# **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.



# **CHORAL EVENSONG**

celebrating

400 YEARS OF WILLIAM BYRD

 $\sim$  March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023  $\sim$  4:00 PM



### 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 evening! 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 and welcome!

VOLUNTARY

Fantasia in A

William Byrd (c 1540-1623)

Please stand, as you are able, at the entrance of the Cross, Clergy, and Choir.

THE INTROIT

HELP US, O GOD OF OUR SALVATION for the glory of Thy name:
O deliver us and be merciful unto our sins:
for Thy name's sake.

Words: Psalm 79:9 Music: William Byrd (c 1540-1623)

#### THE INVITATORY & PSALTER

THE PRECES Sung by the Choir

Cantor O Lord, open Thou our lips.

*Choir* And our mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

Cantor O God, make speed to save us. Choir O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

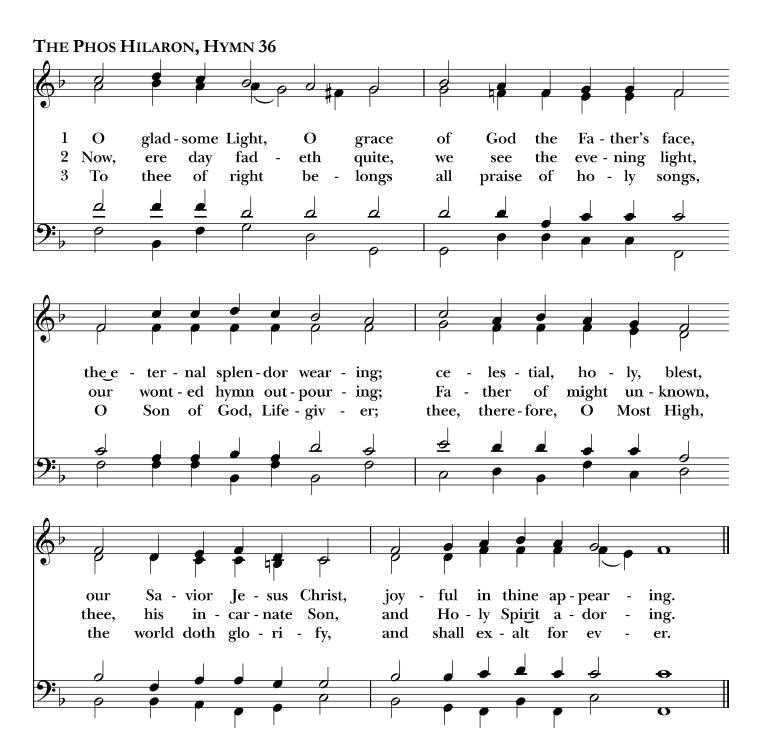
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

Setting: William Byrd (c 1540-1623)

Please join in singing the hymn on the following page.



Words: Greek, 3<sup>rd</sup> century; tr. Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930); paraphrase of O Gracious Light Music: Le Cantique de Siméon, melody by Louis Bourgeois (c 1510-c 1561); harm. Claude Goudimel (1514-1572)

#### Please be seated.



- 1 O LORD our Governor, \*
  how exalted is your Name in all the world!
- 2 Out of the mouths of infants and children \* your majesty is praised above the heavens.
- 3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, \* to quell the enemy and the avenger.
- When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, \* the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
- 5 What is man that you should be mindful of him? \* the son of man that you should seek him out?
- 6 You have made him but little lower than the angels; \* you adorn him with glory and honor;
- 7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands; \* you put all things under his feet:
- 8 All sheep and oxen, \* even the wild beasts of the field,
- 9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, \* and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
- 10 O LORD our Governor, \* how exalted is your Name in all the world!

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.

Setting: after William Byrd, arr. Vincent Edwards (b. 1968)

#### THE LESSONS

THE FIRST READING

Jeremiah 1:1-10

Reader A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah

HE WORDS OF JEREMIAH SON OF HILKIAH, of the priests who were in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin, to whom the word of the LORD came in the days of King Josiah son of Amon of Judah, in the thirteenth year of his reign. It came also in the days of King Jehoiakim son of Josiah of Judah, and until the end of the eleventh year of King Zedekiah son of Josiah of Judah, until the captivity of Jerusalem in the fifth month. Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, 'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.' Then I said, 'Ah, LORD God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.' But the LORD said to me, 'Do not say, "I am only a boy"; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD.' Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to

me, 'Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.'

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

#### **MAGNIFICAT**

The Magnificat is Mary's song of praise sung during the visitation to her cousin Elizabeth.

Y SOUL DOTH MAGNIFY THE LORD, and my spirit hath rejoicèd in God my Savior. For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden. For behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessèd. For he that is mighty hath magnifièd me, and holy is his Name. And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations. He hath showèd strength with his arm; he hath scatterèd 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 fillèd the hungry with good things, and the rich he hath sent empty away. He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, as he promisèd 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: The Short Evening Service, William Byrd (c 1540-1623)

THE SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 3:11-23

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

Por NO ONE CAN LAY ANY FOUNDATION other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw – the work of each builder will become visible, for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each has done. If what has been built on the foundation survives, the builder will receive a reward. If the work is burned, the builder will suffer loss; the builder will be saved, but only as through fire. Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple. Do not deceive yourselves. If you think that you are wise in this age, you should become fools so that you may become wise. For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it is written, 'He catches the wise in their craftiness', and again, 'The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are futile.' So let no one boast about human leaders. For all things are yours, whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future – all belong to you, and you belong to Christ, and Christ belongs to God.

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

#### NUNC DIMITTIS

The Nunc Dimittis is sung by the prophet Simeon upon seeing the child Jesus presented in the temple.

ORD, NOW LETTEST THOU THY SERVANT DEPART IN PEACE, according to thy word; For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people, To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

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 2:29-32 & Gloria Patri Music: The Short Evening Service, W. Byrd

Please stand as you are able.

#### THE APOSTLES' CREED

Said by all

# I BELIEVE IN GOD, THE FATHER ALMIGHTY, creator of heaven and earth;

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary,

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### THE SALUTATION & LESSER LITANY

Sung by the Choir

Cantor The Lord be with you.
Choir And with thy spirit.

Cantor Let us pray.

Please kneel or sit as you are able.

Choir Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Setting: William Byrd (c 1540-1623)

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Sung on a single note by all

# OUR FATHER, WHICH ART IN HEAVEN, hallowed be thy name,

thy kingdom come, thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE RESPONSES

Sung by the Choir

Cantor O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

Choir And grant us thy salvation.
Cantor O Lord, save the State.

*Choir* And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Cantor Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

Choir And make thy chosen people joyful.

CantorChoirCantorO Lord, save thy people.And bless thine inheritance.CantorGive peace in our time, O Lord.

Choir Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

Cantor O God, make clean our hearts within us.

Choir And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Setting: W. Byrd

#### THE COLLECTS

#### Sung by the Officiant & Choir

GOD, WHOSE GLORY IT IS always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

ORD JESUS, STAY WITH US, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know you as you are revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of your love. *Amen*.

EEP WATCH, DEAR LORD, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. *Amen*.

Please be seated.

THE WELCOME

The Reverend Canon Jonathan Huyck, Rector of Grace Church

During the singing of the anthem, an offering will be taken. We thank you for your generosity!

#### **ANTHEM**

TEACH ME, O LORD, THE WAY OF THY STATUTES: AND I SHALL KEEP IT UNTO THE END.

Give me understanding, and I shall keep Thy law: yea, I shall keep it with my whole heart.

Make me to go in the path of thy commandments: for therein is my desire.

Incline my heart unto Thy testimonies: and not to covetousness.

O turn away mine eyes, lest they behold vanity: and quicken me in Thy way.

O stablish Thy word in Thy servant: that I may fear Thee.

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: Psalm 119:33-38 & Gloria Patri Music: William Byrd (c 1540-1623)

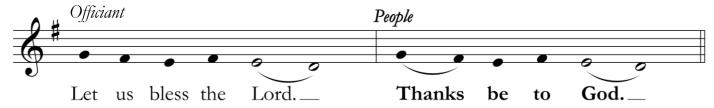
#### A PRAYER OF SAINT CHRYSOSTOM

Officiant Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY GOD, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them:

Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

#### THE DISMISSAL



#### THE GRACE

Officiant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

and the love of God,

and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost,

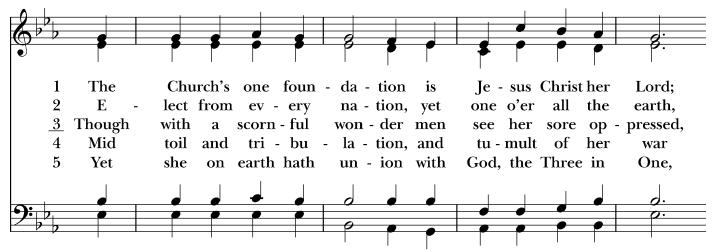
be with us all evermore.

People Amen.

Please join in singing the hymn.

### THE CLOSING HYMN, 525







Words: Samuel John Stone (1839-1900)

Music: Aurelia, Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876); Descant: Vincent Edwards (b. 1968), Reharm.: Eric Thiman (1900-1975)

Please remain standing as you are able, while the Cross, Choir, and Clergy depart.

VOLUNTARY

Improvisation

All are welcome to a reception in The Pavilion following the service.



#### ~ PARTICIPATING IN THE SERVICE TODAY ~

Officiant: The Reverend Canon Jonathan Huyck

Crucifer: Adleigh Tellier

Thurifer: Henry Wilson-Winter

Lector: Cormac Hughes

Ushers: Matthew Sneider, Andrew Hughes

Audio/Visual: Clinton Crocker

#### THE CHOIR & CHORISTERS OF GRACE CHURCH IN PROVIDENCE

Vince Edwards, Organist & Director of Music David Heinze, Associate Organist

# Newcomer? Visitor? Scan for our Welcome Card!



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**LENT 2023 BROCHURES:** The penitential and reflective season of Lent has begun and here at Grace Church we will have several additional offerings during Lent which are listed in the Lent 2023 Brochure found on the tables in the rear of the church. We hope that these opportunities will guide and aid your spiritual life during Lent, so please do join us!

**THURSDAYS @ NOON CONCERTS:** Our guest recitalist on Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup> will be organist Kevin Neel, Director of Music at All Saints' Church in Worcester, MA. Kevin will play music by Amy Beech, William Grant Still, J.S. Bach, and Healey Willan. We hope you join us for this unique musical offering!

**LENTEN EUCHARISTS:** Join us on Thursday, March 9th at 6:00 PM for our weekly Lenten Eucharists. These short, communion services will feature prayers, music, and a brief sermon preached by one of our "priest-parishioners", retired clergy that have made Grace Church their spiritual home. The service will happen up in the Chancel near the High Altar, with candles and incense to create a more intimate worship experience. The preacher will be **The Rev. Cathy Boyd**. A light supper follows in The Pavilion.

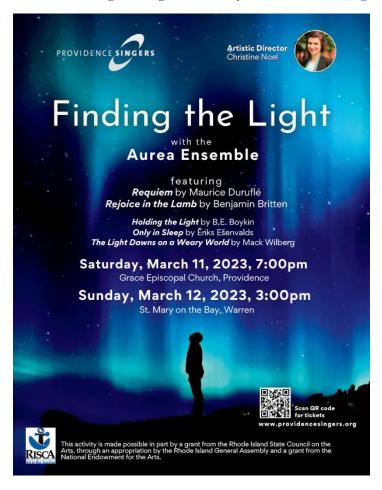
THE WAY (STATIONS) OF THE CROSS: Every Friday in Lent at 12 Noon, Grace Church offers a short liturgy during which participants walk to 14 stations posted throughout the church commemorating Christ's journey to Mount Calvary and his death on the Cross. We hope that you find this prayerful offering helpful 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.

**UPCOMING CHORAL COMPLINE:** On Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> 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 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.

**SHAWL MINISTRY:** Every Wednesday from 10:00 - 11:00 AM members of the Shawl Ministry meet in The Pavilion to knit and crochet shawls, which are given to individuals who are ill, struggling, or grieving. For more information, contact Prayer Shawl Ministry Coordinator Jane Ditmars at <a href="mailto:shawls@gracepvd.org">shawls@gracepvd.org</a>

**GRACE IS GREEN** Please join us in our efforts to tread lightly upon God's green Earth. Please place only unsoiled recyclables into the dedicated receptacles throughout the church.

**GRACE ABOUNDS** If you are not yet receiving our new weekly E-News and announcements via e-mail, and would like to be on our growing list, kindly e-mail <a href="mailto:admin@gracepvd.org">admin@gracepvd.org</a>



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