GRACE CHURCH

IN **PROVIDENCE**

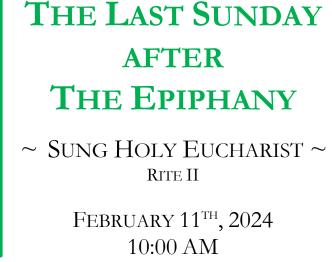
The Mission of Grace Church is to build, by the grace of God, a loving and joyful community which lives the Gospel through worship, proclamation, and service to each other, to downtown Providence, and beyond.

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





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

VOLUNTARY

Trumpet Tune in A

David N. Johnson (1922-1987)

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.



THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN, 137 Ο 1 won _ drous type! Ο vi sion fair of glo ry 2 With Mo and Ε li jah nigh the in ses _ car nate -3 bright With shin face ray, Christ ing and ar deigns to 4 And faith ful hearts are raised high by this great on $\mathbf{5}$ Ο Fa ther, with the e Son, and Ho ly - ter nal _ _ that the Church share, which Christ the 1 may up on 2 Lord holds con verse high; and from the cloud, the 3 i fest day what glo shall be man to ry sion's for which 4 vi joy ful mys ter in у; 5 Spi One, vouch safe bring rit, ev er to _ _ us P 0 bright the glows! moun - tain shows, where er than he 1 sun 2 Ho ly One bears re cord to the on ly Son. 3 theirs who God with love. а bove joy in per fect -_ 4 strains raise the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise. we $\mathbf{5}$ by thy glo face face. thy grace see ry to to -

Words: Latin, 15th century; tr. Hymns Ancient & Modern, 1861, after John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt. Music: Warham, melody by William Knapp (1698-1768), alt.; harm. Hymns Ancient & Modern, 1875, after James Turle (1802-1882); Descant by Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947)

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

CelebrantBlessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!PeopleAnd blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever! Amen.

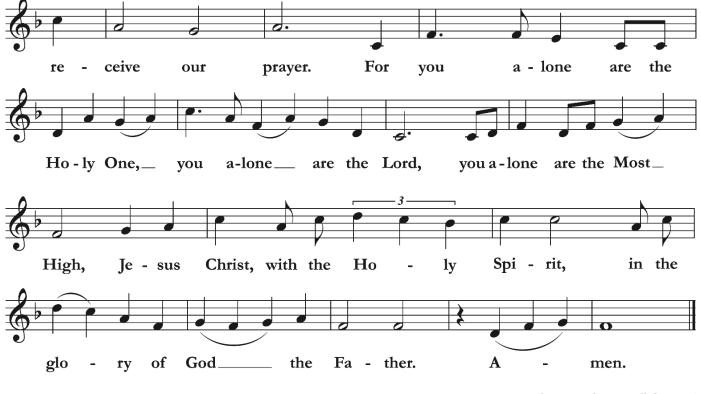
THE COLLECT FOR PURITY *Celebrant*

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.



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Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

The Collect of the $\ensuremath{D}\xspace{A}\xspace{A}$

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLet us pray.

GOD, WHO BEFORE THE PASSION of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; 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

Reader A reading from the Second Book of Kings.

HEN THE LORD WAS ABOUT TO TAKE ELIJAH up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent." Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and

2 Kings 2:1-12

as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent." Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.



1 The LORD, the God of gods, has spoken; * he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

- 2 Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, * God reveals himself in glory.
- 3 Our God will come and will not keep silence; * before him there is a consuming flame, and round about him a raging storm.
- 4 He calls the heavens and the earth from above * to witness the judgment of his people.
- 5 "Gather before me my loyal followers, * those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice."
- 6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; * for God himself is judge. *Antiphon*.

Setting: Anglican Chant by George Alexander MacFarren (1813-1887) Antiphon: A Hymn-Tune Psalter, Carl P. Daw, Jr. & Kevin R. Hackett; based on Leoni, Hebrew melody

THE EPISTLE READING

Reader A reading from Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians.

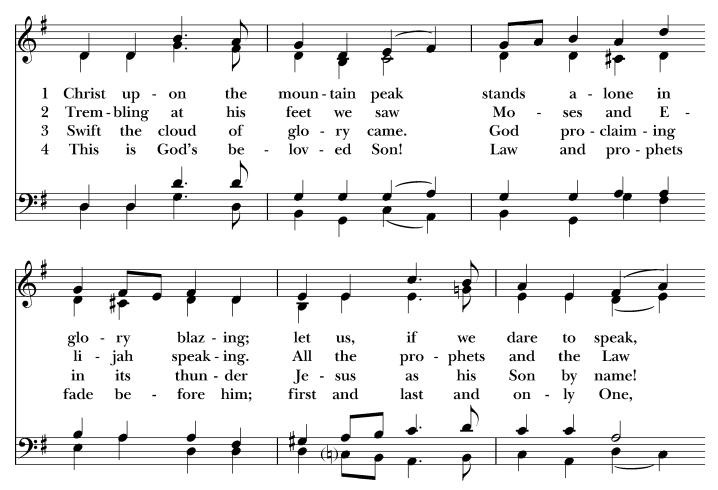
VEN IF OUR GOSPEL IS VEILED, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the Gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.



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

AT THE SEQUENCE, HYMN 129



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THE SERMON

Priest

People

Please stand as you are able and say together

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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 $\mathbf{W}_{ ext{E}}$ 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.

Words: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936) Music: Mowsley, Cyril Vincent Taylor (1907-1991)

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THE HOLY GOSPEL

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ. People

ESUS TOOK WITH HIM PETER AND JAMES AND JOHN, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

saints and with the an - gels praise him. Al le lu ia! joy - ful greet - ing. shout through them their Al le lu ia! Na tions loud in won - der! Al le lu ia! cry а dore him! let cre а tion now а Al le lu ia! d 8

The Rector

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Mark. 9:2-9

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 bring our petitions before the throne of the Holy One, presenting them through Christ to whom all glory and dominion is given.

We pray for the church sent to witness before all peoples and nations: May it make known to all the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

God of light, hear our prayer.

We pray for nations shrouded by clouds of war and discord: May Christ's dominion of peace dawn in splendor on their darkness.

God of light, hear our prayer.

We pray for those who dedicate themselves to the service of the poor: May their love and justice transfigure lives deprived of respect and dignity.

God of light, hear our prayer.

We pray this morning for the family & friends of Erinn Huetteman, Timothy, Viola Cleo Bradshaw, Iranice Tavares, Carol Violet, Amanda Keye, Craig, Patricia Phillips, Genie Delsesto, Victoria Amado McKinney, Greg Allan Johnson, Jeff, and Kenneth Scanlan. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble.

God of light, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for those already gone before the Lord in judgment: May the day of their salvation dawn in eternal radiance.

God of light, 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 PEACE

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

Welcome \mathfrak{C} Parish Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM

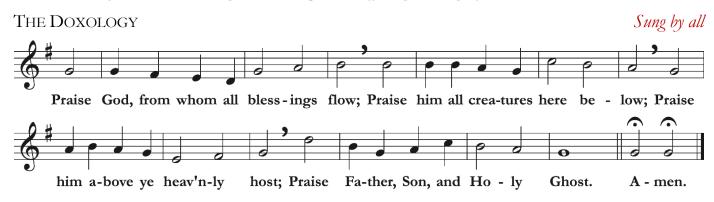
Christ upon the mountain peak stands alone in glory blazing. Let us, if we dare to speak, with the saints and angels praise him, Alleluia!

Trembling at his feet we saw Moses and Elijah speaking. All the prophets and the Law shout through them their joyful greeting, Alleluia! Swift the cloud of glory came, God, proclaiming in its thunder Jesus as his Son by name! Nations, cry aloud in wonder! Alleluia!

This is God's beloved Son. Law and prophets fade before him, first and last and only One. Let creation now adore him! Alleluia!

> Words: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936) Music: Paul Bouman (1918-2019)

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



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

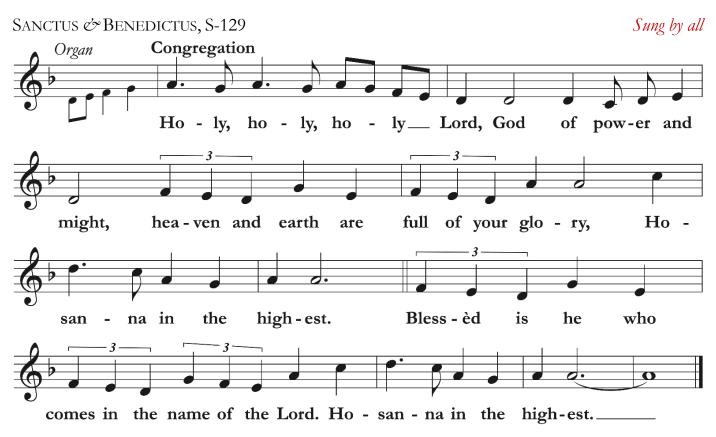
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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:



Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

Celebrant

If 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." CelebrantTherefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:PeopleChrist 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.

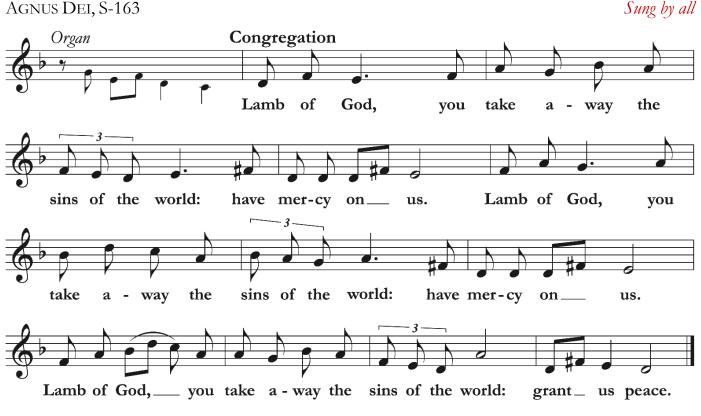
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

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 ANTIPHON

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

Assumpsit Jesus Petrum, et Jacobum, et Joannem fratrem ejus, et duxit eos in montem excelsum seorum, et transfiguratus est ante eos.

Jesus took Peter, and James, and his brother John, and led them away up a high mountain: and he was transfigured before them.

Setting: Communion Proper for The Feast of the Transfiguration, Plainsong

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!

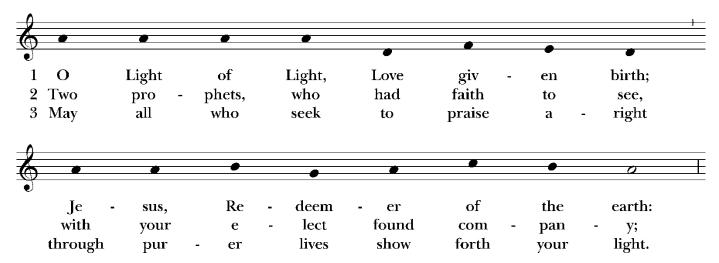
AT THE COMMUNION, ANTHEM

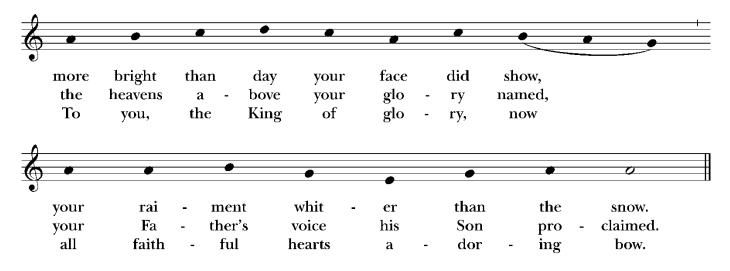
My eyes for beauty pine, my soul for God's grace; No other care nor hope is mine, to heaven I turn my face. One splendour thence is shed from all the stars above: 'Tis named when God's name is said, 'Tis Love, 'tis heavenly Love. And every gentle heart that burns with true desire, is lit from eyes that mirror part of that celestial fire.

> Words: Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930) Music: Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

Please join in singing the hymn.

THE COMMUNION HYMN, 134





Words: Latin, 10th century; tr. Laurence Housman (1865-1959), alt. Music: Jesu dulcis memoria, Plainsong, Mode II

When Communion is completed, please stand as you are able and say together THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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.

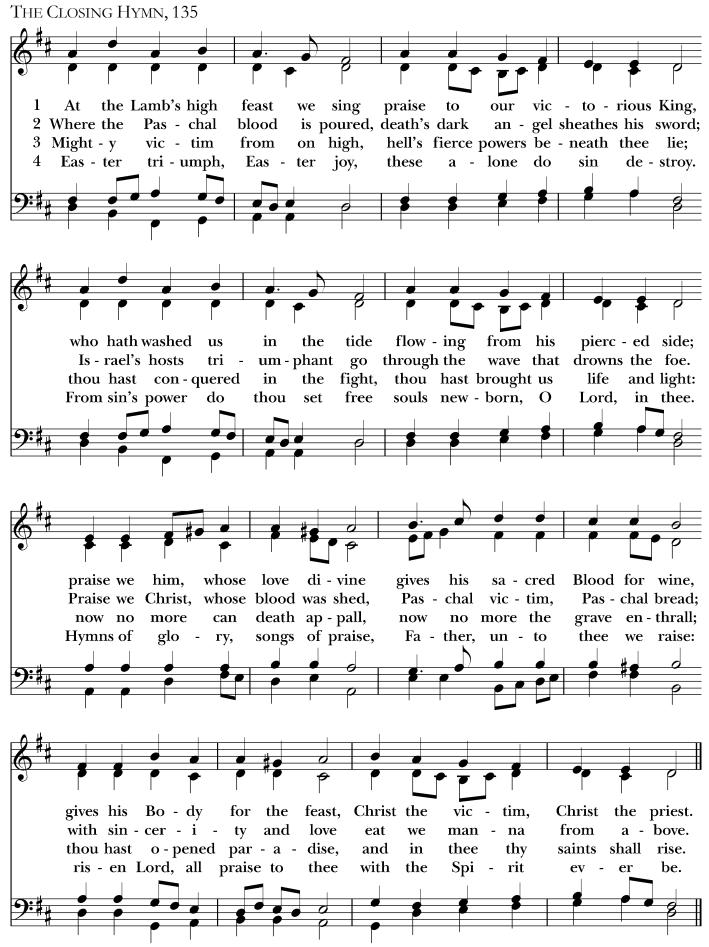
And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.

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

THE BLESSING

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





Words: Stanzas 1-3, Christopher Wordsorth (1807-1885); Stanza 4, F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984) Music: Salzburg, melody by Jakob Hintze (1622-1702); harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

THE DISMISSAL

PriestGo in peace to love and serve the Lord!PeopleThanks be to God!

VOLUNTARY

Alleluyas

Simon Preston (1938-2022)

The flowers that adorn the Church this morning are given in loving memory of Robert Daly by Polly Wall.

~ Serving today ~

Celebrant: The Reverend Hartwell Hylton Preacher: The Reverend Canon Jonathan Huyck Crucifer: Frank Ward Lectors: Andrew Raftery, Katherine Coumes Intercessor: Adrienne Southgate Ministers of Communion: Jane Pear, Lois Lewis Altar Guild: Sue Hall, Phyllis Noke Greeters: Jane Ditmars, Vivian Blais Ushers: Christopher Tompkins, Melody Ennis, Brenda Micheletti, Robert Olawoye Audio/Visual: Clinton Crocker Coffee Hour Servers: Luci Scanlan, Joe DiBattista, Pam Baker

Newcomer? Visitor? Scan for our Welcome Card!



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.

NEWCOMERS: Join us for our Winter Newcomers' Reception during Coffee Hour this morning! Grab a drink from the Pavilion and come meet us in the Chafee Room. If you're a relative newcomer and attended our last reception, feel free to come again; it's great to connect new and familiar faces!

UPCOMING ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES: Beginning **Wednesday, February 14,** the season of Lent begins! Join us at one of our Ash Wednesday services of the Holy Eucharist with the Imposition of Ashes at either 12 Noon or 7:00 PM. The evening service at 7pm will feature music sung by The Choir & Choristers of Grace Church, including works by Adrian Batten, Herbert Howells, Richard Lloyd, and Gregorio Allegri's famous motet *Miserere mei Deus*.

LENT 2024 BROCHURES: The penitential and reflective season of Lent begins next week as Christians around the world observe Ash Wednesday. Here at Grace Church we will have several additional offerings during Lent which are listed in the Lent 2024 Brochure found on the tables in the rear of the church. We hope that these opportunities will guide and aid your prayers and spiritual life during Lent, so please do join us!

THIRD THURSDAYS (a) TWELVE (NOON) CONCERT: Join us on Thursday, **February 15 at 12:00 Noon**, for a free, lunchtime concert titled: Oboe d'Amour: Songs of Love & Romance performed by Cheryl Bishkoff, Principal Oboe of the Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra, accompanied by Vince Edwards. They will play works by J.S. Bach, Robert Schumann, and others appropriate for Valentine's Day.

UPCOMING CHORAL COMPLINE: Join us on **Sunday, February 18 at 8:00 PM** as 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.

THE 195TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH will take place in The Pavilion immediately following 10:00 a.m. service on **Sunday, February 25** (during Coffee Hour) to hear reports from parish leaders and to elect vestry members. The Vestry Nominating Committee will present the following slate for the Vestry: for a second, three-year term – **Joseph Berryhill and Michael D'Alesandre,** for a first, full, three-year term – **Clinton Crocker and Peter Dugan,** and for Diocesan Convention Delegate and Alternate – **Frank Ward and Ken Reeves**.

SHAWL MINISTRY: We have once again agreed to make shawls for an Ignatian Spiritual Retreat. Colette Cook has requested 15 shawls for the women who are recovering from homelessness and addiction. She thanks us for our handiwork, saying: *"These shawls will be a tangible expression of God's love and care for our retreatants."* Would you please let me know if you, (or your friend or family member), could commit to making 1 shawl, using any yarn, in any pattern, by November 1st? Call or email Jane Ditmars (Shawl Ministry Co-ordinator) with any questions you may have: (610) 657-5600 or janeditmars@gmail.com



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