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 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNG HOLY EUCHARIST WITH NATIVITY PAGEANT RITE II

> DECEMBER 18TH, 2022 10:00 AM

Please turn off or silence all mobile devices prior to the service. Thank you.

VOLUNTARY

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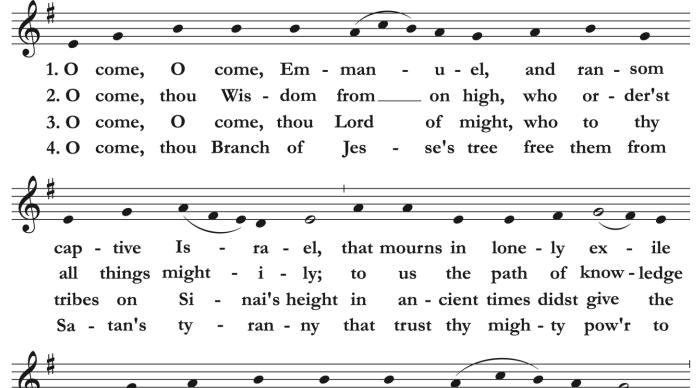
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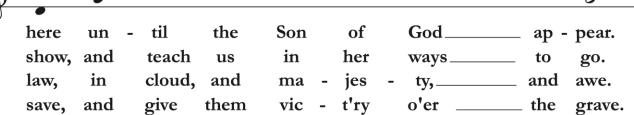
The Cantor and Choir sing from The Pavilion,

Stir up thy strength, O Lord and come: To reign over thy people Israel.

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.







Re-joice! Re-joice! Em-ma - nu-el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.

Words: Latin, ca. 9th century, version from The Hymnal 1940, alt. Music: Veni, veni, Emmanuel, plainsong, Mode 1, Processionale, 15th century; adapted by Thomas Helmore (1811-1890) Descant: Sir Philip Ledger (1937-2012)

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures forever.

Celebrant

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

As four Candles in the Advent Wreath are lighted by a child from the Grace Church Sunday School, the Choir sings,

ADVENT IV: MARY

Blessed are you, Sovereign Lord, merciful and gentle: to you be praise and glory for ever!

Your light has shone in our darkened world through the child-bearing of blessed Mary; grant that we who have seen your glory may daily be renewed in your image and prepared like her for the coming of your Son, who is the Lord and Saviour of all.

Blessed be God for ever.

Words: from The Promise of His Glory, 1990 Music: Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

URIFY OUR CONSCIENCE, ALMIGHTY GOD, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Please be seated for the Pageant.



A NATIVITY PAGEANT IN STORY & SONG

Presented by the Grace Church Sunday School



SCENE I: THE ANNUNCIATION

Mary is visited by Gabriel the Archangel.

SCENE II: THE JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM & THE BIRTH OF JESUS

Mary and Joseph travel to the city of Bethlehem, there Jesus the Christ is born.

Once in Royal David's City Stanza 1 is sung by the Choristers, the Congregation joins on Stanza 2

1. Once in royal David's city
Stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her baby
In a manger for his bed:
Mary was that Mother mild,
Jesus Christ her little Child.

2. He came down to earth from heaven
Who is God and Lord of all,
And his shelter was a stable,
And his cradle was a stall:
With the poor and mean and lowly,
Lived on earth our Saviour holy.

Words: Cecil Francis Alexander (1818-1895), alt; Music: Irby, Henry John Gauntlett (1805-1876); harm. Arthur H. Mann (1850-1929) Descant: Sir David Willcocks (1919-2015)

SCENE III: THE ANGELS & SHEPHERDS

A heavenly host of angels brings news to shepherds of the birth of Christ.

Away in a Manger

Sung by all

1. Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky
looked down where he lay,
The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

Words: Traditional carol

SCENE IV: THE MAGI & THE STAR

The Three Wise Men see a star in the East.

HYMN 128: We Three Kings

Sung by all

1. We Three Kings of Orient are,
bearing gifts we traverse afar,
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,
following yonder Star.

Refrain O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright;
West-ward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light!

Words: John Henry Hopkins, Jr. (1820-1891), alt. Music: Three Kings of Orient, J. H. Hopkins, Jr.

SCENE V: CONCLUSION & PRAYER

HYMN 100: *Joy to the World!*

Sung by all

- 1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come; let earth receive her King;

 Let every heart prepare him room,

 And heaven and nature sing, and heaven and nature sing,

 and heaven, and heaven, and nature sing.
- 2. Joy to the world! The Saviour reigns; Let us our songs employ, while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains, repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy.
- 4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove the glories of his righteousness, and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.

Music: Antioch, George Frederic Händel (1685-1759); adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

WELCOME & PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



THE HOLY COMMUNION

AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM

MY SOUL DOTH MAGNIFY THE LORD, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior. For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden. For behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. For he that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is his Name. And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations. He hath showed strength with his arm;

he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel,

as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed forever.

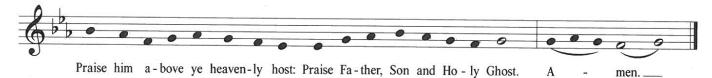
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; world without end. Amen.

Words: Luke 1:46-55 & Gloria Patri Music: Magnificat from The Evening Service in A-flat, Op. 6, Basil Harwood (1859-1949)

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



Praise God from whom all bles - sings flow; Prasie him all crea - tures here be - low;



Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711) Music: Conditor alme siderum, plainsong, Mode IV

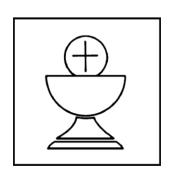
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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People We lift them to the Lord.

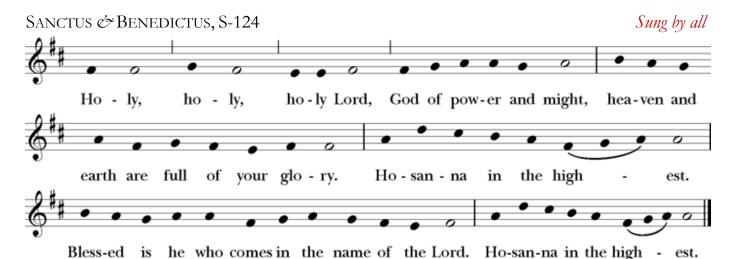
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.



Celebrant

T IS RIGHT, AND A GOOD AND JOYFUL THING, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing. 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:



Setting: New Plainsong Mass, David Hurd (b. 1950)

Celebrant

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

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Celebrant

TE 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. **Amen.**

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.

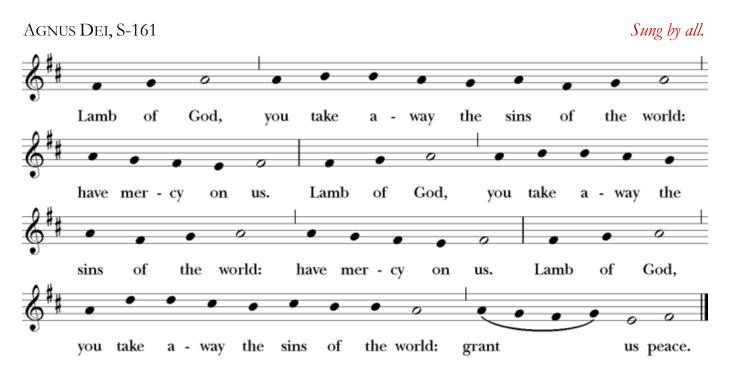
And lead us not into temptation,

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

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



Setting: New Plainsong Mass, D. Hurd

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

To receive communion, extend your hands to the Priest, who will place the wafer in your hand (if you would like a gluten-free wafer, please ask for one). If you wish to receive the wine in an individual cup, approach the Communion Station in the Baptistry to the left of the Eagle Lectern, take a small, compostable cup from the table next to the pillar, and the Minister of Communion will pour a small amount of wine into it. After drinking the wine, place the cup in the basket by the pillar and return to your seat via the Side Aisle.

If you would prefer to receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest when you come to the Altar.

While the Congregation receives communion, the Choir sings,

AT THE COMMUNION, MOTET

DIXIT MARIA AD ANGELUM:

Ecce ancilla Domini,
fiat mihi secundum verbum tuum.

Mary said to the Angel: Behold, I am the handmaiden of the Lord, let it be done unto me, according to thy word.

> Words: Luke 1:38 Music: Hans Leo Hassler (c 1564-1612)

Please join in singing the hymn on the following page.





Words: Basque carol; para. Sabine Baring-Gould (1834-1924) Music: Gabriel's Message, Basque carol; harm. Edgar Pettman (1865-1943)

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 ADVENT BLESSING

Priest May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin.

People Amen.

Priest May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love.

People Amen.

Priest May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life.

People Amen.

Priest And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

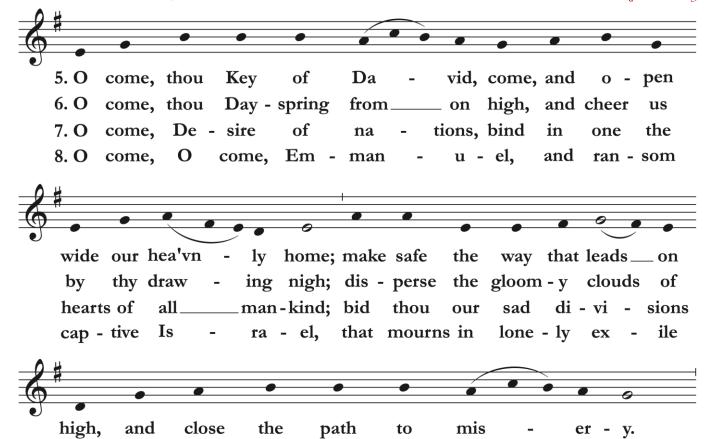
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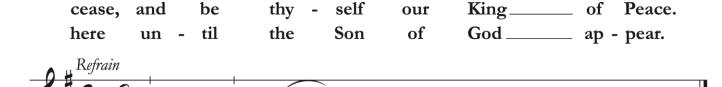
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THE DISMISSAL

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Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

People Thanks be to God!

VOLUNTARY

Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 661

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

~ SERVING TODAY ~

Celebrant: The Reverend Hartwell Hylton
Assisting Priest: The Reverend Canon Jonathan Huyck
Crucifer: Jim Mahoney
Minister of Communion: Robert Baxter
Altar Guild: Charles Carroll, Joshua Klemp
Greeters: Diane Stamp, Ed Morgan
Ushers: Robert Olawoye, Steve & Dot Haskell, Anela Brewster
Audio/Visual: Clinton Crocker
Coffee Hour Servers: Luci Scanlan, Joseph Handly, William Woodward

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE GREAT "O" ANTIPHONS OF ADVENT & CHORAL COMPLINE TODAY! This evening at 8:00 PM the men of the Grace Church Schola will chant The Seven Great "O" Antiphons of Advent. A portion of the evening psalms that correspond to the appointed dates of each Antiphon, will be read in between each Antiphon to guide your prayers and meditations. Choral Compline follows immediately after the seventh Antiphon. Doors open at 7:30 PM.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA & MUSIC DEDICATIONS: You'll find Christmas Flower and Music dedication cards located in the pews, on the back table near the Baptismal Font, and in the Narthex literature rack. Thank you for printing your dedications legibly, and using the green flower envelopes. Submit dedications along with your gift in the collections plate, or mail to the Church Office by today, December 18th.

GREENING OF THE CHURCH! Calling Santa's Elves – Christmas Decorating help needed! We need some help decorating the church for Christmas! If you could spare an hour or two, we have lots of specific jobs for folks to do. We will be meeting at 10:00 AM on Thursday, December 22 in the church. Diane Stamp, our Flower Guild Coordinator, will be here to supervise and keep us all in line! If you would like to help, speak to Diane after church, contact her by email: deestamp@gmail.com or just show up on Thursday! It will be a fun and festive time, and we're grateful for your help!

SPECIAL EUCHARIST FOR THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY: On Friday, January 6, 2023 at 6:00 PM, we will observe the Feast of the Epiphany with a special Festal Eucharist led by The Choristers of Grace Church. Music for the service will include Benjamin Britten's Missa Brevis in D for Treble Voices, Op. 63 and a new anthem composed specifically for this service by our Director of Music, Vincent Edwards. A reception will follow in The Pavilion.

NAMETAGS AVAILABLE: You, too, can have a nametag to wear at Grace! Nametags help us build connections with one another. If you would like one made, please clearly print your name on one of the sign-up sheets at the back of the church, entering the Pavilion, or in the Narthex. Don't forget to drop them in the Nametag Return bin when leaving the courtyard or exiting into the Grace parking lot! We'll have it waiting in the Narthex for the next time you join us.



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CHRISTMAS 2022

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THE FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST:

~ CHRISTMAS EVE ~

Saturday, December 24th, 2022

A Festival of Lessons & Carols for Christmas with Choral Eucharist 5:00 PM

Festal Choral Eucharist with String Quartet 10:00 PM

Prelude Music begins at 9:30 PM

~ CHRISTMAS DAY ~

Sunday, December 25th, 2022
Festal Sung Eucharist with Choral Quartet & Christmas Carols
10:00 AM

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS: ~ THE FEAST OF THE HOLY NAME ~

Sunday, January 1st, 2023 Spoken Holy Eucharist 8:00 AM

Festal Sung Eucharist with Christmas Carols 10:00 AM





LEADERSHIP AT GRACE CHURCH

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