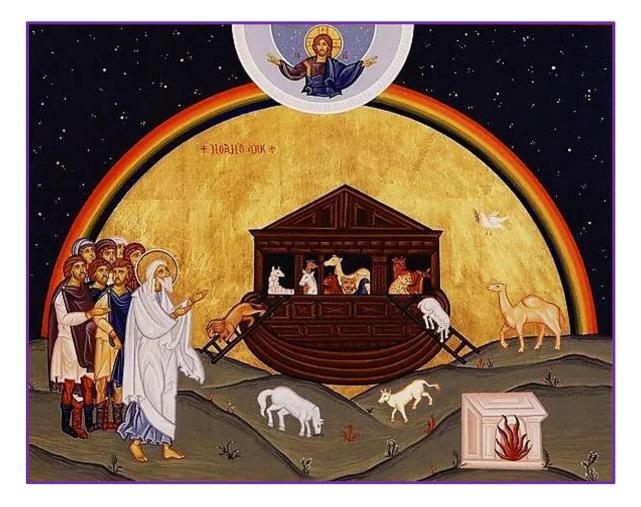
GRACE CHURCH

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 FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

 $\sim \underset{\text{Rite II}}{\text{Sung Holy Eucharist}} \sim$

FEBRUARY 18th, 2024 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

O Mensch bewein, dein Sünde groß, BWV 622

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

THE INTROIT

The Cantor and Choir sing from The Pavilion,

Lord, have mercy : *Have mercy upon us.* Let us go forth in peace : *In the name of Christ. Amen.*

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

HYMN IN PROCESSION, 143

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Words: Latin, 6th century; tr. Maurice F. Bell (1862-1947), alt. Music: Erhalt uns, Herr, melody from Geistliche Leider, 1543; harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION & SUMMARY OF THE LAW

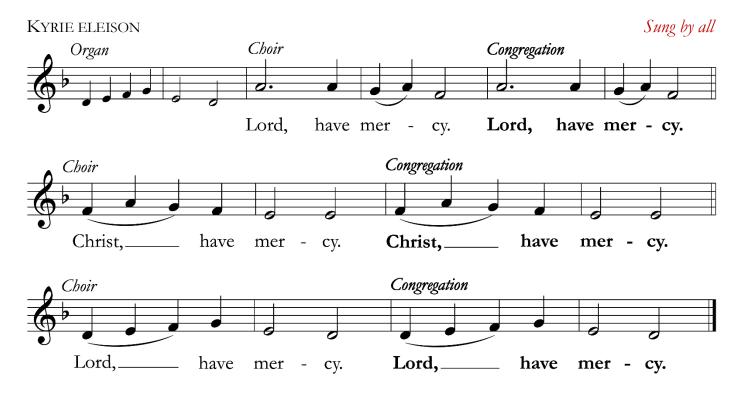
Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People His mercy endures for ever.

Celebrant

EAR WHAT OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST SAYS: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Please join in singing the Kyrie eleison, during which Sunday School Children (ages 4-12), process to Sunday School. All are welcome!



Setting: Mass of St. Michael, Michael O'Connor, based on the Cherubikon, Ukrainian chant, adapt.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAYCelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLet us pray.

LMIGHTY GOD, WHOSE BLESSED SON was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings of Holy Scripture.

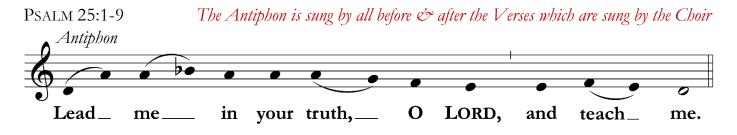
THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 9:8-17

Reader A reading from the Book of Genesis

OD SAID TO NOAH AND TO HIS SONS WITH HIM, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.



- 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.
- 9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness * to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies. *Antiphon.*

Setting: Plainsong, Tone I.7

1 Peter 3:18-22

THE EPISTLE READING

Reader A reading from The First Letter of Peter.

HRIST ALSO SUFFERED FOR SINS ONCE FOR ALL, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

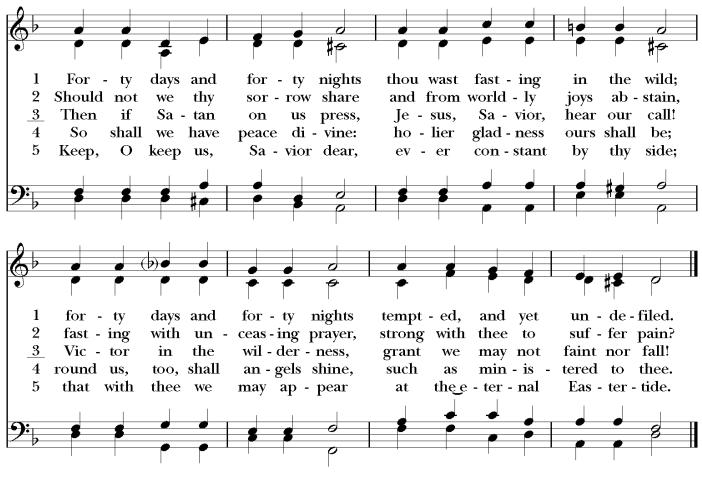
Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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



AT THE SEQUENCE, HYMN 150



Words: George Hunt Smyttan (1822-1870), alt. Music: Aus der Tiefe rufe ich, melody att. Martin Herbst (1654-1681), alt.; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 1:9-15

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

I N THOSE DAYS JESUS CAME FROM NAZARETH of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

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

THE SERMON

The Reverend Harwell 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

The Intercessor and People pray responsively,

Given new life through baptism and called to share Christ's victory over temptation, let us offer our intercession to God.

We pray these forty days in the wilderness of Lent may increase the Church's strength for proclaiming the good news.

God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray that God's covenant of peace with all flesh may inspire nations to prepare a heritage of peace for future generations.

God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray that we who share this planet with every living creature may be good stewards of this fragile ark and reverence it as God's creation.

God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Continued over the page. \rightarrow

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

God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Let us pray that, having departed this life with a good conscience, our beloved dead may go with Christ into heaven to the right hand of God.

God, in your mercy, 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

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

Welcome & Parish Announcements



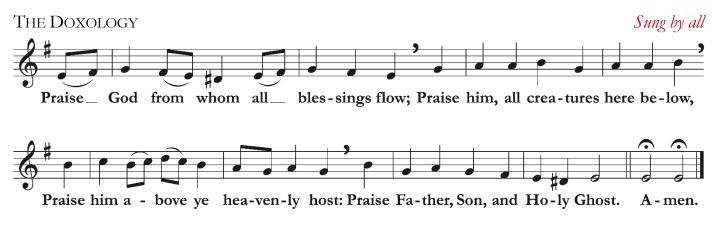
THE HOLY COMMUNION

AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM

Let all the angels of God worship Him.

Words: Hebrews 1:6 Music: from Messiah, Part the Second, HWV 56, George Frederich Händel (1685-1750)

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

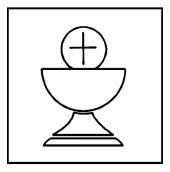


Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711) Music: Erhalt uns, Herr, melody from Geistliche Lieder, 1543



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

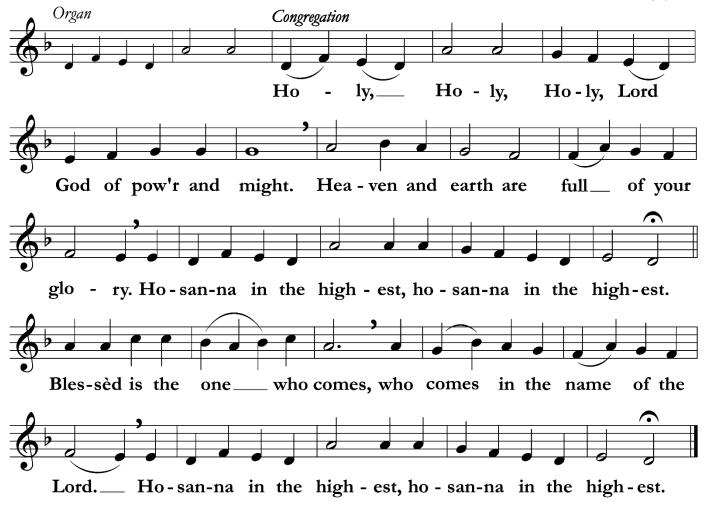
Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Celebrant	Lift up your hearts.
People	We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People	It is right to give God thanks and praise.



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 Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again. 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:

Please join in singing the Sanctus & Benedictus on the following page.



Setting: Mass of St. Michael, Michael O'Connor, based on the Cherubikon, Ukrainian chant, adapt.

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."

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

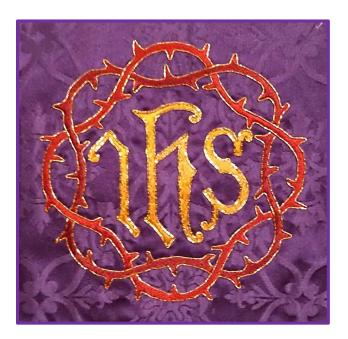
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

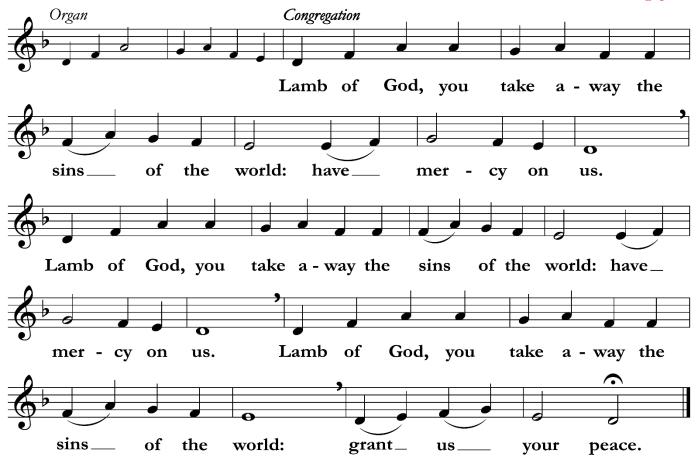
OUR FATHER, WHO ART IN HEAVEN,

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 on the following page.





Setting: Mass of St. Michael, Michael O'Connor, based on the Cherubikon, Ukrainian chant, adapt.

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

Attende Domine, et miserere, quia peccavimus tibi. Ad te Rex summe, omnium redemptor, oculos nostros sublevamus flentes: exaudi, Christe, supplicantum preces. *Attende Domine...*

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

Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us: for we have sinned against thee. To thou, Redeemer, on thy throne of glory: Life we our weeping eyes in holy pleadings: Listen, O Christ, to our supplications. Hear us, O Lord...

Setting: from Lent Prose, Plainsong, Mode V



THE COMMUNION

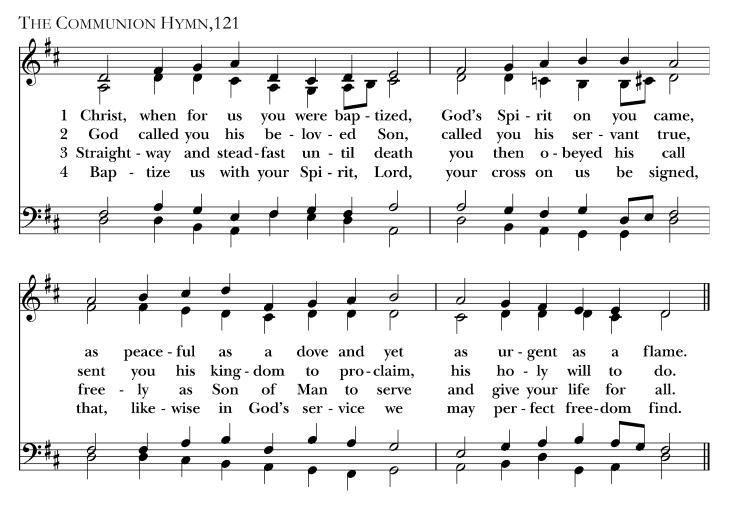
To receive communion, extend your hands to the Priest and they will place the wafer in your hand (if you would like a gluten-free wafer, please ask for one). If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead, simply cross your arms over your chest when you come to the Altar. All are welcome at The Lord's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

AT THE COMMUNION, ANTHEM

Unto thee, O LORD, I lift up my soul, O LORD, unto thee. O my God, in thee have I trusted, let not thine enemies triumph over me. Show me thy ways, teach me thy paths. Thou art the God of my salvation.

> Words: Psalm 25:1, 3, 4 Music: Francis Edward Aulbach (1902-1986)

Please join in singing the hymn during communion.



Words: F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984), rev. Music: Caithness, melody from The Psalmes of David in Prose and Meeter, 1635; harm. The English Hymnal, 1906



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.

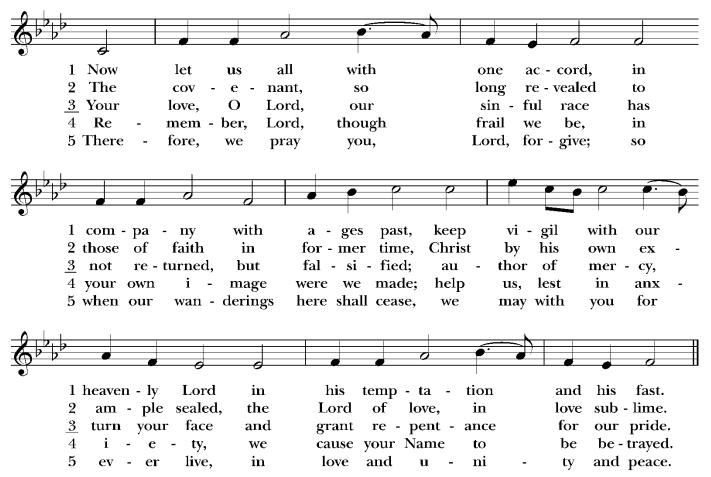
THE SOLEMN PRAYER & BLESSING OVER THE PEOPLE

Celebrant Grant, Almighty God, that your people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in your strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of your loving providence; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

People Amen.

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

HYMN IN PROCESSION, 147



Words: Attributed to St. Gregory the Great (540-604); tr. Praise the Lord, 1972, alt. Music: Bourbon, melody attributed to Freeman Lewis (1780-1859) THE DISMISSAL

Priest Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Fugue in F minor

George Frederich Händel (1685-1750)

 ~ SERVING TODAY ~
 Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Jonathan Huyck Preacher: The Reverend Hartwell Hylton Crucifer: Charles Carroll Lectors: Selina Olawoye, Jim Mahoney Intercessor: Nicholas Halar Ministers of Communion: Liz Chin, Robert Baxter Altar Guild: Denise Lapolla, Margrete Jean-Louis Greeters: Peter Dugan, Lori Brown Ushers: John Trosclair, Wade Bright, Michael D'Alesandre, Ed Morgan Audio/Visual: Clinton Crocker
 Coffee Hour Servers: Pat Trosclair, Joseph Annaldo & Gailia Rutan-Annaldo

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.

CHORAL COMPLINE TODAY: Join us **this evening 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.

THURSDAY LENTEN EUCHARISTS: Beginning next **Thursday, February 22 at 6:00 PM,** join us each week for a short Eucharist service with music, prayers, and a brief reflection on specific pieces of Christian artwork offered by lay parishioners of Grace Church. The service takes place in the Chancel near the High Altar amongst candlelight and incense for a more intimate worship experience. A light potluck supper in The Pavilion follows the service. The first preacher in the series is our Director of Youth Ministries, **Vivian Blais.** She will offer a reflection on the painting known as "The Sistine Madonna" by the 16th century Italian artist Raphael.

LENT 2024 BROCHURES: 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!

THE 195TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH will take place in The Pavilion immediately following 10:00 AM. 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**.

UPCOMING CHORAL EVENSONG: Join us for a special service of Choral Evensong on **Sunday, February 25 at 4:00 PM** featuring the music of 19th century, Anglo-Irish composer Sir Charles Villiers Stanford. The Choir & Choristers of Grace Church will sing music by Stanford, including his beloved Evening Service in G Major, Op. 81 to commemorate the 100 years since the composer's death in 1924. A reception will follow in The Pavilion.

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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