

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDEOrgan | Greg Lowther

GATHERING

WelcomePastor Melissa Lowther

Blessed Be Your Name

Do Not Be Afraid

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Offering*Like A River Glorious (#37)*

HEARING THE WORD

SermonPastor David Flowers

RESPONDING

Goodness Of God

This Time TomorrowRachael Jasitt

SENDING

Benediction

SERMON granthamchurch.org/sermons



Faithful in the Fire

1 PETER 4:12-19

DANIEL 3:16-18

MATTHEW 5:11-12

ROMANS 8:18

Peter says that Christians should not be surprised by trials—we should expect them. Therefore, we must prepare ourselves for insults, rejection, and hardships as a direct result of faithfully following Christ. What does this look like today? And what should our response be when we experience suffering for being a disciple of Jesus? In the eighth message of our series, Pastor David invites us to see our “fiery trials” as an opportunity to deepen our trust in God, purify our souls, and become more like Christ.

SOJOURNERS *current series*

In a world that often feels like it's not our home, how do we live with courage, integrity, and purpose as disciples of Jesus? The Apostle Peter writes to early Christians as “sojourners and exiles,” offering timeless wisdom for navigating hardship, cultural pressure, and spiritual struggle. In this 9-week series through 1 Peter, *Sojourners: Living Faithfully in Exile*, we'll explore what it means to be God's chosen people—set apart for his plan and purposes in the world. Join us as we learn how to embrace our identity in Christ, endure suffering, and live as hopeful witnesses of Jesus in a hostile world.

WORSHIP RESOURCES

WANT TO JOIN A SMALL GROUP?

If you are interested in joining with others to share life and dive deeper into the sermon and what it means for our lives, go to our website to learn more about getting connected (granthamchurch.org/small-groups).

WORSHIP RESOURCES granthamchurch.org/sermons

Sermons are posted online every Monday along with small group discussion questions and other sermon resources (e.g. sermon slides, sermon audio, service video, etc.).

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TODAY

Youth Ministry Kickoff Campfire6-8PM

THIS WEEK

Grandmothers in PrayerTHU, AUG 28, 9:30 AM

NEXT SUNDAY August 31

Philatheat Learning Community.....9AM

Worship Service10:30AM

College Student Welcome Lunch.....12PM

SAVE THE DATE

Office ClosedMON, SEPT 1

Moms TogetherWED, SEPT 3, 9:30-11AM

Men's Bible Study.....FRI, SEPT 5, 6:45AM

All Learning Communities resume.....SUN, SEPT 7, 9AM

Baptism SundaySUN, SEPT 7, after service

Join Us in Praying Our Breakthrough Prayer

Father,

We cry out for more of your Kingdom in and through Grantham Church! Please break through our darkness, free us from our bondage, and open doors for greater ministry. Fill us with your Spirit and empower us by your grace, and we will surrender and faithfully follow Jesus in fulfilling your gospel mission. Amen.

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GIVING, ATTENDANCE, & VIEWS

GENERAL FUND GIVING

Year to Date Budget \$621,955

Year to Date Giving \$594,356

LAST WEEK

Giving \$18,987

Attendance 302

Livestream 249