some share a meal, check one out today!

Location	Leader(s)	Contact
Santa Clara Sunday evenings @ 5pm	Timon Smith, Benjamin Chen	timonsmith@gmail.com
South San Jose Sundays after church (1x/month) Alternating Wednesday evenings	Dom and Bex Ballinger	dominic.ballinger@gmail.com
East San Jose Friday evenings @ 6:30pm	Aaron and Katrina Krive	aaron.krive@gmail.com
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Affinity Groups gather around common interests to dig deeper together

Women's Bible Study	Jen Stegmann	jen@gracesouthbay.com
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Announcements

Details and registration: gracesouthbay.churchcenter.com/registrations

Youth Group - Sundays, 5:00-7:00pm
Join us for our weekly gathering with high school and junior high. We eat good food, worship, teach the scriptures, and play a game or two. Join our weekly email list for updated nights off, annual retreats, and other special events. Additional questions? Contact Xavier, xavier@gracesouthbay.com.

Monday Night Youth Boys' Study - 6-8:00pm
at Xavier's place in Campbell. Not meeting Nov 23.

Wednesday Youth Girls' Study - 6:30-8:30pm
Meeting at the Lee's house (Santa Clara). Contact Sandee Carlson, sandee@gracesouthbay.com. Not meeting Nov 18-25.

Friendsgiving for GraceTeens - Sunday, Nov 22, 5:00-7:30pm
Join us for our annual Friendsgiving at the Jin family's home in Cambrian, and feel free to bring a friend along! Both HS/JH are invited. Please register so we know who's coming, and watch for a sign-up sheet if your family would like to provide a favorite dish to share.

Teach Me Tutoring - Saturdays, 10:30am
Want to become a tutor for children in our church neighborhood? Email, Camille Reyes, cdyquiangco@gmail.com.

Deep Reads - Alternating Saturdays, 9:30am
Currently Reading: *The Air We Breathe* by Glen Scrivener. Email Steve Reeber, sreeber@gmail.com with questions.

Prayer Fellowship - Last Sunday of the Month, 10:35am
Our Prayer Team gathers to pray for our church and our community. Questions? Contact, Matt Tiscareno, matthewtiscareno@gmail.com.

5-A-Side Coed Soccer - Various Dates
Interested in playing casual coed 5-a-side soccer? Depending on how many people sign up, we may organize church-vs-church pickup games or enter a local league. All levels welcome. Email Dom Ballinger, dominic.ballinger@gmail.com for info.

Creative Arts Ministry - Tuesdays, 7:30pm
With the help of the Rabbit Room, CAM is hosting a fall season of Housemoot! Come to connect around shared food and drink, thoughtful conversation, and creativity that points to our good Creator. We will meet at the Chen Home in West San Jose.

Announcement Highlights

Details and registration: gracesouthbay.churchcenter.com/registrations

Congregational Meeting - TODAY, 9:45am
Join us as we discuss our congregational survey and assessment. Kids will remain in their classes. We'll finish by 10:15am.

Intro to Grace - TODAY, 11:00am
Whether you're new to Grace South Bay or you've been attending for a while and wanting to learn more - Intro to Grace is a great place to start. Please come and ask any questions you might have and get to know a few others who are also newer to Grace. Note: Lunch is provided - childcare is not provided. Couples with children are encouraged to alternate attendance so both can participate.

Men's Bible Study - Tuesdays, 7:30pm, Zoom (11/10, 11/17)
For more information, check the Church Center App.

Men's Breakfast - Saturday, Nov 21, 7:30am
RSVP on the Church Center app.

Friendsgiving Young Adults - Saturday, Nov 21, 5:30-8:30pm
This will be a time for us to gather together in community, eat good food, and celebrate with the people around us. Invite your friends! (Just have them sign up). Text Sandee at 408-656-8982.

Young Adults First Monday of the Month Event - Monday, Dec 7, 7-9:30pm
Are you a young adult looking for some community? These events will be a time for those aged 21-35 to gather in fellowship and connect with those in a similar vein of life. Text Sandee Carlson 408-656-8982 for more info.

Advent Choir - Sunday, Dec 13, 9:00am
Registration is open! This choir is open to anyone (ages 12 and up) who loves to sing. Additional sectionals can be scheduled within each part-group as needed. Email Esther, esther@gracesouthbay.com

Women's Christmas Lunch & Cookie Exchange- Sunday, Dec 13, 11:30am-2::30pm
Join us at the home of Juli Calderone in Los Gatos as we celebrate the season with a Christmas lunch, brief devotional to reorient our hearts to gospel truth, and good conversation. We will also share a cookie exchange! If you're able to, please bring a plate of cookies (store bought is fine!) or other yummies to exchange - everyone goes home with a fun mix of goodies! Feel free to invite a friend, neighbor, or co-worker to join in the holiday celebration!