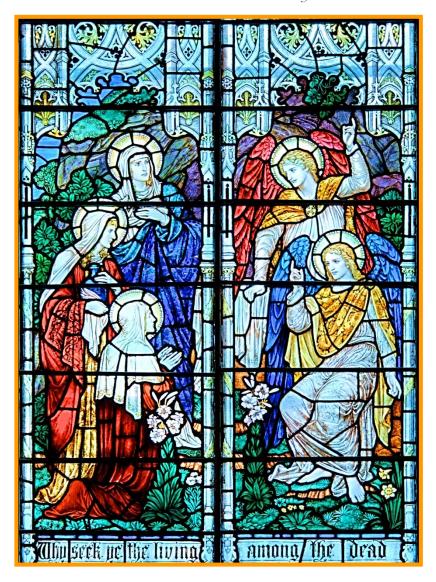
# **GRACE CHURCH**

## 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 EVE OF THE RESURRECTION

THE GREAT VIGIL, HOLY BAPTISM, & THE FIRST EUCHARIST OF EASTER RITE II

MARCH 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2024 8:00 PM

# WELCOME TO GRACE CHURCH!



Welcome to Holy Week at Grace Church! We are thrilled you can join us as we walk together the final days of our Lord's life. We pray that these services will connect you with Grace, and, even more importantly, with Christ. Most of all, we pray that the joy of his resurrection will lift your hearts as we look to a new birth for our world that awaits deliverance with hope and expectation.

The Rev. Canon Jonathan Huyck+
Rector

#### THE SERVICE OF LIGHT

All assemble outside in The Pavilion Courtyard. Taper Candles are available on a table in The Pavilion.

In the darkness, a fire is kindled; after which the Celebrant addresses the People.

ELOVED IN CHRIST: On this most holy night, in which our Lord Jesus passed over from death to life, the Church invites her members, dispersed throughout the world, to gather in vigil and prayer. For this is the Passover of the Lord, in which, by hearing his Word and celebrating his Sacraments, we share in his victory over death.

THE BLESSING OVER THE PASCHAL FIRE

Celebrant Let us pray.

GOD, through your Son you have bestowed upon your people the brightness of your light: Sanctify this new fire, and grant that in this Paschal feast we may so burn with heavenly desires, that with pure minds we may attain to the festival of everlasting light; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

The Easter Fire is censed, representing our Prayers ascending up to Heaven.

#### THE LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

The newly-kindled fire is used to light the Paschal Candle, after which the Clergy light their Taper Candles and then light those of the Congregation. The sharing of the flame from the Paschal Candle represents the spreading of Christ's light among his People and throughout the world.

A Priest, carrying the Paschal Candle, leads the procession from The Pavilion Courtyard into the Church, pausing three times and singing "The Light of Christ".

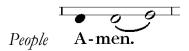
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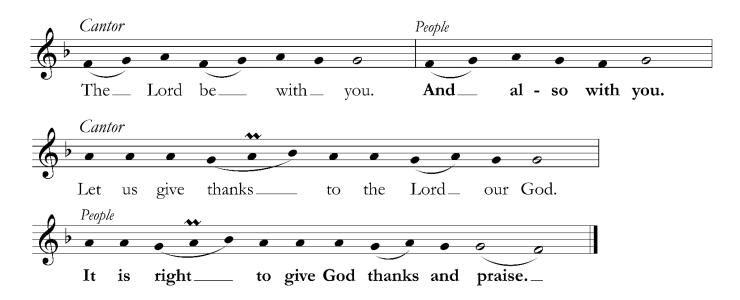


The light of Christ. Thanks be to God.

THE EXSULTET Sung by a Cantor

EJOICE NOW HEAVENLY HOSTS and choirs of angels, and let your trumpets shout Salvation for the victory of our mighty King. Rejoice and sing now all the round earth, bright with a glorious splendor, for darkness has been vanquished by our eternal King. Rejoice and be glad now Mother Church and let your holy courts, in radiant light, resound with the praises of your people. All you who stand near this marvelous and holy flame, pray with me to God the Almighty for the grace to sing the worthy praise of this great light; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.



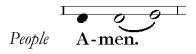


#### The Cantor continues

T IS TRULY RIGHT AND GOOD, always and everywhere, with our whole heart and mind and voice, to praise you, the invisible, almighty, and eternal God, and your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who at the feast of the Passover paid for us the debt of Adam's sin, and by his blood delivered your faithful people. This is the night, when you brought our fathers, the children of Israel, out of bondage in Egypt, and led them through the Red Sea on dry land. This is the night, when all who believe in Christ are delivered from the gloom of sin, and are restored to grace and holiness of life. This is the night, when Christ broke the bonds of death and hell, and rose victorious from the grave.

OW WONDERFUL AND BEYOND OUR KNOWING, O God, is your mercy and loving kindness to us, that to redeem a slave, you gave a Son. How holy is this night, when wickedness is put to flight, and sin is washed away. It restores innocence to the fallen, and joy to those who mourn. It casts out pride and hatred, and brings peace and concord. How blessed is this night, when earth and heaven are joined and man is reconciled to God.

OLY FATHER, accept our evening sacrifice, the offering of this candle in your honor. May it shine continually to drive away all darkness. May Christ, the Morning Star who knows no setting, find it ever burning – he who gives his light to all creation, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever.



The Celebrant introduces the Prophecies.

Celebrant

Let us hear the record of God's saving deeds in history, how he saved his people in ages past; and let us pray that our God will bring each of us to the fullness of redemption.

The People are seated.

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST PROPHESY
The Story of Creation

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

PSALM 46: 1-12

Deus noster refugium

Sung by the Choir

God is our refuge and strength,\*

A very present help in trouble.

2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,\* and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;

3 Though its waters rage and foam,\*

and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.

4 The LORD of hosts is with us,\*

the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

5 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,\* the holy habitation of the Most High.

6 God is in the midst of her; she shall not be overthrown,\*

God shall help her at the break of day.

7 The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken,\*

God has spoken, the earth shall melt away.

8 The LORD of hosts is with us,\*

the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

9 Come now and look upon the works of the LORD,\*

what awesome things he has done on earth.

10 It is he who makes war to cease in all the world;\*

he breaks the bow and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

11 "Be still then, and know that I am God;\*

I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."

12 The LORD of hosts is with us;\*

the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Setting: Plainsong, Tone VIII.1

#### THE COLLECT

Celebrant Let us pray.

LMIGHTY GOD, YOU HAVE PLACED IN THE SKIES the sign of your covenant with all living things: Grant that we, who are saved through water and the Spirit, may worthily offer to you our sacrifice of thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please be seated.

#### THE SECOND PROPHESY

Israel's Deliverance at the Red Sea

Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21

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





Words: Anonymous, ca. 1976, alt.; based on Exodus 15:1-2 Music: The Eighth Tune (Tallis' Canon), Thomas Tallis (c 1505-1585)

#### THE COLLECT

Celebrant Let us pray.

GOD, WHOSE WONDERFUL DEEDS OF OLD shine forth even to our own day, you once delivered by the power of your mighty arm your chosen people from slavery under Pharaoh, to be a sign for us of the salvation of all nations by the water of Baptism: Grant that all the peoples of the earth may be numbered among the offspring of Abraham, and rejoice in the inheritance of Israel; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### Please be seated.

#### THE THIRD PROPHESY

A New Heart and a New Spirit

Ezekiel 36:24-28

#### PSALM 42:1-7

Ouemadmodum

Sung by the Choir

- As the deer longs for the water-brooks, \* so longs my soul for you, O God.
- 2 My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the living God; \* when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?
- 3 My tears have been my food day and night, \* while all day long they say to me, "Where now is your God?"
- 4 I pour out my soul when I think on these things; \* how I went with the multitude and led them into the house of God,
- 5 With the voice of praise and thanksgiving, \* among those who keep holy-day.
- 6 Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? \* and why are you so disquieted within me?
- 7 Put your trust in God; \*

for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance, and my God.

Setting: Plainsong, Tone VIII.1

## Please stand as you are able.

THE COLLECT

Celebrant Let us pray.

LMIGHTY AND EVERLASTING GOD, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who are reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



### Please turn to face the rear of the Church, as the Clergy process to the Baptismal Font.

AT THE PROCESSION TO THE FONT, MOTET

Sung by the Choir

Sicut cervus desiderat ad fontes aquarum, ita desiderat anima mea ad te, Deus. Like as the hart [deer]
desires the waterbrooks,
so longs my soul for you, O God.

Words: Psalm 42:1

Music: Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c 1525-1594)

THE PRESENTATION & EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATE

Celebrant The candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Sponsor We present Nathan Alessandro Cafaro to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant Do you desire to be baptized?

Candidate I do.

Celebrant Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness

that rebel against God?

Candidate I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce the evil powers of this world

which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Candidate I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Candidate I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Candidate I do.

Celebrant Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Candidate I do.

Celebrant Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Candidate I do.

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons

in their life in Christ?

People We will!

Celebrant Let us now join with Nathan who is committing himself to Christ

and renew our own baptismal covenant.

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THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People 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.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People 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.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,

in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin,

repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people,

and respect the dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

THE PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATE

Celebrant Let us now pray for Nathan who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Intercessor Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor Open his heart to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

*Intercessor* Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Intercessor Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

*Intercessor* Send him into the world in witness to your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

*Intercessor* Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son

may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory;

who lives and reigns now and forever. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant

E THANK YOU, ALMIGHTY GOD, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.

## The Celebrant pours water into the Font and blesses it saying,

HEREFORE IN JOYFUL OBEDIENCE TO YOUR SON, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.** 



#### THE BAPTISM

The Celebrant pours water upon the candidate saying,

Celebrant Nathan Alessandro, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and

of the Holy Spirit.

People Amen.

Using Chrism oil, the Assisting Priest marks the candidate's forehead with the sign of the Cross saying,

Celebrant Nathan Alessandro, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as

Christ's own for ever.

People Amen.

#### THE BLESSING

Celebrant Let us pray.

EAVENLY FATHER, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.** 

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized!

All WE RECEIVE YOU into the household of God.

Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood!



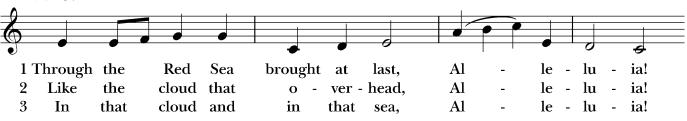
### THE PROCLAMATION & THE FIRST EUCHARIST OF EASTER

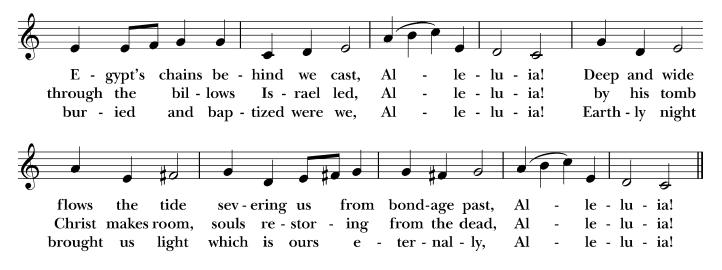
Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

People The Lord is Risen, indeed! Alleluia!

The organ sounds a fanfare, bells are rung, light is restored in the Church, and all join in singing the hymn. The People extinguish their Taper Candles.

**HYMN 187** 





Words: Ronald A. Knox (1888-1957) Music: Straf mich nicht, melody from Hundert Arien, 1694

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Celebrant Let us pray.

GOD, WHO MADE THIS MOST HOLY NIGHT to shine with the glory of the Lord's resurrection: Stir up in your Church that Spirit of adoption which is given to us in Baptism, that we, being renewed both in body and mind, may worship you in sincerity and truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

Please be seated for the readings from Holy Scripture.

THE EPISTLE READING Romans 6:3-11

Reader A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans

O YOU NOT KNOW that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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



Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), alt. Music: Unser Herrscher, Joachim Neander (1650-1680), adapt.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 16:1-8

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

HEN THE SABBATH WAS OVER, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION, GEORGIAN ALLELUIA

Sung by the Choir

THE SERMON

The Reverend Michael Coburn

## Please stand as you are able.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Intercessor and People pray responsively,

Joining with Christians everywhere who are gathered with us at the empty tomb, we make our prayers and thanksgivings, saying: Hear us, O Risen Christ.

We pray for our Church and for all people who stake their lives on the love of God: that we may not be afraid. That we may be united with each other in newness of life. And that our love for each other may radiate hope throughout a dark and frightened world.

For this we pray: Hear us, O Risen Christ.

For all of us who long to trust in God's limitless love for us and cannot do it: that the Holy Spirit may roll back the heavy stones of our despair and let us see and feel how precious we are to the One who came to save us.

For this we pray: Hear us, O Risen Christ.

For our sisters and brothers around the globe who live under repressive and tyrannical rule: that they may be protected in their struggles and released from the bondage of oppression and terror. And for their rulers: that they may make way for freedom and peace in their lands.

For this we pray: Hear us, O Risen Christ.

For everyone around our planet and in our state who has been afflicted by disasters of weather, or illness or economic hardship: that the Light of Christ that illuminates this night may help us to recognize each of them as beloved brothers and sisters, and ourselves as agents of divine love.

For this we pray: Hear us, O Risen Christ.

We bless God for the lengthening days, the warming and softening of the earth, and for the daffodils and tulips that raise their heads in triumph over winter: that gratitude for the coming of spring may expand our hearts in reverence for everything that God has made.

For this we pray: **Hear us, O Risen Christ.** 

We give thanks for all who have gone before us in faith, especially those who passed on to us the Good News of God's power and love: that our lives may reflect the glory that they share with all the saints in heaven.

For this we pray: **Hear us, O Risen Christ.** 

THE COLLECT

Celebrant Hear our prayers, O Risen Christ, and let the holy flame that shines this night

ignite in us a new spirit of gratitude, courage and passion for service to you and

each other. In God's Name we pray.

People Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you!

People And also with you!

WELCOME & PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

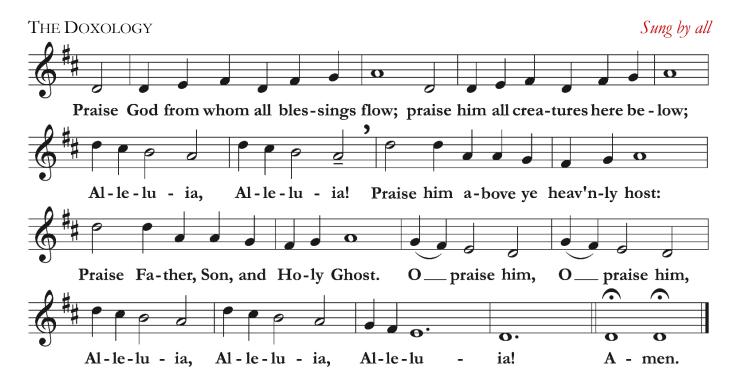


#### THE HOLY COMMUNION

AT THE OFFERTORY, ANTHEM

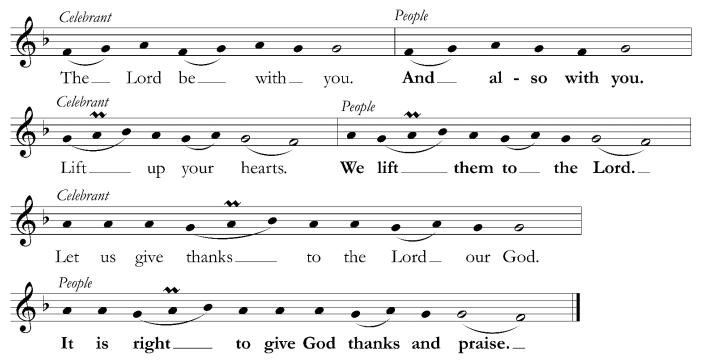
Sing ye to the LORD, for He hath triumphed gloriously. Pharoah's chariots and His host hath He cast into the sea. Mighty victim from the sky, Hell's fierce powers beneath Thee lie; Thou hast conquered in the fight, Thou hast brought us life and light. Now no more can death appall, now no more the grave enthrall, Thou hast opened Paradise, and in Thee Thy Saints shall rise. Alleluia, Amen.

Words: Exodus 15:4, 21; paraphrased by Robert Campbell (1818-1866) Music: Sir Edward Cuthbert Bairstow (1874-1946)



Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711) Music: Lasst uns erfreuen, melody from Auserlesne Catholische Geistliche Kirchengeseng, 1623; adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



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. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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 the Choir

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the Highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the Highest.

Setting: Canterbury Mass, Anthony Piccolo (b. 1946)

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

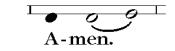
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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.

Celebrant

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.



People

#### 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

#### THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Sung by the Choir

Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Setting: Canterbury Mass, A. Piccolo

#### 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.

Victimae paschali laudes immolent Christiani. Agnus redemit oves: Christus innocens Patri reconciliavit peccatores. Amen! Alleluia! Praise be to the Paschal Victim,
from all rejoicing Christians.
The Lamb the sheep redeemeth: Christ the sinless one
unto the Father reconcileth the penitent.
Amen! Alleluia!

Setting: Sequence for the Mass of Easter, 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

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness! God has brought forth Israel into joy from sadness, 'Tis the spring of souls today: Christ has burst his prison, and from three days' sleep in death as a sun has risen.

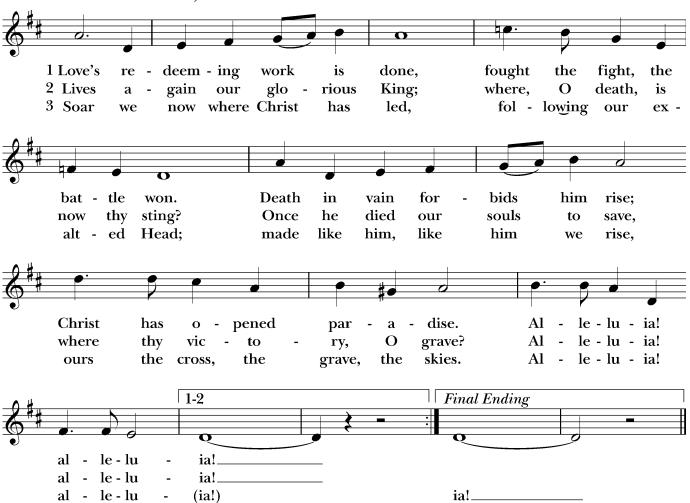
Now the queen of seasons, bright with the day of splendor, with the royal feast of feasts, comes its joy to render; comes to glad Jerusalem, who with true affection welcomes in unwearied strains Jesus' resurrection.

Neither might the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark portal, nor the watchers, nor the seal hold thee as a mortal; but today amidst the twelve thou didst stand, bestowing that thy peace which evermore passeth human knowing.

Words: John Mason Neale (1818-1866) Music: Sir Reginald Sparshatt Thatcher (1888-1857)

#### Please join in singing the hymn.





Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: Resurrexit, Robert Sherlaw Johnson (1932-2000) When communion is completed, please stand as you are able as we 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 EASTER BLESSING

Celebrant May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the

resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing.

People Amen.

Celebrant May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life,

make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever.

People Amen.

Celebrant May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom

in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance.

People Amen.

Celebrant And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be

upon you and remain with you for ever.

People Amen.

Please join in singing the hymn on the following page.







Words: Latin, 1695; tr. Francis Pott (1832-1909), alt. Music: Victory, Giovanni Perluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594); adapt. & arr. William Henry Monk (1823-1889); Descant: Vince Edwards (b. 1968)

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ! Alleluia, alleluia!

People Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia!

VOLUNTARY

Toccata from Symphonie No. 5, Op. 42, No. 1

Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

All are welcome to join us for a festive Champagne & Sweets reception in The Pavilion following this service.

Congratulations to Nathan Alessandro Cafaro who we welcome into Christ's holy church this evening through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism!

#### ~ SERVING TODAY~

Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Jonathan Huyck
Preacher: The Reverend Michael Coburn
Assisting Priest: The Reverend Hartwell Hylton
Crucifer: Cindy Stephanopoulos
Lectors: Ben West, Nicholas Halar, Katherine Coumes, Andrew Raftery
Intercessor: Geneva Walker
Thurifer: Charles Carroll
Ministers of Communion: Jane Pear, Charles Carroll
Fire Master: Doug Ditmars
Altar Guild: Joshua Klemp, Denise Lapolla
Usher: Vivian Blais
Audio/ Visual: Clinton Crocker

WE KEEP THE FOLLOWING IN OUR PRAYERS: Sara Pierson, Polly Wall, Matthew Thomas, Marcia Brown, Michelle Baranova, Rachel and her daughter, Kristy Scanlan, the family & friends of Zachary Lutes, Amanda Keye, Craig, Greg Allan Johnson, Jeff, and Kenneth Scanlan.

#### EASTER 2024 AT GRACE CHURCH

The Feast of the Resurrection: Easter Day, Sunday, March 31st



Spoken Holy Eucharist at **8:00 AM**Festal Choral Eucharist with Brass & Timpani at **10:00 AM** 



On Easter Day, all children are most welcome to participate in **The Easter Egg Hunt** during Coffee Hour following the 10 AM Eucharist!

# A SPECIAL GIFT TOWARD THE MUSIC FOR THE EASTER SERVICES

Is given by David C. Olsen and Leonard J. Flood
In Thanksgiving for the Ministry of
The Reverend Canon Jonathan Huyck
and in Memory of

The Reverend & Mrs. Howard C. Olsen, Mr. & Mrs. Edward J. Flood, Mr. Edward A. Flood, Mr. & Mrs. Roy William Howard

# THE EASTER FLOWERS THAT DECORATE THE CHURCH & THE EASTER MUSICAL OFFERINGS

Are Given to the Glory of God, and in Loving Memory of: Alice Carrier Martin ~ Angela Remy ~ Annetrude Raftery ~ Arthur Cluley Bernard & Ada Ineson ~ Bob, Wendy, Jane Nelson & family ~ Bud Lewis Delia Vicente ~ Mr. & Mrs. Dos Santos ~ Dennis Gille ~ Dakota Gill Archibald Jacob & Shiela Jacob ~ Dorothy L. Doll ~ Dorsey & Charles Phelps Ed & Marcia Stone ~ Lloyd & Isabel Hughes ~ Eileen H. Deubel Fred C. & Ellen V. White ~ William F. & Hazel Smith ~ Dorothy Norris Hattie J. White ~ Ethel & John Scanlan & family ~ Ethel & Ray Weissmuller Evelyn & James Bailey ~ Gordon E. Martin, Jr. Mr. & Mrs. Gordon E. Martin, Sr. ~ Erik D. Croll Mr. & Mrs. Bernard A. Riley ~ Helene D. Bodman ~ James H. Graves Helen M. Graves ~ Richard Pelletier ~ Joyce Dunlap ~ William M. Dietel John "Joe" Corr ~ John & Mary Wall ~ Robert Daly ~ Kathryn Chamberlain Kathy Johnson, Sr. ~ Melinda, Chester, & Sadie Horton Mr. & Mrs. George C. Brewster ~ Mr. Harry Lonergan Leonard & Dorothy Hoebeke ~ Steven Hoebeke ~ Nancy Kiley Olga V. Cooper ~ our loved ones ~ Patricia Reed (Bopi) Reverend Canon Peter Chase ~ Rex & Margaret Hodges Ken & Auriel White ~ Robert Gibbons ~ Bernie Devlin the Rutan & Annaldo families ~ Sarah E. Keogh ~ Nicole Cianci ~ Ricky Birkes Michael Weaver LaMountain ~ Sarah Twelves & Stephen Twelves

Seitie & Alwyn Botha ~ Edna & Aubrey Allwright ~ Steve Wagner the McCutcheon & Stamp families ~ Laura McCormick The Rev. Mark A. DeWolf ~ Ytsjelisck Chamberlain ~ Zecheriah Chafee, Jr. John & Virginia Chafee

### And In Thanksgiving for:

Eden Van Rensselaer ~ Emi & Mari Southgate ~ Foster G. West Karen & Winnie Howard ~ the family & friends of Robert & Selina Olawoye God's mercies and faithfulness ~ Our Grace Church family





### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**UPCOMING INQUIRERS' CLASS:** Adults interested in the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Reception, or Renewal of Baptismal Vows are encouraged to attend our 2024 Inquirers' Class held on Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM *(start date to be announced)* in the Chafee Room, and as always, absolutely all in the parish are welcome. The clergy will lead discussions on the Christian faith in the Anglican / Episcopal tradition. If you have any questions, please contact the Rector via email at <a href="mailto:ihuyck@gracepvd.org">ihuyck@gracepvd.org</a>

**FOOD DONATION COLLECTION:** Grace Church has partnered with a fellow Episcopal parish here in Providence, St. Peter's and St. Andrew's Church, to support their Food Pantry. We invite you to bring non-perishable items to Grace on Sundays when you come to church and place them in the woven baskets in the rear of the church. We'll deliver the donations to Sts. Peter & Andrew. All non-perishable donations are welcome but especially encouraged are tuna, peanut butter, cereal, diapers & wipes, toilet paper, and paper towels. Thank you for your generosity!

**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 ABOUNDS ENEWSLETTER: 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>

**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.

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