

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 THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

~ SUNG HOLY EUCHARIST ~

MARCH 20TH, 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

Ebarm dich mein, O Herre gott, SwWV 303

Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck (1562-1621)

The Celebrant and Choir sing from The Pavilion

Lord, have mercy : *Have mercy upon us.*

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, 149

Unison or harmony

1 E - ter - nal Lord of love, be - hold your Church
2 So dai - ly dy - ing to the way of self,
3 If dead in you, so in you we a - rise,

walk - ing once more the pil - grim way of Lent,
so dai - ly liv - ing to your way of love,
you the first - born of all the faith - ful dead;

led by your cloud by day, by night your fire,
we walk the road, Lord Je - sus, that you trod,
and as through ston - y ground the green shoots break,

moved by your love and toward your pres - ence bent:
know - ing our - selves bap - tized in - to your death:
glo - rious in spring - time dress of leaf and flower,



far off yet here— the goal of all de - sire.
 so we are dead and live with you in God.
 so in the Fa - ther's glo - ry shall we wake.

Words: Thomas H. Cain (b. 1931)
 Music: Old 124th, melody Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551; harm. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)

THE WORD OF GOD

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **His mercy endures for ever.**

Celebrant

HEAR WHAT OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST SAYS: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

KYRIE ELEISON, S-91

Sung by all.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -
 on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
 on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
 on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.
 Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Setting: Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena, Healey Willan (1880-1968)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY GOD, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; 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 3:1-15

Reader A Reading from the Book of Exodus

MOSES WAS KEEPING THE FLOCK of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt." But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I am who I am." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I am has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you': This is my name forever, and this my title for all generations."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

- 1 O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; *
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,
as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.
- 2 Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, *
that I might behold your power and your glory.
- 3 For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; *
my lips shall give you praise.
- 4 So will I bless you as long as I live *
and lift up my hands in your Name.
- 5 My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, *
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,
- 6 When I remember you upon my bed, *
and meditate on you in the night watches.
- 7 For you have been my helper, *
and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.
- 8 My soul clings to you; *
your right hand holds me fast.

Music: Plainsong, Tone II.1

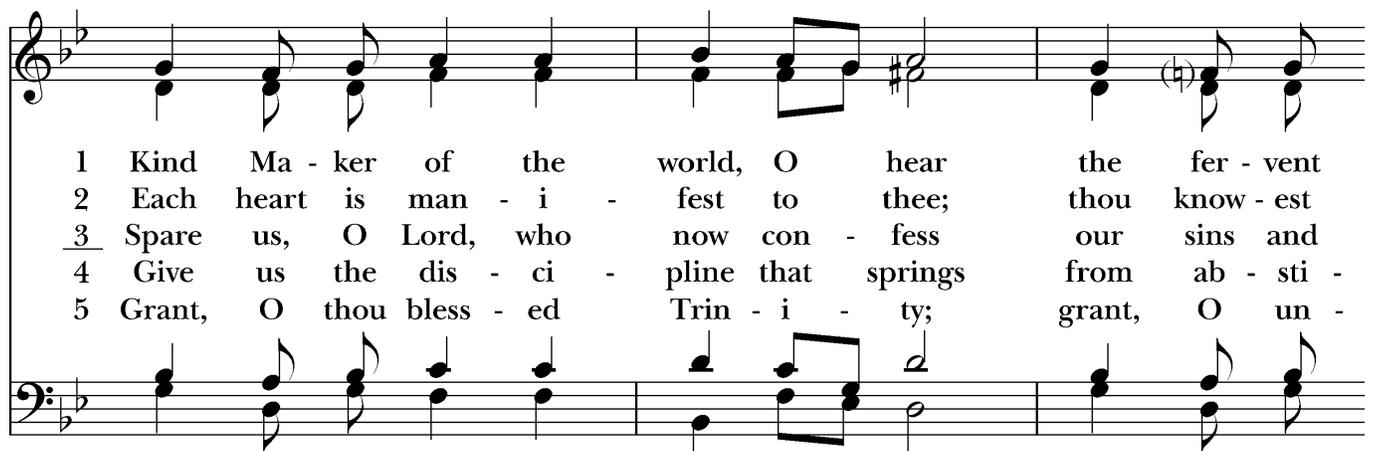
THE EPISTLE READING

*1 Corinthians 10:1-13**Reader* A Reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians

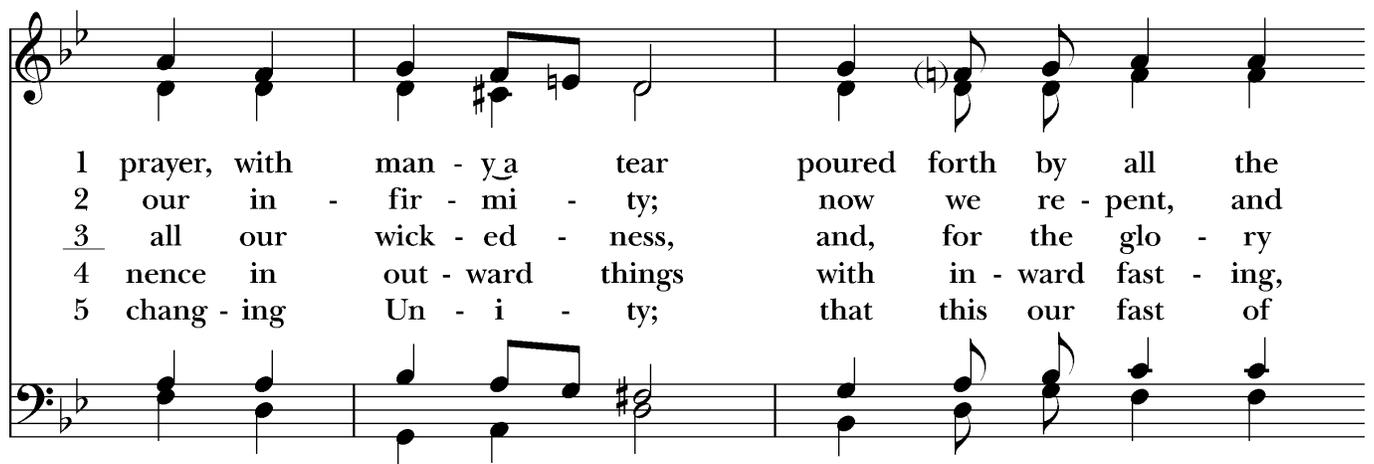
I DO NOT WANT YOU TO BE UNAWARE, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play." We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

Reader The Word of the Lord.*People* **Thanks be to God.***Please join in singing the Sequence Hymn on the following page.*

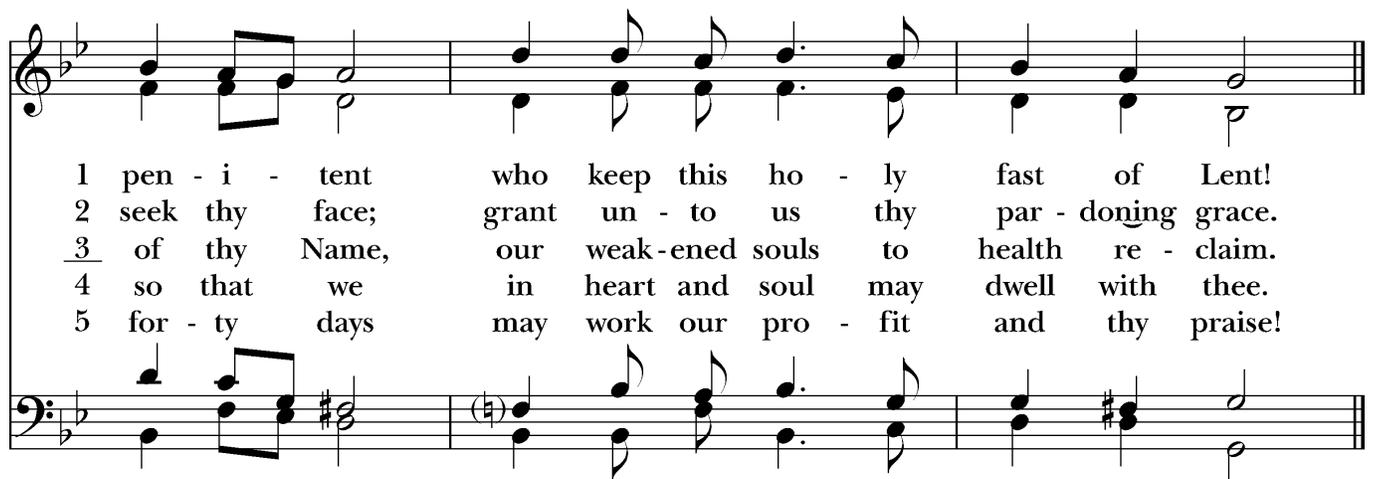
THE SEQUENCE HYMN, 152



1 Kind Ma - ker of the world, O hear the fer - vent
 2 Each heart is man - i - fest to thee; thou know - est
 3 Spare us, O Lord, who now con - fess our sins and
 4 Give us the dis - ci - pline that springs from ab - sti -
 5 Grant, O thou bless - ed Trin - i - ty; grant, O un -



1 prayer, with man - ya tear poured forth by all the
 2 our in - fir - mi - ty; now we re - pent, and
 3 all our wick - ed - ness, and, for the glo - ry
 4 nence in out - ward things with in - ward fast - ing,
 5 chang - ing Un - i - ty; that this our fast of



1 pen - i - tent who keep this ho - ly fast of Lent!
 2 seek thy face; grant un - to us thy par - doning grace.
 3 of thy Name, our weak - ened souls to health re - claim.
 4 so that we in heart and soul may dwell with thee.
 5 for - ty days may work our pro - fit and thy praise!

Words: Att.. Gregory the Great (540-604); ver. Hymnal 1940, alt.
 Music: A la venue de Noël, melody from Fleurs des noels, 1535



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

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

AT THAT VERY TIME there were some present who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, “Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them – do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.” Then he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. So he said to the gardener, ‘See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?’ He replied, ‘Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.’”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

The Reverend Hartwell Hylton

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.

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**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

To the Lord who knows the sufferings of all, let us pray in the name of Jesus.

We pray that all the baptized may take to heart the Gospel's call to repentance, and bear the fruit which the Master of the vineyard expects.

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray that violence and bloodshed may yield to mutual respect among peoples, and a spirit of willing cooperation and generous sharing may grow among the nations.

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray that those who have lost loved ones to violence or disasters may find comfort in their mourning and courage to embrace the future.

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the people of Ukraine, that they may be delivered from the tyranny and violence of their oppressors, so that they may live in peace and safety.

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray this morning for: *Leah, Julian Hayda, Wade Bright, Rusty Beatty, the Haskell family, the family and friends of Ricky Birkes, Kathryn Chamberlain, Lori Kipnis, Gail Kenney, Joanne Quinn, and Whitney Reeve.* Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble.

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray that those who have gone before us in faith may be delivered from death and brought to the good and spacious land of life eternal.

God, in your mercy, **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

Priest 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, SOLO

Recitative

YE PEOPLE REND YOUR HEARTS AND NOT YOUR GARMENTS.
For your transgressions the prophet Elijah has sealed the heavens,
Through the word of God. I therefore say to ye, forsake your idols;
Return to God, for He is slow to anger and merciful and kind and gracious,
and repenteth Him of the evil.

Aria

IF WITH ALL YOUR HEART YE TRULY SEEK ME,
ye shall ever surely find me, thus saith our God.
O, that I knew where I might find Him,
That I might even come before His presence.

*Words: Joel 2:12-13; Deuteronomy 4:9; Job 23:3
Music: from 'Elijah', Part I, Op. 70, Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809-1847)*

~ Brad Kleyla, *Tenor* ~

Please stand as you are able, to sing the Doxology on the following page as the offering is brought forward.

THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all — bles - sings flow; Praise him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise
him a - bove ye heav - en ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

Music: Erhalt uns, Herr, melody from Geistliche Lieder, 1543

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The — Lord be — with — you. *People* And — al - so 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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again. 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:

Please join in singing the Sanctus & Benedictus on the following page.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of
Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -
- ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena, H. Willan

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,

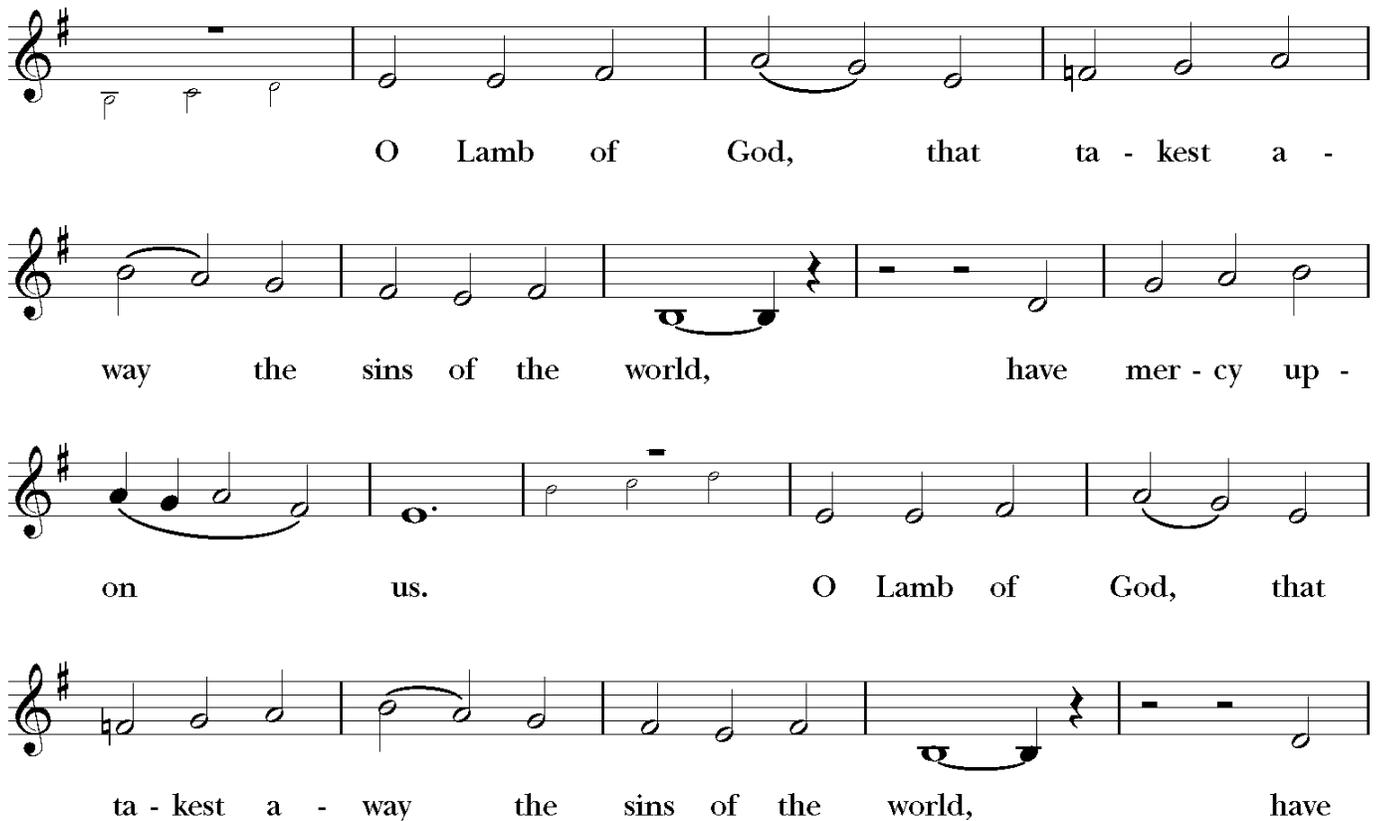
OUR FATHER, WHO ART IN HEAVEN, hallowed be thy Name,
 thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread.
 And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
 For thine 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.

AGNUS DEI, S-158

Sung by all



mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of
 God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the
 world, grant us thy peace.

Setting: Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena, H. Willan

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

AND THEIR CRY CAME UP UNTO GOD.

They oppressed them with burdens, and made them serve with rigour;
 And the children of Israel sighed, by reason of the bondage they sighed.

Words: Exodus 2:23; Exodus 1:13

Music: from Israel in Egypt, Part the First, HWV 54, George Frederic Händel (1685-1759)

Please join in singing the hymn on the following page.



THE COMMUNION HYMN, 439

Unison



1 What won - drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
2 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to
3 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and



won-drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this that
God and to the Lamb, I will sing. To God and to the Lamb who
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on. And when from death I'm free I'll



caused the Lord of bliss to lay a - side his crown for my
is the great I AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will
sing and joy - ful be, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing



soul, for my soul, to lay a - side his crown for my soul.
sing, I will sing, while mil - lions join the theme I will sing.
on, I'll sing on, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

Words: American folk hymn, ca. 1835

Music: Wondrous Love, from The Southern Harmony, 1835

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 SOLEMN PRAYER AND BLESSING OVER THE PEOPLE

Celebrant Look mercifully on this your family, Almighty God, that by your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

People **Amen.**

Please stand as you are able to sing the hymn.

THE CLOSING HYMN, 148



1 Cre - a - tor of the earth and skies, to whom the
2 We have not known you: to the skies our mon - u -
3 We have not loved you: far and wide the wreck-age
4 For this, our fool - ish con - fi - dence, our pride of
5 Teach us to know and love you, Lord, and hum - bly



1 words of life be - long, grant us your truth to make us
2 ments of fol - ly soar, and all our self - wrought mis - er -
3 of our ha - tred spreads, and e - vils wrought by hu - man
4 know-ledge and our sin, we come to you in pen - i -
5 fol - low in your way. Speak to our souls the quick - ening



1 wise; grant us your power to make us strong.
2 ies have made us trust our - selves the more.
3 pride re - coil on un - re - pent - ant heads.
4 tence; in us the work of grace be - gin.
5 word, and turn our dark - ness in - to day.

*Words: David W. Hughes (1911-1967), alt.
Music: Uffingham, melody Jeremiah Clarke (1670-1707), alt.*

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

Toccatà in E Minor

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

~ **SERVING TODAY** ~

Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Jonathan Huyck
Preacher: The Reverend Hartwell Hylton
Crucifer: Leigh Hubbard
Lectors: Andrew Shapiro-Zysk, Briella Weimer
Intercessor: Melody Ennis
Altar Guild: Barbara Hughes, Lois Lewis
Audio/Visual: Drake Douglas
Greeters: Lisa Gerlach & Lisa Doucet
Ushers: Diane Stamp, Clinton Crocker, Steve & Dot Haskell
Coffee Hour Servers: Pat Trosclair, William Woodward, Joseph Handly

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FESTAL CHORAL EVENSONG TODAY! This afternoon at 4:00 PM, the Choir and Choristers of Grace Church will sing a special service of Choral Evensong to mark the Feast of St. Joseph of Nazareth (transferred from March 19th). A reception will follow in The Pavilion and will include a delicious pastry that is popular among Rhode Islanders on St. Joseph's Day - zeppole! Please do join us for this festive occasion!

COMPLINE TONIGHT! This evening at 8:00 PM the Grace Church Schola will sing a short, 30-minute service of Choral Compline. Come, pray in the stillness, and experience the unaccompanied singing of Gregorian chant and Renaissance polyphony in a darkened church, lighted only by candles and with incense wafting through the air. *Doors open at 7:30 PM.*

DONATIONS FOR UKRAINE: If you'd like to make a donation as part of the relief effort for Ukrainian refugees during this time, you can do so through the Episcopal Relief and Development website: <https://support.episcopalrelief.org/ukraineresponse>

COFFEE HOUR DONATIONS: Now that we are having Coffee Hour at Grace again it seemed like a good idea to remind everyone that the food at Coffee Hour comes from donations from parishioners just like yourself! Any Sunday that you're so moved, feel free to bring something tasty to share. Thank you!

GIMME YOUR MILK MONEY! For the month of April, Grace Church will be sponsoring the milk inventory at the St. Peter and St. Andrew Church food pantry in South Providence, and we're inviting Grace parishioners to pitch in. To help in the effort, please write a check to St. Peter and St. Andrew Church for any amount and send it to the Grace office at 300 Westminster Street, Providence RI 20903 by March 28. Thank you!

THURSDAYS AT NOON CONCERTS: Our guest recitalist on Thursday, March 24th will be Boston-based, organist Peter Krasinski. Peter is the Organist for the Providence Performing Arts Centre and the First Church of Christ, Scientist in Providence. We hope you will join us and bring friends!

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!

LENTEN ‘CELTIC’ EUCHARISTS: Join us on Thursdays during Lent at 6:00 PM for a short, communion service that features prayers and music from the Celtic tradition and a brief sermon preached by a lay person. Following the service, a short presentation will be given by the clergy and staff of Grace Church in The Pavilion.

THE WAY OF THE CROSS: Every Friday in Lent at 12 Noon, Grace Church offers 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. We hope that you find this prayerful offering helpful in guiding your prayers during the season of Lent. Orders of service for The Way of the Cross can be found in the rear of the church, and anyone is welcome to walk to the stations themselves as well.

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!
www.gracechurchprovidence.org/organproject



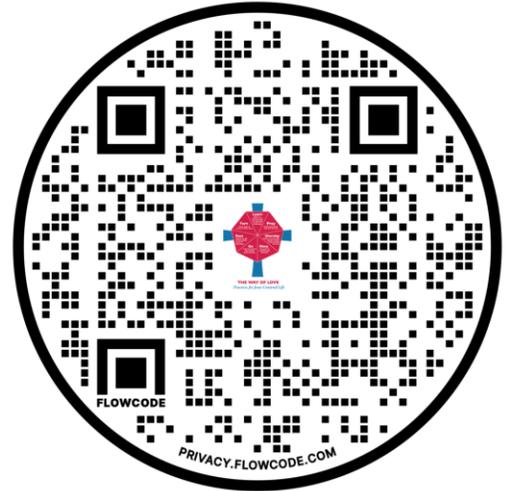
BULLETIN INSERTS

March 20, 2022 – Lent 3 (C)

Week 3: 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.



Week 3

Sunday, March 20

Today's Practice: Watch the Rev. Dr. Hillary Raining's video at iam.ec/lifetransformed for Week 3. The topic is based on the practice "Learn" and is titled, "Learn Wisdom and Live".

Read: Proverbs 8:1-8, 19-21; 9:4b-6

Monday, March 21

Today's Prompt: How is the Jesus who walked this earth beckoning you to meet him?

Read: Mark 10:46-52

Tuesday, March 22

Today's Prompt: Where can you seek and serve Christ in someone unlike you?

Read: "And you shall be my people, and I will be your God. Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin Israel! Again you shall take your tambourines, and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers. Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant, and shall enjoy the fruit." – Jer. 30:22, 31:4-5

Wednesday, March 23

Today's Prompt: How can you incorporate rest from technology today?

Read: “Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.” – Matt. 11:28

Thursday, March 24

Today’s Prompt: Try praying with Anglican prayer beads.

Read: “Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart.” – Luke 18:1

Friday, March 25

Today’s Prompt: In your prayers today, what new words or thoughts touch you?

Read: “Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.” – Phil. 4:6

Saturday, March 26

Today’s Prompt: How might you share what brings you great joy with others?

Read: “We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.” – Rom. 12:6-8

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