

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 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

~ SUNG HOLY EUCHARIST ~
RITE II

DECEMBER 4TH, 2022
10:00 AM

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

VOLUNTARY

Prelude in G Major, Op. 37

Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809-1847)

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.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN, 65



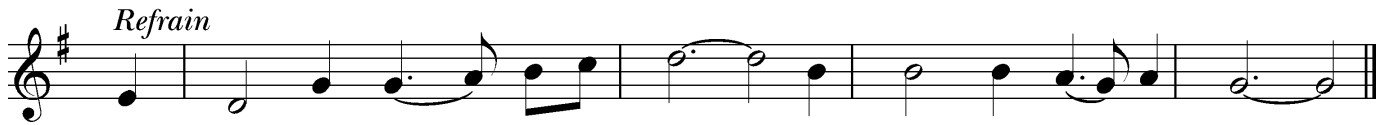
1 Pre - pare the way, O Zi - on, your Christ is draw - ing near!
 2 He brings God's rule, O Zi - on; he comes from heaven a - bove.
 3 Fling wide your gates, O Zi - on; your Sa - vior's rule em - brace.



Let ev - ery hill and val - ley a lev - el way ap - pear.
 His rule is peace and free - dom, and jus - tice, truth, and love.
 His tid - ings of sal - va - tion pro - claim in ev - ery place.



Greet One who comes in glo - ry, fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry.
 Lift high your praise re - sound - ing, for grace and joy a - bound - ing.
 All lands will bow be - fore him, their voic - es will a - dore him.



Refrain
 Oh, blest is Christ that came in God's most ho - ly name.

Words: Frans Mikael Franzen (1772-1847); tr, composite; adapt. Charles P. Price (1920-1999)
Music: Bereden väg för Herran, melody from Then Svenska Psalmboken, 1697

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **His mercy endures forever.**

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.**

Please join in singing the Trisagion on the following page, during which Sunday School Children (ages 4-12) gather at the foot of the Advent Wreath.



Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Setting: after Alexander Archangelsky (1846-1924)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

MERCIFUL GOD, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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

THE ADVENT WREATH PRAYERS

*Sung by the Choir***ADVENT II: THE PROPHETS***Blessed are you, Sovereign Lord, just and true: to you be praise and glory for ever!*

Of old you spoke by the mouth of your prophets

but in our days you speak through your Son whom you have appointed the heir of all things.

Grant us, your people, to walk in his light that we may be found ready and watching when he comes again in glory and judgment; for you are our light and our salvation.

Blessed be God for ever.

*Words: from The Promise of His Glory, 1990**Music: Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)**Please be seated for the readings from Holy Scripture.*

Reader A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

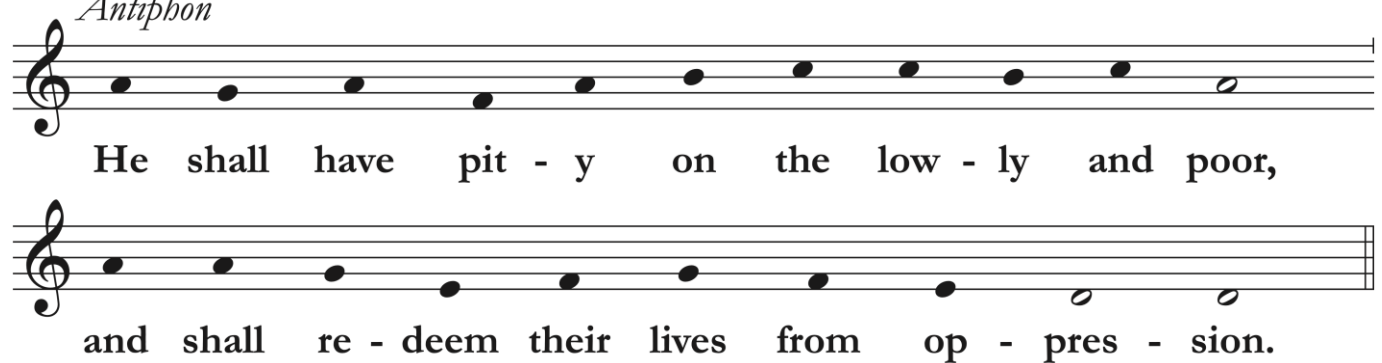
A SHOOT SHALL COME OUT from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 72:1-7, 18-19 *The Antiphon is sung by the Cantor, then by all, the Verses are sung by the Choir*

Antiphon



He shall have pity on the low - ly and poor,
and shall re - deem their lives from op - pres - sion.

- 1 Give the King your justice, O God, *
and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously *
and the poor with justice;
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *
and the little hills bring righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *
from one generation to another.
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *
like showers that water the earth.
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; *

there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

18 Blessed be the LORD God, the God of Israel, *

who alone does wondrous deeds!

19 And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! *

and may all the earth be filled with his glory. Amen. Amen. *Antiphon.*

Setting: Plainsong, Tone I.1

THE EPISTLE READING

Romans 15:4-13

Reader A reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans

WHATEVER WAS WRITTEN IN FORMER DAYS was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again, "Praise the LORD, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope." May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand and join in singing the Sequence Hymn on the following page.



AT THE SEQUENCE, HYMN 67



1 Com - fort, com - fort ye my peo - ple, speak ye peace, thus
 2 Hark, the voice of one that cri - eth in the des - ert
 3 Make ye straight what long was crook - ed, make the rough - er



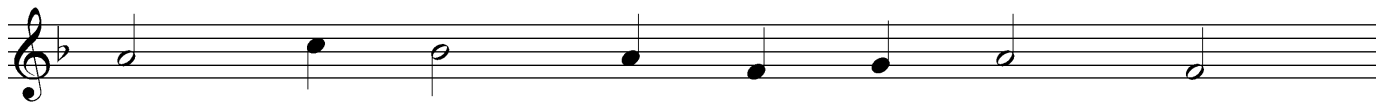
saith our God; com - fort those who sit in dark - ness
 far and near, call - ing us to new re - pent - ance
 pla - ces plain; let your hearts be true and hum - ble,



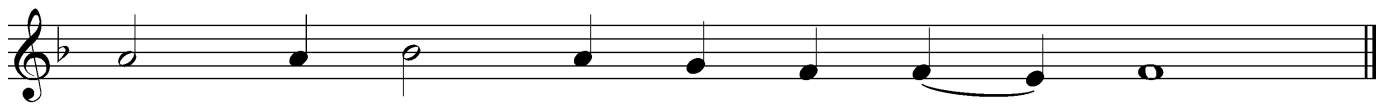
mourn - ing 'neath their sor - rows' load. Speak ye to Je -
 since the king - dom now is here. Oh, that warn - ing
 as be - fits his ho - ly reign. For the glo - ry



ru - sa - lem of the peace that waits for them;
 cry o - bey! Now pre - pare for God a way;
 of the Lord now o'er earth is shed a - broad;



tell her that her sins I cov - er,
 let the val - leys rise to meet him
 and all flesh shall see the to - ken



and her war - fare now is o - ver.
 and the hills bow down to greet him.
 that the word is nev - er bro - ken.

*Words: Johann G. Olearius (1611-1684); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt.
 Music: Psalm 42, melody by Claude Goudimel (1514-1572)*

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 3:1-12

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

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

IN THOSE DAYS JOHN THE BAPTIST APPEARED in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.’” Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. ‘I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.’”

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

THE SERMON

The Rector

We stand and say together
THE NICENE CREED

WE BELIEVE IN ONE GOD, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.
Who has spoken through the Prophets.

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**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

The Intercessor and People pray responsively

To God, who is steadfast, let us pray together on behalf of all the peoples of the world.

We pray that the Church, in its clergy and laity, may call itself and society to repentance.
God of hope, **hear our prayer.**

We pray that hurt and destruction may yield to the tranquility of God's peaceable kingdom.
God of hope, **hear our prayer.**

We pray that we may dare to listen hard for the voices of prophets, within and beyond the Church, when they confront our complacency.
God of hope, **hear our prayer.**

We pray this morning for: *the family of Peter Kuhn, Dave Reedy, Janet Tougas, Rusty Beatty, Amie, Gordon Martin, Ben & Jennifer West, Gail Kenney, Selina Olawoye, and Laura.* Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble.
God of hope, **hear our prayer.**

We pray that those who have been gathered by Christ unto himself may find God's holy mountain a haven of peace.
God of hope, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the departed, that they may have new life in the presence of our Creator, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.
God of hope, **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 & PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

AT THE OFFERTORY, SOLO

COMFORT YE MY PEOPLE, SAITH YOUR GOD; speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her that her war-fare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned. The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, "Prepare ye the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God."

Words: Isaiah 40:1-3

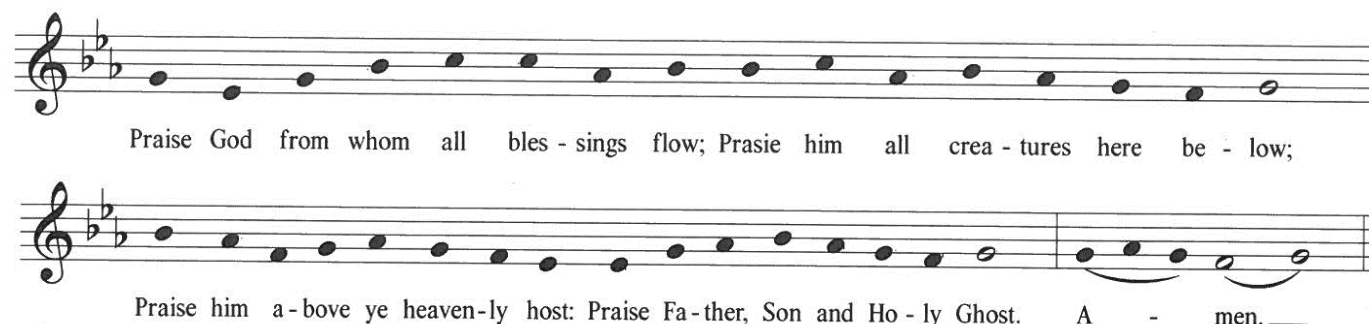
Music: from 'Messiah', Part the First, HWV 56, George Frederic Händel (1685-1759)

~ Brad Kleyla, *Tenor* ~

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

THE DOXOLOGY

Sung by all



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

Praise him a - bove ye heaven - ly host: Praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men. —

Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

Music: Conditor alme siderum, plainsong, Mode IV

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

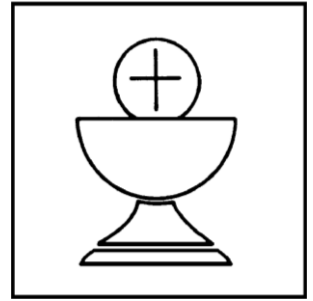
People **And also with you.**

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 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:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS, S-124

Sung by all

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, hea - ven 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: New Plainsong Mass, David Hurd (b. 1950)

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. **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.

AGNUS DEI, S-161

Sung by all.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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 one of the Communion Stations near the Pulpit or Eagle Lectern, take a small, compostable, plastic 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 baskets by the pillar and return via the Side Aisle. If you prefer to receive the wine from the Chalice, you may do so in The Chapel of the Messiah, located to the left of the Chancel. 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

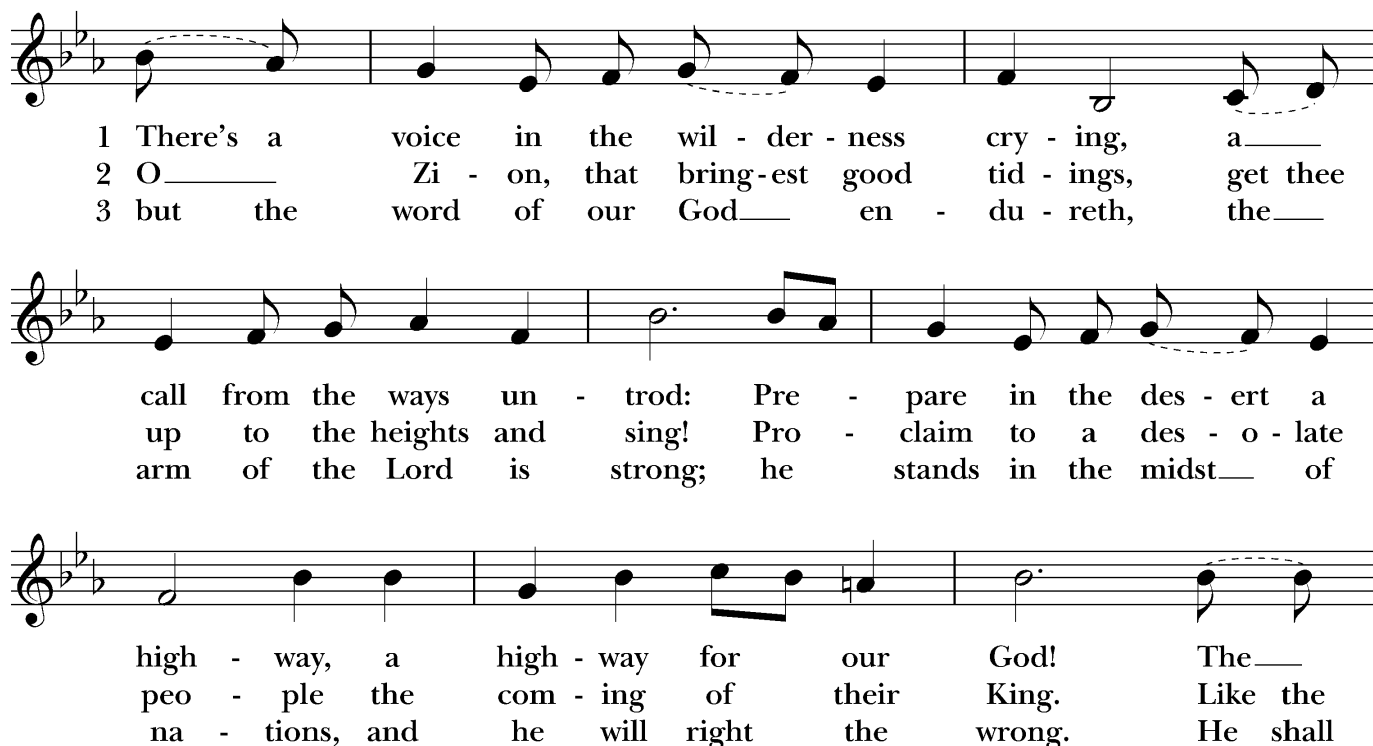
VIRGA JESSE FLORUIT:
Virgo Deum et hominem genuit:
pacem Deus redidit in te reconcilians
ima summis. Alleluia.

*The rod of Jesse hath blossomed:
a Virgin hath brought forth God and man:
God hath restored peace, reconciling in himself
the lowest with the highest. Alleluia.*

*Words: based on Isaiah 11
Music: William Byrd (c 1543-1623)*

Please join in singing the hymn.

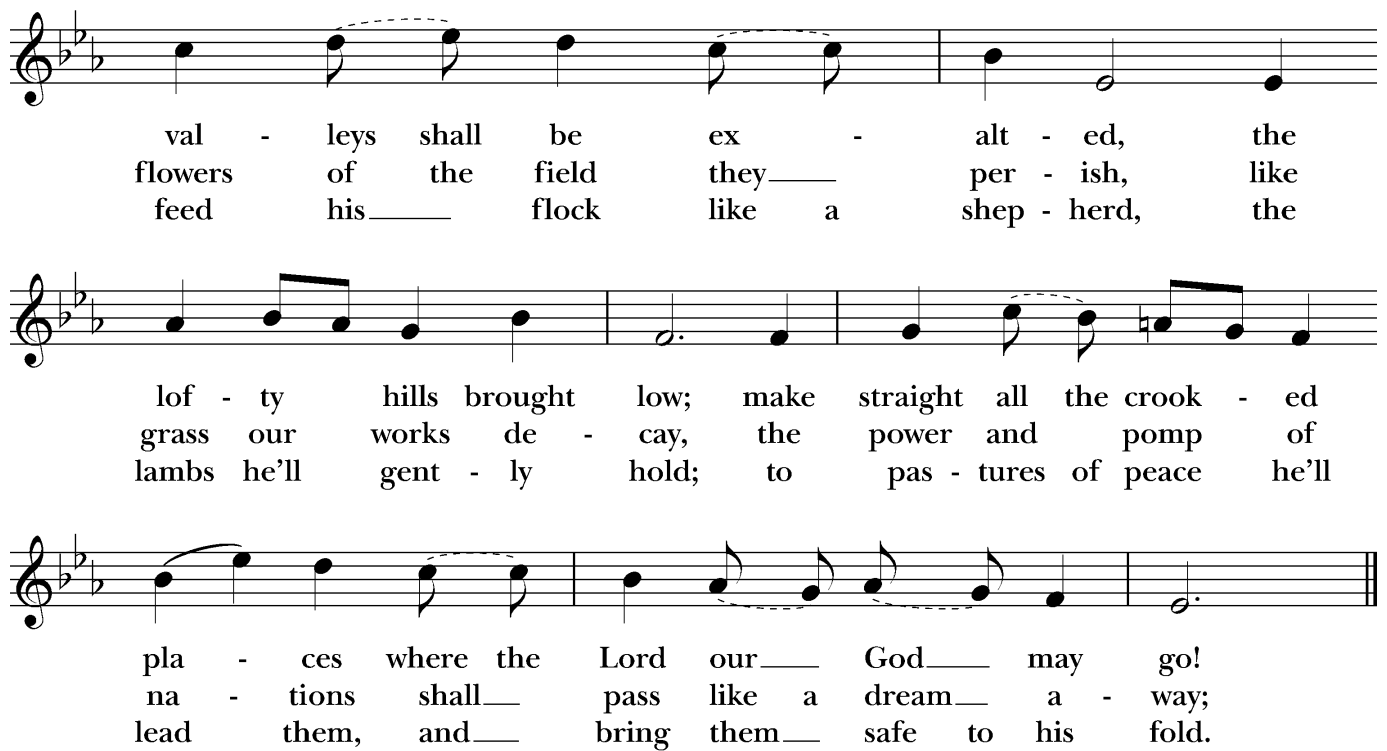
THE COMMUNION HYMN, 75



1 There's a voice in the wil - der - ness cry - ing, a ____
2 O ____ Zi - on, that bring - est good tid - ings, get thee
3 but the word of our God ____ en - du - reth, the ____

call from the ways un - trod: Pre - pare in the des - ert a
up to the heights and sing! Pro - claim to a des - o - late
arm of the Lord is strong; he stands in the midst ____ of

high - way, a high - way for our God! The ____
peo - ple the com - ing of their King. Like the
na - tions, and he will right the wrong. He shall



val - leys shall be ex - alt - ed, the
flowers of the field they per - ish, like
feed his flock like a shep - herd, the

lof - ty hills brought low; make straight all the crook - ed
grass our works de - cay, the power and pomp of
lambs he'll gent - ly hold; to pas - tures of peace he'll

pla - ces where the Lord our God may go!
na - tions shall pass like a dream a - way;
lead them, and bring them safe to his fold.

*Words: James Lewis Milligan (1876-1961), alt.
Music: Ascension, Henry Hugh Bancroft (1904-1988)*

We stand 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.

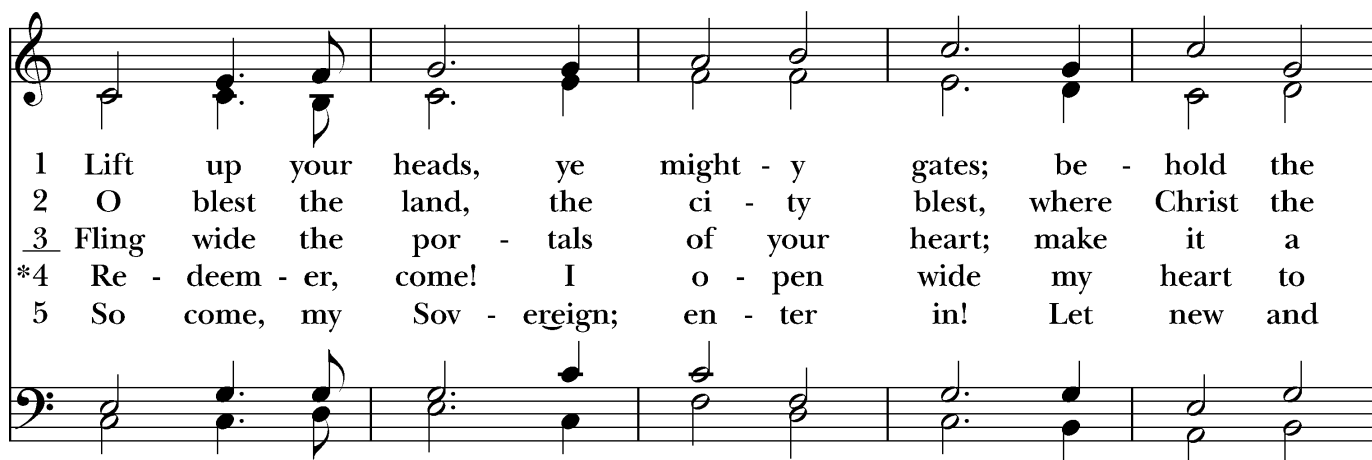
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

AN ADVENT BLESSING

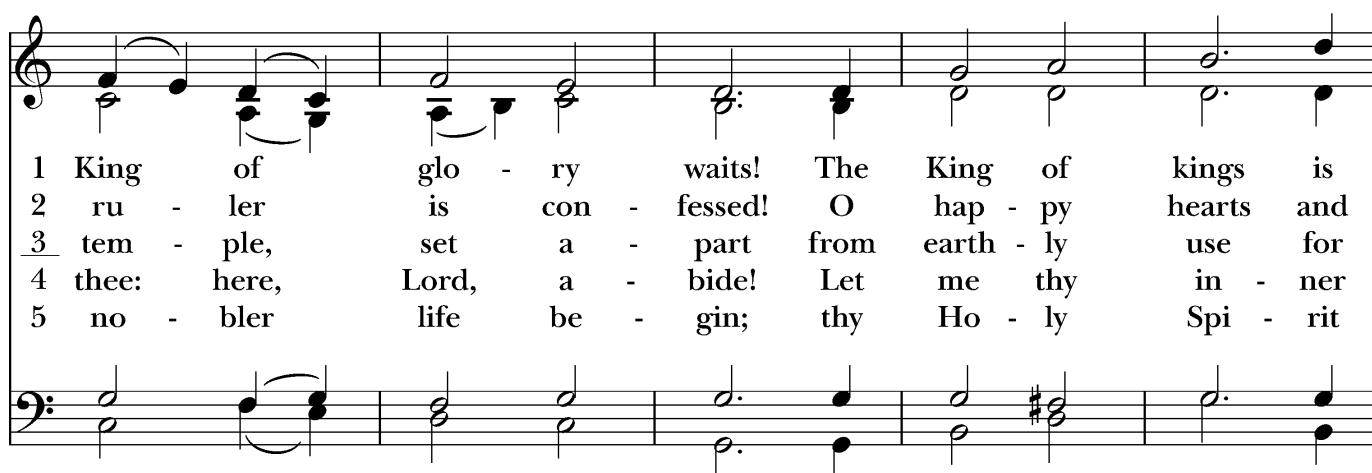
MAY HE WHOSE SECOND COMING IN POWER and great glory we await,
make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love. And the blessing
of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain
with you for ever. Amen.

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

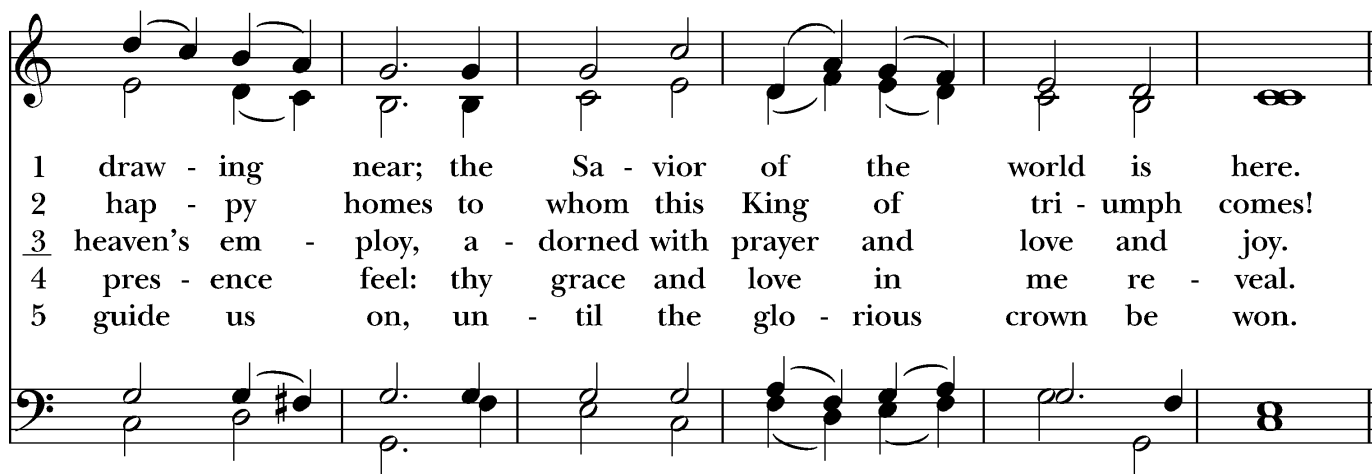
THE CLOSING HYMN, 436



1 Lift up your heads, ye might - y gates; be - hold the
 2 O blest the land, the ci - ty blest, where Christ the
 3 Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; make it a
 *4 Re - deem - er, come! I o - pen wide my heart to
 5 So come, my Sov - ereign; en - ter in! Let new and



1 King of glo - ry waits! The King of kings is
 2 ru - ler is con - fessed! O hap - py hearts and
 3 tem - ple, set a - part from earth - ly use for
 4 thee: here, Lord, a - bide! Let me thy in - ner
 5 no - bler life be - gin; thy Ho - ly Spi - rit



1 draw - ing near; the Sa - vior of the world is here.
 2 hap - py homes to whom this King of tri - umph comes!
 3 heaven's em - ploy, a - dorned with prayer and love and joy.
 4 pres - ence feel: thy grace and love in me re - veal.
 5 guide us on, un - til the glo - rious crown be won.

Words: Georg Weissel (1590-1635); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)
Music: Truro, melody from Psalmodia Evangelica, Part II, 1789; harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872), alt.

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

Fugue *from* Sonata No. II in C minor, Op. 65 *Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809-1847)*

~ SERVING TODAY ~

Celebrant: The Reverend Hartwell Hylton

Preacher: The Reverend Canon Jonathan Huyck

Crucifer: Leigh Hubbard

Lectors: Geneva Walker, Cormac Hughes

Intercessor: Jim Mahoney

Ministers of Communion: Andrew Shapiro-Zysk, Katherine Touafek

Greeter: Pat Trosclair

Ushers: Brenda Micheletti, John Trosclair, Diane Stamp, Anela Brewster

Altar Guild: Sue Hall, Frank Ward

Audio/ Visual: Michelle Mach

Coffee Hour Servers: Pat Trosclair, Pam Baker

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THURSDAYS @ NOON CONCERTS: On Thursday, December 8 at 12 Noon, Robert Lehman, Interim Organist & Choirmaster of our neighbouring parish, St. Stephen's in Providence, will play a free organ recital of music by J.S. Bach, Gerald Near, Sigfrid Karg-Elert, Jean Langlais, and Claude Balbastre. We hope you join us for this unique musical offering!

AN ADVENT PROCESSION OF LESSONS & CAROLS: Join us on Sunday, December 11th at 4:00 PM for a festive liturgy on the Third Sunday of Advent, also known as “Gaudete” or “Rejoice” Sunday! The Grace Church Choir will sing works by Philip Ledger, Judith Weir, Vincent Edwards, William Byrd, Robert Lehman, Elizabeth Poston, and others from various points throughout the church, gradually approaching the High Altar. This service is meant to embody the anticipation of the birth of Christ. A festive reception will follow in The Pavilion.

ADVENT AT GRACE BROCHURES: Check out the various offerings we have planned for you at Grace Church by picking up an Advent 2022 Brochure from the tables in the rear of the church!

HOLIDAY GIFT AND FOOD DRIVE: Help Grace Church support the families of our neighbours at Children's Friend by donating gifts during the Advent season. Unwrapped gifts for teens/tweens, gift cards, and non-perishable foods can be dropped off at the church and/or placed under the Christmas Trees in The Pavilion.

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 **December 18th**.

HATS, SCARVES & MITTENS: The Shawl Ministry of Grace Church is making hats, scarves and mittens to be given to local children in need. They will be donated to the Children's Friend organization in Providence. Please consider making an item for this outreach project. They will be displayed on a Christmas tree in the Pavilion, and the items will be delivered to Children's Friend on December 19. If you do not knit or crochet, you may purchase hats, scarves or mittens for the children. For more information, please contact Jane Ditmars at 610-657-5600, or janeditmars@gmail.com. Thank you for helping us to bring God's love to those in need of comfort.

DECEMBER STEWARDSHIP NOTES: As we head into this final month of 2022, we invite any parishioners who have not yet done so to submit a pledge card for the coming year. Pledge cards can be found in the pews and at the back of the church. Thank you for supporting Grace! And speaking of year-end, this is a great time to ensure that your 2022 pledge is on track for completion. If anyone would like to inquire about the status of their pledge for the current year, **please contact Vivian Trutzl in the office at vtrutzl@gracepvd.org or by phone at 401-331-3225.** Lastly, if you have requested pledge envelopes for 2023, they will be available for pick-up in the Pavilion after church this Sunday and next - **December 4 and December 11.**

2022 NATIVITY PAGEANT: The 2022 Nativity Pageant will be on December 18 at the 10AM service. There are two rehearsals on Saturday, December 11 from 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM and Saturday, December 17 from 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM. Attendance at one rehearsal is required, but attendance at both is preferred. Children will receive costumes, part assignments, and stage directions, so come as you are! If you would like your child to participate, please reach out to Vivian Trutzl at vtrutzl@gracepvd.org.

UPCOMING CHRISTMAS CAROLING IN THE COURTYARD! On Saturday, December 17 beginning at 4:00 PM, join us for some festive, yule-tide singing around a roaring fire with hot chocolate and seasonal refreshments in the courtyard of The Pavilion at Grace (entrance on Westminster Street). Caroling sheets will be provided!

BROWN UNIVERSITY CHORUS CONCERT - MESSIAH: On Saturday, December 10 at 3:00 PM, the Brown University Chorus, joined by The Providence Baroque Orchestra and under the direction of Fredrick Jodry, presents a performance of the Christmas portion and the 'Hallelujah Chorus' of George Frederic Händel's famous oratorio. Tickets: \$25, \$5 (students) MUST be purchased in advance via tickets.brown.edu/arts

20s/30s CHRISTMAS COOKIE BAKING: The 20/30s+ group will gather for Christmas cookie baking + mingling on Tuesday, December 6 at 7:30pm at the home of Jeff Williams & Tim Walsh. Please RSVP to Jeff at oxfordoarsman@gmail.com



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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11TH
4:00 PM

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William Byrd, Robert Lehman, Elizabeth Poston, and others
in procession around the candle-lit church.*

A reception follows in The Pavilion





THE GREAT “O” ANTIPHONS OF ADVENT & CHORAL COMPLINE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18TH
BEGINNING AT 8:00 PM

The men of the Grace Church Schola will chant The Seven Great “O” Antiphons of Advent. Psalms will be read in between each Antiphon to guide your prayers and meditations. Choral Compline follows immediately. Doors open at 7:30 PM.





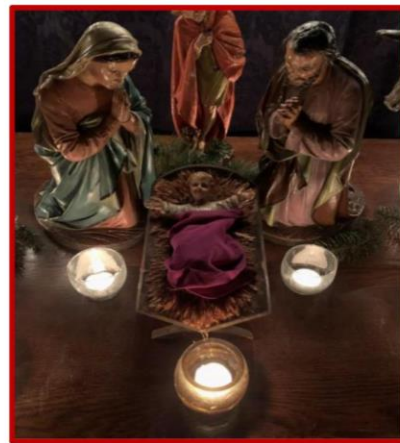
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THE FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST: ~ CHRISTMAS EVE ~

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



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