



# Grace

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT | MARCH 19, 2023 | 10:00 AM SERVICE

*“Jesus said, ‘I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind.’ Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, ‘Surely we are not blind, are we?’ Jesus said to them, ‘If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, ‘We see,’ your sin remains.’”*

*~ John 9:39-41*

# Welcome to Grace Church

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

Masks are optional during the service and are available at the back of the church if you wish to wear one.

Bathrooms are located in the Parish House, which is the building located next door to the church.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Your children are very welcome here! If you have babies or children, we have a nursery across the street from children ages 0-3 years, and a special program called WonderKids for children ages 4-12.

In WonderKids, we use The Jesus Storybook Bible curriculum which engages elementary school aged children with stories from the Bible and teaches that God is the hero of every story. Your children will bring a take-it-home page with them so that you can continue to discuss what they are learning. We also provide a small snack and restroom opportunity just before we come into the sanctuary at the Passing of the Peace. We want the children to be ready to enjoy family time together in Church!

For children in 5th-8th grades, we offer a special teaching unit just for them: Connect! This curriculum is designed just for preteens and uses humor and interesting Bible content to connect to them at their interest level. Connect meets every other week in Grace Hall.

If you have any questions or would like to contact someone about your family or children, please don't hesitate to connect with Catie Hourigan at [catie@graceocala.org](mailto:catie@graceocala.org).

The Nursery is open during the entire 10am Service for children ages 0-3.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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## SILENT PROCESSION

*Please stand*

## THE PENITENTIAL ORDER

Celebrant

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

**People**

*His mercy endures for ever.*

*Please kneel as able*

## THE DECALOGUE

Hear the commandments of God to his people:

I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage.

You shall have no other gods but me.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Honor your father and your mother.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not commit murder.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not commit adultery.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

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### PROCESSION

*The liturgy of the Eucharist is best understood as a journey or procession. It is our entrance into the presence of Christ, and this presence allows us to see the ultimate reality of life, the way God sees it. In the procession, we are called to come together in one place, to be more than what we were: a new community with a new life.*

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You shall not steal.  
**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not be a false witness.  
**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.  
**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

Celebrant

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

## THE CONFESSION

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.***

## THE ABSOLUTION

Celebrant

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

*Please stand*

## CONFESSION

*Confession and repentance go hand in hand. Confession of sin is a large element of our corporate worship because we recognize how much we need forgiveness.*

## ABSOLUTION

*The celebrant, absolving our sins, is acting as a representative of our heavenly Father, who "is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love." Psalm 145:8*

## THE TRISAGION

Holy God,  
Holy and Mighty,  
Holy Immortal One,  
Have mercy, Have mercy on us.

Holy God,  
Holy and Mighty,  
Holy Immortal One,  
Have mercy, Have mercy on us.

Holy God,  
Holy and Mighty,  
Holy Immortal One,  
Have mercy, Have mercy on us.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant  
The Lord be with you.

**People**  
*And also with you.*

Celebrant  
Let us pray.  
Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated*

## THE FIRST READING

**1 SAMUEL 16:1-13**

Reader  
The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**  
*This prayer is centered on the readings of the day. As we prepare to receive the food of God's Word, our Celebrant (lead pastor) prays this prayer to focus our hearts and minds on God's Word.*

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go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.” And the LORD said, “Take a heifer with you, and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.’ Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.” Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, “Do you come peaceably?” He said, “Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the LORD’s anointed is now before the LORD.” But the LORD said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.” Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, “The LORD has not chosen any of these.” Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.” He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, “Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.” Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

*Thanks be to God.*

## THE RESPONSE

## PSALM 23

Reader

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

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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.***

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

## EPHESIANS 5:8-14

Reader

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light— for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

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### THE PSALM

*The psalms are older than Christianity itself. In reciting them, we are praying the prayers used by Jews in the Temple centuries before the coming of the Messiah. The Psalm comes after the First Reading and gives us an opportunity to respond to God's Word, and invites us to join in the prayer of the Church.*

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“Sleeper, awake!  
Rise from the dead,  
and Christ will shine on you.”

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

**People**

*Thanks be to God.*

*Please stand*

## **GRADUAL HYMN**

### **AMAZING GRACE (MY CHAINS ARE GONE)**

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,  
That saved a wretch like me.  
I once was lost, but now I'm found,  
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
And grace my fears relieved.  
How precious did that grace appear,  
The hour I first believed.

*Refrain:*

My chains are gone. I've been set free,  
My God, my Savior has ransomed me.  
And like a flood His mercy reigns,  
Unending love,  
Amazing grace.

The Lord has promised good to me,  
His word my hope secures.  
He will my shield and portion be,  
As long as life endures.

*Refrain*



The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,  
The sun forbear to shine.  
But God, who called me here below,  
Will be forever mine, will be forever mine.  
You are forever mine.

## THE GOSPEL

## JOHN 9:1-41

Deacon

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

**People**

***Glory to you, Lord Christ***

Deacon

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided.

## GOSPEL READING

*As God's Word comes down the aisle to literally "dwell among us," we stand for this Gospel reading to show the particular importance we place on the words and actions of Jesus.*

*The "little" sign of the cross is used at the beginning of the reading of the Gospel, when the Deacon says: "The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ." It is the marking of small crosses, using the thumb, on the forehead, mouth, and heart. It's meant to signify the sanctification of our thoughts, speech, and affections for God.*

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So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet."

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him

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heard this and said to him, “Surely we are not blind, are we?” Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, ‘We see,’ your sin remains.”

Deacon

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

## SERMON

FR. JONATHAN FRENCH

## 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*

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### THE SERMON

*The exposition of God's Word helps us reflect on God's will for our lives, and the ways we can respond to His call for redemption in our current world. We have provided space near the end of this bulletin or in the side panels for taking notes.*

### THE NICENE CREED

*The creed reminds us of the core of Christianity. It contains the raw elements that every follower of Christ believes. As we recite this together our unity as the Body of Christ is strengthened.*

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### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*We pray for others and ourselves. Through these guided prayers, we begin to see the world as God sees it.*

### THE PEACE

*Our entire church family embodies the peace of Christ in one another's lives. This holy moment is a sharing of the fellowship we claim in Christ's church.*

### OFFERTORY

*In giving our gifts of time, talent and treasure, we pray that God, the maker of all things, would take our offering and turn it into something greater.*

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Reader

After each bidding, please offer your prayers, either silently or aloud.

*After the Prayers, please stand when instructed by the Celebrant*

## 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.

### RECKLESS LOVE

Before I spoke a word, You were singing over me;  
You have been so, so good to me.  
Before I took a breath, You breathed Your life in me;  
You have been so, so kind to me.

*Refrain:*

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending,  
Reckless love of God!  
Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found,  
Leaves the ninety-nine!

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I couldn't earn it, and I don't deserve it, still,  
You give Yourself away -  
Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God, yeah!

When I was Your foe, still Your love fought for me;  
You have been so, so good to me.  
When I felt no worth, You paid it all for me;  
You have been so, so kind to me.

*Refrain*

There's no shadow You won't light up,  
Mountain You won't climb up,  
Coming after me!  
There's no wall You won't kick down,  
Lie You won't tear down,  
Coming after me!

*Refrain*

*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.

## 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.*

## COMMUNION

*In communion we share one bread and one cup to be bound together with those with whom the cup and bread are shared, to express one's faith, and to reaffirm one's commitment to God and the community. All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive communion.*

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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

**SPOKEN**

***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.***

*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

## REAL PRESENCE

*"He was the Word that spake it, he took bread and brake it, and what that Word did make it, I do believe and take it."*

*Hymn 322, John Donne.*

*The elements of the Eucharist of bread and wine are not mere signs or symbols. Christ's body and blood really become present and are really given. They are present so that, in receiving them, believers may be united in communion with Christ the Lord.*

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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 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**

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**People**

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

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### EPICLESIS

*At this moment, the priest invokes the active presence of the Holy Spirit in the Eucharistic prayer so that the bread and wine may become the body and blood of Christ. The term is based on the Greek word that means “to call upon,” “to invoke.”*

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*We pray the prayer Jesus taught together with one voice. As a family we acknowledge our needs, our lackings, our desires and God's solution.*

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### PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

This is a prayer for the worthy reception of communion. This prayer first appeared in the 1548 Order of Holy Communion, the first communion service in English. In it, we proclaim that we cannot merit salvation and our union with Christ in the Eucharist, and we put our trust in God's mercy and grace.

## PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

### *People and Celebrant*

*We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord, whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.*

### 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

### PSALM 23 (SURELY GOODNESS)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
In green pastures He makes me lie down.  
He restores my soul and leads me on  
For His name, for His great name.

#### *Refrain:*

Surely goodness, surely mercy  
Right beside me all my days.  
And I will dwell in Your house forever  
And bless Your holy name.

You prepare a table right before me  
In the presence of my enemies.  
Though the arrow flies and the terror of night  
Is at my door, I'll trust You, Lord.

#### *Refrain*



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And even though I walk through the valley  
Of the shadow of death I will fear no evil.  
And even though I walk through the valley  
Of the shadow of death You are on my side, oh.

*Refrain*

## 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.

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.

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### EUCHARIST INSTRUCTIONS

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

### HYMN 645

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.*

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### WE GATHER TOGETHER

HYMN 433

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 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*

May the blessing of God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*Please stand*

### THE BLESSING

*This pronouncement is a blessing from God to His people. This is not a prayer to God, but a blessing from God. Be encouraged! As we leave this family gathering, God is going with us into the world.*

## RECESSIONAL

### HE'S ALWAYS BEEN FAITHFUL

Morning by morning I wake up to find  
The power and comfort of God's hand in mine.  
Season by season I watch Him amazed,  
In awe of the myst'ry of His perfect ways.

*Refrain:*

All I have need of His hand will provide.  
He's always been faithful to me.

I can't remember a trial or a pain  
He did not recycle to bring me gain.  
I can't remember one single regret  
In serving God only and trusting His hand.

*Refrain*

This is my anthem, this is my song,  
The theme of the stories I've heard for so long.  
God has been faithful, He will be again.  
His loving compassion, it knows no end.

*Refrain*

He's always been faithful,  
He's always been faithful to me.

### THE DISMISSAL

Deacon

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People*

*Thanks be to God.*

### THE DISMISSAL

*The Deacon reminds us  
that as followers of Christ  
we are empowered to go into  
the world, now that we have  
worshipped God and been  
filled with the Holy Spirit.  
And with God in us, we are  
to go and serve.*

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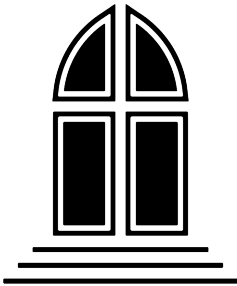
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# GRACE CONTACT INFORMATION FORM

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## *Welcome to Grace Episcopal Church*

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: \_\_\_\_\_

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

New in community

Would like clergy to call

Would like an appointment with clergy

Have  children school age or younger (please circle)

Ages: 0-3    K-3    4-8    9-12

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

Weekly Newsletter?     Yes     No

How may we contact you?  Phone     Text     Email

# LENT, EASTER, AND HOLY WEEK SERVICES & EVENTS

Palm Cross Workshop, March 31  
11:30am

Parish Quiet Day, April 1  
9:00am - 12:00pm

Palm Sunday, April 2  
8:00am and 9:45am (Procession)

Maundy Thursday, April 6  
Service with Foot Washing - 7:00pm  
Overnight Prayer Vigil ending in  
Morning Prayer

Good Friday, April 7  
Morning Prayer - 9:00am  
Service - Noon  
Meditation and Prayer - 1:00pm - 3:00pm  
Stations of the Cross - 6:00pm

Easter Sunday, April 9  
Great Vigil - 6:30am  
Hot Cross Buns - 8:30am  
Easter Eucharist and Baptism - 10:00am  
Hot Cross Buns - 11:15am  
Easter Egg Hunt - 11:30am



**We need Candy  
donations for our**

**Easter**  
**EGG HUNT**



**Please bring in a candy donation to stuff the Easter eggs with for our Church Easter Egg Hunt. No chocolate please, if you would like to write a check place "Egg Hunt" in the memo line. There will be a donation bin in the back of the church and the church office to drop off candy. Donations are due by Sunday, March 26.**

**DO YOU FOLLOW  
OUR SOCIAL  
MEDIA?**



Instagram:  
grace\_church\_  
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Facebook:  
Grace Episcopal  
Church Ocala, FL

Group Page:  
People of Grace



YouTube:  
Grace Episcopal  
Church Ocala



Website:  
graceocala.org

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**HANDY HELPERS**

If you have a problem inside or around your house that you can't fix, and you don't have the financial means to hire a company, please call our church (352) 622-7881 during office hours. We'll take your work order and send our Handy Helpers Team to your home.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

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## COMING EVENTS

### **MARCH**

29 Lenten Study - In Person  
30 Vestry Meeting  
31 Palm Cross Workshop

### **APRIL**

1 Parish Quiet Day  
2 Palm Sunday  
    Baptism Prep Class  
6 Maundy Thursday Service  
    Overnight Vigil  
7 Morning Prayer  
    Good Friday Service  
    Prayer & Meditation  
    Stations of the Cross  
9 The Great Vigil  
    Hot Cross Buns  
    Easter 10am & Baptism  
    Easter Egg Hunt  
10 Office Closed  
13 ECW Meeting  
27 Vestry Meeting

## **YOUTH ALPHA**

Are you between the ages of 13 and 18? Or do you have kids in that age range? We will be starting a Youth Alpha course on Thursday, March 30 from 4-5:30pm. Each Session will be 1.5 hours and we will have snacks! You can sign up at: <https://www.graceocala.org/youthalpha>

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## **BAPTISM**

Baptism is scheduled for Easter Sunday, April 9. The Baptism Prep Class will be held on Sunday, April 2 immediately after the 10am service. If you want 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).

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## **PALM CROSS WORKSHOP**

Friday, March 31 we will have our Palm Cross Workshop, where women in the congregation come together to make the Palm Crosses we wear on Palm Sunday. The workshop will be in Parish House at 11:30am.

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## **PARISH QUIET DAY**

Quiet time alone with God is necessary if we want to hear His voice. This day is an opportunity to take time to open yourself to God as we prepare to enter Holy Week and to celebrate the resurrection of our Savior. Please gather in the church at 9:00am Saturday, April 1, before we begin the retreat of silence. We will then go off to places of individual contemplation and reconvene in the church at 11:30am.

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## **FLOWERING THE CROSS**

On Easter morning we will be "Flowering the Cross" on the front steps of the Church. Everyone is encouraged to bring a flower to place on the cross.

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## **MITE BOXES**

Don't forget Mite Boxes are due on Sunday, April 9! You can return them to the mini Church in the back of the Church Sanctuary.

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### **Next Week's Bible Readings**

First Reading:  
Ezekiel 37:1-14  
Psalm 130  
Second Reading:  
Romans 8:6-11  
Gospel: John 11:1-45

# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

## **IN THE COMING WEEK**

**Sunday, March 19 - Office Closed**

**8:00am: Rite One Service, Church, Livestream**

**9:45am: Children's Church, WonderKids Room**

**10:00am: Rite Two Service, Church, YouTube & Facebook**

**3:00pm: Lenten Study, Zoom**

**Monday, March 20**

**12:00pm: Bulletin Deadline**

**Wednesday, March 22**

**12:05pm: Midweek Service, Church**

**1:15pm: Lenten Study, Parish House**

**7:00pm: Worship Team Rehearsal, Church**

**Friday, March 24 - Office Closed**

**Saturday, March 25 - Office Closed**

**Sunday, March 26 - Office Closed**

**8:00am: Rite One Service, Church, Livestream**

**9:45am: Children's Church, WonderKids Room**

**10:00am: Rite Two Service, Church, YouTube & Facebook**

**3:00pm: Lenten Study, Zoom**

## BIRTHDAYS

### MARCH

12 Emily Ayres

13 Beth Collins

Patti Gilman

Estella van Santen

14 Meg Spurlock

16 Dianna Labeur

17 Trenton Penuel

Donald Feldman

18 Caroline Collins

Marilyn Brady

19 Ellis Nobles

Lynn Recio

20 Danielle Giammanco

22 Louise Rolle

23 Steven Miller

24 Peg Hamilton

Susie Hetzel

25 Chris Melvin

Marv Brickey

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If you would like to meet with  
Fr. Jonathan or  
Fr. Frans, please contact  
Rosemary Grooms or  
Catie Hourigan at  
352-622-7881;  
rosemary@graceocala.org or  
catie@graceocala.org

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

## - Grace Church Leadership -

### HEAD

Jesus Christ

### BISHOP

The Right Rev. Gregory O. Brewer

### WORSHIP TEAM

The Rev. Jonathan French: Rector

The Rev. Frans van Santen: Associate Rector

The Rev. Mary Delancey: Deacon

The Rev. Susan Moorehead: Deacon

Adam Pryor: Worship Coordinator

Catie Hourigan: Children's Ministry Coordinator

Dave Rubin: Verger

### VESTRY

Tim McCourt - Senior Warden

Stephen Ayres - Junior Warden

Carman Smith- Treasurer

Heather Hetzel

Drick Heitman

Lise Kent

Greg Harrell

Sharyn Pliska

Leslie Jones

### MUSICIANS

Adam Pryor Sharon Mai Audrey Flechas Cheryl Arnold

Jessica Mongerio Shane Bass Porter Johnson Victoria Sexton

### TODAY'S SERVERS

**Ushers:** Wayne & Diane Taylor

**Reader, First Reading/Psalm:** Don Hooper

**Reader, Second Reading/Prayers of the People:** Maurica French

**Acolytes:** Michael Ashley, Ryan Ashley, Talia Price

**Chalice Minister:** Darlene Trowbridge

**Prayer Team:** Please contact Deacon Susan if you would like to join the prayer team

**Altar Guild:** Lise Kent, Carman Smith, Jeanie Piotrowski,

Lynda Peek, James Perdue

**Flower Guild:** Carolyn Ayres, Lynda Peek, Lynn Nobles, Maurica French

**VPOD:** Sharyn Pliska

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**Weekly Services on Our Campus**

**Sunday 8:00am—Rite I**

**Sunday 10:00am—Rite II with music**

**Wednesday 12:05pm—Midweek at Grace**

**Grace Episcopal Church: 503 SE Broadway St, Ocala, Florida**

**Church Office (mailing address): 510 SE Broadway St, Ocala FL 34471**

**Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00am to 3:30pm, Closed on Friday**

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