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*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come,
this church opens wide her doors
and offers welcome
in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

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Reflections

This is often the way God loves us: with gifts we thought we didn't need, which transform us into people we don't necessarily want to be.

— William Willimon
The God We Hardly Knew

Maybe Christmas," he thought, "doesn't come from a store. Maybe Christmas, perhaps, means a little bit more!

— Dr. Seuss

Was there a moment, known only to God, when all the stars held their breath, when the galaxies paused in their dance for a fraction of a second, and the Word, who had called it all into being, went with all his love into the womb of a young girl, and the universe started to breathe again, and the ancient harmonies resumed their song, and the angels clapped their hands for joy?

— Madeleine L'Engle
A Sky Full of Children

Grace Presbyterian Church

The Third Sunday of Advent

December 17, 2017

10:30 a.m.

Prelude

Words of Welcome

Preparation for Worship¹

Praise

Call to Worship

- based on **Psalm 50**

Minister: The mighty God summons the earth
from the rising of the sun to the place where it sets.

*People: Our God comes and will not be silent.
God calls, and we respond to his love.*

Minister: The heavens declare God's righteousness.

People: We tell out God's glories!

Minister: Offer up to God your thanksgiving.

ALL: And our God will hear us, save us, and stay with us forever.

Children's Advent Program

This year's Advent Program features two songs that focus on the waiting and anticipation that we experience during this season. Waiting, for anything, is hard. But we can wait with great hope and comfort because there is going to be a day when Jesus will finish his rescue operation and undo all that is broken and sad. As we wait and long for Jesus to return, we beg the Holy Spirit to come and light our hearts with the joy, beauty, and truth of Jesus and his gospel.

Children's Choir

*Every Valley (It's Hard to Wait)
Come Light Our Hearts*

¹ As a courtesy, please program all communication devices to silent mode. Thank you!

Song of Praise

Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

Prayer of Adoration

Song of Adoration

Let All Mortal Flesh

Private Adoration and Praise

_____ *Renewal* _____

Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 33:14-16

“‘The days are coming,’ declares the Lord, ‘when I will fulfill the good promise I made to the people of Israel and Judah.

“‘In those days and at that time
I will make a righteous Branch sprout from David’s line;
he will do what is just and right in the land.
In those days Judah will be saved
and Jerusalem will live in safety.
This is the name by which it will be called:
The Lord Our Righteous Savior.’

Confession of Sin

*Leader &
People:*

In our secret yearnings we wait for your coming, and in our grinding despair we doubt that you will. And in this privileged place we are surrounded by witnesses who yearn more than we do and by those who despair more deeply than do we. Look upon your church and its pastors in this season of hope which runs so quickly to fatigue and this season of yearning which becomes so easily quarrelsome. Give us the grace and the impatience to wait for your coming to the bottom of our toes, to the edges of our finger tips. We do not want our several worlds to end. Come in your power and come in your weakness in any case and make all things new.

Private Confession and Reflection

Words of Encouragement

Galatians 4:4-5

But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship.

Sacrament of Baptism

Sawyer Laine Bobos

Song of Blessing

The Blessing

Song of Thanksgiving

What Child Is This?

The Peace of God and Announcements

Minister: The peace of the Lord be with you!

People: *And also with you.*

*If parents prefer, children 4 years old – 2nd grade
are invited to attend Children's Church in the Education Building at this time.*

Lighting of the Advent Candle²

The Smith Family

Leader: The Advent wreath is a circle with no beginning and no end.
It is a symbol of God's unending love and faithfulness.

People: *Isaiah the prophet calls us to prepare for the coming of Jesus
by making straight all that is crooked:*

Leader: A voice cries out: In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

People: *Then, the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it
together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.*

Leader: Let us prepare for Jesus, the Christ, who is anointed by God
to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the broken-hearted,
to proclaim liberty to the captives and release the prisoners.

ALL: *For a garden causes seeds to grow, so the Lord God will cause
righteousness and praise to spring up before the nations.*

² Lighting the Advent wreath originated in Germany in the nineteenth century, based on a Roman custom of the ceremonial entrance of a ruler to a province or city as his 'advent' (from the Latin *adventus*: 'arrival'). The wreath consists of four candles on the outside of the wreath and one candle in the center. One candle is lit the first Sunday of Advent. Two are lit the 2nd Sunday, and so on. Each of the candles has special significance: The first is the prophecy candle; the second is the Bethlehem candle; the third is the Angel's candle; the 4th is the Shepherd's candle; and the center candle is the Christ candle, lit at Christmas.

The Prayers of the People *(concluded with 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 for ever. Amen!

Commitment

The Offering

The offering is a way for members and friends of Grace Church to support the church's mission and ministry. If you are our guest today, please feel under no compulsion to give.

Scripture Reading

Matthew 2:1-18

2 After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him."

3 When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. 4 When he had called together all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born. 5 "In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written:

6 "But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for out of you will come a ruler
who will shepherd my people Israel."

7 Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. 8 He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him."

9 After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. 10 When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. 11 On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. 12 And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.

13 When they had gone, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream. "Get up," he said, "take the child and his mother and escape to Egypt. Stay there until I tell you, for Herod is going to search for the child to kill him."

14 So he got up, took the child and his mother during the night and left for Egypt, 15 where he stayed until the death of Herod. And so was fulfilled what the Lord had said through the prophet: "Out of Egypt I called my son."

16 When Herod realized that he had been outwitted by the Magi, he was furious, and he gave orders to kill all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity who were two years old and under, in accordance with the time he had learned from the Magi. 17 Then what was said through the prophet Jeremiah was fulfilled:

18 "A voice is heard in Ramah,
weeping and great mourning,
Rachel weeping for her children
and refusing to be comforted,
because they are no more."

Sermon

Mr. David Wilcher

A KING'S FEAR
THE SKEPTICS OF CHRISTMAS

Communion

Guidelines for Reception of Communion

Communion is a family meal for Christians. We welcome all committed followers of Jesus Christ to partake of this sacrament: those who are baptized members of a congregation which proclaims the gospel, who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer using the prayers that follow as guidelines. We hope that this time is helpful as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ, and with his people, the church.

The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: Therefore, lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise!

Song of Communion

Love Has Come!

Prayer of Consecration and the Words of Institution

Prayer for those not communing:

Prayer for Covenant Children (Not Yet Confirmed)

Lord Jesus, thank you for placing me inside your family, the church. Help me more and more to know you, to love you, and to follow you as your faithful disciple. Amen.

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you, as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior. Amen.

Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my needs, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking only to you, the author and finisher of my faith. Amen.

Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

Distribution of the Bread and the Cup

Grace Presbyterian uses wine in the celebration of Holy Communion. If you prefer non-alcoholic grape juice, please take a cup from the outer circle of the tray. Please hold the elements until all have received so we can celebrate this meal together.

Song of Commitment

Gentle Mary Laid Her Child

Benediction³

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it.

³ The benediction is much more than a wish or even a prayer. It is a renewed ordination of the people of God to their service to each other, to their community and the world. God declares his own favor toward his people.

Dismissal

Minister: Now, let us go forth to serve this community and the world as those who love our Lord Jesus Christ.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

The pastoral staff and other church leaders are available following the service to pray with you or to answer your questions about the Christian faith or Grace Church.

Worship Music⁴

Thank you for sharing your gifts and talents with Grace Presbyterian Church.

Brent Allmon, saxophone
T.J. Darst, bass
David Fox, keyboard
Damon Henrichs, guitar

David Kang, violin
Debra Moses, flute
Rae Moses, piano
Jennifer Reddick, flute

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Sermon Notes

Matthew 2:1-18

A KING'S FEAR

THE SKEPTICS OF CHRISTMAS

Welcome, Guests! We are excited you're here with us today. We hope that you were warmly welcomed and would love for you to be a part of Grace. Please take a moment to fill out the visitor information on the back of the bulletin, tear it off and drop it in the offering plate or give it on to an usher.

Parents of Infants - Three-Yr-Olds: Our nursery and early-childhood classes provide a warm, nurturing, and well-supervised environment. Our workers welcome the opportunity to love your child! When using the nursery, please check in and label all items (bags, cups, etc.) with your child's name. If you need assistance or have any questions about the Nursery, please contact our Nursery Coordinator, Natalie Webster, at nursery@gracewoodlands.org.

Cry Room: A cry room is available for the comfort of our new parents in order to ensure that everyone enjoys our services. It is located in the back of the sanctuary and it is well equipped (comfortable rockers, changing table, etc.) but if you are in need of anything, one of our ushers will be glad to assist.

Sunday Mornings at Grace

8:30 am Prayer	10:30 am Worship
9:30 am Christian Education Classes	11:45 am Intercession
10:15 am Coffee Break	

Sunday Morning Prayer Ministry: To clasp hands in prayer is the beginning of an uprising against the disorder of the world. We would like to invite you to be a part of this uprising at 8:30 each Sunday morning in the Prayer Room (114). Join us as we pray for the expansion of God's Kingdom.

Lessons and Carols: Join us at at 10:30 am or 5:30 pm for our Christmas Eve Candlelight Service. Based on a Service of Lessons and Carols, first crafted by Anglican Bishop William Benson in 1880, this service joins biblical texts about the birth of Christ with carols that highlight the themes of those texts. Universally beloved, this service is used with some variation all over the world.

Tamina Tree! - If you have picked up tags from the Tamina Tree, **today** is the last day to bring those gifts for children from the Tamina Community Center. Make sure to attach the tag to the gift and place the unwrapped gift under the tree. We will deliver the gifts to TCC and parents will be able to choose items for their children. Your generosity will truly bless these precious children of the Tamina neighborhood. All gifts must be at church no later than December 17th. Please contact Grayson Baird with any questions. grayson@gracewoodlands.org.

All Christian Education Classes are on holiday break and will resume in the New Year.

Community Groups: To be part of the church is to be part of a community. Community is where we connect, build relationships, study, and serve together. Groups consist of 8-15 people meeting regularly in homes, restaurants, coffee shops, etc. Most groups meet on Sunday nights, but other times are also available. *Community Groups are currently on a Holiday Hiatus, but will resume in early January.* If you'd like to learn more community life at Grace, please contact Todd Crusey at todd@gracewoodlands.org.

Children's Christian Education classes are offered for Preschoolers (2-3yrs old), Pre-K and Kindergarten, 1st-2nd Grade, 3rd-4th Grade, and 5th-6th Grade. Classes meet in the Education Building at 9:30 am 2nd Grade and under are on the 1st floor, 3rd Grade and above meet on the 2nd floor.

- **Children's Church** is offered for children ages 4 years old through 2nd grade. During passing of the peace, the children line up with their leader in the back of the sanctuary to exit worship. During the song of communion, children will rejoin their families to observe communion with the rest of the church body. We gather in room 108 in the Education Building to sing songs, pray, and hear a children's sermon. We also collect a children's offering during the service. This format is designed to model worship for our children and teach them the importance of meeting together as the body of Christ.
- **SNiCK and 56ers** is on holiday break and will resume in the New Year.

- **56er Christmas Party** will be on December 22nd from 3:00-5:00 pm at Grace. Come and bring your friends and a gift for our White Elephant Gift Exchange (\$10 limit). We will play games, decorate cookies, and enjoy some festive fellowship! Hope to see you there!

Student Ministry:

- **Christian Education & SNF (Sunday Night Fellowship):** We are on break over the holiday season and will resume on January 14th.
- **Christmas Party:** Join us **this afternoon** for Fa-La-La-La-Luau Christmas Party. Deck yourself out in your best Hawaiian wear and join us for festive cheer. Christmas Party starts at 4:00 pm and will be done by 6:30 pm. Bring a wrapped gift for Secret Santa game (it can be anything!) and any friends you want. Mele Kalikimaka!

Women's Ministry Events and More! Please join the Women's Ministry on E-Connect to get involved.

- **Women's In-Town Retreat:** Our *Name Above All Names Women's Retreat* will be held here at Grace on January 19th-20th, 2018. We will begin with dinner on Friday at 6:00 pm and end after lunch on Saturday. All women are invited to an in depth study of the seven names of Jesus that reveal his work and ministry. Sign up in the Fellowship Hall or the office by January 7th. Registration is \$40 per person. If you'd like to know more, contact Kristen Chandler.
- **Girls' Night Out:** Join us at the Black Walnut Cafe (9000 New Trails), Thursday, January 4th we'll meet at 6:30 pm. Come and go as you like! Questions, contact Kristen Power.

Men's Fraternal:

- **Brew Night:** Our next monthly men's gathering is set for Tuesday, December 19th. Join us at Stadia Sports Grill (89595 Six Pines Dr #1110, The Woodlands) for dinner and fellowship starting at 6:30 pm. Come and go as you like.
- **Men's Discipleship Breakfast:** Our twice monthly men's breakfast is on break until after the holidays. We will resume at **6:30 am on Tuesday**, January 9th at the Egg & I on Research Forest. A breakfast buffet is available at \$10 per person. Steve Wilmoth is teaching a study on the book of James.

GraceCares:

- **Autumn Grove:** Just a few minutes drive from Grace, Autumn Grove Cottage, a sixteen resident assisted living home, provides care to men and women with Alzheimer's. A small group from Grace visits roughly once a month for about 30 minutes or so to sing, pray and visit with the residents. Our next visit will be January 14th at 1:15. We would love to have you join us. Contact Laurel Stevens or Dan Brink for more information.
- **Meals Ministry:** There are many seasons and events in life when we all need the help and encouragement of our community. The Meals Ministry seeks to enter into these times by providing meals and other means of support. If you are in need of meals, or would like to help provide meals for others, please contact our Meals Coordinator, Rhonnie Bellin.
- **Serve and Care for Grace Church members and congregation.** If you would like to know the best way to support and help those who might have financial or physical needs in our church and community, we would encourage you to consider giving to the Deacon's Fund. It is through the deacons and their ministry that Grace church provides for, supports and comes alongside those who are in need. If you have questions, please contact Matt Bradshaw.
- **Prayer Ministry:** Our desire at Grace is that we take seriously the privilege of prayer and there are several ways you can participate. If you become aware of a prayer need, please communicate this to us in one of the following ways:
 - In writing: Fill out the back page of the bulletin and place it in the offering plate.
 - By phone: 281-296-0911 (Church Office)

Your requests will be communicated to our Church Staff, Officers, and our Prayer Team. If you would like to be on our Prayer Team, please let us know.

Missions Service Opportunities & Events: Contact John Zeigler for more information or to be added to our GraceMissions email list or to connect with a missions team advocate.

- **December Partner Prayer:** Please join the Missions Leadership Team in praying for these two mission partners throughout the month of December.
 - Shirley Grimes, Tamina Community Center
 - Denise Apostolo and Dana Garcia, Montgomery County Women's Center
- **Local Mission Partners**
 - Tamina Community Center | Conroe, TX
 - Montgomery County Women's Center | Montgomery County, TX
 - Cornerstone Recovery | The Woodlands, TX
 - Interfaith Family Services | The Woodlands, TX
 - Pregnancy Assistance Center North | The Woodlands, TX
 - Redeemed Ministries | The Woodlands, TX
 - Three Local Refugee Pastors: Pastor Thong Lun & Pastor Mang Tiak -Greater Houston Burmese Christian Fellowship, Pastor Bhadra Rai & wife, Ruth -Canaan Bhutanese Church of Houston, Pastor "Andre" Onokoko Shang -International Ministries for the Propagation of the Gospel | Houston, TX
 - Blake & Ryan Arnoult | RUF | University of Houston
 - Juan Carlos & Samara Martínez | RUF | Rice University
 - Open position | RUF | Texas A&M University
 - Dennis & Jane Hermerding | King's Cross Church | Cypress, TX
 - Leo & Ellen Schuster | City Church | Houston, TX
 - Bill Thomas | PCA Southwest Church Planting Network | Dallas, TX
 - Oaklawn Presbyterian Church | Houston, TX
 - Grace Presbyterian Diaconate
- **National Mission Partners**
 - Way & Amy Rutherford | RUF | Baylor University
 - John & Chrissy Trapp | RUF | University of Texas
 - Ryan & Laura Anderson | RUF | Texas Christian University
 - Wil & Mary Nettleton | RUF | Trinity University
 - Nathan & Falon Moretto | New City Presbyterian Church | Royal Oak, MI
 - David & Kelly Richter | Christ the King Presbyterian Church | Somerville, MA
 - Francis A. Schaeffer Institute | Covenant Theological Seminary | Saint Louis, MO
 - Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) | Atlanta, GA
 - Curtis & Marian Castleberry | RUF | University of Texas at San Antonio
- **International Mission Partners**
 - Jason & Sarah Pickard | RUF International | Texas A&M University
 - Open position | RUF International | University of Texas
 - Joe & Felicity Congdon | MTW | Toyosu, Tokyo, Japan
 - Charlie & Bonita Davidson | MTW | Monterrey, Mexico
 - Andy & Missy Shadburne | MTW | Fremantle, Perth, Australia
 - David & Eowyn Stoddard | MTW | Berlin, Germany
 - Arab Baptist Theological Seminary | Beirut, Lebanon
 - Kay Burklin | MTW | Refugee Liaison, Europe
 - Mission to The World (MTW) | Atlanta, GA

Stewardship Update: Grace thanks you so much for your generous gifts and offerings to our Savior for November 2017.

	<u>November</u>	<u>YTD</u>	
Projected Budget*	68,150	749,650	
Actual General Fund	82,332	690,434	
Variance	14,182	(59,216)	*Based on a 2017 budget of \$817,800

Grace receives more gifts in December than any other month of the year. Therefore, this is taken into account in our annual budgeting. Please keep Grace prayerfully in mind as you consider your year-end giving. If you would like to give securities or need other gift related assistance, please contact Mike Ryan.

Find & Interact with Members and Online Giving:

- **Grace Online Directory:** The link for member login can be found on the church website under the Connect tab. In addition to accessing the church directory, you can join groups and review your giving history. If you did not receive login instructions or would like to be added to the church directory, contact Dianna in the office at admin@gracewoodlands.org or 281-296-0911.
- **Grace Online Giving Portal.** If you would like to give online, you will need to setup an account. The link can be found on our website under the Care/Give tab.
- **Grace Church Mobile App (Elexio Community by Elexio)** is available for iPhone and Android and can be found by clicking the Apple App Store and Google Play icons on the church website. In addition to giving users access to the church directory and events, the mobile app also offers a mobile check-in option for the Nursery. To log on, replace "Domain" with gracewoodlands and use your directory username and password for the app.

Banners Explained: Advent is the beginning of the Church Year for most churches in the Western tradition. The primary color is Purple. This is the color of penitence and fasting as well as the color of royalty to welcome the Advent of the King. This color is also the color of suffering and points to an important connection between Jesus' birth and death. Advent is marked by a spirit of expectation, of anticipation, of preparation, of longing.

The Banner on left is the first and last letter of the Greek alphabet, the Alpha and the Omega. These letters became a symbol for Christ due to His being called "the First and the Last" and speaks of his eternity. This oldest of symbols has been found in the Catacombs, Christian signet rings, post-Constantine coins, and the frescoes and mosaics of ancient churches.

On the right, the circle of the Celtic Cross is a symbol of eternity as well but emphasizing the endlessness of God's love as shown through Christ's sacrifice on the cross. Each of the panels symbolizes a different theme of Christ's coming, his Advent.

Both banners are adorned with holly and ivy. They are evergreens and look alive even in the middle of a frigid winter, when other trees and shrubs look dead. For ancient Christians, this symbolized the unchanging nature of our God, and reminds us of the everlasting life that is ours through Christ. Early Christians placed evergreens in their windows to indicate that Christ had entered the home. Holly became widely used in church celebrations, as the bush with its red berries is considered by some as representing the burning bush. The Holly bush reminds others of Mary, aglow with the Holy Spirit. The red berries represent the blood drops from the cruel thorns in the crown of Jesus.

Missed a Recent Sunday Worship? MP3s of Sunday morning messages are available on the website at www.gracewoodlands.org under Media. You can listen online, download them or subscribe to the Podcast. If you need help or are having trouble, please contact the church office @ 281-296-0911.

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We are glad to have you as our guest today. Please use this page to let us know of your visit and to make us aware of any ideas, suggestions or concerns you may have. You may deposit this page in the offering plate as it comes by, or give it to an usher or greeter. Have confidence that no one will call or drop by your home; this is for us to have a record of your visit or your prayer requests.

Name & Email: _____

Spouse & Email: _____

Home Address: _____

Cell Phone #: _____

Home Phone #: _____

Children & Grade: _____

Please let us know if you are:

- Visitor Regular Attendee One time visit from out of town

I am interested in learning about:

- Community Groups Music Usher, Greeter Sunday Volunteer
- Children's Ministry Women's Ministry Student Ministry Men's Ministry

Prayer Request:

- I would like the prayer team to pray for the following needs or concerns:

- I would like to speak with someone about this prayer request or other spiritual concern; please have someone contact me at: _____.

Prayer of Belief...

Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful that I ever before believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope.

I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, bearing my punishment and offering forgiveness.

Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.