

Grace

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY: THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD | JANUARY 8, 2023 | 8:00 AM SERVICE

“Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, ‘I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?’ But Jesus answered him, ‘Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.’ Then he consented.”

- Matthew 3:13-15

Welcome to Grace Church

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.

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

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE PROCESSION

Please stand

Celebrant

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant

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

THE KYRIE ELEISON

Celebrant

Lord have mercy upon us.

People

Christ have mercy upon us.

Celebrant

Lord have mercy upon us.

THE GLORIA

*Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace,
good will towards men.*

*We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee,
we glorify thee,*

we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

*Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.*

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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.

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.

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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.

***For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.***

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And with thy spirit.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan didst proclaim him thy beloved Son and anoint him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

Please be seated

THE FIRST READING

Reader

ISAIAH 42:1-9

Here is my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my spirit upon him;
he will bring forth justice to the nations.
He will not cry or lift up his voice,
or make it heard in the street;
a bruised reed he will not break,
and a dimly burning wick he will not quench;
he will faithfully bring forth justice.
He will not grow faint or be crushed
until he has established justice in the earth;
and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

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Thus says God, the LORD,
who created the heavens and stretched them out,
who spread out the earth and what comes from it,
who gives breath to the people upon it
and spirit to those who walk in it:
I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness,
I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
I have given you as a covenant to the people,
a light to the nations,
to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.
I am the LORD, that is my name;
my glory I give to no other,
nor my praise to idols.
See, the former things have come to pass,
and new things I now declare;
before they spring forth,
I tell you of them.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

THE RESPONSE

PSALM 29

Reader

The psalm for today is Psalm 29, which we will read responsively at the half verse:

Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, *
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; *
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders; *
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

THE PSALM

The Psalms represent experiences of men and women, written down as poetic prayers. By reading them, we encounter God, others, and ourselves in life's joys and sorrows, tragedies, and triumphs.

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The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; *
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.

The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; *
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, *
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire;
the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; *
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe *
and strips the forests bare.

And in the temple of the LORD *
all are crying, "Glory!"

The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; *
the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.

The LORD shall give strength to his people; *
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

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

Reader

ACTS 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of

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Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Please stand

THE GOSPEL

MATTHEW 3:13-17

Deacon

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

People

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Deacon

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?” But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

Deacon

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to thee, O Christ.

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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SERMON

FR. FRANS VAN SANTEN

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.

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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

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.

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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 CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

People

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant

Almighty God our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Celebrant

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him...

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

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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.

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.

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.

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.

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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.

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

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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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."

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 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,

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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

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People

Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

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 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.

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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.

PRAYER TEAM

During communion, you have the opportunity to receive prayer. We have a prayer team in the back of the church who are delighted to lift you up in prayer. Simply walk up to them and share your request.

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EUCHARIST 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.

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 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.

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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

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

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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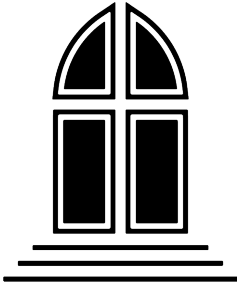
THE BLESSING

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 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.

GRACE CONTACT INFORMATION FORM



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

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

2023 ALTAR FLOWER DONATIONS

If you would like to place flowers on the altar during the coming year, please fill out a Flower Request Form and return it to the church office. Weekly arrangements are made by the Flower Guild at a cost of \$50. You may send your check along with the form with "altar flowers" written on the memo line.

We have no control over events that arise during the year causing another donor to request your same date. If this happens, you will be contacted and arrangements will be made to share the date or find an alternate date acceptable for both donors. We always appreciate donors willing to take any open date where flowers are needed.

This is a wonderful way to remember loved ones, celebrate birthdays, anniversaries and special occasions, or just give thanks and praise God.

No flowers are placed on the altar during Lent (February 22 - April 2), and only greens are used during Advent (December 3 - December 24)

If you have questions or need additional information please call Carolyn Ayres at (352) 629-1148 (home), or (352) 286-8536 (cell)

ALTAR FLOWER DATE REQUEST

NAME: _____

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

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____ Home
_____ Work/daytime

DATE(S) REQUESTED: _____
ALTERNATE : _____

MESSAGE: _____

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

COMING EVENTS

JANUARY

- 16 Office Closed
MLK Day March
- 22 Installation of new Vestry members
- 26 Vestry Meeting

FEBRUARY

- 3-4 Diocesan 54th Annual Convention
- 9 ECW Luncheon
- 21 Shrove Tuesday
- 22 Ash Wednesday
- 23 Vestry Meeting

SLAVERY AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION MONTH: RED SAND PROJECT

Today, January 8, Grace will participate in a Red Sand project here on our campus after each service to honor and pray for victims and survivors of human trafficking. There will be a video in the Parish House after the 10am service. Join us to hear from a survivor and the hope she has that together we can see the end of modern day slavery.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

We will have our Annual meeting on Sunday, January 15 at 9:00am in the Parish House. Fr. Jonathan will present the yearly report and we will elect new Vestry members. We encourage everyone to be apart of this meeting.

GRACE FLOWER GUILD LOOKING FOR MEMBERS

Flowers are God's perfect creation and the flower guild is a ministry that helps us to praise, worship and give thanks to the glory of God. The Grace Flower Guild provides the flower arrangements you see on the altar each Sunday. They also decorate the church for holidays and special events. We are looking for additional members. If you have ever thought about working with flowers and would like to learn more about this group please join us on Sunday, January 15 after the 10:00am Service in the Parish House. There will be a mini demonstration of floral basics. Whether you have floral experience or would just love to learn and work with flowers we encourage you to attend this meeting.

JANUARY ECW MEETING

ECW will hold its first meeting of the new year on Thursday, January 12. We will meet in the Parish House at 11:30 a.m. for a brown bag lunch. Drinks and dessert will be provided. We will be reviewing the annual bazaar and hearing from some of our ECW Alpha participants. We also are asking each member to bring an item or two to help furnish Jersey John's new apartment. Jersey John is a recent recipient of one of the Interfaith sponsored apartments in Ocala. He has attended Grace off and on for many years. He needs a dresser, but it's kitchen utensils we will be focusing on. If you have extra measuring spoons, cups, etc. please bring it to the meeting. Questions: ask Elaine Heitman at (704) 840-6897.

Next Week's Bible Readings

- First Reading:
Isaiah 49:1-7
Psalm 40:1-12
- Second Reading:
1 Corinthians 1:1-9
- Gospel: John 1:29-42

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

IN THE COMING WEEK

Sunday, January 8 Baptism - Office Closed

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

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

10:00am: Rite Two Service, Church, YouTube and Facebook

10:00am: Connect Youth, Grace Hall

11:15am: Red Sand Project, Church Campus

Monday, January 9

12:00pm: Bulletin Deadline

Wednesday, January 11

12:05pm: Mid-Week Service, Church

7:00pm: Worship Team Rehearsal, Church

Thursday, January 12

11:00am: ECW Meeting, Parish House

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

Friday, January 13 - Office Closed

Saturday, January 14 - Office Closed

Sunday, January 15- Office Closed

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

9:00am: Annual Meeting, Parish House

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

10:00am: Rite Two Service, Church, YouTube and Facebook

11:15am: Flower Guild Demo Meeting, Parish House

MARTIN LUTHER KING MARCH

Please join us for the Martin Luther King Jr. March on Monday, January 16. The march begins Monday morning at the Ocala downtown square and ends at the Martin Luther King Jr. Recreational Complex, where it will be followed by MLK Day in the Park. Line-up will begin at 8:30 a.m. and the march will step off at 9 a.m. The march is to celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

BIRTHDAYS

JANUARY

- 2 Janie Rubin
Judith Feldman
Catie Hourigan
- 5 Susan Moorehead
Betty Anne Ayres
- 8 Lise Kent
- 9 Morgan Kraan
DJ Jenkins
Mila Nirmalanandhan
- 12 Lana Kuhn
- 13 Jaye Baillie
- 14 Patty Gould
Edward Reinhardt

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Fr. Jonathan or
Fr. Frans please contact
Rosemary Grooms or
Catie Hourigan
at 352-622-7881 or
rosemary@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

- Grace Church Leadership -

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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 Michael Owen - Junior Warden

Wayne Taylor- Treasurer Heather Hetzel Drick Heitman Amy Robertson

Carman Smith Sharyn Pliska Leslie Jones

Today's Servers

Usher: Carman Smith

Reader: Tammy Flanagan

Chalice Minister: Leslie Jones

Prayer Team: Susan Moorehead

Altar Guild: Pae Barberie, Tammy Flanagan, Marylin Corsiglia,

Lynn Nobles, Amy Robertson

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

VPOD: Tim McCourt

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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