

GRACE CHURCH

IN PROVIDENCE

*The Mission of Grace Church is to build, by the grace of God,
a loving and joyful community which lives the Gospel
through worship, proclamation, and service to each other,
to downtown Providence, and beyond.*



THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 21ST, 2021
10:00 AM

WELCOME 'VIRTUALLY' TO GRACE CHURCH!

Welcome to Grace Church! While it might seem odd to welcome you to a church that's not currently open for public worship, a church is as much the gathered community as it is the building, and we are gathered together through this live-streamed worship service. We are in a transitional stage at Grace between the pre-recorded services that we did for the past year and the return of the congregation to in-person worship sometime (hopefully) this spring. For the time being, the Celebrant will receive communion on behalf of all the faithful parishioners of Grace Church, looking forward to the day, soon to come, when all can safely receive the sacrament here at Grace. Henceforth and forevermore, however, we will live-stream our Sunday worship at Grace, so that if you can't join us in person due to distance or infirmity, you will still be able to worship with us. So whoever and *wherever* you are, welcome!

The Rev. Canon Jonathan Huyck+
Rector

VOLUNTARY

Elevation (Tierce en Taille) *from* Messe pour les Convents *François Couperin (1668-1733)*

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
People **His mercy endures for ever.**

TRISAGION S-102

Sung three times

Setting: after Alexander Archangelsky (1846-1924)

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

The musical score consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The first system covers the lyrics 'Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,' and the second system covers 'Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.' The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines that support the vocal melody.

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY GOD, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the lessons.

THE LESSONS

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 31:31-34

THE DAYS ARE SURELY COMING, SAYS THE LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt — a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 51:1-12

Miserere mei, Deus

Sung by the Choir

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; *

in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

²Wash me through and through from my wickedness *

and cleanse me from my sin.

³For I know my transgressions, *

and my sin is ever before me.

⁴Against you only have I sinned *

and done what is evil in your sight.

⁵And so you are justified when you speak *

and upright in your judgment.

⁶Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, *

a sinner from my mother's womb.

⁷For behold, you look for truth deep within me, *

and will make me understand wisdom secretly.

⁸Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; *

wash me and I shall be clean indeed.
⁹ Make me hear of joy and gladness, *
that the body you have broken may rejoice.
¹⁰ Hide your face from my sins *
and blot out all my iniquities.
¹¹ Create in me a clean heart, O God, *
and renew a right spirit within me.
¹² Cast me not away from your presence *
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Anglican Chant by Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 12:20-33

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

NOW AMONG THOSE WHO WENT UP TO WORSHIP at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.” Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor. “Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say — ‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Reverend Hartwell Hylton, *Deacon*

~ SERVING TODAY ~

Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Jonathan Huyck

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