

GRACE CHURCH IN PROVIDENCE

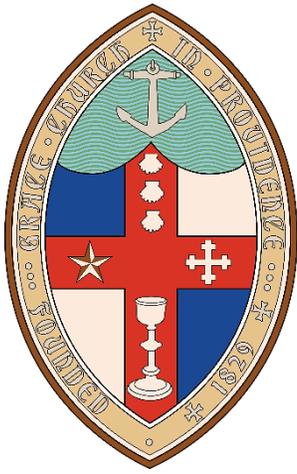
*The Mission of Grace Church is to build, by the grace of God,
a loving and joyful community which lives the Gospel
through worship, proclamation, and service to each other,
to downtown Providence, and beyond.*



THE FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST: EASTER DAY

~ FESTAL CHORAL EUCHARIST ~
RITE II

MARCH 31ST, 2024
10:00 AM



WELCOME TO GRACE CHURCH!

Happy Easter! That's a greeting that works on Easter Day up to the Feast of Pentecost. Another Easter greeting appropriate for the day and season is, "Christ is risen!" to which one replies, "He is risen indeed." In the Christian East, this greeting is especially common, not only in church but if you greet a friend in the bakery or post office. We might not use it as much in the West, but, as Christians, we should always have that message in our hearts, any day of the year. So welcome to Grace Church, Happy Easter, and Alleluia, Christ is risen!

The Rev. Canon Jonathan Huyck+
Rector

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

VOLUNTARY

Music for Brass Quartet

THE INTROIT

The Cantor and Choir sing from The Pavilion,

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! : *The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!*

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, 207

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which he en-dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Sing we to our God a - bove Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
un - to Christ, our heaven - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 now a - bove the sky he's King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise him, all ye heaven - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

Words: Latin, 14th century; tr. Lyra Davidica, 1708, alt.; St. 4, Charles Wesley (1707-1788)
Music: Easter Hymn, from Lyra Davidica, 1708; adapt. The Complete Psalmodist, 1749, alt.; Descant: Vincent Edwards (b. 1968)

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is Risen!
People **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

HYMN OF PRAISE

Sung by the Choir

Christus vincit,
 Christus regnat,
 Christus imperat!
 Gloria Patri et Filio,
 et Spiritui Sancto.
 Sicut erat in principio,
 et nunc et semper,
 et in saecula saeculorum.

*Christ has conquered,
 Christ reigns,
 Christ commands!*
*Glory be to the Father and to the Son,
 and to the Holy Ghost.*
*As it was in the beginning,
 is now and ever shall be,
 and will be forever.*

Setting: Gerre Hancock (1934-2012), based on a hymn by Joseph Noyon (1888-1962)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY GOD, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ 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 from Holy Scripture.

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 25:6-9

Reader A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

ON THIS MOUNTAIN THE LORD OF HOSTS will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the LORD God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24 *The Antiphon is sung by all before & after the Verses which are sung by the Choir*

Je - sus lives! our hearts know well nought from
us his love shall se - ver; Al - le - lu - ia!

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *
his mercy endures forever.
- 2 Let Israel now proclaim, *
"His mercy endures forever."
- 14 The LORD is my strength and my song, *
and he has become my salvation.
- 15 There is a sound of exultation and victory *
in the tents of the righteous:

- 16 “The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! *
the right hand of the LORD is exalted! The right hand of the LORD has triumphed!”
- 17 I shall not die, but live, *
and declare the works of the LORD.
- 18 The LORD has punished me sorely, *
but he did not hand me over to death.
- 19 Open for me the gates of righteousness; *
I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the LORD.
- 20 “This is the gate of the LORD; *
he who is righteous may enter.”
- 21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *
and have become my salvation.
- 22 The same stone which the builders rejected *
has become the chief cornerstone.
- 23 This is the LORD’S doing, *
and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- 24 On this day the LORD has acted; *
we will rejoice and be glad in it. *Antiphon.*

Setting: Anglican Chant by Sir George Thalben-Ball (1896-1987)

Antiphon: C.F. Gellert (1715-1769); tr. Frances Elizabeth Cox (1812-1897), alt.; St. Albinus, Henry John Gauntlett (1805-1876)

THE EPISTLE READING

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Reader A reading from Paul’s First Letter to the Corinthians.

I WOULD REMIND YOU, BROTHERS AND SISTERS, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you – unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them – though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

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 180

1 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! Tell it out with
 2 Come, ye sad and fear - ful - heart - ed, with glad smile and
 *3 Come, with high and ho - ly hymn - ing, hail our Lord's tri -
 4 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! He hath o - pened

joy - ful voice: he has burst his three days' pris - on;
 ra - dian't brow! Death's long sha - dows have de - part - ed;
 um - phant day; not one dark - some cloud is dim - ming
 hea - ven's gate: we are free from sin's dark pris - on,

let the whole wide earth re - joice: death is con - quered,
 Je - sus' woes are o - ver now, and the pas - sion
 yon - der glo - rious morn - ing ray, break - ing o'er the
 ris - en to a ho - lier state; and a bright - er

we are free, Christ has won the vic - to - ry.
 that he bore— sin and pain can vex no more.
 pur - ple east, sym - bol of our Eas - ter feast.
 Eas - ter beam on our long - ing eyes shall stream.

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

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

EARLY ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE WEEK, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" which means Teacher. Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION, GEORGIAN ALLELUIA

Sung by the Choir

THE SERMON

The Rector

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:

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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,

On this, the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad as we pray to the God who raised Jesus from the dead.

We pray for all the peoples of the earth during this festival of Christ's resurrection: May the hope and joy of Easter lift the hearts of all.

Risen Lord, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who are sick or homebound: May the risen Christ visit them with healing power and new hope.

Risen Lord, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for our fellow Christians in nations where they are persecuted because of their faith in Christ. May this Easter give them hope of a new birth of freedom from fear.

Risen Lord, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who have died and who live now with Christ in the glory of the resurrection.

Risen Lord, **hear our prayer.**

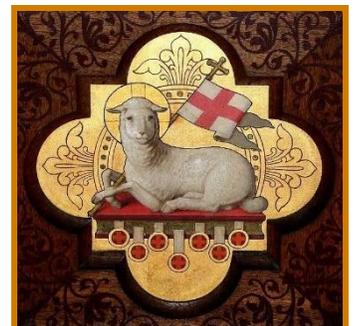
Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, either aloud or in the silence of our hearts.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

THE PEACE

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

Light's glittering morn bedecks the sky; Heaven thunders forth its victor cry;
The glad earth shouts her triumph high, and groaning hell makes wild reply,
while he, the mighty king despoiling death of all its sting,
and trampling down the powers of might, brings forth his ransomed saints to light.

That Eastertide with joy was bright, the sun shone out with fairer light,
when to their longing eyes restored the apostles saw their risen Lord:
He bade them see his hands, his side, where yet the glorious wounds abide;
These tokens true which made it plain their Lord indeed was risen again.

O Jesu, king of gentleness, do thou thyself our hearts possess,
that we may give thee all our days, the tribute of our grateful praise.

O Lord of all with us abide, *the strife is o'er, the battle done,*
In this our joyful Eastertide, *the victory of life is won,*
From every weapon death can wield, *the song of triumph has begun:*
Thine own redeemed forever shield. *Alleluia.*

All praise be thine, O risen Lord, from death to endless life restored;
All praise to God, the Father be, and Holy Ghost eternally. Alleluia. Amen.

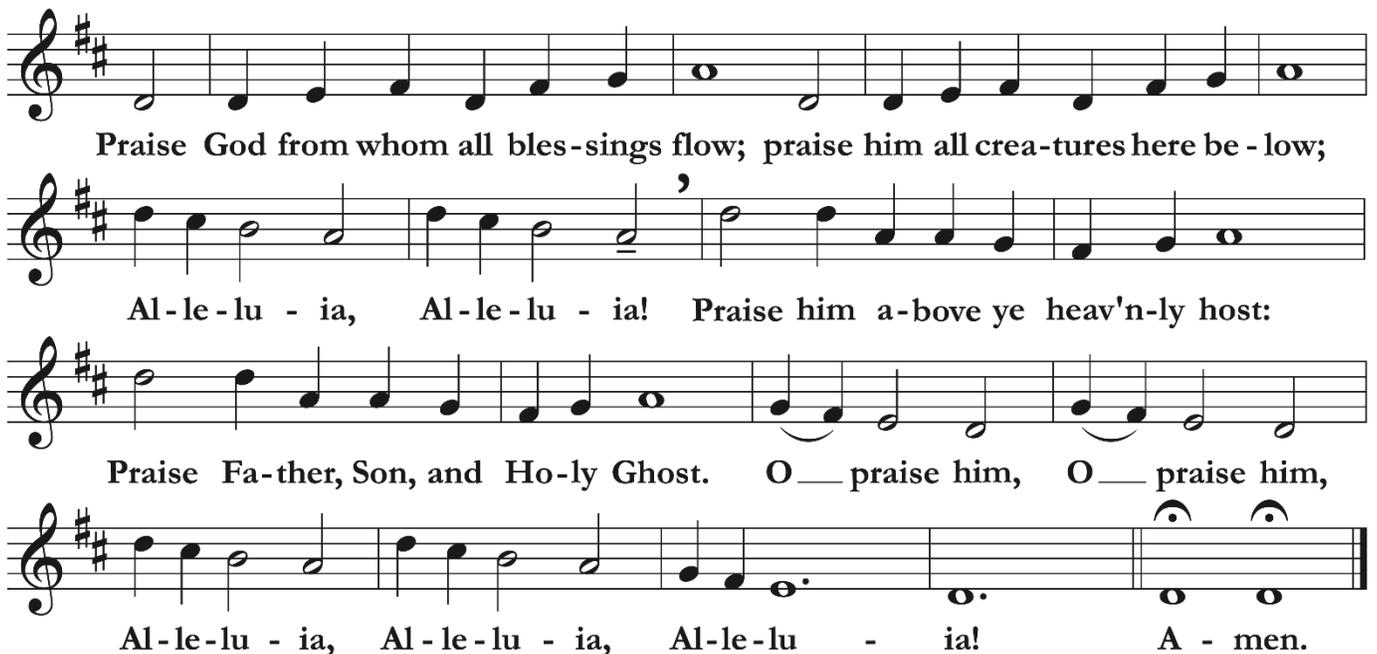
Words: Translated from the Latin by John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

Music: Horatio W. Parker (1685-1759)

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

THE DOXOLOGY

Sung by all



Praise God from whom all bles-sings flow; praise him all crea-tures here be - low;
Al-le-lu - ia, Al-le-lu - ia! Praise him a-bove ye heav'n-ly host:
Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. O — praise him, O — praise him,
Al-le-lu - ia, Al-le-lu - ia, Al-le-lu - ia! A - men.

Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

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

ON 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."

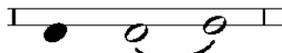
Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Celebrant

WE 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

A-men.

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, SOLO

Erin Preston, *Soprano*

I know that my redeemer liveth
and that he shall stand
at the latter day, upon the earth.

I know that my redeemer liveth
and though worms destroy this body
yet in my flesh shall I see God.

I know that my redeemer liveth for now is Christ risen from the dead
the first fruits of them that sleep.

Words: Job 19:25, 26; 1 Corinthians 15:20

Music: Aria from Messiah, Part the Third, HWV 56, George Frederic Händel (1685-1759)

Please join in singing the hymn.

THE COMMUNION HYMN, 190



1 Lift your voice re - joic - ing, Ma - ry, Christ has
2 Raise your wea - ry eye - lids, Ma - ry, see him
3 Life is yours for ev - er, Ma - ry, for your



ris - en from the tomb; on the cross a suf - fering
liv - ing ev - er - more; see his coun - te - nance, how
light is come once more and the strength of death is



vic - tim, now as vic - tor he is come. Whom your
gra - cious, see the wounds for you he bore. All the
bro - ken; now your songs of joy out - pour. End - ed



tears in death were mourn - ing, wel - come with your smiles re -
 glo - ry of the morn - ing pales be - fore those wounds re -
 now the night of sor - row, love has brought the bless - ed



turn - ing. Let your al - le - lu - ias rise!
 deem - ing. Let your al - le - lu - ias rise!
 mo - rrow. Let your al - le - lu - ias rise!

*Words: Latin, tr. Elizabeth Rundle Charles (1828-1896), alt.
 Music: Fisk of Gloucester, Thomas Foster (b. 1938)*

THE POST-COMMUNION ANTHEM

Hallelujah! for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.
 The kingdom of this world is become the Kingdom of our Lord
 and of his Christ; And He shall reign for ever and ever. Hallelujah!
 King of kings, and Lord of lords, and He shall reign for ever and ever. Hallelujah!

*Words: Revelation 11:15; 19:6, 16
 Music: Chorus from 'Messiah', Part the Second, HWV 56, George Frederic Händel (1685-1759)*

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



HYMN IN PROCESSION, 210

1 The day of re - sur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad;
2 Our hearts be pure from e - vil, that we may see a - right
3 Now let the heavens be joy - ful, let earth her song be - gin,

the Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the Pass - o - ver of God.
the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of re - sur - rec - tion light;
the round world keep high tri - umph, and all that is there - in;

From death to life e - ter - nal, from earth un - to the sky,
and, lis - tening to his ac - cents, may hear so calm and plain
let all things seen and un - seen their notes to - geth - er blend,

our Christ hath brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.
his own "All hail!" and, hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.
for Christ the Lord is ris - en, our joy that hath no end.

*Words: John of Damascus (8th century); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.
Music: Ellacombe, melody from Gesangbuch. der Herzogl. Wirtembergischen katolischen Hofkapelle, 1784, alt.;
adapt. Katholisches Gesangbuch, 1863; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889); Descant: Cyril Winn (1884-1973)*

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, Alleluia!
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

VOLUNTARIES

Rigaudon *from* Idoménée

Andre Campra (1660-1744)



~ SERVING TODAY ~

Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Canon Jonathan Huyck
Assisting Priest: The Reverend Hartwell Hylton
Crucifer: Frank Ward
Lectors: Adrienne Southgate, Nicholas Halar
Intercessor: Gailia Rutan-Annaldo
Ministers of Communion: Robert Baxter, Andrew Shapiro-Zysk,
Jane Pear, Liz Chin
Altar Guild: Andrew Shapiro-Zysk, Phyllis Noke
Greeters: Anaezi Modu, Lisa Doucet
Usbers: Luci Scanlan, Lisa Gerlach, Vivian Blais, Lori Brown
Audio/Visual: Clinton Crocker
Coffee Hour Servers: Jimp Jean-Louis, John Trosclair, Pat Trosclair

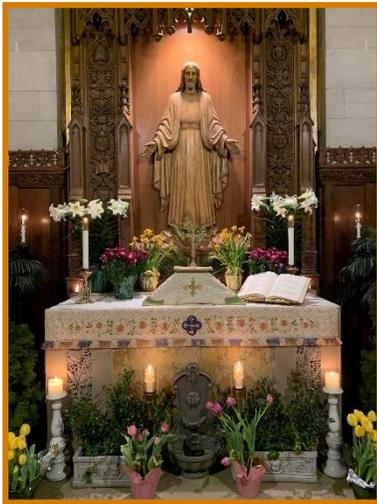
~ THE GRACE EASTER BRASS ENSEMBLE ~

Dan Healey, *Trumpet I*
Mary St. Laurent-Sheehan, *Trumpet II*
Olivia Kleyla, *French Horn*
Brad Kleyla, *Trombone*
Nick Carnevale, *Timpani*



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.

DEDICATIONS OF EASTER FLOWERS AND MUSIC are listed on the pages that follow. Thank you for beautifying our Easter worship in sight and sound, and may all of our dearly departed rest in eternal peace with the risen Lord.



**A SPECIAL GIFT TOWARD THE MUSIC
FOR EASTER & HOLY WEEK 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
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 Olga V. Cooper ~ our loved ones ~ Patricia Reed (Bopi)
 Reverend Canon Peter Chase ~ Rex & Margaret Hodges
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 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



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PRAYER REQUEST SUBMISSIONS

To submit a Prayer Request, scan the QR Code below and fill out our form.

"Prayer is not the reverberation of sound, it is the articulation of love. It is with the heart rather than the lips that we pray."
 — St. Augustine

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 jhuyck@gracepvd.org

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 shawls@gracepvd.org

GRACE ABOUND 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 admin@gracepvd.org

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.

THIRD THURSDAYS @ NOON: March 21 - Chamber Music from Brown University Student Chamber Music Ensembles from Brown University's Department of Music. This concert will feature students participating in Chamber Music Ensembles in the Music Department at Brown University. These groups generally consist of 3-5 members and are coached by highly-trained professional musicians, some of whom are Teaching Associates in the Applied Music Program.



CHORAL EVENSONG ON APRIL 21: Please join us on Sunday, April 21 at 4:00 PM for the final Choral Evensong of the season. The Grace Church Choir and Choristers combine to sing music of Byrd, MacDonald, Stanford, and Piccolo. A reception follows in the Pavilion.



THE PRESIDING BISHOP'S EASTER MESSAGE FOR 2024

Hello to my beloved family in Christ. I want to take this opportunity, first of all, on behalf of my wife, Sharon, and our family, to thank you. To thank you for your prayers, to thank you for your well wishes, your expressions of support and kindness. We are equally thankful for the blessing of remarkable medical care and pastoral support. As you may know, I've been working a bit from home—at a reduced level, to be sure, but I'm gradually increasing that.

Just two weeks ago, my medical team approved me to drive locally and to resume short domestic flights. I can't tell you how much your prayers have sustained me and my family through this medical journey. Prayer matters. We don't always know how. We don't always know or understand the outcome.

But prayer matters, and it makes a difference. Over the last several months, I have not known how this would all work out. But I've been very aware, and in some particular moments, consciously aware of being upheld in prayer by you. Without consciously deciding to do it, I actually found myself praying some words from Psalm 31, which says, "Into your hands, I commend my spirit."

Before surgeries and treatments, through some long nights, difficult days, "Into your hands, I commend my spirit." These words are part of a prayer that is Psalm 31 in the Hebrew scriptures. The late night service of Compline uses that psalm as a prayer before going to sleep at night.

Luke's Gospel records Jesus praying these very words, that psalm, on the cross, when he had a sense of what lay before him, but could not know the outcome. He didn't know with any certainty if and how God would act. He didn't know, as the old preachers used to say, Good Friday's always happened, but Sunday's always coming. He didn't know with any certainty that resurrection would become real and not a mere metaphor.

But as he died into the unknown, he did one thing: He threw himself completely into the hands of God. "Father, into thy hands, I commend my spirit."

And in that moment, after saying that, Luke's Gospel says, he breathed his last. And though he died, death did not have the last word, though he did die. He died into the hands of God and slipped out of the grip of death.

And as we now know, on the third day he rose again, and he lives. As William Cowper said in a poem that later became a hymn, "God moves in mysterious ways, his wonders to perform, he plants his footstep in the sea and rides upon the storm."

So God love you. God bless you. May the God who rides upon our storms and raised Jesus of Nazareth from the dead hold us all, the entire human family and all of God's grand and glorious creation in those almighty hands of love. Have a blessed Holy Week and Easter.

+The Most Reverend Michael Bruce Curry,
XXVII Presiding Bishop & Primate of The Episcopal Church, USA

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