

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 LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

~ SUNG HOLY EUCHARIST ~

FEBRUARY 27TH, 2022
10:00 AM

In keeping with the current change in Covid masking policies in Rhode Island, we have updated our masking policy at Grace Church. If you are fully vaccinated, you are not required to wear a face-covering. If you are not fully vaccinated, we ask that you wear your face-covering at all times when inside the building. Of course, anyone is welcome to continue to wear a face-covering if they so choose. Masks are available should you want one, and hand sanitizer has been placed in every pew and at stations throughout the Church for your convenience. Please turn off or silence all mobile devices prior to the service.

VOLUNTARY

Trumpet Tune in A

David N. Johnson (1922-1987)

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, 129

1 Christ up - on the moun - tain peak stands a - lone in
 2 Trem - bling at his feet we saw Mo - ses and E -
 3 Swift the cloud of glo - ry came. God pro - claim - ing
 4 This is God's be - lov - ed Son! Law and pro - phets

glo - ry blaz - ing; let us, if we dare to speak,
 li - jah speak - ing. All the pro - phets and the Law
 in its thun - der Je - sus as his Son by name!
 fade be - fore him; first and last and on - ly One,

with the saints and an - gels praise him. Al - le - lu - ia!
 shout through them their joy - ful greet - ing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Na - tions cry a - loud in won - der! Al - le - lu - ia!
 let cre - a - tion now a - dore him! Al - le - lu - ia!

Words: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936)

Music: Mowsley, Cyril Vincent Taylor (1907-1991)

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.**

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.

O GOD, WHO BEFORE THE PASSION of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings from Holy Scripture.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

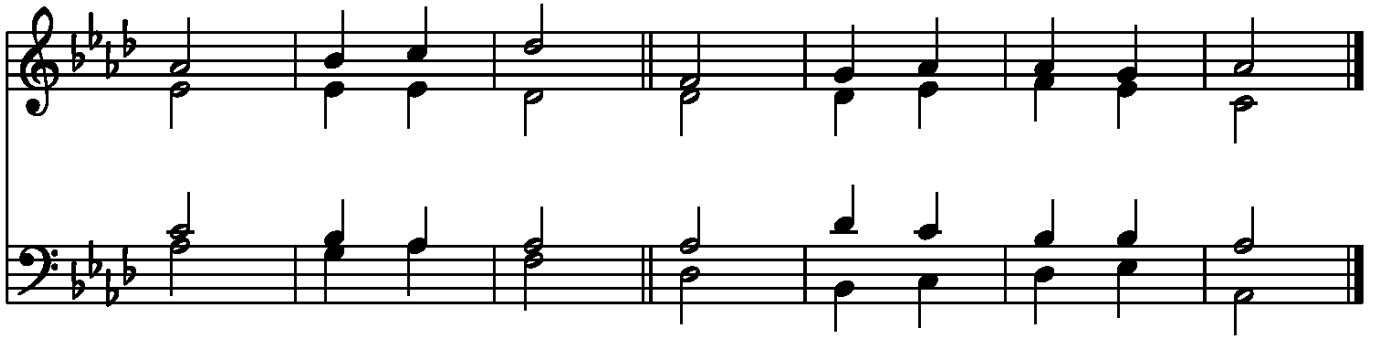
Exodus 34:29-35

Reader A Reading from the Book of Exodus

MOSSES CAME DOWN FROM MOUNT SINAI. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**



- 1 The LORD is King; let the /people /tremble; *
he is enthroned upon the cherubim; /let the /earth/shake.
- 2 The LORD is /great in /Zion; *
he is /high a/bove all /peoples.
- 3 Let them confess his Name, which is /great and /awesome; *
- /he is • the /Holy /One.
- 4 “O mighty King, lover of justice, you have e/stablished /equity; *
you have executed /justice • and /righteousness • in /Jacob.”
- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and fall down be/fore his /footstool; *
- /he is • the /Holy /One.
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among those who /call u•pon his /Name, *
they called upon the /LORD, /and he /answered them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the /pillar • of /cloud; *
they kept his testimonies and the de/cree /that he /gave them.
- 8 O LORD our God, you /answered • them in/deed; *
you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them /for their /evil /deeds.
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God and worship him upon his /holy /hill; *
for the /LORD our /God • is the /Holy One.

Single Anglican Chant by Sir George Alexander MacFarren (1813-1887), S-418

THE EPISTLE READING

2 Corinthians 3:12- 4:2

Reader A Reading from Paul’s Second Letter to the Corinthians

SINCE, THEN, WE HAVE SUCH A HOPE, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit. Therefore, since it is by God’s mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have

renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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

THE SEQUENCE HYMN, 137

1 O won - drous type! O vi - sion fair of glo - ry
2 With Mo - ses and E - li - jah nigh the in - car - nate
3 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray, Christ deigns to
4 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high by this great
5 O Fa - ther, with the e - ter - nal Son, and Ho - ly

1 that the Church may share, which Christ up - on the
2 Lord holds con - verse high; and from the cloud, the
3 man - i - fest to - day what glo - ry shall be
4 vi - sion's mys - ter - y; for which in joy - ful
5 Spi - rit, ev - er One, vouch - safe to bring us

1 moun - tain shows, where bright - er than the sun he glows!
2 Ho - ly One bears re - cord to the on - ly Son.
3 theirs a - bove who joy in God with per - fect love.
4 strains we raise the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.
5 by thy grace to see thy glo - ry face to face.

Words: Latin, 15th cent.; tr. Hymns Ancient and Modern, 1861, after John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.

Music: Warham, melody William Knapp (1698-1768), alt. harm. Hymns Ancient and Modern, 1875, after James Turlle (1802-1882);

Descant: Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947)

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

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

JESUS TOOK WITH HIM PETER AND JOHN AND JAMES, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah” – not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!” When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE RECTOR’S ANNUAL ADDRESS

The Reverend Canon Jonathan Huyck,
XXI Rector of Grace Church in Providence

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.

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**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 bring our prayers before the throne of the Holy One, presenting them through Christ, who followed in the path of the prophets and to whom glory is given.

We pray for the Church sent to witness before all peoples and nations: May it make known to all the love of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

We pray for nations shrouded by clouds of war and discord: May Christ's dominion of peace dawn in splendor on their darkness.

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

We pray for those who dedicate themselves to the service of the poor: May their love and justice transfigure lives in need of respect and dignity.

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

We pray this morning for: *the family and friends of Ricky Birkes, the Holmes family, the Geist family, the Rev. Ilze Larsen and family, Cathy Morgan, Janet Heinze, the family and friends of Danny Sullivan, Tim, Helen, and Andrew Wagner, Margo Williams, Kathryn Chamberlain, Lori Kipnis, Gail Kenney, Joanne Quinn, and Whitney Reeve.* Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble.

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

We pray for those already gone before the Lord in judgment: May the day of their salvation dawn in eternal radiance.

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 CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept

MOST MERCIFUL GOD, we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM

THE TRANSFIGURATION

JESUS TOOK WITH HIM PETER AND JAMES AND HIS BROTHER JOHN
and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone.

There in their presence he was transfigured,
his face shone as the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light.

Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them.

A bright cloud covered them with a shadow,
and from the cloud came a voice which said:

“This is my son: Listen to him.”

Words: Matthew 17:1-3, 5
Music: Larry King (1932-1990)

Please stand as you are able, to sing the Doxology on the following page 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

Holy, holy,

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.

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

CHRIST UPON THE MOUNTAIN PEAK stands alone in glory blazing.

Let us, if we dare to speak, with the saints and angels praise him, Alleluia!

Trembling at his feet we saw Moses and Elijah speaking.

All the prophets and the Law shout through them their joyful greeting, Alleluia!

Swift the cloud of glory came, God, proclaiming in its thunder Jesus as his Son by name!

Nations, cry aloud in wonder! Alleluia!

This is God's beloved Son. Law and prophets fade before him, first and last and only One.

Let creation now adore him! Alleluia!

*Words: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936)
Music: Paul Bouman (1918-2019)*

Please join in singing the hymn.

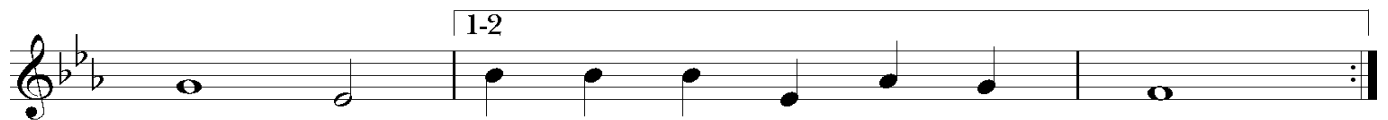
THE COMMUNION HYMN, 133



1 O Light of Light, Love giv - en birth; Je - sus, Re -
2 Two pro - phets, who had faith to see, with your e -
3 May all who seek to praise a - right through pur - er



deem - er of the earth: more bright than day your face did
lect found com - pan - y; the heavens a - bove your glo - ry
lives show forth your light. To you, the King of glo - ry,



show, your rai - ment whit - er than the snow.
named, your Fa - ther's voice his Son pro - claimed.
now all



faith - ful hearts a - dor - ing bow.

*Words: Latin, 10th cent.; tr. Laurence Housman (1865-1959), alt.
Music: Elmhurst, Cary Ratcliff (b. 1953)*

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.

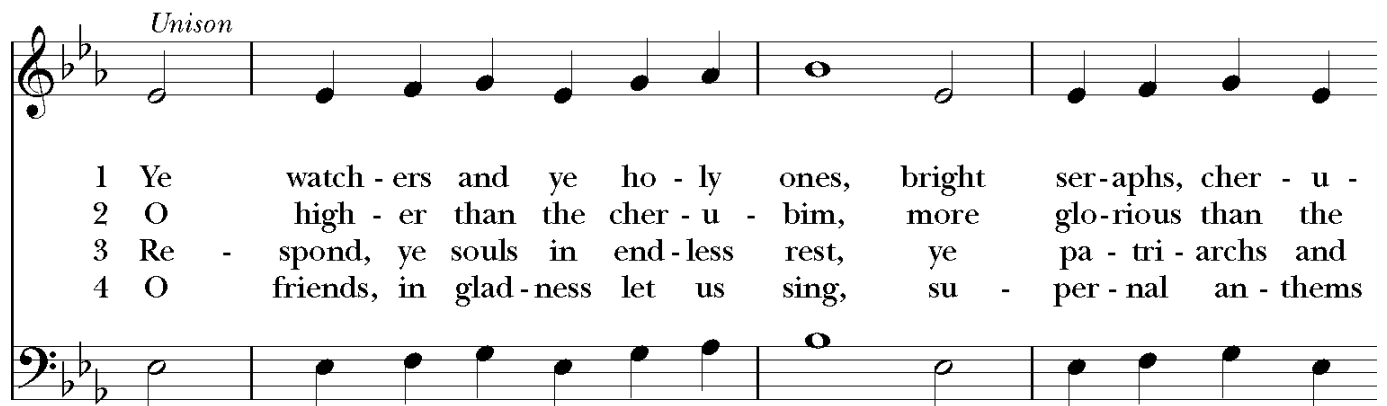
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory,
now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Please join in singing the hymn.

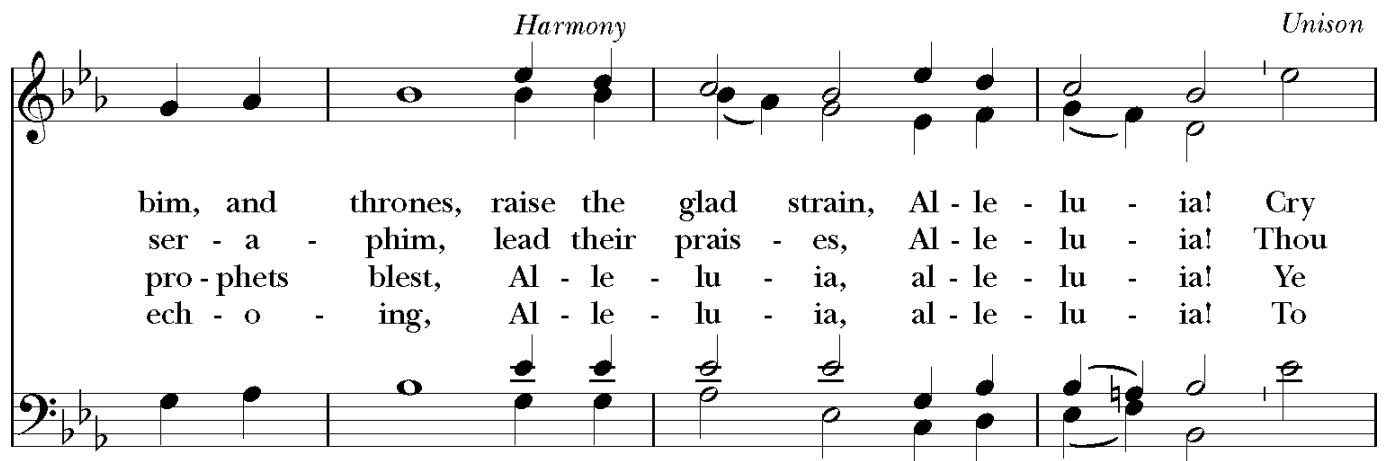
THE CLOSING HYMN, 618

Unison



1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright ser - a - phs, cher - u -
2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more glo - rious than the
3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye pa - tri - archs and
4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su - per - nal an - thems

Harmony *Unison*



bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Al - le - lu - ia! Cry
ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou
pro - phets blest, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Ye
ech - o - ing, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! To

out, do - min - ions, prince - doms, powers, vir - tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels'
 bear - er of the e - ter - nal Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the
 ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyrs strong, all saints tri - um - phant, raise the
 God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in

Harmony

choirs, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 Lord, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 song, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 One, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

Unison

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Words: John Athelstan Laurie Riley (1858-1945)
Music: Lasst uns erfreuen, melody from Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengeseng, 1623;
adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

Épiphanie

Gaston Litaize (1909-1991)

~ SERVING TODAY ~

Celebrant: The Reverend Hartwell Hylton

Preacher: The Reverend Canon Jonathan Huyck

Crucifer: Ed Morgan

Lectors: Jane Ditmars, Jim Mahoney

Intercessor: Nick Halar

Altar Guild: Joshua Klemp, Andrew Shapiro-Zysk

Audio/Visual: Anaezi Modu

Greeters: Pat Trosclair, Lisa Gerlach

Ushers: John Trosclair, Christopher Tompkins, Wade Bright

Coffee Hour Servers: Jimps Jean-Louis, Jane Ditmars

Cover art: A copy of 'The Transfiguration' (1520), Raphael Sanzio da Urbino (1483-1520)

The painting that faces the West Aisle of the Nave, originally intended as the altar piece for the Chapel of the Messiah, is a copy of Raphael's 'Transfiguration'. The Transfiguration is Raphael's final painting (1520), and is revered even among the greatest masterpieces of the age. After viewing the piece at The Louvre in 1802, English painter Joseph Farrington (1747-1821) commented in his diary: "Were I to decide by the effect it had upon me I should not hesitate to say that the patient care and solid manner in which 'The Transfiguration' is painted made an impression on my mind that caused other pictures esteemed of the First Class, to appear weak, and as wanting in strength & vigour." The Grace Church Book of Remembrance records that in the year 1912: "The altar piece is given in memory of Belvidera Fletcher Lilley Hallett July 22, 1840 - April 13, 1900 by her children." According to The History of Grace Church (1931), Belvidera's father, William Fletcher, was a contributor to the 1846 construction of Grace Church. Belvidera was confirmed and married at Grace Church, her children baptized here, and her daughter and grand-daughter both married here.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNUAL MEETING TODAY: The 193rd Annual Meeting of the parish will take place in The Pavilion (with Coffee Hour!) immediately following the 10:00 a.m. service. Join us for a time of refreshments and to hear reports from parish leaders and elect vestry members. The Vestry Nominating Committee (Diane Stamp, Sue Hall, Joseph Berryhill, Bill Galligan, Melody Ennis) will present the following slate for the Vestry: for a second, three-year term - **Lori Brown, Carissa Mills, and Joel Goloskie**, and for a first, full, three-year term - **Nicholas Halar**. The Committee is also presenting **Adrienne Southgate** as our delegate to Diocesan Convention, and **Melody Ennis** as the Alternate Delegate.

CHORAL EVENSONG TODAY: This afternoon at 4:00 PM the Choir and Choristers of Grace Church will sing a service of Choral Evensong. Music by Herbert Murrill, William Byrd, Richard Sheppard, and Samuel Wesley will be featured. The Choir will also sing Sir John Stainer's monumental anthem "I saw the Lord".

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

Join us for one of our services next week on Ash Wednesday (March 2) as we begin our journey through the season of Lent and are reminded of our earthly mortality by having the sign of the cross imposed on our foreheads.

Spoken Holy Eucharist with the Imposition of Ashes
12 Noon

Sung Holy Eucharist with the Imposition of Ashes
7:00 PM

*The Choir and Choristers of Grace Church
will sing choral music by Richard Lloyd, Herbert Howells
& Gregorio Allegri's famous "Miserere mei".*

LENT 2022 BROCHURES: The penitential and reflective season of Lent begins next week as Christians around the world observe Ash Wednesday. Here at Grace Church we will have several additional offerings during Lent which are listed in the Lent 2022 Brochure found on the tables in the rear of the church. We hope that these opportunities will guide and aid your prayers and spiritual life during Lent, so please do join us!

THURSDAYS AT NOON CONCERTS: Our guest recitalist on Thursday, March 3rd will be Benjamin Straley, the former Organist & Associate Director of Music of Washington National Cathedral. Benjamin is currently the Rector of St. Stephen's Church on College Hill in Providence and will play a program of featuring music by Felix-Alexandre Guilmant and Johann Sebastian Bach. We hope you will join us and bring friends!

CHANGES TO COVID PROTOCOLS AT GRACE CHURCH: As of this morning, mask wearing will be optional at Grace Church. This applies to all activities at Grace (some exceptions may be programs for kids). We still ask those who are not vaccinated to mask (presuming they are over 5 years old), and people are always welcome to mask if they feel more comfortable doing so. Coffee Hour will also return the weekly Wednesday Eucharist will resume on Ash Wednesday, and the Chalice at Communion will return on Maundy Thursday, a fitting day to do so, as that is when we celebrate the institution of the Lord's Supper! Sunday School will return in Eastertide. If you have any questions about this transition, feel free to call the parish office at 331-3225.

ORGAN PROJECT UPDATE: We are SO EXCITED to announce that we have had TWO generous gifts to the Organ Project! First, we have a **\$25,000 CHALLENGE GRANT** from a family in the parish. They have asked to remain anonymous, but in their words "hope that their gift will inspire others to contribute to this exciting project." ***We are hoping to get this gift matched very soon, because there is another potential matching gift waiting in the wings, when this one is completed.*** Please speak to Fr. Jonathan or to Vince Edwards if you would like to contribute to the challenge grant, in any amount. A second anonymous gift of \$50,000 has been pledged from a friend of Music at Grace. We are so profoundly grateful

for these generous gifts, that will help us on our way to realizing the Organ Project at Grace!
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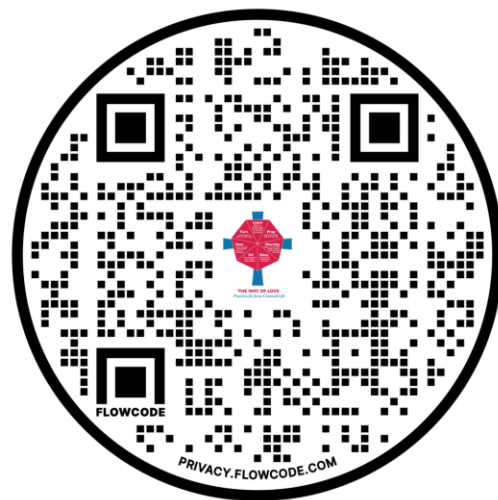
THE WAY OF THE CROSS SERVICES: Next Friday, March 4th at 12 Noon will be the first of our Way of the Cross services. The service is a short liturgy during which participants walk to 14 stations posted throughout the church commemorating Christ's journey to Mount Calvary and his death on the Cross. Grace Church will be offering The Way of the Cross every Friday at 12 Noon during Lent. We hope you join us!

UPCOMING CHORAL CONCERT: On Saturday, March 5th at 7:00 PM The Providence Singers, accompanied by The Providence Baroque Orchestra, will present their 50th Anniversary Concert at Grace Church. They will perform Bach's Magnificat, Heinrich Schütz's Musikalische Exequien, and sing the world premiere of Julian Wachner's We Two Alone. Tickets for the performance can be purchased on the group's website or on Eventbrite.com: www.providencesingers.org



February 27, 2022 – Last Sunday after the Epiphany (C)
Introduction: Life Transformed – The Way of Love in Lent

The journey through Lent into Easter is a journey with Jesus. We are baptized into his life, self-giving, and death; then, we rise in hope to life transformed. This Lent, communities are invited to walk with Jesus in his Way of Love and into the experience of transformed life. Together, we will reflect anew on the loving actions of God as recounted in the Easter Vigil readings. Together, we will walk through the depths of salvation history into the fullness of redemption. Throughout Lent, come along with us as we explore Life Transformed: The Way of Love in Lent, produced by Hillary Raining and Jenifer Gamber. You can find resources mentioned below at iam.ec/lifetransformed or by scanning the QR code to the right.



Introduction

Sunday, February 27

Today's Practice: Watch the Rev. Dr. Hillary Raining's introductory video at iam.ec/lifetransformed. The video is titled, "An Introduction to 'Life Transformed: The Way of Love in Lent'"

Wednesday, March 2

Today's Prompt: Notice the pattern of your breathing. Pray for awareness of blessings.

Read: “Then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being.” – Genesis 2:7

Thursday, March 3

Today’s Prompt: How might you connect with others in the spirit of renewal?

Read: “He said, ‘Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by.’ Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence.” – 1 Kings 19:11-12

Friday, March 4

Today’s Prompt: How can you build pauses into the day to reflect on the work of the Spirit?

Read: “I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.” – John 15:5

Saturday, March 5

Today’s Prompt: How does community help or hinder your growing in Christ?

Read: “But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.” – John 1:12-13

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