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.



THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

 \sim Sung Holy Eucharist with the Blessing of New Vestments \sim $_{\rm Rite~II}$

January 15^{TH} , 2023 10:00 AM



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

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

VOLUNTARY

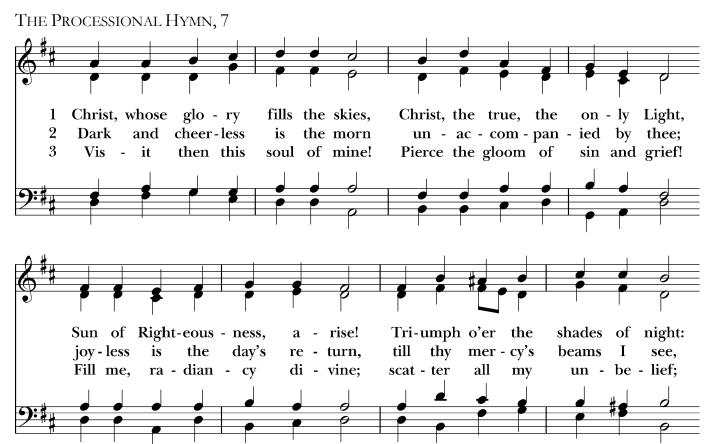
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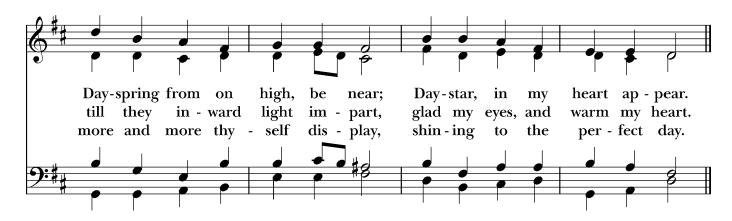
Dieterich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

The Cantor and Choir sing from The Pavilion,

God is in this holy temple: Let all the earth keep silence. Let us go forth in peace: In the name of Christ. Amen.

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





Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Music: Ratisbon, melody from Geystliche gesangk Buchleyn, 1524; adapt. & harm. att. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870), alt.

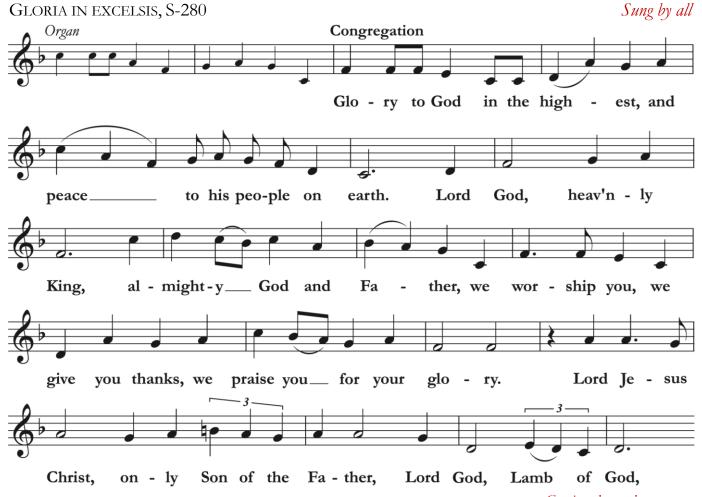
THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever! Amen.

Celebrant

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.





Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

LMIGHTY GOD, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings from Holy Scripture.



Reader A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

ISTEN TO ME, O COASTLANDS, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God." And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength – he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

Reader The Word of the Lord. People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 40:1-12

Expectans, expectavi

Sung by all

- I waited patiently upon the /LORD; *
 he stooped to me and heard my /cry.
- 2 He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and /clay; * he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing /sure.
- 3 He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our /God; * many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the /LORD.
- 4 Happy are they who trust in the /LORD! * they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to /false gods.
- 5 Great things are they that you have done, O LORD my God! how great your wonders and your /plans for us! * there is none who can be compared with /you.
- 6 O, that I could make them known and /tell them! * but they are more than I can /count.

- 7 In sacrifice and offering you take no /pleasure * you have given me ears to /hear you;
- 8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not re/quired, * and so I said, "Behold, I /come.
- 9 In the roll of the book it is written con/cerning me: *
 'I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep in my /heart."
- I proclaimed righteousness in the great conger/gation; * behold, I did not restrain my lips; and that, O LORD, you /know.
- 11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;
 I have spoken of your faithfulness and your de/liverance; *
 I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great conger/gation.
- 12 You are the LORD; do not withhold your compassion /from me; * let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for /ever.

Setting: Robert Knox Kennedy (b.1945)

THE EPISTLE READING

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

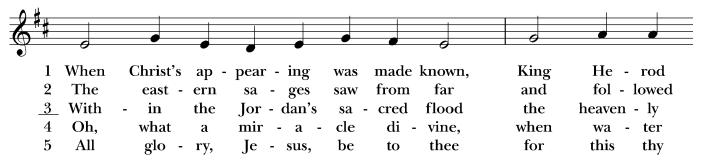
Reader A reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians

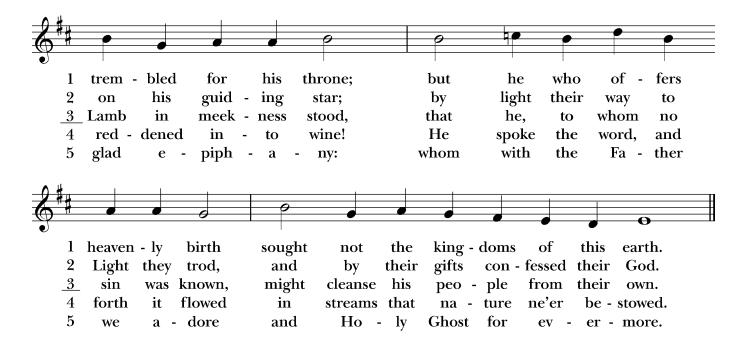
Paul, Called TO BE AN APOSTLE of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind – just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you – so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord. People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand and join in singing the Sequence Hymn.

AT THE SEQUENCE, HYMN 132





Words: Caelius Sedulius (5th cent.); St. 1, tr. The Hymn Book of the Anglican Church of Canada and the United Church of Canada, 1971; tr. Sts. 2-5, tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.

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

THE HOLY GOSPEL John 1:29-42

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

OHN SAW JESUS COMING TOWARD HIM and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God." The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON The Rector

We stand and say together

THE NICENE CREED

f WE BELIEVE IN ONE f 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.

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

Let us pray for those who are in need, wherever they may be.

We pray that the Church may be servant to all, bringing the good news of salvation to the ends of the earth.

God of light, hear our prayer.

We pray that world leaders may see themselves as servants for justice, raising up those crushed by poverty and restoring the survivors of violence.

God of light, hear our prayer.

We pray that the Spirit may be poured out on health care and social service professionals as they serve the Christ who suffers in our brothers and sisters.

God of light, hear our prayer.

We pray this morning for: Brittany Carbone, Steven Rochon, Harrison, the family and friends of Virginia Stuart, Erinn Huetteman, the family of Irene Hogan, Leah & Bob Nastasi, Gordon Martin, Gail Kenney, and Laura. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble.

God of light, hear our prayer.

As Martin Luther King prayed to you, break the spell of that which blinds our minds. Give us broad visions, penetrating eyes, and power of endurance, and help us to work with renewed vigor for a warless world.

God of light, hear our prayer.

We pray that our beloved departed, called in baptism to be saints, may be gathered with those of every place and time who called on the name of the Lord Jesus.

God of light, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, including those we name now either aloud or in the silence of our hearts.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

THE BLESSING OF NEW VESTMENTS

Celebrant O Lord my God, how excellent is your greatness.

People You are clothed with majesty and splendor.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O GLORIOUS GOD, all your works proclaim your perfect beauty: Accept our offering of this set of green vestments and hangings, created and given by Sue Hall, in thanksgiving for the Grace Church community, and grant that they may adorn this church and show forth your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

The new green vestments are donned by the Clergy as the Choir sings the Antiphon.

ANTIPHON

Cantor You shall make holy garments,

Choir for glory and for beauty.

Cantor Clothe your ministers with righteousness:

Choir Let your people sing with joy.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

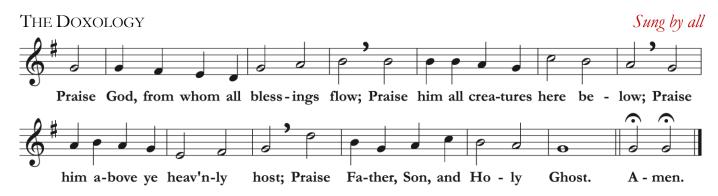
WELCOME & PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



THE HOLY COMMUNION

AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM

I WAITED FOR THE LORD, he inclined unto me, he heard my complaint. O blest are they that hope and trust in him.



Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

Music: Old Hundredth, melody from Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551, alt.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

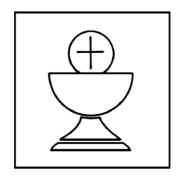
People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

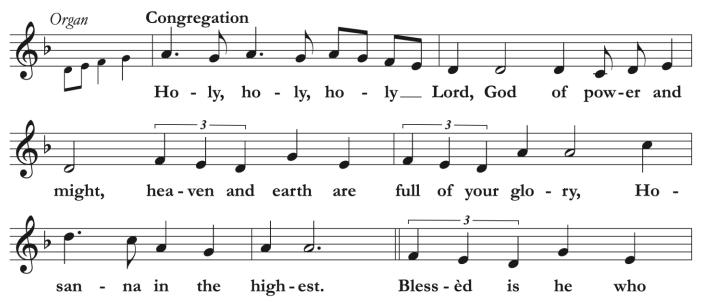


Celebrant

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 in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Sung by all





comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high-est.

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

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

'E 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.

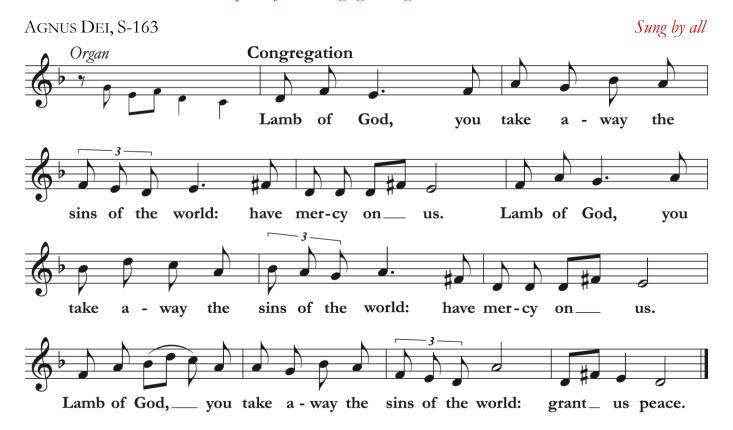
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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



Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

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. At the Communion, Motet

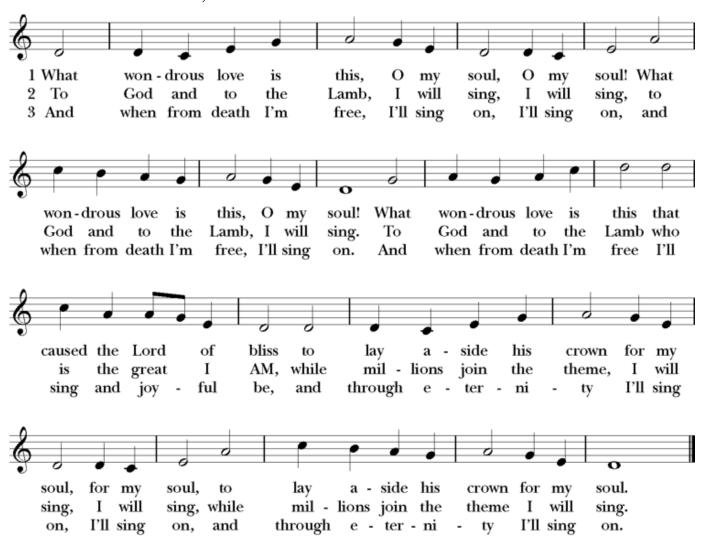
AGNUS DEI, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us Thy peace.

Words: The Mass Ordinary Music: Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c. 1525-1594)



Words: American folk hymn, c. 1835 Music: Wondrous Love, from The Southern Harmony, 1835

We stand and say together

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

ALMIGHTY AND EVERLIVING GOD, we thank you for feeding us

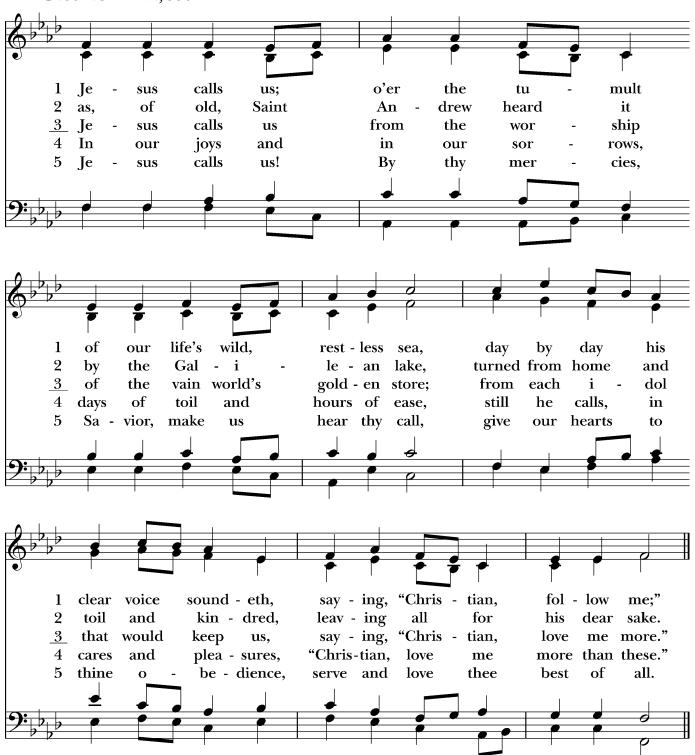
with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

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.

THE BLESSING

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



Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), alt.

Music: Restoration, melody from The Southern Harmony, 1835; harm. Hymnal 1982, after The Southern Harmony, 1835

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

People Thanks be to God!

VOLUNTARY

Fanfare

John Cook (1918-1984)

~ SERVING TODAY ~

Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Jonathan Huyck
Preacher: The Reverend Hartwell Hylton
Crucifer: Ed Morgan

Lectors: Frank Ward, Andrew Raftery

Intercessor: Adrienne Southgate

Ministers of Communion: Lois Lewis, Matthew Sneider

Greeters: Diane Stamp, Pat Trosclair

Ushers: Brenda Micheletti, John Trosclair, Michael D'Alesandre, Christopher Tompkins

Altar Guild: Barbara Hughes, Miles von Hermann

Audio/Visual: Clinton Crocker

Coffee Hour Servers: Diane Stamp, Margrete & Jimps Jean-Louis

Cover photo: Stained glass window at Grace Church depicting of the "Agnus Dei" or "Lamb of God".

The Altar Flowers today are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Arthur George Kofi Coker, by his daughter Selena A. Olawoye.

Newcomer? Visitor? Scan for our Welcome Card!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL COMPLINE THIS EVENING! Today at 8:00 PM the women of 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 fragrant incense wafting through the air. Doors open at 7:30 PM. We hope you join us for this calm and meditative way to start the week.

VIRGINIA RATHBUN STUART (JULY 29, 1921–DECEMBER 24, 2022) It is with great sadness, but also great hope in the resurrection, that we announce the passing of our oldest Grace Church parishioner, Virginia Stuart. Our prayers are with her family and friends at this time. A memorial service will be held at Grace Church on Friday, January 27 at 11 AM.

PICK UP SOME BLESSED CHALK! This past Sunday we blessed some chalk at our Epiphany Lessons & Carols service. It is meant to be used to write the blessing "20+C+M+B+23" above entrance to one's home. Please pick up a piece of chalk and a card with instructions from the table in the rear of the nave if you would like to mark your door in this stylistic tradition! The Magi will thank you!

LEADERSHIP AT GRACE CHURCH

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