

# Grace

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT | FEBRUARY 26, 2023 | 8:00 AM SERVICE

*“Jesus said to him, ‘Away with you, Satan! for it is written, Worship the Lord your God,  
and serve only him.’”  
~ Matthew 4:10*

# 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.

## 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.

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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 forgiveth all our sins.

**People**

*His mercy endureth for ever.*

*Please kneel as able*

## THE DECALOGUE

Celebrant

God spake these words, and said: I am the Lord thy God who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

**People**

*Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Celebrant

Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them.

**People**

*Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Celebrant

Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain.

**People**

*Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Celebrant

Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day.

**People**

*Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

## LITURGICAL GUIDE

### 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.

### THE SIGN OF THE CROSS

Making the sign of the cross is a tangible way to mark ourselves as Christ's. Crossing yourself is an act of sanctification, a physical reminder that you are set apart as holy for Christ. Because it is often done at the mention of the Trinity ("Father, Son, and Holy Spirit"), the sign of the cross is also a physical reminder of belief in the Triune God. Many find it a helpful expression of their faith, although it is not mandatory.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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## LITURGICAL GUIDE

Celebrant

Honor thy father and thy mother.

**People**

***Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***

Celebrant

Thou shalt do no murder.

**People**

***Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***

Celebrant

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

**People**

***Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***

Celebrant

Thou shalt not steal.

**People**

***Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***

Celebrant

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

**People**

***Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***

Celebrant

Thou shalt not covet.

**People**

***Lord have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.***

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 LITURGY OF THE WORD

## THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

**People**

*Almighty and most merciful father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.*

*But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.*

Celebrant

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

## THE TRISAGION

*Celebrant and People*

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

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

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

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

**People**

*And with thy spirit.*

## LITURGICAL GUIDE

### 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*

### 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.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## LITURGICAL GUIDE

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted of Satan: Make speed to help thy servants who are assaulted by manifold temptations; and, as thou knowest their several infirmities, let each one find thee mighty to save; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please be seated*

## THE FIRST READING

**GENESIS 2:15-17; 3:1-7**

Reader

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?'" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

**People**

***Thanks be to God.***

## THE RESPONSE

## PSALM 32

## LITURGICAL GUIDE

Reader

The Psalm for today is Psalm 32, which we will read responsively at the half verse:

Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, \*  
***and whose sin is put away!***

Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, \*  
***and in whose spirit there is no guile!***

While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, \*  
***because of my groaning all day long.***

For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; \*  
***my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.***

Then I acknowledged my sin to you, \*  
***and did not conceal my guilt.***

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." \*  
***Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.***

Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; \*  
***when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.***

You are my hiding-place;  
you preserve me from trouble; \*  
***you surround me with shouts of deliverance.***

"I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; \*  
***I will guide you with my eye.***

Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; \*  
***who must be fitted with bit and bridle,  
or else they will not stay near you."***

### 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.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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Great are the tribulations of the wicked; \*  
*but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.*

Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; \*  
*shout for joy, all who are true of heart.*

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 5:12-19

Reader

As sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned-- sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.



# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## LITURGICAL GUIDE

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

**People**

*Thanks be to God.*

*Please stand*

## THE GOSPEL

## MATTHEW 4:1-11

Deacon

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

**People**

*Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

Deacon

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written,

'One does not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,  
and 'On their hands they will bear you up,  
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'

Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

## GOSPEL READING

*As God's Word is read, 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.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## LITURGICAL GUIDE

### 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.

‘Worship the Lord your God,  
and serve only him.’”

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Deacon

The Gospel of the Lord.

**People**

***Praise to thee, O Christ.***

SERMON

FR. JONATHAN FRENCH

THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant

Let us stand together and affirm our faith with the words of the Nicene Creed:

***I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;***

***And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.***

***And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe in one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.***

Please kneel as able

# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Reader

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

*The reader leads the people in a series of prayers to which the people respond.*

Reader

Lord, in Thy mercy

**People**

*Hear our prayer.*

Reader

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People**

*And with thy spirit.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

## THE OFFERTORY

*The people are invited to offer their gifts to God.*

Celebrant

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

*Please stand*

Celebrant

All things come of thee, O Lord.

**People**

*Of thine own have we given thee.*

## LITURGICAL GUIDE

### 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 LITURGY OF THE TABLE

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### 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.*

### 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.*

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

**People**

***And with thy spirit.***

Celebrant

Lift up your hearts.

**People**

***We lift them up unto the Lord.***

Celebrant

Let us give thanks unto our Lord, God.

**People**

***It is meet and right so to do.***

Celebrant

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

*The Celebrant offers a Preface, and concludes saying,*

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

**Celebrant and People**

***Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.***

*Please kneel as able*

Celebrant

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

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For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy

### 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 LITURGY OF THE TABLE

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### 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.*

### 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.*

grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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.***

### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**People**

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

Celebrant

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

**People**

***Have mercy upon us.***

Celebrant

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

**People**

***Have mercy upon us.***

Celebrant

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

**People**

***Grant us thy peace.***

# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

## THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

**People**

*We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his 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.

## THE SILENT PRAYER BEFORE RECEIVING COMMUNION

*Be present, O Jesus, our great High Priest, as you were present with your disciples, and be known to us in the breaking of bread; who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.*

## THE SILENT PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING COMMUNION

*O Lord Jesus Christ, who in a wonderful Sacrament has left us a memorial of your passion: Grant us, so to venerate the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood, that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of your redemption; who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.*

*Please kneel as able*

## THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

**Celebrant**

Let us pray.

**People**

*Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most*

## 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.*

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### 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.*

### THE DISMISSAL

*The Deacon reminds us that followers of Christ are to go out into the world and serve. We are reminded that it is the Holy Spirit who empowers us to be witnesses of God's love, and to do His will. The whole church responds with thanksgiving. With these final words of the service, we reaffirm our commitment to the world outside our doors.*

*precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end.  
**Amen.***

### THE BLESSING

Celebrant

The blessing of God Almighty the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

### THE DISMISSAL

Deacon

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People**

**Thanks be to God.**



# *PERSONAL NOTES*

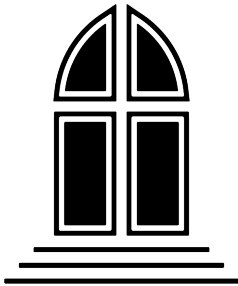
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# *PERSONAL NOTES*

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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*

## Lenten Studies

Online: Sundays at 3:00pm via Zoom  
February 26 - March 26

In person: Wednesdays after the Midweek Service  
in Parish House - Soup will be served  
March 1 - March 29

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 - 9:00am

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

Easter Sunday, April 9  
Great Vigil - 6:30am  
Easter Eucharist and Baptism - 10:00am

# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

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## MITE BOXES

A Lenten tradition, mite boxes are a good way for children (and adults) to be reminded of our need to help others during this season. A mite box calendar is also available to help with daily activities using the box. Our blessings are represented by coins we put in the box. The mite boxes are in the back of the church or you can stop by the office to pick one up Monday-Thursday 9:00 am - 3:30 pm.

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## MARCH ECW MEETING

ECW will meet Thursday, March 9, at 11:30 am in the Parish House. Lunch will be brown bag, with drink and dessert provided. This will be our big planning meeting for the upcoming Yard Sale. Please come and sign up to help.

We are looking for a few good locations to place signs for the yard sale. If you live on a well-traveled street, know someone who does, or have a business where a sign could be placed for a week please volunteer to put out a sign.

All Grace ladies are ECW members and are encouraged to attend.

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## ECW YARD SALE

It's time to clean out the garage and attic! ECW's annual Yard Sale is scheduled for Saturday, March 18, and we need your stuff. Our 2022 sale was a great success because we had three years of accumulation due to Covid postponement of the event. You can bring your items to the church office Tuesday-Thursday between 8am-11am and they will be stored in the attic. Bigger items can go to our off-campus storage. Even better, hold on to your items till the week of the event. Please box and clearly label items if possible. We WILL NOT be selling clothes or oversized furniture. If you have questions about an item being appropriate or need storage help, contact Elaine Heitman (write2elaine@cfl.rr.com; 704-840-6897) or Carolyn Ayres (mcdayres@gmail.com; 352-286-8536).

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People of Grace



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Website:  
graceocala.org

# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

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## COMING EVENTS

### MARCH

8 Fr. James Giles Preaching  
Lenten Study - In Person  
9 ECW Luncheon  
12 Lenten Study - Online  
13 Womens Bible Study  
15 Lenten Study - In Person  
18 ECW Yardsale  
19 Lenten Study - Online  
22 Lenten Study - In Person  
23 Vestry Meeting  
26 Lenten Study - Online  
29 Lenten Study - In Person

### 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

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### Next Week's Bible Readings

First Reading:  
Genesis 12:1-4a  
Psalm 121  
Second Reading:  
Romans 4:1-5, 13-17  
Gospel: John 3:1-17

## **GIRLS GROUP HOME**

The girls group home visits have started again. We have a standing date, the 3rd Saturday of each month. If any of our Grace ladies or men (it would be great if we could have a group visit the boys) would be willing to volunteer and help share their skills, please contact Dianna Labeur at [misslabeur@gmail.com](mailto:misslabeur@gmail.com).

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## **COFFEE HOUR**

Next Sunday, March 5 there will be a coffee hour in between the 8am and 10am services in Parish House to visit with Rev. Caroline Osborne. She will be joining us as Celebrant and Preacher next Sunday!

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## **SUPPORTING THE CHURCH IN MALAWI**

We have an opportunity for you to support the growth of the Church in Malawi. Christianity in Malawi is, like in most African countries, growing very fast. Much of this growth happens in rural areas, where churches literally meet under a tree or in a shabby building. One of the major challenges that these churches face, is the lack of theological training of their pastors.

We are connected through Fr. Frans to Fr. Robert Yanduya who leads his own congregation in Malawi, and gives multiple seminars per year in rural areas, drawing 150 pastors per time to teach them how to lead, how to preach, how to be the church.

Fr. Robert's ministry is completely dependent on financial support. Our church has already donated \$ 5,000 and invites you to join. Here's how you can do this:

1. Seminar for Rectors and Vestry members: \$ 200 per seminar
2. Bible in the Chichewa language: \$ 15 per Bible
3. School fee for a child whose parents can't afford it: \$ 72 per child
4. Children's Conference: \$ 15 per child
5. Relief to needy families (including widows and orphans): \$ 60 per household

If you'd like to donate to one of these goals, please write a check to Grace Episcopal Church, with Malawi in the memo. Attach a post-it note if you are committed to a specific goal listed above.

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## IN THE COMING WEEK

**Sunday, February 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**

**Monday, February 27**

**12:00pm: Bulletin Deadline**

**Wednesday, March 1**

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

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

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

**Thursday, March 2**

**12:00pm: Fr. Jonathan's Bible Study, Zoom**

**Friday, March 3 - Office Closed**

**Saturday, March 4 - Office Closed**

**Sunday, March 5 - Office Closed**

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

**9:00am: Coffee Hour, Parish House**

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

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

**10:00am: Connect Youth, Grace Hall**

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

## BIRTHDAYS

### FEBRUARY

19 Carolyn Ayres

20 Peter Halsall

23 Katie Aufderheide

24 Clara Owen

25 Kristin Dean

26 Rebecca White

Joel Grabe

27 Kendall Dean

28 Vivian Rauba

Patrick Brady

Ken Morse

### MARCH

3 Julia Penuel

Mary Jane Allison

Santina Kingsley

4 David Schipper

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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 or  
rosemary@graceocala.org  
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

### TODAY'S SERVERS

**Usher:** Tammy Flanagan

**Reader:** Cookie Zeuch

**Chalice Minister:** Carman Smith

**Prayer Team:** If you would like to volunteer to be part of the Prayer Team please contact Deacon Susan Moorehead

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

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

**VPOD:** Stephen Ayres

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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

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