



GRACE CHURCH IN PROVIDENCE
AN EVENING EUCHARISTIC LITURGY IN THE CELTIC TRADITION
Thursdays in Lent at 6:00 PM
March 24th, 2022

We invite you to join as an active participant in the worship of God.

Please stand as you are able.

THE OPENING RESPONSES

Leader Young and old, friends and strangers,
All **God welcomes us.**

Leader Lost and bewildered, found and rejoicing,
All **God welcomes us.**

Leader Proud of our success, afraid of our poverty,
All **God welcomes us.**

Leader This morning, this day, this night, for ever,
All **God welcomes us with a hug of love.**

Leader Our message is this:
All **God welcomes sinners and eats with them.**

Leader Our hope is this:
All **God welcomes sinners and eats with them.**

Leader Our home is this:
All **God welcomes sinners and eats with them.**



HYMN

1.Spi - rit of God, I long to live a life, not act a part. Con -
2.Here, in the lone - li - ness of pain, keep com - pa ny with me. My
3.Deep in the hid - den heart of fear, my hope is turn - ing sour. Pre -
4.Lost in a rest - less rush for change, my spi - rit lacks the pace. Ex -
5.Spi - rit of God, be real in me, with me be - com - ing one; make

Piano

fused and hurt, I ask you now to show me where to start.
bo - dy is your space. Make room for cour - age. Set me free.
pare and help my anx - ious mind to op - en to your power.
press your - self in me. Pre - sent a chal - lenge, not a race.
bo - dy, mind, and spi - rit whole, and I am well be - gun.

THE PRAYERS

Leader God of life, do not darken your light to us, God of life, do not limit your joy in us, God of life, do not shut your door to us, God of life, do not refuse us your mercy.

All **Lord, do not refuse us your mercy.**

Leader O God of life, eternity cannot hold you, nor can our little words catch the magnificence of your kindness. Yet in the space of our small hearts and in silence you can come close and repair us.

A brief moment of silence is observed.

Leader O God of life, grant us your forgiveness,

All **For our careless thoughts, for our thoughtless deeds,
for our empty speech and the words with which we wounded.**

A brief moment of silence is observed.

Leader O God of life, grant us your forgiveness,

All **For our false desires, for our hateful actions,
for our wastefulness and for all we left unintended.**

A brief moment of silence is observed.

Leader O loving Christ, hanged on a tree yet risen in the morning, scatter the sin from our souls as the mist from the hills; begin what we do, inform what we say, redeem who we are.

All **In you we place our hope, our great hope, our living hope,
this day and evermore. Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE WORD OF GOD

Reader Listen for the Word which God has spoken;

All **SPEAK LORD, TO OUR SPEAKING,**

**Speak, Lord, to our listening,
Speak, Lord, to our souls' deep understanding.**

Reader A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah.

Jeremiah 7:25-28

FROM THE DAY that your ancestors came out of the land of Egypt until this day, I have persistently sent all my servants the prophets to them, day after day; yet they did not listen to me, or pay attention, but they stiffened their necks. They did worse than their ancestors did. So you shall speak all these words to them, but they will not listen to you. You shall call to them, but they will not answer you. You shall say to them: This is the nation that did not obey the voice of the LORD their God, and did not accept discipline; truth has perished; it is cut off from their lips.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The Cantor sings the acclamation first, then the Congregation repeats it. The Cantor then sings the verse and the acclamation is repeated by all.



The words of the Sa-vior give light to the world, and mer-cy and peace shall fol-low.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 11:14-23

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

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

NOW HE WAS CASTING OUT A DEMON that was mute; when the demon had gone out, the one who had been mute spoke, and the crowds were amazed. But some of them said, 'He casts out demons by Beelzebul, the ruler of the demons.' Others, to test him, kept demanding from him a sign from heaven. But he knew what they were thinking and said to them, 'Every kingdom divided against itself becomes a desert, and house falls on house. If Satan also is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? – for you say that I cast out the demons by Beelzebul. Now if I cast out the demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your exorcists cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges. But if it is by the finger of God that I cast out the demons, then the kingdom of God has come to you. When a strong man, fully armed, guards his castle, his property is safe. But when one stronger than he attacks him and overpowers him, he takes away his armour in which he trusted and divides his plunder. Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

We repeat the Acclamation after the Gospel response.



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THE HOMILY

Andrew Shapiro-Zysk

Please stand as you are able.

THE CREED

Leader We believe, O God of all gods, that you are the eternal maker of life:
We believe, O God of all gods, that you are the eternal maker of love.

All **W**E BELIEVE, O Lord and God of all people,
that you are the Creator of the high heavens,
that you are the Creator of the skies above,
that you are the Creator of the oceans below.

Leader We believe, O Lord and God of all people, that you are the one who created our souls and set their course, that you are the one who created our bodies from dust and from ashes, that you gave to our bodies their breath and to our souls their possession.

All **G**OD, BLESS TO US OUR BODIES,
God, bless to us our souls,
God, bless to us our lives,
God, bless to us our belief.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Gracious God, you have promised to hear when we pray in the name of your Son. Therefore in confidence and trust we pray for the Church:

Reader Father, enliven the Church for its mission.

All **That we may be salt of the earth and light to the world.**

Reader Breathe fresh life into your people.

All **Give us power to reveal Christ in word and action.**

Leader We pray for the world:

Reader Creator of all, lead us and every people into ways of justice and peace.

All **That we may respect one another in freedom and truth.**

Reader Awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it.

All **Teach us to care creatively for its resources.**

Leader We pray for the community:

Reader God of trust, inspire with your wisdom those whose decisions affect the lives of others.

All **That all may act with integrity and courage.**

Reader We remember those who are celebrating birthdays or anniversaries this week. Give grace to all whose lives are linked with ours.

All **May we serve Christ in one another, and love as he loves us.**

Leader We pray for those in need:

Reader We remember those who have asked for our prayers. God of hope, comfort and restore all who suffer in body, mind or spirit.

All **May they know the power of your healing love.**

Reader Make us willing agents of your compassion.

All **Strengthen us as we share in making people whole.**

Leader We remember those who have died and those who mourn:

Reader We remember with thanksgiving those who have died in the faith of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone.

All **Father, into your hands we commend them.**

Reader Give comfort to those who mourn.

All **Bring them peace in their time of loss.**

Leader We pray for ourselves and our ministries:

Reader Lord, you have called us to serve you.

All **GRANT THAT WE MAY WALK IN YOUR PRESENCE:**

your love in our hearts,
your truth in our minds,
your strength in our wills;
until, at the end of our journey,
we know the joy of our homecoming
and the welcome of your embrace,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Please be seated and join in singing the Offertory Hymn on the following page.

AT THE OFFERTORY, HYMN

1. Long-ing for light, we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for truth,
 2. Long-ing for peace, our world is trou-bled. Long-ing for hope,
 3. Long-ing for food, ma - ny are hun - gry. Long-ing for wa - ter,
 4. Long-ing for shel - ter, ma - ny are home - less, Long-ing for warmth,
 5. Ma - ny the gifts, ma - ny the peo - ple, ma - ny the hearts that

we turn to you. Make us your own, your ho - ly peo - ple,
 ma - ny de - spair. Your word a - lone has po - wer to save us.
 ma - ny still thirst. Make us your bread, bro - ken for o - thers,
 ma - ny are cold. Make us your build - ing shel - ter - ing o - thers,
 yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants to one a - no - ther,

Refrain

light for the world to see. Christ be our light! Shine in our
 Make us your liv - ing voice. shared un - til all are fed.
 walls made of liv - ing stone. ma - king your king - dom come.

hearts. Shine through the dark - ness. Christ be our light! Shine in your
 church gath - ered to - day.

Please stand as you are able.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

Celebrant

TIT IS RIGHT AND A GOOD AND JOYFUL THING always and everywhere to give thanks to you, O God. You created us to live in communion with you, yet we turned away. In the beginning, your Spirit moved across the waters, and creation began. You made human beings in your image to live in community with you. When we sinned and fell away, your Spirit called us back. You spoke through your prophet Joel: Return to me with all your heart, for I am gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. And so with people from all times and places, in every language, with all creation, we praise your name:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Sung by all

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord. God of powr' and
might. Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Bles - sed is he, O bles - sed is
he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: St. Anne's Mass, James MacMillan (b. 1952)

Celebrant Thanks be to you, Holy God, for steadfast mercy. You are holy and blessed is your child Jesus Christ. Your Spirit flowed through his life as he became the bridge for our reconciliation. In this season we remember his life and work.

People **Lead us in your truth and teach us, for you are the God of our salvation.**

Celebrant God of the Covenant, you saved those on the ark through the flood and gave them your sign of Covenant, the rainbow. Through repentance and baptismal waters we too have been saved, and made signs of your New Covenant in Jesus Christ.

People **Lead us in your truth and teach us, for you are the God of our salvation.**

Celebrant After Jesus was baptized in the Jordan, your Spirit drove him out into the wilderness. Like Jesus, we too are tempted. Yet he showed us how to resist evil.

People **Lead us in your truth and teach us, for you are the God of our salvation.**

Celebrant Coming out of the wilderness, Jesus began proclaiming your good news, saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.”

People **Lead us in your truth and teach us, for you are the God of our salvation.**

Celebrant

ON HIS FINAL EVENING WITH HIS DISCIPLES, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, “This is my body, which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.” After supper Jesus did the same with the cup, saying, “This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood; do this in remembrance of me.”

Celebrant We bring our whole selves to you, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Celebrant

POUR OUT YOUR HOLY SPIRIT ON US and on these gifts of bread and cup that they may be for us the Body and Blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior. May this meal be for us signs of your gracious mercy: forgiveness of our sins and promise of salvation. Bring your reign near to us in this meal, Mighty Spirit.

Celebrant Draw us together in the ark of your church, that we may be signs of your covenant in the world, Covenanting God, Resisting Christ, and Saving Spirit, One God in Three.

People **To you be all praise and glory, Holy God, now and forever. Amen.**

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the body of Christ:

All **Though we are many, we are one body for we all share in the one bread.**

Celebrant Every time we eat this bread and drink of this cup:

All **We proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

Celebrant Look, here is your Lord coming to you in bread and wine.

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

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.

THE CLOSING PRAYER

Leader God, our God, you have called us to be a people on the move; travelling light, dying to live, ready to lose ourselves for the sake of the world.

All **LEAD US ON OUR JOURNEY from who we are to who you want us to be;**
so that patience is built into us, kindness is assumed in us,
gentleness is part of us, compassion flows from us,
truth is second nature to us and the commitment of love is part of us.

HYMN

1. Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name? Will you
2. Will you love the "You" you hide if I but call your name? Will you
3. Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call my name. Let me
go where you don't know and ne - ver be the same? Will you
quell the fear in - side and ne - ver be the same? Will you
turn and fol - low you and ne - ver be the same. In your
let my love be shown? Will you let my Name be known? Will you
use the faith you've found to re - shape the world a - round through my
com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot - steps show, thus I'll
let my life be grown in you and you in me?
sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?
move and live and grow in you and you in me.

THE BLESSING

Leader The blessing of the Trinity;

All **The blessing of God.**

Leader Who is in this place and every place;

All **The blessing of Jesus.**

Leader Who is among us, often unrecognized;

All **The blessing of the Holy Spirit.**

Leader Encouraging us to welcome, and to feel at home;

All **Be with us all.**

THE PEACE

Celebrant As we greet each other, sharing this place and time, may our life as a community reflect the dance of the Trinity by which the world is blessed. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

We exchange the sign of peace with one another as we depart.

All are welcome to join us for a brief presentation in The Pavilion.

LENT 2022 AT GRACE CHURCH

Wednesdays at 12 Noon

Spoken Holy Eucharist with a brief homily in the church.

Thursdays at Noon Concerts

March 31: Joseph Ripka, Organ

Canon for Music, St. Paul's Cathedral, Oklahoma City, OK

April 7: Clara Gerdes Bartz, Organ

Director of Music, Most Holy Redeemer & Nativity Parish, NYC

Thursday 'Celtic' Eucharists – 6:00 PM

A short, sung Eucharist service with music and prayers from the Celtic tradition and a brief sermon preached by a lay person.

A brief presentation in The Pavilion follows.

Upcoming Lay Preachers

March 31: Matthew Sneider

April 7: Drake Douglas

Fridays during Lent (March 4 – April 8)

12 Noon – 12:30 PM

The Way of the Cross

A short liturgy in which participants walk to 14 stations posted throughout the church commemorating Christ's journey to Mount Calvary and his death on the Cross.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER 2022

The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday, April 10th

Spoken Holy Eucharist with the Blessing of Palms
8:00 AM

Sung Holy Eucharist with The Blessing of Palms and Procession
10:00 AM

Spy Wednesday, April 13th

The Office of Tenebrae: A Service of Shadows
8:00 PM

Maundy Thursday, April 14th

Choral Eucharist with The Washing of Feet,
Procession to the Altar of Repose, and Stripping of the Altar
7:00 PM

The Garden Watch in The Chapel of the Messiah

8:00 PM – 12 Midnight

Good Friday, April 15th

The Solemn Liturgy of The Passion
12 Noon

The Way of the Cross with Music

6:00 PM

Holy Saturday April 16th

The Great Vigil, Renewal of Baptismal Vows,
and the First Eucharist of Easter
8:00 PM

The Feast of the Resurrection: Easter Day Sunday, April 17th

Spoken Holy Eucharist
8:00 AM

Festal Choral Eucharist with Brass & Timpani
10:00 AM

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