



GRACE CHURCH IN PROVIDENCE

Welcome to "Voices of Grace", our virtual worship experience that features parishioners leading worship from their own homes. We hope you join us from yours! Wherever you are, we pray for your health and well-being. God bless you!

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**JANUARY 31, 2021 ~ THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER
THE EPIPHANY**

VOICES OF GRACE "VIRTUAL" WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY

Chorale-Prelude on 'Old Hundredth'

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

HYMN 380

1 From all that dwell be - low the skies let
2 E - ter - nal are thy mer - cies, Lord, and
*3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise

the Cre - a - tor's praise a - rise! Let the Re - deem - er's
truth e - ter - nal is thy word: thy praise shall sound from
him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye

Name be sung through ev - ery land, by ev - ery tongue!
shore to shore till suns shall rise and set no more.
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

*Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), para. of Psalm 117. St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711)
Music: Old 100th, melody from Psaltes octante trois de David, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (c 1510- c 1561)*

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST LESSON

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Read by Frank Ward

NOW CONCERNING FOOD SACRIFICED TO IDOLS: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him. Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “no idol in the world really exists,” and that “there is no God but one.” Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist. It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. “Food will not bring us close to God.” We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 111

Said by all

Led by Cate Statchen

HALLELUJAH! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, *

in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

²Great are the deeds of the LORD! *

they are studied by all who delight in them.

³His work is full of majesty and splendor, *

and his righteousness endures for ever.

⁴He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; *

the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.

⁵He gives food to those who fear him; *

he is ever mindful of his covenant.

⁶He has shown his people the power of his works *

in giving them the lands of the nations.

⁷The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; *

all his commandments are sure.

⁸They stand fast for ever and ever, *

because they are done in truth and equity.

⁹ He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; *
holy and awesome is his Name.

¹⁰ The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; *
those who act accordingly have a good understanding;
his praise endures for ever.

ANTHEM

ALMIGHTY AND EVERLASTING GOD, mercifully look upon our infirmities,
and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Words: The Collect for the Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
Music: Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)*

THE SECOND LESSON

Mark 1:21-28

Read by Elfreda Thorpe

JESUS AND HIS DISIPLES WEN TO CAPERNAUM; and when the Sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.” But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, “What is this? A new teaching – with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE HOMILY

The Rev. Canon Jonathan Huyck, *Rector*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER

Led by Andrew Shapiro-Zysk

Please join in responding to each petition saying:

Hear our prayer.



HYMN 493

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my dear Re - deem - er's praise,
 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim
 3 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease;
 4 He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive,
 5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;

1 the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!
 2 and spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.
 3 'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
 4 the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.
 5 ye blind, be - hold, your Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

6 Glory to God and praise and love
 be now and ever given
 by saints below and saints above,
 the Church in earth and heayen.

*Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.
 Music: Azmon, Carl Gotthilf Gläser (1784-1829); adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)*

THE BLESSING

The Rector

THE COLLECT FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

ALMIGHTY AND EVERLASING GOD, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth:
 Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God,
 for ever and ever. *Amen.*



~ PRAYER LIST ~

This week, we pray for: *Clinton Crocker, Ken Scanlan, The Hughes Family, Miriam Ganache, Hope Brothers, Buddy Lancaster, the Violet family, Jennifer Novia, the Jarrett family, Dan Jentzen, Marguerite, and all those caring for the sick, those seeking treatments and vaccines for the virus, and all those whose work places them in harm's way.* We also pray for those members of our church who are homebound.



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