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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*

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Above all the grace and the gifts that Christ gives to his beloved is that of overcoming self.

— Francis of Assisi

The life of faith is a daily exploration of the constant and countless ways in which Gods grace and love are experienced.

— Eugene H. Peterson

# Grace Presbyterian Church

*The Lord's Day*

October 28, 2018

10:30 a.m.

**Prelude**

**Words of Welcome**

**Preparation for Worship<sup>1</sup>**

\_\_\_\_\_ *Praise* \_\_\_\_\_

**Call to Worship**

**Revelation 1:5b,6**

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood,  
And has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father -  
To him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

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

**Song of Praise**

*Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder*

**Prayer of Adoration**

**Song of Adoration**

*King of Saints*

**Private Praise and Adoration**

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**Renewal**

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**Scripture Reading**

**1 Corinthians 15:1-2**

Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.

**Confession of Sin**

*Minister &  
People:*

*God of all grace, we are weak and forgetful people, easily distracted by the joys and sorrows of our lives. We are capable of great thoughts concerning you one moment, yet we forget your kindness, grace, and sacrifice, and live as though we had no hope the next. Forgive us, Father, for the unbelief that clings to us and clouds our minds with doubt and fear. Though we may be quick to forget you and need to be reminded often, you never forget us.*

*Holy Spirit, make Jesus our greatest hope and all our glory. Help us to hold fast to the gospel we have believed: to cherish it in our weakness and to profess its power when we stand strong. Deepen our faith and help us to love you and our neighbor with the love of Jesus because of his love demonstrated for us in his death and resurrection.*

**Private Confession and Reflection**

## Words of Encouragement

**1 Corinthians 15:3-4,21-22**

For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures... For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.

## Song of Thanksgiving

*Tender Mercy*

## 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.*

## 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

**Romans 5:1-11**

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 2 through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. 3 Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; 4 perseverance, character; and character, hope. 5 And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

6 You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. 7 Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. 8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

9 Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! 10 For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! 11 Not only is this so, but we also boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

**Sermon**

Mr. Brad Wright

*THE ANTITHESIS OF GRACE*  
**THE LETTER TO THE ROMANS**

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**COMMUNION**

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*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!*

**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. Gluten-free wafers are provided in cups in the center of the cup trays. Please hold the elements until all have received so we can celebrate this meal together.



## Song of Commitment

*All Must Be Well*

## Benediction<sup>2</sup>

**Hebrews 13:20-21**

Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

## 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 Music<sup>3</sup>

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

Brent Allmon, saxophone  
David Fox, keyboard  
Damon Henrichs, guitar  
David Kang, violin

Debra Moses, flute  
Rae Moses, piano  
Jennifer Reddick, flute

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<sup>2</sup> 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.

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*Sermon Notes*

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**Romans 5:1-11**

*THE ANTITHESIS OF GRACE*

**THE LETTER TO THE ROMANS**

**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, Kate Weimar, at [mothersdayout@gracewoodlands.org](mailto:mothersdayout@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

9:30 am Christian Education Classes

10:15 am Coffee Break

10:30 am Worship

11:45 am Intercession

**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.

**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 consisting of 8-15 people meet regularly on Sundays and throughout the week. If you are interested in joining a group or need more information, please email the church office at [admin@gracewoodlands.org](mailto:admin@gracewoodlands.org).

**Advent Choir:** Singers are invited to gather to rehearse special music for the Advent season. Anyone who would like to sing please join us! Music reading helpful but not necessary. We meet in room 108 at 9 am on Sunday mornings. For further information contact Debra Moses at [debramoses@me.com](mailto:debramoses@me.com).

**Adult Christian Education:** Join us next week for our Sunday Morning series of classes. If you missed last week, there will be a brief review at the beginning of class.

• **Worldview & Culture**

Rob Bittick

For Grace Presbyterian to be a gospel-centered church, are we to avoid or embrace our culture? Join us as we explore four ways that churches throughout history have approached the challenge, informed by various prophetic views, and then weigh these approaches in the light of scripture. Our goal is to envision how the Church can engage surrounding culture with the hope of the gospel.

• **Lord, I Can't Do This Alone (A Study in Gospel & Community)**

Andy Yung

In an individualistic society where vulnerability, trust, commitment and concern are scarce, why unite with people who are different from ourselves? Herein lies the mystery of the Community of Faith—God chooses to knit us together to advance His Kingdom on Earth. Come explore the Gospel and how "community" is integral to our discipleship and growth in Christ.

• **Intro to Grace Presbyterian**

David Wilcher

Whether you are on the fast track toward membership or the walking path toward learning more about us, this introductory class about Grace Presbyterian Church is for you! This is a great chance to better understand the mission and ministry of this church, as well as to interrogate the pastor with any questions you might have.

**Join us weekly at 9:30 – upstairs in the Education Building.**

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

- **Girls' Night Out:** Join us at the Black Walnut Café (9000 New Trails), Thursday, **Nov. 1st** we'll meet at 6:30 pm. Come and go as you like! Questions, contact Courtney Lott.
- **Women's Bible Study:** Join us for our series Living the Gift of God- Freedom in the Light of the Gospel. Wednesday Evening group will meet at PACN's Woodlands location on Wednesdays at 7 pm, Jan Johnston will be leading. Thursday Morning group will meet in room 207 from 9:30-11 am, Linda Martinez will be leading. Childcare will be available.
- **Rain Walks** is a grief support group for women who are dealing with the loss of a loved one, either recently or in the past. Please come to listen (and share if you like) as we discuss our journeys and ways to "walk" through our loss. Rain Walks meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 8:30 am at Black Walnut Cafe in The Woodlands. Our next meeting will be at Black Walnut Café on **Nov. 21st**. Contact Sabrina Amell for more information.

**Men's Fraternal:** John Weimar is leading our Men's Ministry Team..

- **Men's Discipleship Breakfast Bible Study:** Our next meeting is **Nov. 13th** at 6:30 am at the Egg and I. We will be continuing/finishing our study called, "Who Do You Say That I Am" which is focused upon the Person and Work of Jesus. For more information please contact Steve Wilmoth.
- **Brew Night:** Our next monthly men's gathering is set for **Thursday, Nov. 15th** for dinner and fellowship starting at 6:30 pm. Join us at Wings 'N More (16580 I-45 South) for dinner and fellowship starting at 6:30 pm.

**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** All children, 8 weeks through 6th Grade, are invited to join us on Sunday nights from 5-7 pm. We eat and laugh and play during our time together. The goal is to have fun at SNiCK through friendship and fellowship. Invite your friends and neighbors!
- **SNiCK or Treat Costume Party: Tonight**, kids should come dressed up and ready to party! There will be games and prizes, and of course, SNiCK or Treat (Trunk or Treat)! For SNiCK or Treat, families should plan to return to GPC and be set up in the parking lot by 6:30 pm. We are asking participating families to decorate the trunks of their cars in festive Halloween style and stock up on candy and/or other goodies. Adults will line up their cars in the parking lot and costumed kids will come out to Trunk or Treat. SNiCK or Treat is a great time to invite your friends to come to SNiCK & 56ers. There will be a prize for the best decorated trunk!
- **PlayGroup** is an active gathering of moms and dads making space for fun, friendship, and adventure for our young children. We meet on the 2nd & 4th Friday of the month. To get involved, contact Natalie Webster. Since locations and times can change, please join the PlayGroup in E-Connect for updates.  
\***Nov. 9th:** The Houston Zoo

**Student Ministry** is designed for students 7th grade through 12th grade.

- **Christian Education:** On Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:15, we gather to know more deeply about our Lord and Savior and who we are in Christ. Join us on Sunday mornings in room 206.
- **SNF (Sunday Night Fellowship):** On Sunday evenings during the school year we gather to eat, fellowship, and to see the person and work of Jesus more clearly in our lives together.
  - **Sr. High SNF** meets at its new time 3:30-4:30 pm in room 205/206.
  - **Jr. High SNF** meets from 5-7 pm in room 205/206.
- **Girls Movie Night:** On **Nov. 3rd**, all youth girls are invited to a movie night at the Jones house. For more information, please see Courtney Lott.

**GraceCares** - Caring for the church and the community: If you are interested in helping with GraceCares and the needs of the church and the community, please contact Joe Tison.

- **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. Contact Laurel Stevens or Dan Brink for more information.
- **Meals Ministry:** There are 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. If you are in need of meals, or would like to help provide meals for others, please contact our Meals Coordinator, Rhonnie Bellin.
- **Giving:** If you would like to know the best way to support those who might have 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.

- **October Prayer Partners:**
  - **Oaklawn Presbyterian Church, TX-** Pray for the search committee as they begin looking for a new pastor. Sanctuary renovations are underway, but additional funds and volunteers will be required to complete all the necessary work. Several members are in need of full-time employment.
  - **Rev. David & Kelly Richter,** Christ the King Presbyterian Church, Somerville, MA -Pray for their ongoing search for a new building where they can more effectively grow their congregation and minister to the community around them.
- **English as a Second Language:** Our ESL ministry seeks to serve and love our local community by offering free English language classes to adults. Attendance has been high, and new students continue to apply. Several regular volunteers are traveling during October, so additional one-time volunteers would be welcome to help with hospitality, childcare, and registration. Classes are 7-9 pm on Tuesday evenings. Contact Bailey Patel for more info at [esl@gracewoodlands.org](mailto:esl@gracewoodlands.org) or just show up on Tuesday evening!
- **Local Mission Partners**
  - Tamina Community Center | Conroe, TX
  - Pregnancy Assistance Center North | The Woodlands, TX
  - Cornerstone of Houston Team Counseling | The Woodlands, TX
  - Redeemed Ministries | The Woodlands, TX
  - Interfaith Family Services | The Woodlands, TX
  - Montgomery County Women's Center | Montgomery County, TX
  - Juan Carlos & Samara Martínez | RUF | Rice University
  - Brooks & Meredith Harwood | RUF | University of Houston
  - William & Katherine Bondurant | RUF | Texas A&M University
  - Oaklawn Presbyterian Church, Houston, TX
  - Leo & Ellen Schuster | City Church | Houston, TX
  - Pastors Thong Lun & Mang Tiak | Greater Houston Burmese Christian Fellowship | Houston, TX
  - Pastor Bhadra Rai | Canaan Bhutanese Church of Houston | Houston, TX
  - Pastor "Andre" Onokoko Shang | International Ministries for the Propagation of the Gospel | TX
  - Grace Presbyterian ESL Ministry
  - Grace Presbyterian Diaconate
- **National Mission Partners**

Wil & Mary Nettleton | RUF | Trinity University  
 Way & Amy Rutherford | RUF | Baylor University  
 Ryan & Laura Anderson | RUF | Texas Christian University  
 John & Chrissy Trapp | RUF | University of Texas  
 Curtis & Marian Castleberry | RUF | University of Texas at San Antonio  
 Robbie & Kelly Mills | New City Fellowship | Dallas, TX  
 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  
 PCA Southwest Church Planting Network | Dallas, TX

• **International Mission Partners**

Titus & Crystal Bagby | RUF International | Texas A&M University  
 Terry & Mary Rose Dykstra | RUF International | University of Texas  
 Charles & Bonita Davidson | MTW | Monterrey, Mexico  
 Joe & Felicity Congdon | MTW | Yokkaichi, Japan  
 Andy & Missy Shadburne | MTW | Fremantle, Perth, Australia  
 David & Eowyn Stoddard | MTW | Berlin, Germany  
 Kay Burklin | MTW | Refugee Liaison, Europe  
 Arab Baptist Theological Seminary | Beirut, Lebanon

**Banners Explained:** The banner on the right is inscribed with the Latin phrase “Ego sum vitis vera” meaning “I am the true vine”, an expression Jesus used to describe himself in John 15:1. The grapevines that make up the cross symbolize abundance and fruitfulness; Jesus is the only way to a truly fruitful life. The “IHS” in the center of the cross is an ancient monogram for Jesus.

The banner on the left is inscribed with the Latin phrase “In cruce salus” meaning “In the cross is salvation”. Passion flowers symbolize the suffering and death of Christ, and forming a circle in the center is a crown of thorns which Jesus wore on the cross. In the center are the Greek letters alpha and omega, the first and last letters of the alphabet. In Revelation 21:6, Jesus describes himself as the Alpha and the Omega – the Beginning and the End.

**Grace Online** gives users access to the church directory and event calendar. Users can also join groups, print giving statements and give online. If you need any online instructions contact Dianna in the office at 281-296-0911 or admin@gracewoodlands.org.

- **Website:** Grace Online directory link, gracewoodlands.org under the Connect tab.
- **Mobile App (Elexio Community):** can be found by clicking the Apple App Store and Google Play icons on the church website. To log on, replace "Domain" with gracewoodlands and use your directory username and password for the app.
- **Online Giving:** If you would like to give online, you will need to set up an account, the link is under the Care tab on our website.

**Stewardship Update:** Grace thanks you so much for your generous gifts and offerings to our Savior for September 2018.

	<u>September</u>	<u>YTD</u>	
Projected Budget	70,858	637,722	
Actual General Fund	52,652	581,759	
Variance	(18,206)	(55,963)	*Based on a 2018 budget of \$850,300

**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<sup>4</sup>.

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<sup>4</sup> Office Hours 8:30 am-3 pm M - F Phone: 281.296.0911  
 Email: admin@gracewoodlands.org Website: www.gracewoodlands.org

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 & Cell number: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse, Email & Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Children, Age & Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

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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...*

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sinful than I ever before believed, but through you, I am  
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*Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn  
from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.*