



# Grace

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | MAY 11, 2025 | 10:00 AM SERVICE

*"I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand.*

*The Father and I are one."*

*~John 10:25-30*

# Welcome to Grace Church

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## WELCOME!

Welcome, we are so glad you are joining us for worship this morning!

## TODAY'S SERVICES AND EVENTS

Rite One Service | 8:00am  
Coffee Hour+ | 9:00am | Parish House  
Nursery | 9:00am | Nursery  
New Testament Bible Study | 9:15am | Grace Hall  
WonderKids | 9:45am | Sunshine Room  
StoryMakers | 9:45am | Wonder Room  
Connect | 9:45am | Grace Hall  
Rite Two Service | 10:00am  
Coffee Hour+ | 11:15am | Parish House

## WHO ARE WE?

In our reverent worship space, we warmly welcome people who are at all stages of faith, from those who are curious to explore the big questions of life, faith and meaning, to those who are growing and maturing in their faith. Our sermons convey the truth of the gospel and offer practical applications to everyday life. Our desire is to grow in knowledge and love of God, and infuse His grace and truth into everything we do. Grace Episcopal Church is traditional and liturgical, and we care for our visitors by clearly explaining the heart and history behind our form of worship. We have found a family here, and we want this church to feel like a family for you, too.

## OUR BELIEF & PRACTICES

The Episcopal Church has been called the “bridge church,” for we are Protestants who also honor our traditional Catholic heritage as well as contemporary worship. In addition to the Bible, our worship is led by the Book of Common Prayer, which has formed our historical thought and practice in its several editions since 1549. We are deeply sacramental, believing in the Baptism of children and that the Holy Eucharist (Communion) is the central act of worship. All baptized Christians may receive communion.

## WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Rite One Service: Traditional Service without music at 8:00 am Sunday mornings  
Rite Two Service: Contemporary Service with music at 10:00 am Sunday mornings. Nursery is open.  
Midweek Service: Healing and Prayer Service at 12:05 pm on Wednesdays

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Your children are very welcome here! If you have babies or children, we have a nursery across the street in the Church Office building for children ages 0-3 years. We offer our WonderKids program for children ages 4-6 where we use the Jesus Storybook Bible curriculum. Our Story Makers classroom is for ages 7-9. And we also offer Connect Youth for ages 10-13.

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# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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## PRELUDE

*Please stand*

## PROCESSIONAL

### GATHER US IN

Here in this place, new light is streaming;  
Now is the darkness vanished away.  
See in this space our fears and our dreamings,  
Brought here to you in the light of this day.

Gather us in, the lost and forsaken-  
Gather us in, the blind and the lame-  
Call to us now and we shall awaken-  
We shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young, our lives are a mystery;  
We are the old, who yearn for your face.  
We have been sung throughout all of history,  
Called to be light to the whole human race.

Gather us in, the rich and the haughty-  
Gather us in, the proud and the strong-  
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly-  
Give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water;  
Here we will take the bread of new birth;  
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters;  
Call us anew to be salt for the earth.

Give us to drink the wine of compassion,  
Give us to eat the bread that is you,  
Nourish us well, and teach us to fashion  
Lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

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### PROCESSION

*We start our services with a procession of ministers and servers who have chosen to serve God and his people in their act of corporate worship. The procession is led by the cross, reminding those serving and those worshipping that our lives have been set apart by the sacrifice of Christ, on our behalf, for the glory of God.*

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Not in the dark of buildings confining,  
Not in some heaven, light years away,  
But here in this place the new light is shining-  
Now is the kingdom, now is the day.

Gather us in and hold us forever-  
Gather us in and make us your own-  
Gather us in, all peoples together-  
Fire of love in our flesh and our bones.  
Fire of love in our flesh and our bones.

Celebrant  
Alleluia! Christ is risen!

*People*  
*The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!*

## COLLECT OF PURITY

Celebrant  
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and  
from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by  
the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## SONG OF PRAISE

### GLORIA

*Refrain:*  
Glory to God in the highest,  
And peace to His people on earth.  
Glory to God in the highest,  
And peace to His people on earth.

Lord God, Heavenly King, Almighty God and Father,  
We worship you, we give thanks, we praise you for your glory.

*Refrain*

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Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God  
You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us;  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer.

*Refrain*

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

*Refrain*

Amen.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

**People**

***And also with you.***

Celebrant

Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please Be Seated*

## THE FIRST READING

## ACTS 9:36-43

Reader

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

*This prayer is a moment to catch the theme of the service today. If you grasp it, your participation in worship will be enhanced, and you'll see God connecting the pieces of the gospel with your life.*

## THE FIRST READING

*The First Reading is always an Old Testament passage. The OT forms a foundation for the New Testament and gives us many examples how God has led his people, displaying his essence and character.*

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### THE PSALM

*We read a psalm responsively each service as an expression of our emotions before the Lord. The Psalms contain all of our common emotions that derive from our day to day experiences. Read it recognizing that being honest before God, and each other, has great godly benefit.*

upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

**People**

***Thanks be to God.***

### THE PSALM

### PSALM 23

Reader

The Psalm for today is Psalm 23, which we will read responsively at the half verse:

The LORD is my shepherd; \*  
***I shall not be in want.***

He makes me lie down in green pastures \*  
***and leads me beside still waters.***

He revives my soul \*  
***and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.***

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; \*  
***for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.***

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; \*  
***you have anointed my head with oil,  
and my cup is running over.***

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Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,\*

*and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.*

Reader

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

**People**

*As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.*

## THE SECOND READING

## REVELATION 7:9-17

Reader

I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

“Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom  
and thanksgiving and honor  
and power and might  
be to our God forever and ever!  
Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.” Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

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For this reason they are before the throne of God,  
and worship him day and night within his temple,  
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter  
them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;  
the sun will not strike them,  
nor any scorching heat;  
for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,  
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

**People**

*Thanks be to God.*

*Please Stand*

## **GRADUAL HYMN**

### **THE KING OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS**

The King of love my shepherd is,  
whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am his,  
and he is mine for ever.

Where streams of living water flow,  
my ransomed soul he leadeth,  
and where the verdant pastures grow,  
with food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,  
but yet in love he sought me,  
and on his shoulder gently laid,  
and home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill  
with thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
thy cross before to guide me.



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Thou spread'st a table in my sight;  
thy unction grace bestoweth;  
and oh, what transport of delight  
from thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days  
thy goodness faileth never:  
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
within thy house for ever.

## THE GOSPEL

JOHN 10:22-30

Deacon

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

*People*

*Glory to You, Lord Christ.*

Deacon

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

Deacon

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*

*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

## SERMON

FR. FRANS VAN SANTEN

## GOSPEL READING

*Jesus is the Word of God made flesh, who made his dwelling among us. Reading his spoken words from the center of the congregation proclaims that grace and truth come through Jesus Christ.*

*When we make a little cross on our head, mouth and chest we are reminding ourselves that Jesus' gospel reforms our thinking, cleanses our speech and conforms our hearts to his truth and love.*

## THE SERMON

*God's Word is living and active, and cuts to the heart. That's why we read it, proclaim it, listen to it, meditate upon it, and take the time to make it understood.*

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### THE NICENE CREED

*If you are looking to unite around one set of beliefs for the Christian life, this would be it. It is broad enough to capture the essentials of our faith and narrow enough to be a definitive statement of biblical truth.*

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*We pray these established prayers to ensure that we cover important aspects of our lives and the world with corporate prayer. Listen to each prayer carefully, saying the words silently, so that your spoken Amen will ring true in your heart and be added to the prayers of the saints.*

## THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant

Let us stand together and affirm our faith with the words of 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.***

*Please kneel or be seated as able*

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Reader

We pray to you, O Lord.

**People**

***Lord, have mercy.***

Reader

Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

**People**

***To you, O Lord our God.***

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## THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**People**

*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.*

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. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People**

*And also with you.*

*Please be seated*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

## OFFERTORY

Celebrant

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

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### CONFESSION

We recognize our sins before God as a church body, recognizing our humanity and our weekly, daily, momentary need for the Lord and the cleansing blood of Christ. You will notice after some months of confession and absolution that you start to feel clean throughout the week, as if you've been washed and renewed. The 16th-century reformers thought the proper way to approach God was via confession.

### ABSOLUTION

Having heard the Word of God proclaimed, which has led us to confess our sins, it is now time to receive some assurance that God has forgiven the sins of those who have put their trust in Jesus Christ. It is Christ's power that forgives, embodied by the pronouncement of the priest, that makes tangible the truth that God has removed the barrier between him and us.

### THE PEACE

Exchanging the peace is an ancient custom of God's people. We do it after Confession and Absolution which means we can give the same forgiveness to others that we have received from God. A demonstration that we have renewed relationships in Christ, it also prepares us to together receive Communion as the Body of Christ.

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### OFFERTORY

*What will you give to God?  
The money he gave to you?  
The time he has allotted for  
you today? The abilities with  
which you were born? Your  
next breath? Combine your of-  
fering with those around you,  
and see what God can do with  
and through our church.*



## THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD

**The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.  
He makes me lie down in green pastures.  
He leads me beside the still waters.  
He restoreth my soul and guides my path  
in righteousness for His name's sake.**

**Surely goodness and loving kindness  
follow me all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord  
forever and ever and ever.**

**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will not fear; Thou art with me.  
Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me.  
Thou preparest a table before me  
in the presence of my enemies**

**Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup's over-flowing.**

**Surely goodness and loving kindness  
follow me all the days of my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord  
forever and ever and ever.**

**The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.**

*Please Stand*

## THE DOXOLOGY

**HYMN 380, VERSE 3**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

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### 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 him thanks and praise.*

Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*The celebrant offers a preface and concludes saying...*

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

### DUBAY

Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of Your Glory.  
Lord, we sing Your praise.

Hosanna in the highest  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Lord, we sing Your praise.

Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

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### COMMUNION

*By taking Communion we obey the Lord's words to his disciples to remember his goodness to us and to proclaim that he is coming again. Jesus turns a simple earthy action - eating bread and drinking wine - into a magnificent celebration for his people. In Communion, Jesus is with us, and we are with each other. Sounds like a party!*

**Hosanna in the highest  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Lord, we sing Your praise.**

*Please kneel as able*

### Celebrant

Holy 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. 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."

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

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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 forever. **Amen.**

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

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*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 for ever and ever. Amen.*

Celebrant

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People

*Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

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.

## CORPORATE SONGS DURING COMMUNION

### BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE

Before the throne of God above  
I have a strong and perfect plea,  
A great High Priest whose name is love,  
Who ever lives and pleads for me.  
My name is graven on His hands,  
My name is written on His heart;  
I know that while in heav'n He stands,  
No tongue can bid me thence depart,  
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*When you pray this prayer, the one Jesus taught his disciples, and that all Christians everywhere pray, reflect on the words, recognizing you are actually talking to your Heavenly Father. Pray it afresh, as if for the first time.*

## PRAYER TEAM

*Praying with a friend or minister during Communion is a powerful way to experience the presence of Christ. Our clergy and prayer warriors invite you to ask for a breakthrough in your life. The Lord awaits the requests and prayers of his people.*

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### **EUCCHARIST INSTRUCTIONS**

*Please follow these  
instructions when you go up  
to receive communion:*

1. *The ushers will dismiss  
each row, one at a time.*
2. *Walk up the center aisle.*
3. *When it is your turn to  
receive the Eucharist, kneel  
down or stand at the altar  
rail and extend your hands  
together, palm up. The priest  
will place a wafer into your  
hand.*
4. *The Chalice Minister will  
then come to you. You have  
two options; (1) drink from  
the chalice or (2) have your  
wafer intincted with wine. If  
you choose option 2, leave  
your wafer in hand so that  
Chalice Minister can place  
it back in the palm of your  
hand to consume. You may  
consume at the rail.*
5. *Return to your seat by the  
side aisle closest to you.*

*If you cannot come to the rail  
to receive notify an usher to  
have communion brought to  
you in the pew.*

**When Satan tempts me to despair,  
And tells me of the guilt within,  
Upward I look and see Him there,  
Who made an end of all my sin.  
Because the sinless Savior died  
My sinful soul is counted free,  
For God the Just is satisfied  
To look on Him and pardon me,  
To look on Him and pardon me.**

**Behold Him there, the risen Lamb,  
My perfect, spotless Righteousness,  
The great unchangeable "I AM",  
The King of glory and of grace.  
One with Himself, I cannot die,  
My soul is purchased by His blood;  
My life is hid with Christ on high,  
With Christ, my Savior and my God,  
With Christ, my Savior and my God.**

**I bow before the cross of Christ,  
And marvel at this love divine,  
God's perfect Son was sacrificed  
To make me righteous in God's eyes.  
This river's depths I cannot know,  
But I can glory in its flood;  
The Lord Most High has bowed down low,  
And poured on me His glorious love,  
And poured on me His Glorious love**

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### **REVELATION SONG**

**Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain,  
Holy, holy is He.  
Sing a new song to Him Who sits on  
Heaven's mercy seat.**



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*Refrain:*

Holy, holy, holy  
Is the Lord God Almighty  
Who was and is and is to come!  
With all creation I sing  
Praise to the King of kings.  
You are my ev'rything  
And I will adore You!

Clothed in rainbows of living color,  
Flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder,  
Blessing and honor, strength and glory  
And power be to You the only wise King!

*Refrain*

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder  
At the mention of Your name,  
Jesus, Your name is power, breath and living water!  
Such a marvelous mystery!

*Refrain*

## BEHOLD THE LAMB

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away,  
Slain for us - and we remember  
The promise made that all who come in faith  
Find forgiveness at the cross.  
So we share in this bread of life,  
And we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of peace  
Around the table of the King.

The body of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
Torn for you - eat and remember  
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life  
Paid the price to make us one.  
So we share in this bread of life,  
And we drink of His sacrifice

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As a sign of our bonds of love  
Around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin,  
Shed for you - drink and remember  
He drained death's cup that all may enter in  
To receive the life of God.  
So we share in this bread of life,  
And we drink of His sacrifice  
As a sign of our bonds of grace  
Around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise  
To respond, - and to remember  
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ  
As His body here on earth.  
As we share in His suffering  
We proclaim Christ will come again!  
And we'll join in the feast of heaven  
Around the table of the King.

## WE GATHER TOGETHER

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing  
He chastens and hastens his will to make known  
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing:  
Sing praises to His name; He forgets not His own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining  
Ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine  
So from the beginning the fight we were winning:  
Thou, Lord, wast at our side: all glory by thine!

We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant,  
And pray that thou still our defender wilt be.  
Let thy congregation escape tribulation:  
Thy Name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

*Please kneel as able*

# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

## THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

### People

*Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord.*

*Amen.*

## THE BLESSING

### Celebrant

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: and may the blessing of God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*Please stand*

## RECESSIONAL

## I WILL FOLLOW

Where You go, I'll go.  
Where You stay, I'll stay.  
When You move, I'll move.  
I will follow.

All Your ways are good,  
All Your ways are sure.  
I will trust in You alone.  
Higher than my side,  
High above my life.  
I will trust in You alone.

*Refrain:*

Where You go, I'll go.  
Where You stay, I'll stay.  
When You move, I'll move.  
I will follow You.

## LITURGICAL GUIDE

### THE BLESSING

*When you bless someone, you give them life-changing words. The priestly blessing will impact your day with heaven's power. Be sure to receive it with an open heart.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

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## LITURGICAL GUIDE

### THE DISMISSAL

*As if we haven't gotten the message yet from the rest of the service, the Deacon urges us to take our love for God and each other into the rest of the world. This can only happen if we walk through the red doors in the power of the Holy Spirit. Praise the Lord.*

**Who You love, I'll love.  
How You serve I'll serve.  
If this life I lose, I will follow You.  
I will follow You.**

**Light unto the world,  
Light unto my life,  
I will live for You alone.  
You're the one I seek,  
Knowing I will find  
All I need in You alone, in You alone.**

*Refrain*

**In You there's life everlasting.  
In You there's freedom for my soul.  
In You there's joy, unending joy  
And I will follow.**

*Refrain*

## THE DISMISSAL

Deacon

Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

**People**

***Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!***

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## ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar today are in honor of Mother's.  
Happy Mother's Day to all whom we call mother!

# *PERSONAL NOTES*

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# VISITOR INFORMATION FORM

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## *Welcome to Grace Episcopal Church* *Visitor Information Card*

Please fill out this card and place in the offering plate or mail it back to us. We look forward to getting to know you.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about Grace Church (Check all that apply)

\_\_\_\_ Friend/Family \_\_\_\_ Internet Search \_\_\_\_ Social Media

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Your age group: (please circle) 18-34 35-59 60-up

\_\_\_\_ First time visitor

Have \_\_\_\_ children school age  
or younger (please circle)

\_\_\_\_ New in community

Ages: 0-3 K-3 4-8 9-12

\_\_\_\_ Would like clergy to call

Would you like to be signed-up for our Grace To You

Weekly Newsletter? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

How may we contact you? \_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_ Text \_\_\_\_ Email



# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS



# COFFEE HOUR

WE NEED  
VOLUNTEERS!

SUNDAYS AFTER  
EACH SERVICE



## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEXT WEEK 5/18/25



Nursery:

Teachers: Ligia Acosta & Susan Pattie

Wonder Kids:

Lesson: Easter: Paul Meets Lydia (Acts 16:9-15)

Volunteer: Sarah Hart

Storymakers:

Lesson: Easter: Paul Meets Lydia (Acts 16:9-15)

Volunteer: Geralyn Murphy



Connect:

Lesson: Unit 4: Kingdoms (1 Kings 11:9-13)

Volunteers: Josh Reed & Matt Merchant



# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

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## COMING EVENTS

### MAY

22 Vestry Meeting  
25 Coffee Hour  
26 Office Closed

### JUNE

1 Coffee Hour+  
8 Pentecost Sunday  
Coffee Hour  
13 Sunshine Service Squad  
14 NPD Car Tour  
15 Father's Day  
Coffee Hour  
20 Sunshine Service Squad  
22 Coffee Hour  
26 Vestry Meeting  
27 Sunshine Service Squad  
Meet  
29 Coffee Hour

### JULY

4 Office Closed  
6 Coffee Hour+  
11 Sunshine Service Squad  
13 Coffee Hour  
18 Sunshine Service Squad  
20 Coffee Hour  
24 Vestry Meeting  
25 Sunshine Service Squad  
27 Coffee Hour

## 2025 ALTAR FLOWERS NEEDED

There are more than 20 weeks still available on the Altar Flower Calendar for 2025. If you would like to remember a loved one, celebrate a special event or just glorify God with a gift of flowers please consider signing up for one of these open weeks. Please scan the QR code to request an Altar Flower Date or you may also contact Carolyn Ayres at 352-286-8536 or [mcdayres@gmail.com](mailto:mcdayres@gmail.com) with any questions or to sign up.



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## BAPTISM

Baptism is scheduled for Pentecost Sunday, June 8. If you would like to be baptized or have children to be baptized, please contact the church office at (352) 622-7881 or email Catie at [catie@graceocala.org](mailto:catie@graceocala.org) so we can schedule your Baptism Prep Class.

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## LOOKING FOR OUR 2025 GRADUATES

We are looking for our class of 2025 graduates from high school or college. We would like to honor our graduates at the 10:00 am service on Sunday, June 1. Please contact the church office either by phone at (352) 622-7881 or email Catie at [catie@graceocala.org](mailto:catie@graceocala.org) with the graduate's name.



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## Next Week's Bible Readings

Acts 11:1-18  
Psalm 148  
Revelation 21:1-6  
John 13:31-35

# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

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## IN THE COMING WEEK

**Sunday, May 11 - Mother's Day - Office Closed**

8:00am: Rite One Service, Church, Livestream  
9:00am: Coffee Hour+, Parish House  
9:00am: Nursery (0-3), Nursery  
9:15am: New Testament Bible Study, Grace Hall  
9:45am: Wonder Kids (4-6), Sunshine Room  
9:45am: StoryMakers (7-9), Wonder Room  
9:45am: Connect (10-13), Grace Hall  
10:00am: Rite Two Service, Church, Livestream  
11:00am: Coffee Hour+, Parish House

**Monday, May 12**

12:00 Noon: Bulletin Deadline  
1:00pm: Women's Bible Study

**Tuesday, May 13**

12:00pm: Gospel Bible Study, Zoom

**Wednesday, May 14**

12:05pm: Midweek Service, Church  
7:00pm: Psalm Bible Study, Zoom

**Thursday, May 15**

**Friday, May 16 - Office Closed**

**Saturday, May 17 - Office Closed**

**Sunday, May 18 - Office Closed**

8:00am: Rite One Service, Church, Livestream  
9:00am: Coffee Hour, Parish House  
9:00am: Nursery (0-3), Nursery  
9:15am: New Testament Bible Study, Grace Hall  
9:45am: Wonder Kids (4-6), Sunshine Room  
9:45am: StoryMakers (7-9), Wonder Room  
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11:00am: Coffee Hour, Parish House

## BIRTHDAYS

### MAY

- 5 Walker Harrell  
Victor Barone
- 7 Stephanie Harrell  
Barbarajean Garcia
- 8 Leslie Jones  
Terri Nash  
Gail Velten
- 11 Donald Stewart  
Ruth Hines
- 12 Darryl Needels
- 15 Gary Simons  
Diana Ananthan
- 16 Owen Cunjie
- 17 Mary Thomas

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If you would like to make a prayer request for either the weekly prayer list or the DOK private prayer list please email Deacon Susan at [prayers@graceocala.org](mailto:prayers@graceocala.org). And include which list you are requesting.

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If you would like to meet with Fr. Frans or Fr. Brian please contact Catie Hourigan at 352-622-7881 or [catie@graceocala.org](mailto:catie@graceocala.org)

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If you would like to meet or talk to our Children's Minister, Catie Hourigan, you can contact the church office at 352-622-7881; or by email at [catie@graceocala.org](mailto:catie@graceocala.org)

**- Grace Church Leadership -**

**HEAD**

Jesus Christ

**BISHOP**

The Right Rev. Dr. Justin S. Holcomb

**WORSHIP TEAM**

The Rev. Frans van Santen: Rector  
The Rev. Brian Stankich: Associate Rector  
The Rev. Mary Delancey: Deacon  
The Rev. Susan Moorehead: Deacon  
Josh Reed: Director of Ministry  
Adam Pryor: Worship Coordinator  
Catie Hourigan: Children's Ministry Coordinator  
Dave Rubin: Verger

**VESTRY**

Greg Harrell - Senior Warden Michael Owen - Junior Warden Sanjit Nirmalanandhan - Treasurer  
Cheryl Arnold Michael Ashley Stephen Ayres Todd Craig Kristin Dean  
Lise Kent Amy Robertson

**MUSICIANS**

Adam Pryor Sharon Mai Jessica Mongerio Jason Bartosic  
Cheryl Arnold Audrey Flechas David Freudenburg Jamille Brewster

**SERVERS**

**Ushers:** Greg Harrell, Paul Corrad  
**Reader, First Reading/Psalm:** Frank Blasucci  
**Reader, Second Reading/PoP:** Lynda Peek  
**Acolytes:** Walker Harrell, Elizabeth Hart, Will Rose  
**Chalice Ministers:** Stephanie Harrell, Darlene Trowbridge  
**Altar Guild:** Lise Kent, Lynda Peek, James Perdue, Jeannie Piotrowski  
**Flower Guild:** Carolyn Ayres, Lynda Peek, Lynn Nobles, Heather Hetzel, Molly Hetzel  
**VPOD:** Kristin Dean

**Weekly Services on Our Campus**

**Sunday 8:00am—Rite I**  
**Sunday 10:00am—Rite II with music**  
**Wednesday 12:05pm—Midweek at Grace**

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