

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 FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY: THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

~ SUNG HOLY EUCHARIST ~

JANUARY 9TH, 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. Masks are available from an Usher, should you need one. Please turn off or silence all mobile devices prior to the service.

VOLUNTARY

Chorale Prelude on Erhalt uns, Herr

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

The Celebrant and Choir sing from The Pavilion

God is in this holy temple : *Let all the earth keep silence.*

Let us go forth in peace : *In the name of Christ. Amen*

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

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN, 120



1 The sin - less one to Jor - dan came,
 2 Up - ris - ing from the wat - ers there,
 3 A - bove him see the heaven - ly Dove,
 4 How blest that mis - sion then be - gun
 5 O Christ, may we bap - tized from sin,
 6 On you may all your peo - ple feed,



1 and in the riv - er shared our stain;
 2 the Fa - ther's voice did then de - clare
 3 the sign of God the Fa - ther's love,
 4 to heal and save a race un - done!
 5 go forth with you a world to win:
 6 and know you are the Bread in - deed,



1 God's right - eous - ness he thus ful - filled,
 2 that Christ, the Son of God, had come
 3 now by the Ho - ly Spi - rit shed
 4 Straight to the wil - der - ness he goes
 5 grant us the Ho - ly Spi - rit's power
 6 who gives e - ter - nal life to those



1 and chose the path his Fa - ther willed.
 2 to lead his scat - tered peo - ple home.
 3 up - on the Son's a - noint - ed head.
 4 to wres - tle with his peo - ple's foes.
 5 to shield us in temp - ta - tion's hour.
 6 that with you died, and with you rose.

*Words: George B. Timms (1910-1997); alt.
 Music: Solemnis haec festivitas, melody from Graduale, 1685; Descant Vincent Edwards (b.1968)*

THE WORD OF GOD

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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

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

Celebrant

ALMIGHTY 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, S-278

Sung by all



1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and



peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -



might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



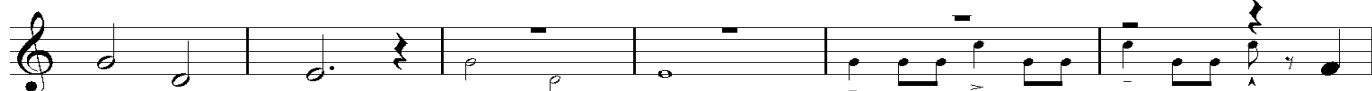
on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



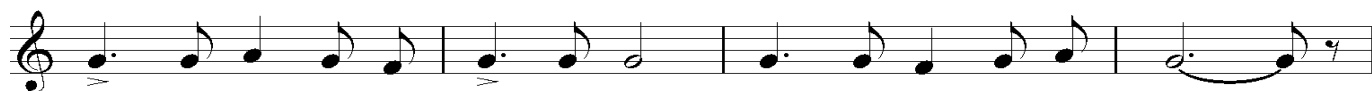
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



ceive our prayer. 6. For



you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

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7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Setting: William Mathias (1934-1992)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

FATHER IN HEAVEN, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings from Holy Scripture.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

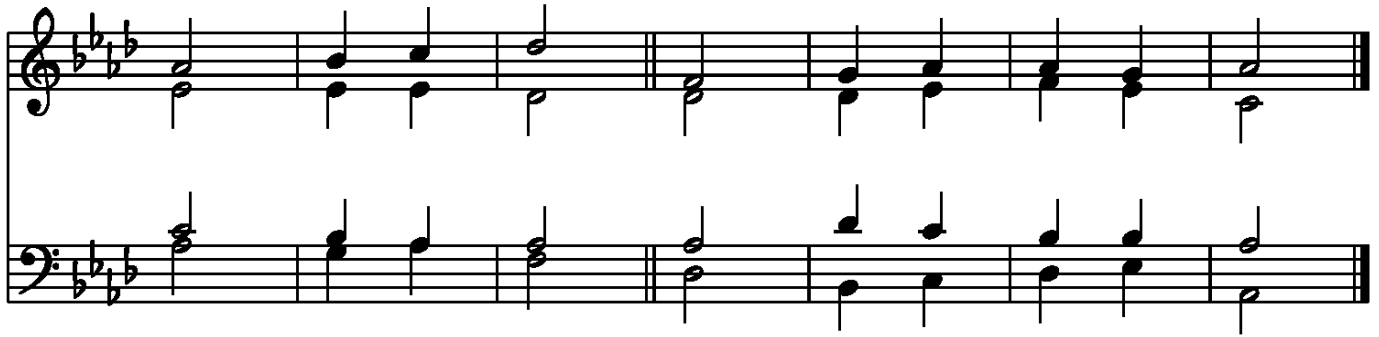
Isaiah 43:1-7

Reader A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

THUS SAYS THE LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth – everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

We remain seated and sing the Psalm on the following page.



- 1 Ascribe to the /LORD, you /gods, *
ascribe to the /LORD /glory • and /strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory /due his /Name; *
worship the /LORD • in the /beauty • of /holiness.
- 3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of /glory /thunders; *
the LORD is u/pon the /mighty /waters.
- 4 The voice of the LORD is a /power•ful /voice; *
the voice of the /LORD • is a /voice • of /splendor.
- 5 The voice of the LORD /breaks the /cedar trees; *
the LORD /breaks the /cedars • of /Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon /skip • like a /calf, *
and Mount Hermon /like a /young wild /ox.
- 7 The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire;
the voice of the LORD /shakes the /wilderness; *
the LORD /shakes the /wilderness • of /Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the LORD makes the /oak trees /writhe *
and /strips the /forests /bare.
- 9 And in the /temple • of the /LORD *
-- /all are /crying, /“Glory!”
- 10 The LORD sits enthroned a/bove the /flood; *
the LORD sits enthroned as /King for /ever/more.
- 11 The LORD shall give /strength • to his /people; *
the LORD shall give his /people • the /blessing • of /peace.

Single Anglican Chant in A-flat by George Alexander MacFarren (1813-1887)

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING

Acts 8:14-17

Reader A Reading from The Acts of the Apostles

WHEN THE APOSTLES AT JERUSALEM heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come

upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able and join in singing,

THE SEQUENCE HYMN, 116

1 "I come," the great Re - deem - er cries, "to do thy will, O Lord!"
2 "Thus it be - comes us to ful - fill all right - eous - ness," he said.
3 Hark, a glad voice! The Fa - ther speaks from heaven's ex - alt - ed height:
4 The Sa - vior Je - sus, well - be - loved! His Name we will pro - fess,
5 No more we'll count our - selves our own but his in bonds of love.

1 At Jor - dan's stream, be - hold! He seals the sure pro - phet - ic word.
2 Then, faith - ful to the Lord's com - mands, through Jor - dan's flood was led.
3 "This is my Son, my well - be - loved, in whom I take de - light."
4 like him de - sir - ous to ful - fill God's will in right - eous - ness.
5 Oh, may such bonds for ev - er draw our souls to things a - bove!

Words: Christian Hymnbook, 1865, alt.

Music: This Endris Night, English Melody; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

AS THE PEOPLE WERE FILLED WITH EXPECTATION, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was

opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

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

THE SERMON

The Rector

Please stand as you are able 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

Let us offer our intercession in the name of Jesus, the Son, the Beloved, with whom God was well pleased.

We pray that all those who have been baptized in Christ may always seek to follow in his path.
God of light, **hear our prayer.**

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We pray that those in valleys of despair may be lifted up, mountains of prejudice brought low, the uneven resources of earth generously shared, and all people live in peace.

God of light, **hear our prayer.**

We pray that our elected leaders may receive God's Holy Spirit and be moved to work for the well-being of all.

God of light, **hear our prayer.**

We pray this morning for: *Steven, 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 that all the departed who await the manifestation of the glory of Jesus Christ may receive the fulfillment of that blessed hope bestowed in baptism.

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 PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Baptism of Christ, Pietro Perugino (1448-1523)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

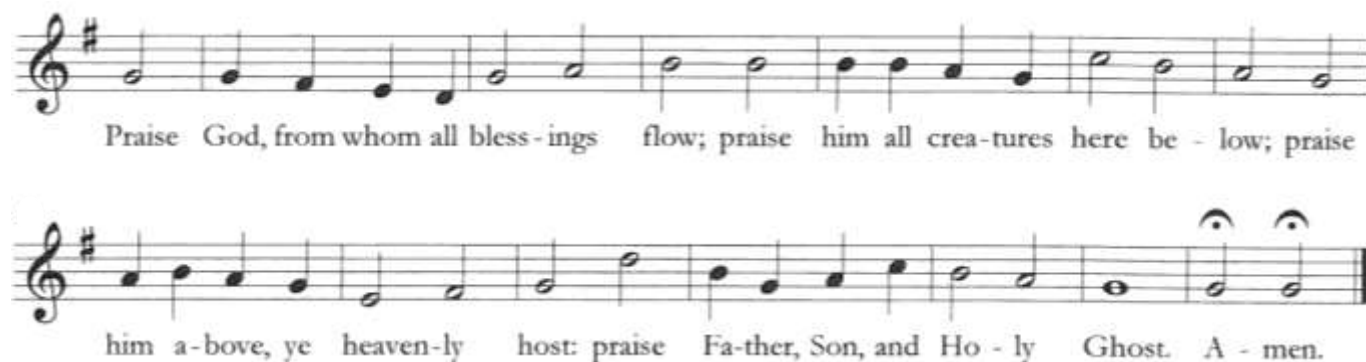
AND THE GLORY OF THE LORD SHALL BE REVEALED,
and all flesh shall see it together,
for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.

*Words: Isaiah 40:5
Music: from Messiah, Part the First, HWV 56, George Frederic Händel (1685-1750)*

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

THE DOXOLOGY

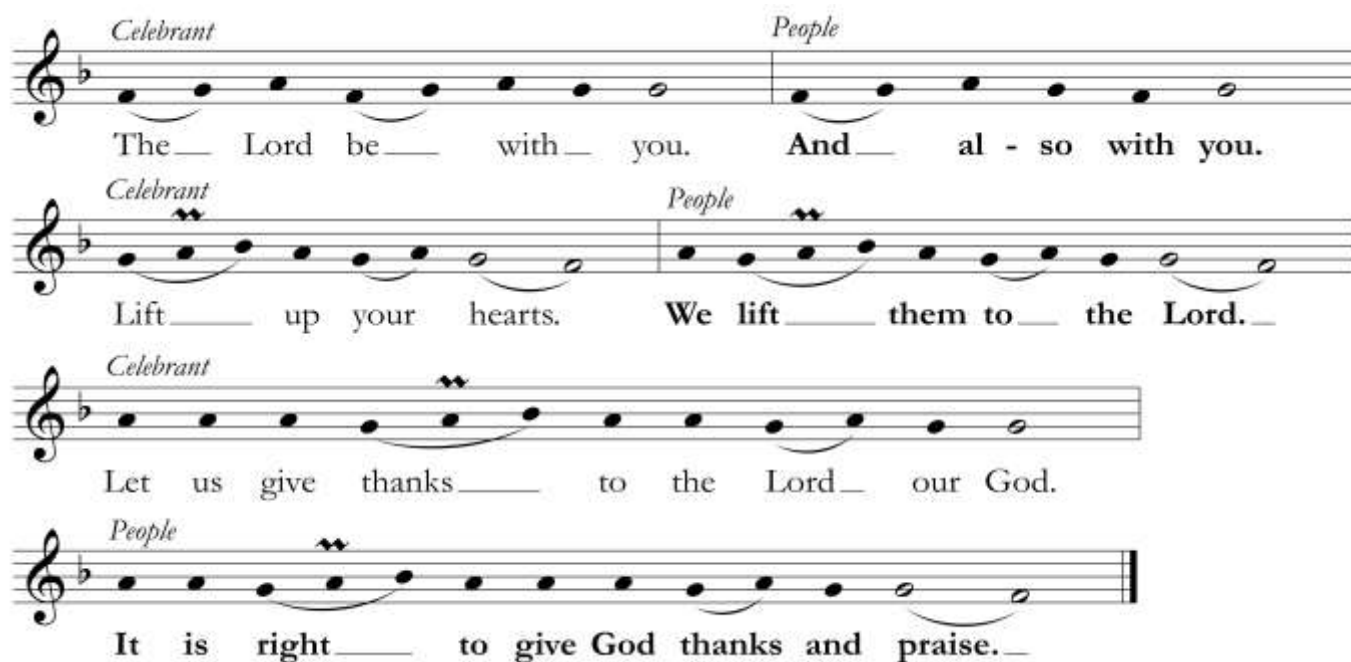
Sung by all



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711)
Music: Old 100th, melody from Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551, alt.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant

IT IS RIGHT, AND A GOOD AND JOYFUL THING, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your son Jesus Christ our Lord. 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-128

Sung by all

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Setting: W. Mathias

Celebrant

HOLY 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
WE 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,

**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 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

Please join in singing the Agnus Dei on the following page.



*Setting: W. Mathias*

THE INVITATION

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts, by faith with thanksgiving.

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.

AT THE COMMUNION, ANTHEM

JESUS AUTEM HODIE regressus est a Jordane.

(But today Jesus emerges from the Jordan.)

When Jesus Christ baptized was, the Holy Ghost descended with grace;
the Father's voice was heard in the place.

Hic est filius meus, ipsum intende. *(This is my Son, listen to him.)*

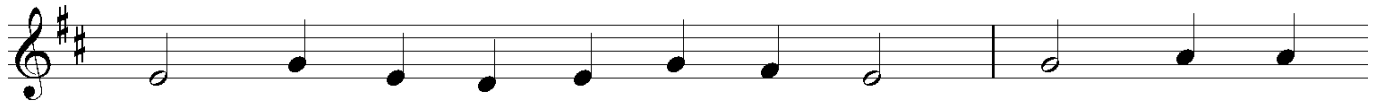
There were Three Persons and one Lord, the Son baptized with one accord,
the Father said this blessed word: *Hic est filius meus, ipsum intende.*

Now, Jesus, as thou art both God and man, and were baptized in from Jordan,
At our last end, we pray thee, say then: *Hic est filius meus, ipsum intende.*

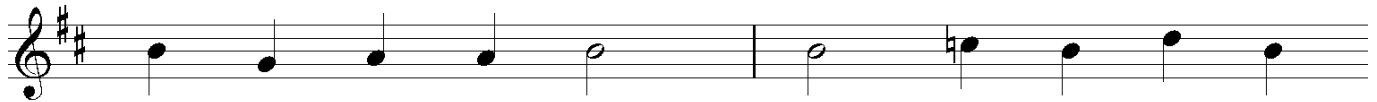
*Words: Medieval text
Music: Peter Hallock (1924-2014)*

Remaining seated, please join in singing the hymn on the following page.

THE COMMUNION HYMN, 139



1 When Christ's ap - pear - ing was made known, King He - rod
2 The east - ern sa - ges saw from far and fol - lowed
3 With - in the Jor - dan's sa - cred flood the heaven - ly
4 Oh, what a mir - a - cle di - vine, when wa - ter
5 All glo - ry, Je - sus, be to thee for this thy



1 trem - bled for his throne; but he who of - fers
2 on his guid - ing star; by light their way to
3 Lamb in meek - ness stood, that he, to whom no
4 red - dened in - to wine! He spoke the word, and
5 glad e - piph - a - ny: whom with the Fa - ther



1 heaven - ly birth sought not the king - doms of this earth.
2 Light they trod, and by their gifts con - fessed their God.
3 sin was known, might cleanse his peo - ple from their own.
4 forth it flowed in streams that na - ture ne'er be - stowed.
5 we a - dore and Ho - ly Ghost for ev - er - more.

Words: Caelius Sedulius (5th cent.); st.1, tr. *The Hymnbook of the Anglican Church of Canada and the United Church of Canada*, 1971;
sts. 2-5, tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.

Music: *Erhalt uns, Herr*, melody from *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543; harm. Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612)

Please stand as you are able, 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 BLESSING

Please join in singing the hymn on the following page.

THE CLOSING HYMN, 448



1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how pass - ing
2 For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly
3 For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his
4 For us to wick - ed hands be - trayed, scourged, mocked, in
5 For us he rose from death a - gain; for us he
6 All glo - ry to our Lord and God for love so



1 thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of
2 fast and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tions
3 dai - ly works he wrought: by words and signs and
4 pur - ple robe ar - rayed, he bore the shame - ful
5 went on high to reign; for us he sent his
6 deep, so high, so broad; the Trin - i - ty whom



1 God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.
2 sharp he knew; for us the tempt - er ov - er - threw.
3 ac - tions, thus still seek - ing not him - self, but us.
4 cross and death; for us gave up his dy - ing breath.
5 Spi - rit here to guide, to strength - en, and to cheer.
6 we a - dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.

*Words: Latin 15th cent.; tr. Benjamin Webb (1819-1885), alt.
Music: Deus tuorum militum, from Antiphoner, 1753; adapt. The English Hymnal, 1906, alt.*

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

Allegro maestoso e vivace *from* Sonata No. IV in B-flat, Op. 65

Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809-1847)

*The Altar Flowers today are given to the glory of God
in loving memory of Arthur George Kofi Coker,
by his daughter Selena Aramide Olawoye.*

~ SERVING TODAY ~

Celebrant: The Reverend Hartwell Hylton

Preacher: The Reverend Canon Jonathan Huyck

Crucifer: Frank Ward

Lectors: Nick Halar, Frank Ward

Intercessor: Selina Olawoye

Altar Guild: Louise Clarke, Phyllis Noke

Audio/Visual: Clinton Crocker, Peter Dugan

Greeters: Ed Morgan, Lori Brown

Ushers: Robert Olawoye, Dot & Steve Haskell, Christopher Tompkins

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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!

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.

WEDNESDAY NOON EUCHARIST SERVICES ARE POSTPONED: Our normal weekday, spoken Eucharist services will be postponed until further notice.

SHAWL MINISTRY UPDATE: Special thanks to all who made hats and scarves for the homeless! Fr. Hylton delivered them to the Church Beyond the Walls in Providence, where the recipients appreciated these gifts of warmth. Our January goal is to make winter items for the Afghani Refugees. Can you make just one hat or scarf to donate? Or, do you have a friend or neighbor who would be willing to make one? Please contact Jane Ditmars at janeditmars@gmail.com for more information on how you can help.

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 an upcoming Saturday in January (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

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