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 EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

~ SUNG HOLY EUCHARIST ~ RITE II

> OCTOBER 1ST, 2023 10:00 AM

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

Thank you and welcome!

VOLUNTARY

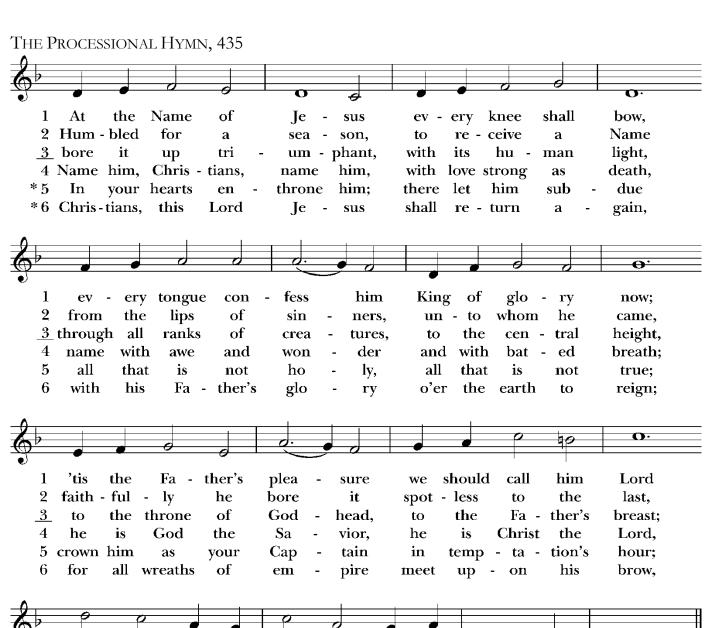
Chorale & Variations from Sonata No. 6 in D minor, Op. 65

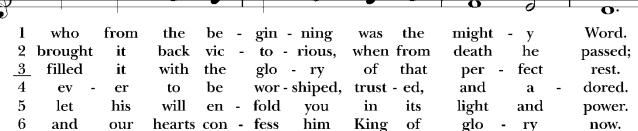
Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809-1847)

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 on the following page.





Words: Caroline Maria Noel (1817-1877), alt. Music: King's Weston, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION & 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.

Please join in singing the Gloria in excelsis, during which Sunday School children (ages 4-5th Grade) process to Sunday School. All are welcome!



Setting: Mass for St. Paul's, Vincent Edwards (b. 1968)



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Celebrant Let us pray.

GOD, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32

Reader A reading from the Prophet Ezekiel

HE WORD OF THE LORD CAME TO ME: What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, "The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge"? As I live, says the LORD God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die. Yet you say, "The way of the LORD is unfair." Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, "The way of the LORD is unfair." O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the LORD God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the LORD God. Turn, then, and live.

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

PSALM 25:1-8 The Antiphon is sung by all before & after the Verses which are sung by the Choir



- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; * let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; * let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, * and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, * for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, * for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; * remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; * therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right * and teaches his way to the lowly. *Antiphon*.

Setting: Anglican Chant by James Turle (1802-1882) Antiphon: A Hymn-Tune Psalter, Carl P. Daw, Jr. & Kevin R. Hackett; based on Leoni, Hebrew melody

THE EPISTLE READING

Philippians 2:1-13

Reader A reading from Paul's Letter to the Philippians

The the the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death — even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

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

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



Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854), alt. Music: St. Agnew, melody John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876); harm. Richard Proulx (1937-2010) after J. B. Dykes

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 21:23-32

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

HEN JESUS ENTERED THE TEMPLE, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these

things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things. "What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

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.

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 God whose vineyard we tend and whose kingdom we proclaim, let us pray in the name of Jesus.

We pray that the church may always know itself as a community of people who have changed their minds and hearts and returned to their commitments of worship and witness.

God of love, hear our prayer.

We pray that military powers may abide by treaty agreements to dismantle their stockpiles of weapons.

God of love, hear our prayer.

We pray that wealthy nations may honor their promises to share their harvests with the hungry. God of love, **hear our prayer.**

We pray that those who have experienced hardship and injustice may find among us compassion and hope for a new beginning.

God of love, hear our prayer.

We pray that this community may reflect the self-emptying love of Jesus in lives of humility and service.

God of love, hear our prayer.

We pray that those who bear physical illness, emotional anguish, or the misunderstanding of others, similar to Christ's humiliation on the cross, may also experience Christ's exaltation.

God of love, hear our prayer.

We pray that this community may always and eagerly welcome those who have been left on the edges by the church and by society.

God of love, hear our prayer.

We pray this morning for Jeff, Michelle Brown & family, the family & friends of Danny, the family & friends of Richard Pelletier and Coach C, Kenneth Scanlan, and Erinn Huetteman. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble.

God of love, hear our prayer.

We pray that those who in life confessed that Jesus is Lord may be exalted together with Christ in heaven.

God of love, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, 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.

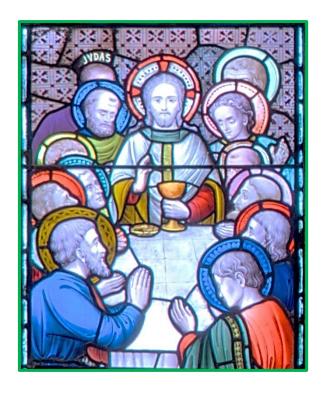
People Amen.

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, ANTHEM

At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, every tongue confess him King of glory now; 'tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord, who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

Humbled for a season to receive a name from the lips of sinners unto whom he came, faithfully he bore it spotless to the last, brought it back victorious when from death he passed.

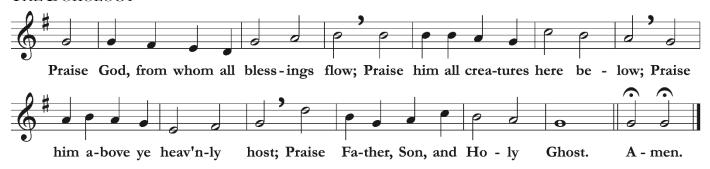
Name him, Christians, name him, with love strong as death, but with awe and wonder, and with bated breath; he is God the Saviour, he is Christ the Lord, ever to be worshipped, trusted and adored.

In your hearts enthrone him; there let him subdue all that is not holy, all that is not true; crown him Captain; in temptation's hour; let his will enfold you in its light and power.

Words: Caroline Maria Noel (1817-1877) Music: Richard Waters (b. 1973)

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

THE DOXOLOGY



Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711) Music: Old Hundredth, melody from Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551, alt.

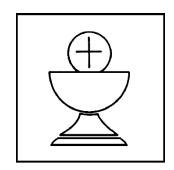
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

CelebrantPeopleCelebrantThe Lord be with you.And also with you.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.

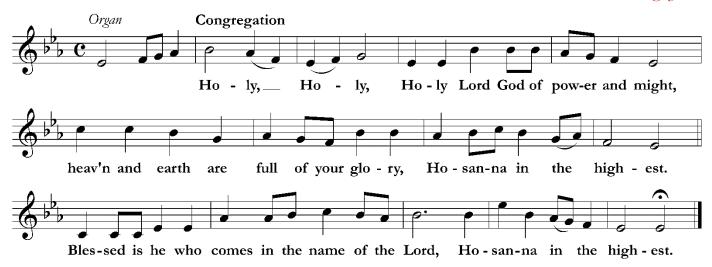


Celebrant

T IS RIGHT, AND A GOOD AND JOYFUL THING, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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

Sung by all



Setting: Mass for St. Paul's, Vincent Edwards (b. 1968)

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.

N 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 Fraction Anthem.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Sung by all





Women/Trebles The bread which we break, al-le - lu - ia, is the com-mun-ion of the bo - dy of Christ, **Be**Men One bo - dy are we, al-le - lu - ia, for though man - ny we share one ___ bread. **Be**

Setting: Mass for St. Paul's, Vincent Edwards (b. 1968)

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 ANTIPHON

Sung by the Choir as the Clergy, Acolytes, and Ushers receive.

Plagas, sicut Thomas, non intueor: Deum tamen meum te Confiteor: Fac me tibi semper magis credere, In te spem habere, te diligere. Thy wounds, that Thomas saw, I do not see: However, my Lord, unto Thee I do confess: Make me always to firmly believe in Thee, In Thee do I place my hope and love.

Setting: Adoro devote, French church melody, Mode V, Processionale, 1697

THE COMMUNION

To receive communion, extend your hands to the Priest and they will place the wafer in your hand (if you would like a gluten-free wafer, please ask for one). If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead, simply cross your arms over your chest when you come to the Altar. All are welcome at The Lord's Table!

Call to remembrance, O Lord, Thy tender mercies and Thy loving kindness, which hath been ever of old, O remember not the sins and offences of my youth: but according to Thy mercy think Thou on me, O Lord, for Thy goodness.

Words: Psalm 25:5-6 Music: Richard Farrant (c 1530-1581)

Please join in singing,



Words: Augustus Montague Toplady (1740-1778), alt. Music: Toplady, Thomas Hastings (1784-1872)

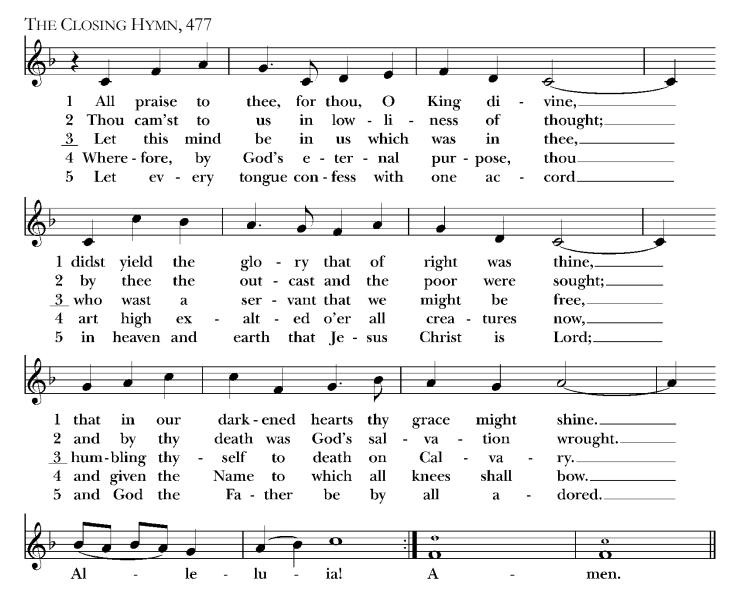
ALMIGHTY AND EVER-LIVING GOD, we thank you for feeding us

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



Words: F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984) Music: Engelberg, Sir Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924) Descant: Richard Proulx (1937-2010) THE DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ!

People Thanks be to God!

VOLUNTARY

Allegro molto from Sonata No. 6 in D Minor, Op. 65

Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809-1847)

~ SERVING TODAY ~

Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Jonathan Huyck
Preacher: The Reverend Hartwell Hylton
Crucifer: Leigh Hubbard
Lectors: Nicholas Halar, Katherine Coumes
Intercessor: Erica Winter

Ministers of Communion: Andrew Shapiro-Zysk, Michael Colello Altar Guild: Andrew Shapiro-Zysk, Joshua Klemp Greeters: Jimps Jean-Louis, Jane Ditmars

Ushers: Denise Lapolla, Lori Brown, Robert Olawoye, Melody Ennis

Audio/Visual: Clinton Crocker

Coffee Hour Servers: Jimps Jean Louis, Gailia Rutan-Annaldo & Joseph Annaldo

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NURSERY CARE AVAILABLE: Child care is now available for children through age 3 from 8:45am until the end of the service. Ushers are able to guide you to our Nursery.

SHAWL MINISTRY: Would you like to help to make winter hats, scarves and mittens for the needy in our community? Shawl Ministry invites you to join us to knit or crochet in the Pavilion of Grace Church every Wednesday from 10:00-11:00 am. If you prefer to work at home, we welcome any completed items which you can bring in! They will be donated to Children's Friend of Providence and to the local homeless population. For more information, please contact Jane Ditmars at 610-657-5600, or email janeditmars@gmail.com.

UPCOMING BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS: On Sunday, October 8th, we invite you to bring your pets to church so that they might receive a blessing from the clergy at the 10:00 AM service. This is to commemorate the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals, whose feast day falls on October 4th. Grace Church welcomes everyone and their pets: dogs, cats, rabbits, birds, fish, turtles, and toy pets. The only requirement is that animals must be properly restrained, leashed or caged.

UPCOMING CHORAL EVENSONG: Join us on Sunday, October 15 at 4:00 PM for the first Choral Evensong of the choir season! The Choir & Choristers of Grace Church will sing music by Herbert Brewer, Bernard Rose, Eric Thiman, Charles Wood, and others. A reception will follow in The Pavilion.

UPCOMING CHORAL COMPLINE: On Sunday, October 15 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/end the week.

LEADERSHIP AT GRACE CHURCH

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