



# Grace

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT | MARCH 22, 2026 | 10:00 AM SERVICE

*“I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the Lord; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the Lord.”*

*~Ezekiel 37:14*

# 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  
DOK Discernment | 12:00pm | Grace Hall

## 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 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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## 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.**

You shall not steal.

**Amen. Lord have mercy.**

## LITURGICAL GUIDE

### SILENT PROCESSION

Today, we observe a silent procession, creating space to gather our hearts before God, as we enter a time of solitude.

### THE WORD OF GOD

You are invited to voluntarily make the sign of the cross on your body - to cross yourself - as a means to tell God again, and remind yourself, that you belong to him. You can do this at any time it seems meaningful to you. Often we sign ourselves when the names of the Trinity are used, in reference to the resurrection of the dead, and when saying "blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord."

### THE DECALOGUE

As you hear each commandment one by one, ask for God's forgiveness for your disobedience, and lean on him for his mercy. Recognize that these Ten Commandments also represent God's desires for us more broadly.

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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 TRISAGION

*This hymn was sung in the early Church. It recognizes the utter, awesome, incomprehensible holiness of God.*

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*

## THE TRISAGION

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

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## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

**People**

*And also with you.*

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; 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*

## THE FIRST READING

## EZEKIEL 37:1-14

Reader

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O LORD God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus says the LORD God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

## 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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So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the LORD God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the LORD God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act," says the LORD.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

**People**

***Thanks be to God.***

## THE PSALM

## PSALM 130

### 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.*

Reader

The psalm for today is Psalm 130, which we will read responsively at the half verse:

Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD;  
LORD, hear my voice; \*

***let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.***

If you, LORD, were to note what is done amiss, \*

***O LORD, who could stand?***

For there is forgiveness with you; \*  
***therefore you shall be feared.***

I wait for the LORD; my soul waits for him; \*  
***in his word is my hope.***

My soul waits for the LORD,  
more than watchmen for the morning, \*  
***more than watchmen for the morning.***

O Israel, wait for the LORD, \*  
***for with the LORD there is mercy;***

With him there is plenteous redemption, \*  
***and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.***

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

## ROMANS 8:6-11

Reader

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law-- indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

**People**

***Thanks be to God.***

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*Please stand*

### GRADUAL HYMN

#### THOU ART THE WAY, TO THEE ALONE

HYMN 457

Thou art the Way, to thee alone from sin and death we flee;  
And all who would the Father seek, must seek him, Lord, by thee.

Thou art the Truth, thy word alone true wisdom can impart;  
Thou only canst inform the mind and purify the heart.

Thou art the Life, the rending tomb proclaims thy conquering arm;  
and those who put their trust in thee, nor death, nor hell shall harm.

Thou art the Way, the Truth, the Life: grant us that way to know,  
That truth to keep, that life to win, whose joys eternal flow.

### THE GOSPEL

JOHN 11:1-45

#### 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.*

Deacon

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

**People**

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

Deacon

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are

there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he

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loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

Deacon

The Gospel of the Lord.

**People**

***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

**SERMON**

**FR. CARLOS CABRERA**

**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 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.*

## 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.*

*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

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

Reader

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop Justin; for this gathering, and those worshipping at home; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

*offer your own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

Reader

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

*offer your own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

Reader

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*offer your own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

## 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.*

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Reader

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, and a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*offer your own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

Reader

I ask your prayers for the departed.  
Pray for those who have died.

*offer your own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

Reader

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

*offer your own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

Reader

Amen.

*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 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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## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### OFFERTORY

Celebrant

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

### HOLY SPIRIT, LIVING BREATH OF GOD

Holy Spirit, living Breath of God,  
Breathe new life into my willing soul.  
Bring the presence of the Risen Lord  
To renew my heart and make me whole.

Cause Your Word to come alive in me;  
Give me faith for what I cannot see.  
Give me passion for Your purity; Holy Spirit,  
Breathe new life in me.

Holy Spirit, come abide within;  
May Your joy be seen in all I do.  
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin  
In each thought and deed and attitude.

Kindness to the greatest and the least;  
Gentleness that sows the path of peace;  
Turn my striving into works of grace.  
Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth,  
Giving life to all that God has made;  
Show Your power once again on earth,  
cause Your church to hunger for Your ways.

Let the fragrance of our prayers arise;  
Lead us on the road of sacrifice,  
That in unity the face of Christ  
will be clear for all the world to see.

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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.*



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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!*

## 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

**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

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and

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Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

## **People**

***We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory.***

## **Celebrant**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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

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### 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.

### NO ALLELUIA'S

During Lent, we omit the use of "alleluia" during Eucharist and the dismissal, preferring to be more subdued and penitential. This practice also helps us to build anticipation for its reintroduction on Easter.

### 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.

## 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.***

## 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

### I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

**I am the bread of life.  
They who come to me shall not hunger;  
they who believe in me shall not thirst.  
No one can come to me unless the Father draw them.**

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*Refrain:*

And I will raise them up,  
and I will raise them up,  
and I will raise them up on the last day.

The bread that I will give  
is my flesh for the life of the world,  
and they who eat of this bread,  
they shall live for ever, they shall live for ever.

*Refrain*

Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man  
and drink of his blood,  
you shall not have life within you.  
you shall not have life within you.

*Refrain*

I am the resurrection, I am the life.  
They who believe in me  
even if they die, they shall live for ever.

*Refrain*

Yes, Lord, we believe  
that you are the Christ,  
the Son of God,  
who has come  
into the world.

*Refrain*

## WHEN JESUS WEPT

When Jesus wept, the falling tear in mercy flowed beyond all  
bound;

When Jesus grounded, a trembling fear seized all the guilty world  
around.

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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.*

## HYMN 715

### 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.*

Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
fill me with life anew,  
that I may love what thou dost love,  
and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
until my heart is pure,  
until with thee I will one will,  
to do or to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
till I am wholly thine,  
until this earthly part of me  
glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,  
so shall I never die;  
but live with thee the perfect life  
of thine eternity.

### RISE UP, LAZARUS

In the dark and all alone  
Growing comfortable  
Are you too scared to move  
And walk out of this tomb  
Buried underneath the lies that you believed  
Safe and sound stuck in the ground  
Too lost to be found

You're just asleep  
And it's time to leave

*Refrain:*

Come on and rise up  
Take a breath you're alive now  
Can't you hear the voice of Jesus calling us  
Out from the grave like Lazarus

You're brand new  
The power of death couldn't hold you  
Can't you hear the voice of Jesus calling us  
Out of the grave like Lazarus  
Rise up rise up rise up  
Out from the grave like Lazarus

When he said your name  
The thing that filled your veins  
Was more than blood  
It's the kind of love that washes sin away  
Now the door is open wide  
And the stone's been rolled aside  
The old is gone the light has come so

*Refrain*

He's calling us to walk out of the dark  
He's giving us new resurrected hearts  
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*Refrain*

*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 LITURGY OF THE TABLE

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## 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 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

### LOVE DIVINE ALL LOVES EXCELLING

HYMN 657

Love divine, all loves excelling,  
joy of heav'n, to earth come down,  
fix in us thy humble dwelling,  
all thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, thou art all compassion,  
pure, unbounded love thou art.  
Visit us with thy salvation;  
enter ev'ry trembling heart.

Come, Almighty, to deliver,  
let us all thy life receive.  
Suddenly return, and never,  
nevermore thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
serve thee as thy hosts above,  
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,  
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish, then, thy new creation;  
true and spotless let us be.  
Let us see thy great salvation  
perfectly restored in thee.  
Changed from glory into glory,  
till in heav'n we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee,  
lost in wonder, love and praise.

# *THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE*

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## **THE DISMISSAL**

Deacon

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People**

***Thanks be to God.***

## 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.*

# *PERSONAL NOTES*

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

## MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 2

7:00pm - Service with foot washing (*Nursery Provided*)

8:00pm - Overnight Vigil ending in Morning Prayer

## GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3

9:00am - Morning Prayer

12:00pm - Good Friday Service (*Nursery Provided*)

1:00pm -3:00pm Prayer and Meditation

6:00pm - Stations of the Cross

## EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 5

6:30am - The Great Vigil

8:30am - Hot Cross Buns & Coffee Hour

9:00am - Easter Eucharist (*Nursery & Children's Church Provided*)

10:15am: Hot Cross Buns & Coffee Hour

11:00am: Easter Eucharist (*Nursery Provided*)

12:30pm: Hot Cross Buns & Coffee Hour



## *Easter Lily Dedications*

It is time to order Easter Lilies! If you would like to sponsor the lilies on the altar or the wall decorations, please complete this form and place it in the offering plate, or bring or send it to the Church Office by March 30. Please include payment. The lilies are \$20 each.

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

(As you wish it to appear in the bulletin – ie: Mr. and Mrs. John Doe, John and Jane Doe, the Doe Family, etc.)

Number of Lilies: \_\_\_\_\_ \$20 each

Total Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check out to Grace Episcopal Church and note "Easter Lilies" on the memo line.

Message (E.g., "In memory of...", "In honor of:...")

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# Annual Church Picnic

## April 19, 2026

Join us at Coehadjoe Park for a spring picnic! We have rented pavilion 2! Hamburgers and Hotdogs will be provided, please bring a side dish to share. Enjoy a day of fun, food, and fellowship. All are welcome to participate. See you there!

Time: After the 10:00am Service

Place: Coehadjoe Park  
4225 NE 35<sup>th</sup> St Ocala, FL 34479

Scan the QR Code to RSVP!



**Please join us for**

*Mother's Day Tea & Pop-up Shop\**

**Saturday, May 9, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.**

*Grace Parish House*

**Please invite your mother, grandmother, children, grandchildren, etc.!**

This Grace event, hosted by the ECW, has limited seating.  
Please register by scanning the QR code or by calling the  
church office at (352) 622-7881.

**\*Temporary retail shop curated with racks of new and gently loved spring,  
summer clothing and accessories at thrift store prices!**

Proceeds benefit:



# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

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## COMING EVENTS

### APRIL

- 1 Noon Service  
Open Table
- 2 Maundy Thursday  
Overnight Vigil
- 3 Morning Prayer  
Good Friday Service  
Prayer and Meditation  
Stations of the Cross
- 5 The Great Vigil, Hot Cross  
Buns & Coffee, Easter  
Services 9am & 11am
- 6 Easter Monday: Office  
Closed
- 8 Noon Service
- 9 Vestry Meeting: 5pm
- 11 ECW Meeting: 12:00
- 12 DOK Discernment: 12pm
- 15 Noon Service  
Open Table
- 16 Vestry Meeting 5pm
- 19 DOK Discernment: 12pm  
Parish Picnic: 1pm
- 20 Easter Baptisms

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

03/29/26

- Nursery:  
Ligia Acosta & Sharon Romano
- WonderKids:  
Mollie Miranda, Anissa Cunjie
- Storymakers:  
Catie Hourigan & Alizon  
Morales
- Connect:  
Tina Phillips, Volunteer Needed

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

Isaiah 50:4-9a  
Psalm 31:9-16  
Phillipians 2:5-11  
Matthew 27:11-54

## **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, March 28, 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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## **EASTER BAPTISMS**

Baptism is scheduled for Easter Sunday, April 20. If you would like to be baptized or have children to be baptized, please contact the church office at (352) 622-7881 or email Meagan at meagan@graceocala.org so we can schedule your Baptism Prep Class.

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## **PALM CROSS WORKSHOP**

Saturday, March 28 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 1:00pm.

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

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## IN THE COMING WEEK

**Sunday, March 22 - 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
- 12:00pm: DOK Discernment, Grace Hall

**Monday, March 23**

- 12:00 Noon: Bulletin Deadline

**Tuesday, March 24**

- 12:00pm: Bible Study, Zoom

**Wednesday, March 25**

- 12:05pm: Midweek Service, Church
- 1:00pm: Lenten Soup and Study, Grace Hall
- 6:00pm: Open Table

**Thursday, March 26**

- 5:30pm: Vestry Meeting

**Friday, March 27 - Office Closed**

**Saturday, March 28 - Office Closed - Parish Quiet Day**

- 9:00am: Retreat Of Silence
- 1:00pm: Palm Cross Workshop

**Sunday, March 29 - Palm Sunday - 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: Palm Sunday Procession, Church Steps
- 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
- 12:00pm: DOK Discernment, Grace Hall

## BIRTHDAYS

### MARCH

- 15 Gretchen Springer
- 16 Dianna Labeur
- 17 Don Feldman
- 18 Marilyn Brady
- 19 Ellis Nobles
- 22 Louise Rolle  
Bob Harris
- 23 Steven Miller
- 24 Peg Hamilton  
Susie Hetzel
- 25 Chris Melvin  
Marv Brickey
- 28 Lori Craig  
Cori Penuel
- 30 Mary Baggs
- 31 Donna Sloan

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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 Meagan Thompson at 352-622-7881 or [meagan@graceocala.org](mailto:meagan@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. Josh Reed: Associate Rector

The Rev. Carlos Cabrera: Deacon

The Rev. Susan Moorehead: Deacon

Adam Pryor: Worship Coordinator

Catie Hourigan: Children's Ministry Coordinator

**VESTRY**

Sanjit Nirmalanandhan - Senior Warden/Treasurer Michael Owen - Junior Warden

Cheryl Arnold Michael Ashley Chandler Sandy Todd Craig Kristin Dean

John Dozier Amy Robertson Leslie Jones

**MUSICIANS**

Adam Pryor Sharon Mai Jessica Mongerio Jason Bartosic

Cheryl Arnold Audrey Flechas Kirsten Clauss

**Today's Servers**

**Ushers:** Russ McCann, Paul Corrad

**Reader, First Reading/Psalm:** Mary-Stewart Lewis

**Reader, Second Reading/PoP:** Tyrus Clutter

**Acolytes:** Michael Ashley, Elizabeth Hart, Joseph Hetzel, Claire Hetzel

**Chalice Minister:** James Perdue

**Prayer Team:** Jackie Alsobrook, Vivian Barone

**Altar Guild:** Lise Kent, James Perdue, Jeannie Piotrowski, Lynda Peek

**Flower Guild:** Carolyn Ayres, Lynda Peek, Lynn Nobles, Heather Hetzel,

Molly Hetzel, Erin van Santen, Estella van Santen

**VPOD:** Kristin Dean

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS**

**Nursery:** Ligia Acosta, Sharon Romano

**Wonderkids:** Erin van Santen

**Storymakers:** Catie Hourigan, Geralyn Murphy

**Connect:** Clare Redrick

**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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