# **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.

### WELCOME!

Welcome to Grace Church! While our congregation has been around for almost two centuries, people from miles around become part of our community every week, so we are always becoming a "new" church. We are also an incredibly diverse church, which is a source of great joy for us. No matter who you are, we are thrilled that you have found your way to us this morning! And while we are a big church, we are also an open and welcoming one, so do not let Grace's size and downtown location prevent you from jumping right in and asking us whatever questions you might have. So welcome, and many blessings to you!

The Rev. Canon Jonathan Huyck+ Rector



### THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

 $\sim$  Sung Holy Eucharist with Carols  $\sim$  Rite II

JANUARY 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2022 10:00 AM

Per the CDC guidelines and due to the increase in COVID-19 cases in our area, we are requiring people to wear masks when they come to church, whether or not they are vaccinated. We are blessed with a large Nave, that allows for more room to spread out, so please do make full use of the available space. Coffee Hour will take place in the Courtyard after the service, weather permitting. Masks are available from an Usher, should you need one. Please turn off or silence all mobile devices prior to the service.

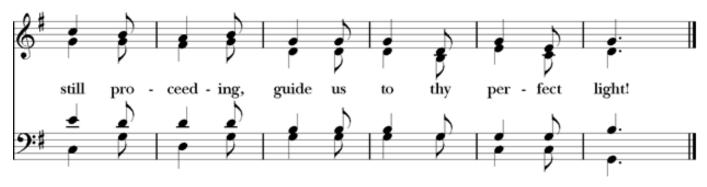
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Please stand as you are able and join in singing the hymn on the following page.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN, 128

Stanzas 1-4 are sung by soloists; the Congregation joins on Stanza 5 and ALL Refrains.





Words: John Henry Hopkins, Jr. (1820–1891) Music: Three Kings of Orient, John Henry Hopkins, Jr. (1820–1891)

#### THE WORD OF GOD

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant

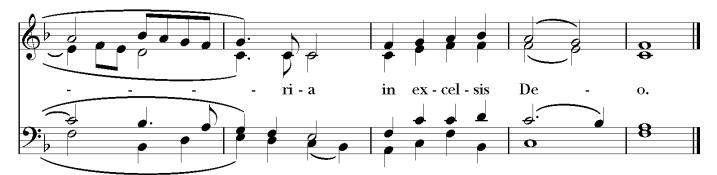
LMIGHTY GOD, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Refrain Glo ri - a \_ ---dex - cel - sis De - o. Glo in d 2 θ

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Sung by all



Music: Gloria, French Carol, arr. Edward Shippen Barnes (1887-1958)



#### THE SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLet us pray.

GOD, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

Please be seated for the lessons.

#### THE LESSONS

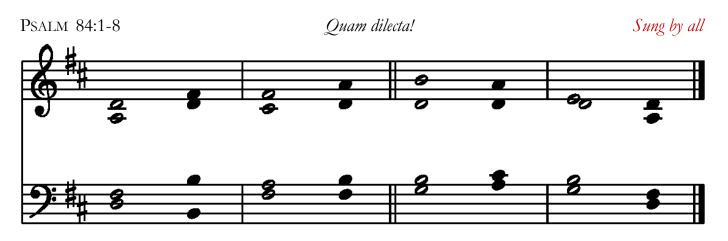
THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 31:7-14

HUS SAYS THE LORD: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel." See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn. Hear the word of the LORD, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock." For the LORD has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again. Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give

them gladness for sorrow. I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty, says the LORD.

PeopleThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.



- How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of <u>hosts</u>! \*
   My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living <u>God</u>.
- 2 The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her <u>young</u>; \* by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my <u>God</u>.
- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your <u>house</u>! \* they will always be <u>praising you</u>.
- 4 Happy are the people whose strength is in <u>you</u>! \* whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' <u>way</u>.
- <sup>5</sup> Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of <u>springs</u>, \* for the early rains have covered it with pools of <u>water</u>.
- 6 They will climb from height to <u>height</u>, \* and the God of gods will reveal himself in <u>Zion</u>.
- 7 LORD God of hosts, hear my prayer; \* hearken, O God of Jacob.
- 8 Behold our defender, O <u>God;</u> \* and look upon the face of your A<u>nointed</u>.

Simplified Anglican Chant by Robert Knox Kennedy (b. 1945), S-410



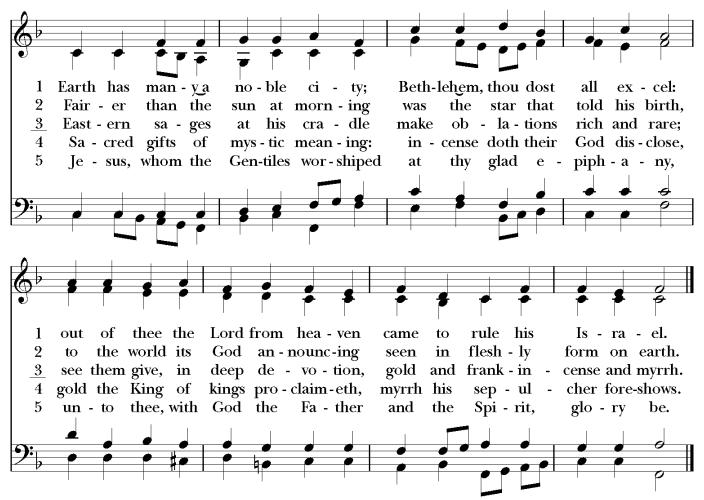
#### Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a

B LESSED BE THE GOD AND FATHER of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

PeopleThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Please stand and join in singing the Sequence Hymn.

### AT THE SEQUENCE, HYMN 127



Words: Marcus Aurelius Clemens Prudentius (348-410); tr. Hymns Ancient and Modern, 1861, alt. Music: Stuttgart, melody from Psalmodia Sacra, oder Andächtige und Schöne Gesänge, 1715; adapt. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870); harm. K. D. Smith (b. 1928)

#### THE HOLY GOSPEL

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

'N THE TIME OF KING HEROD, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born L king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: 'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel." Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

PriestThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Hartwell Hylton

## We stand and say together

THE NICENE CREED

### WE BELIEVE IN ONE GOD, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.
Who has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.



THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Intercessor and People pray responsively

Let us intercede for our needs and those of all nations, upon whom the glory of God has shone in Christ.

We pray for God's holy Church, that its light may beckon a rich diversity of peoples to come and be heirs with us, members of the one body of Christ.

God of light, hear our prayer.

We pray for nations covered by the clouds of ethnic and racial hatred, that in this new year their hearts may rejoice at the dawn of peace and the flourishing of righteousness.

God of light, hear our prayer.

We pray for children abused or neglected, and parents in difficulty or danger, that the Christian community may offer gifts of care and advocacy, intervention, and support.

God of light, hear our prayer.

We pray for all who earnestly seek the face of God, that this community's faith, hope and love may guide them to the revelation of God's grace.

God of light, hear our prayer.

We pray this morning for: Jacob Vogelaar, Lori Kipnis, Larry Grimaldi, the Family of Betty Nichols, David Fellers, Gail Kenney, Sophia, Joanne Quinn, Whitney Reeve, Sarah, Diana, Ruby, and Lola. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble.

God of light, hear our prayer.

We pray for those who followed the star of faith and walked by the light of Christ, that, joyfully entering heaven, they may behold God face to face.

God of light, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, including those we name now either aloud or in the silence of our hearts.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

THE PEACECelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

#### WELCOME AND PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join in singing the hymn on the following page.



The High Altar of Grace Church with the gifts from The Three Kings: Gold, Frankincense, and Myrrh.



#### THE HOLY COMMUNION



HYMN AT THE OFFERTORY, 109





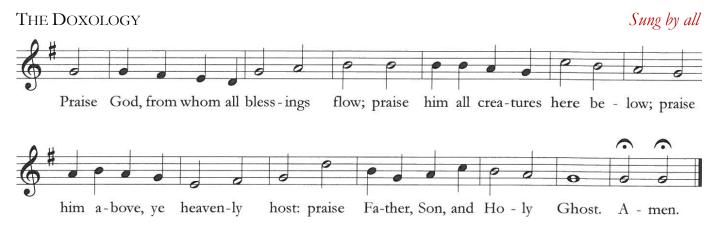
6 Then let us all with one accord sing praises to our heavenly Lord; that hath made heaven and earth of nought, and with his blood our life hath bought.

Refrain

Words: English Carol, 18th cent. Music: The First Nowell, English carol, 17th cent.; harm. John Stainer (1841-1901); alt. refrain harm. and desc. Healey Willan (1880-1968)



#### Please stand, as you are able, to sing the Doxology as the Offering is brought forward.



Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711) Music: Old Hundredth, melody from Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551, alt.



#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING People Celebrant The\_ with you. Lord be\_ with\_ And\_ you. al - so Celebrant People 0 0 We lift the Lord. Lift your hearts. \_ them to \_\_\_\_ up Celebrant 0 0 0 Let give thanks the Lord\_ our God. us to People to give God thanks and praise.\_\_ It is right

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & PROPER PREFACE

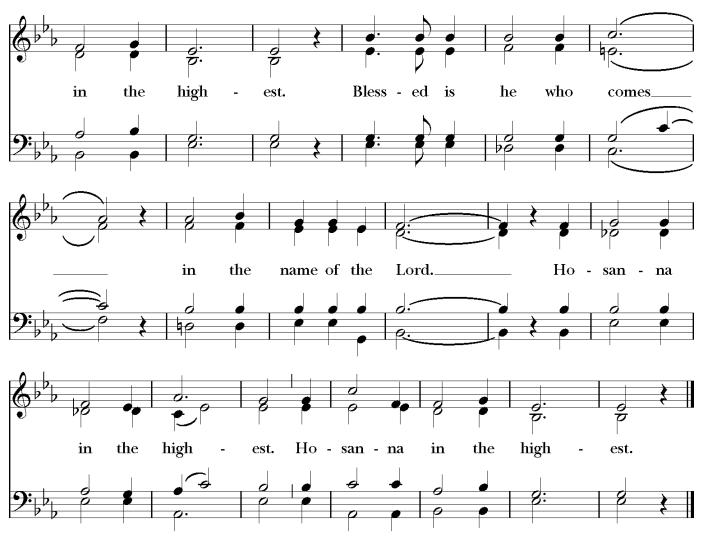
#### Celebrant

T IS RIGHT, AND A GOOD AND JOYFUL THING, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name: SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS S-130



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Setting: from Deutsche Messe, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

Celebrant

H OLY AND GRACIOUS FATHER: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

*Celebrant* Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.



Celebrant

E CELEBRATE THE MEMORIAL of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

### **O**UR 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.

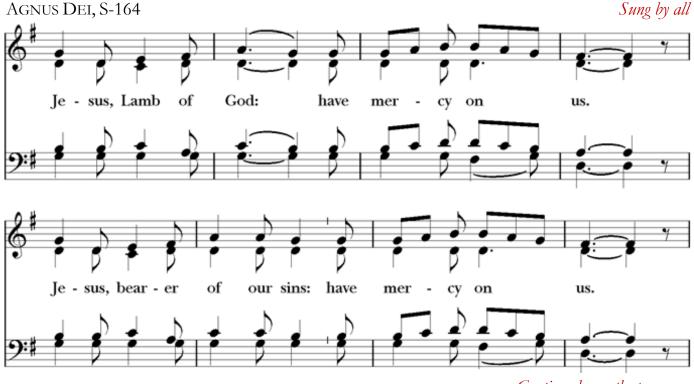
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

After the Celebrant breaks the host, please join in singing the Agnus Dei.



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Setting: from Deutsche Messe, F.P. Schubert; arr. R. Proulx

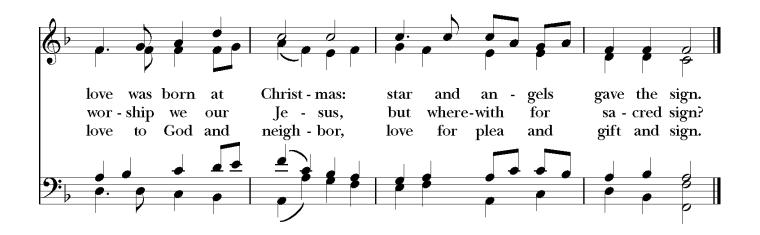
#### THE COMMUNION

If you would prefer to receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest when you come to the Altar. We also have gluten-free wafers for those who are allergic. At the moment, Grace Church is only offering the sacrament of communion in the form of the bread. It is always considered fully acceptable to take communion in just one kind (i.e. the bread). We encourage all communicants to make liberal use of the hand sanitizer placed in the pews after they have received communion.



#### THE COMMUNION HYMN, 84





Words: Christina Rossetti (1830-1894), alt. Music: Gartan, melody from Petrie Collection of Irish Melodies, Part II, 1902; harm. David Evans (1874-1948)

#### We stand and say together

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

### ALMIGHTY AND EVERLIVING GOD, we thank you for feeding us

with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

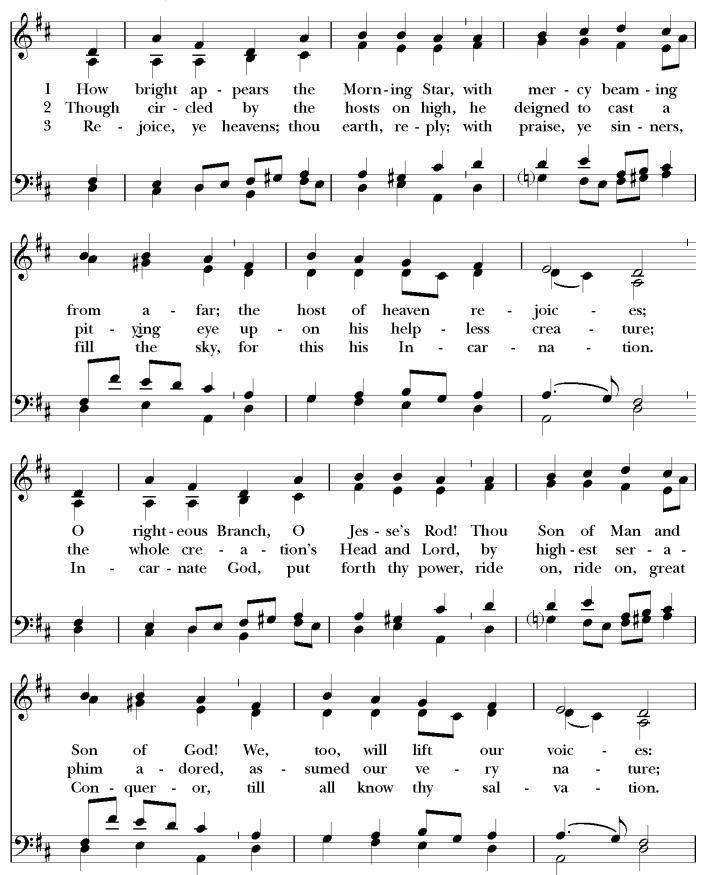
- And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
- To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

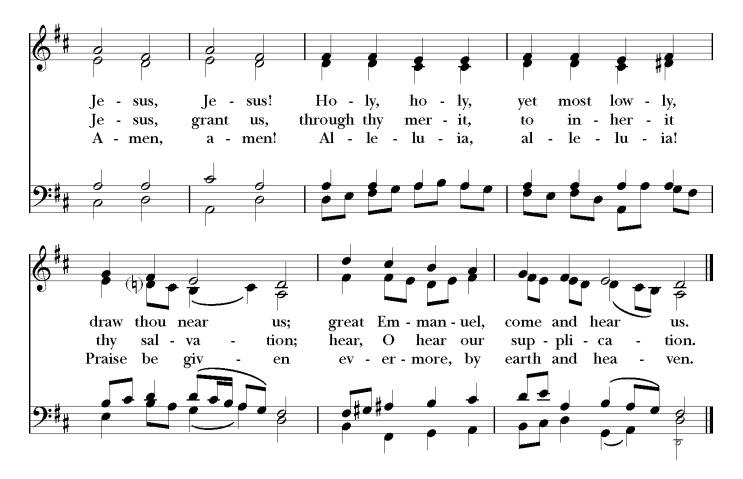
THE EPIPHANY BLESSING

AY CHRIST, THE SON OF GOD, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

Please remain standing as you are able and join in singing the hymn.

THE CLOSING HYMN, 497





Words: William Mercer (1811-1873); after Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608) Music: Wie schön leuchtet, melody att. Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608) arr. and harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

THE DISMISSAL

PriestGo in peace to love and serve the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

#### ~ Serving today ~

Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Jonathan Huyck Preacher: The Reverend Hartwell Hylton Crucifer: Jim Mahoney Lectors: Jane Ditmars, Andrew Raftery Intercessor: Lucia Bomster Altar Guild: Lois Lewis, Barbara Hughes Audio/Visual: Clinton Crocker, David Hughes Greeters: Lisa Doucet, Lisa Gerlach Ushers: Wade Bright, Ed Morgan, Luci Scanlan, Matthew Sneider

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**COFFEE HOUR UPDATE:** For the time being, we will not be having Coffee Hour in The Pavilion, due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Feel free to gather in The Pavilion after worship for a time of fellowship, but please keep your masks on while doing so. On days when the weather seems agreeable, we'll set the coffee table up in the Courtyard. In any case, we will take a pause from sharing food after worship until the Covid numbers have come back down. Thank you for your understanding!

**PARISH PRAYER LIST:** Each Sunday we pray during worship for those whose names have been given to the parish office. To submit names for the prayer list, email them to <u>prayers@gracepvd.org</u>. Names are kept on the list for 4 weeks, unless otherwise requested.

**OPPORTUNITY TO HELP AFGHANI REFUGEES:** Grace Church will be working with the Dorcas International Resettlement Program, helping to place refugees from Afghanistan in homes in our area. There are sign up sheets located on the table in The Pavilion for two upcoming Saturdays in January (1/8 & 1/22) where we will need at minimum a team of 15 volunteers. There are also info packets about the volunteer work available. If you are interested in signing up to volunteer, please fill out the sign up sheet and Bill Galligan will contact you with more info once we have enough volunteers. All ages are welcome to help out! For more information, please email Bill Galligan at wgalligan@gmail.com

**EPIPHANY LESSONS AND CAROLS CANCELLED:** We have decided, given the increase in local Covid cases, to cancel our service of Lessons and Carols for Epiphany, which was to have been next Sunday, January 9. We hope to keep the choir present and singing for Sunday morning services, but feel that it is not prudent to add other large choral services to the schedule at this time. Thanks for your understanding, and we hope to bring back this wonderful service next year.

