

# Grace

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER | APRIL 12, 2026 | 10:00 AM SERVICE

*Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."*

*- John 20:27*

# 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  
Bible Study | 9:15am | Grace Hall  
WonderKids | 9:45am | Sunshine Room  
StoryMakers | 9:45am | Wonder Room  
Connect | 9:45am | Grace Hall  
Rite Two Service | 10:00am  
Coffee Hour | 11:00am | Parish House  
DOK Discernment | 12:00pm | Storymakers Classroom  
DOK Business Meeting | 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 of God, and infuse His grace and truth into everything we do. Grace Episcopal Church is traditional and liturgical, and we care for our visitors by clearly explaining the heart and history behind our form of worship. We have found a family here, and we want this church to feel like a family for you, too.

## OUR BELIEF & PRACTICES

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

## WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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

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## PRELUDE

*Please stand*

## PROCESSIONAL

### COME PEOPLE OF THE RISEN KING

Come, people of the Risen King,  
Who delight to bring Him praise;  
Come all and tune your hearts to sing  
To the Morning Star of grace.  
From the shifting shadows of the earth  
We will lift our eyes to Him,  
Where steady arms of mercy reach  
To gather children in.

*Refrain:*

Rejoice, Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!  
One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!

Come, those whose joy is morning sun,  
And those weeping through the night;  
Come, those who tell of battles won,  
And those struggling in the fight.  
For His perfect love will never change,  
And His mercies never cease,  
But follow us through all our days  
With the certain hope of peace.

*Refrain*

Come, young and old from every land -  
Men and women of the faith;  
Come, those with full or empty hands -  
Find the riches of His grace.  
Over all the world, His people sing -  
Shore to shore we hear them call  
The Truth that cries through every age:  
"Our God is all in all"

*Refrain*

## LITURGICAL GUIDE

### PROCESSION

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

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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## LITURGICAL GUIDE

Celebrant

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

*People*

*The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!*

## COLLECT OF PURITY

Celebrant

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

**Amen.**

## SONG OF PRAISE

### GLORIA

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Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand  
of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father, Amen.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

**People**

**And also with you.**

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please Be Seated*

## THE FIRST READING

## ACTS 2:14a, 22-32

Reader

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, "You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him,

'I saw the LORD always before me,  
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;  
therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;  
moreover my flesh will live in hope.  
For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,  
or let your Holy One experience corruption.  
You have made known to me the ways of life;  
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

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### 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 usually 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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“Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

‘He was not abandoned to Hades,  
nor did his flesh experience corruption.’

This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.”

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

**People**

***Thanks be to God.***

## THE PSALM

## PSALM 16

### 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 16, which we will read responsively at the half verse:

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; \*  
***I have said to the LORD, “You are my LORD,  
my good above all other.”***

All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, \*  
***upon those who are noble among the people.***

But those who run after other gods \*  
***shall have their troubles multiplied.***

Their libations of blood I will not offer, \*  
***nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.***

O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; \*  
***it is you who uphold my lot.***

My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; \*  
*indeed, I have a goodly heritage.*

I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; \*  
*my heart teaches me, night after night.*

I have set the LORD always before me; \*  
*because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.*

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; \*  
*my body also shall rest in hope.*

For you will not abandon me to the grave, \*  
*nor let your holy one see the Pit.*

You will show me the path of life; \*  
*in your presence there is fullness of joy,  
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.*

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

## 1 PETER 1:3-9

Reader

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith-- being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire-- may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not

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see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

*Thanks be to God.*

*Please Stand*

## **GRADUAL HYMN**

### **WE WALK BY FAITH**

**HYMN 209**

**We walk by faith, and not by sight;  
no gracious words we hear  
from one who spoke as none e'er spoke,  
but we believe him near.**

**We may not touch his hands and side,  
nor follow where he trod,  
yet in his promise we rejoice,  
and cry, "My Lord and God!"**

**Help then, O Lord, our unbelief,  
and may our faith abound  
to call on you when you are near,  
and seek where you are found:**

**That when our life of faith is done,  
in realms of clearer light  
we may behold you as you are  
in full and endless sight.**

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## THE GOSPEL

JOHN 20:19-31

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Deacon

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

**People**

*Glory to You, Lord Christ.*

Deacon

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Deacon

The Gospel of the Lord.

**People**

*Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

## 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.*

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### 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.*

### 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.*

## 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 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

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy"

Reader

We pray to you, O Lord.

**People**

**Lord, have mercy.**

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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Reader

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

**People**

*To you, O Lord our God.*

## THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

**People**

*Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Celebrant

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

## THE PEACE

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People**

*And also with you.*

*Please be seated*

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### CONFESSION

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

### ABSOLUTION

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

### THE PEACE

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

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### OFFERTORY

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



## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE HOLY COMMUNION

#### OFFERTORY

Celebrant

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

#### LIVING HOPE

How great the chasm that lay between us!  
How high the mountain I could not climb!  
In desperation, I turned to heaven  
And spoke Your name into the night.  
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness  
Tore through the shadows of my soul.  
The work is finished, the end is written -  
Jesus Christ, my living hope!

Who could imagine so great a mercy?  
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?  
The God of ages stepped down from glory  
To wear my sin and bear my shame.  
The cross has spoken: I am forgiven.  
The King of kings calls me His own.  
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever -  
Jesus Christ, my living hope!

*Refrain:*

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free!  
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me!  
You have broken every chain,  
There's salvation in Your name -  
Jesus Christ, my living hope!

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Then came the morning that sealed the promise.  
Your buried body began to breathe.  
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion  
Declared the grave has no claim on me!  
(REPEAT)  
Jesus, Yours is the victory whoa!

*Refrain*

Jesus Christ, my living hope!  
Oh God, You are my living hope!

*Please Stand*

## THE DOXOLOGY

## HYMN 380, VERSE 3

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

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

**People**

***And also with you.***

Celebrant

Lift up your hearts.

**People**

***We lift them to the Lord.***

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People**

***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

## 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!*

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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

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**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest!  
Hosanna in the highest!**

*Please kneel as able*

Celebrant

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

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Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

## People

***Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.***

## Celebrant

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

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

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

***Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.***

## Celebrant

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

## People

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

## Celebrant

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## 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.*

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## CORPORATE SONGS DURING COMMUNION

### NO DOUBT ABOUT IT

#### 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.*

How does my broken heart  
Keep bringing me back to you again?  
Sometimes I fall apart,  
But you're always there just like a friend,  
Just like a friend.

*Refrain:*

There's no doubt about it:  
I'm on my way home.  
I'm not yet where I'm going,  
But I'm a long way from where I was.  
I hear a choir of angels  
Cheering me on.  
I'm not yet where I'm going,  
But I'm a long way from where I was.  
Oh, from where I was!

Imagine me in your arms;  
The only place I long to be.  
And when this life gets hard,  
One day I'll dance on golden streets  
And ride on angels' wings.

*Refrain*

I'm not going back,  
Never going back.  
How amazing to know that  
We've only just begun,  
Yeah, we've only just begun.  
I'll keep pressing on.  
I'll keep going strong.  
I'll keep singing the same song.  
We've only just begun,  
Yeah, we've only just begun.

*Refrain*

I know there's no doubt about it:  
I'm on my way home.  
No, I'm not yet where I'm going,  
But I'm a long way from where I was.  
And I hear a choir of angels  
They're cheering me on.  
I'm not yet where I'm going,  
But I'm a long way from where I was.

## **BREATHE ON ME, BREATH OF GOD**

HYMN 508

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.

## **SURELY THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD**

Surely the presence  
Of the Lord is in this place  
I can feel His mighty power  
And His grace  
I can hear the brush of angel's wings  
I see glory on each face  
Surely the presence  
Of the Lord is in this place

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In the midst of His children  
The Lord said He would be  
It doesn't take very many  
It can be just two or three  
And I feel that same sweet Spirit  
That I've felt oft times before  
Oh surely I can say  
I have been with the Lord

There's a holy hush around us  
As God's glory fills this place  
I've touched the hem of His garment  
And I can almost see His face  
And my heart is overflowing  
With the fullness of His joy  
I know without a doubt  
That I have been with the Lord

*Please kneel as able*

### 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 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 POST COMMUNION PRAYER

### People

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

## THE BLESSING

### Celebrant

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

*Please stand*

### CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS

HYMN 494

Crown Him with many crowns,  
The Lamb upon his throne;  
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns  
All music but its own;  
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him  
Who died for thee,  
And hail Him as thy matchless King  
Through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of Life,  
Who triumphed o'er the grave,  
And rose victorious in the strife  
for those He came to save;  
His glories now we sing  
Who died, and rose on high,  
Who did, eternal life to bring,  
And lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of Lords,  
Who over all doth reign,  
Who once on earth, the incarnate Word,  
For ransomed sinners slain,  
Now lives in realms of light,  
Where saints with angels sing  
Their songs before Him day and night,  
Their God, Redeemer, King.

Crown Him the Lord of heaven,  
Enthroned in worlds above;  
Crown Him the King, to whom is given,  
The wondrous name of Love.  
Crown Him with many crowns,  
As thrones before Him fall,  
Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns,  
For He is King of all.

# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

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## LITURGICAL GUIDE

### THE DISMISSAL

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

## 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!***

## ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God by John & Anne Dozier in memory of their loving brothers.

# 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.**

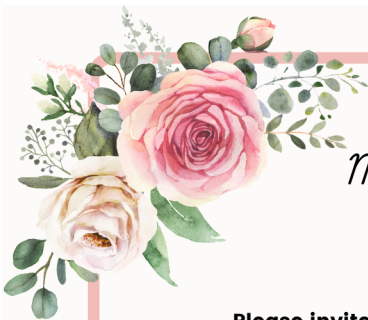
*Grace Parish House*

**Please invite your mother, grandmother, children, grandchildren, etc.!**  
**Enjoy live music by Sharon Mai and Audrey Flechas**

This Grace event, hosted by the ECW, has limited seating.  
Please register by May 1 either 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

## COMING EVENTS

### APRIL

- 22 Noon Service
- 23 Vestry Meeting: 5:30pm  
Choir Rehearsal: 7:00pm
- 26 DOK Discernment: 12pm

### MAY

- 3 Coffee Hour+  
DOK Discernment, DOK  
Business Meeting: 12pm
- 6 Noon Service
- 7 Choir Rehearsal: 7:00pm
- 9 ECW Mother's Day Tea &  
Pop-Up Shop: 2-4pm
- 13 Noon Service
- 20 Noon Service
- 21 Choir Rehearsal: 7:00pm
- 27 Noon Service
- 28 Vestry Meeting: 5:30pm

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY 04/19/26

Nursery:  
Ligia Acosta, Sharon Romano

WonderKids:  
Mollie Miranda, Volunteer  
Needed

Storymakers:  
Catie Hourigan, Alizon Morales

Connect:  
Kaleb & Mariah Williams

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### Next Week's Bible Readings

Acts 2:14a, 36-41  
Psalm 116:1-3, 10-17  
1 Peter 1:17-23  
Luke 24:13-35

## 2026 ALTAR FLOWERS NEEDED

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



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## "GLITTER GIRLS" 2.0 - A NEW CHAPTER

We are excited to announce the beginning of a new chapter of making beautiful sequined Christmas stockings that have been a treasured part of Grace families for generations. A group who called themselves the "Glitter Girls" began making these stockings over 80 years ago and continued through last year, when Joyce Drane completed her final one at age 96.

If you have an interest in continuing this long standing Grace tradition, please come to an organizational/instructional meeting on Saturday, April 25 at 10:00 am in the Parish House. You don't need to be an expert seamstress. It will be helpful to bring your own scissors.

If you are unable to attend this meeting but are interested in making stockings, please contact Carolyn Ayres at 352-286-8536 or [mcdayres@gmail.com](mailto:mcdayres@gmail.com).



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# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

## IN THE COMING WEEK

**Sunday, April 12 - Office Closed**

- 8:00am: Rite One Service, Church, Livestream
- 9:00am: Coffee Hour, Parish House
- 9:00am: Nursery (0-3), Nursery
- 9:15am: 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, Storymakers Classroom
- 12:00pm: DOK Business Meeting, Grace Hall

**Monday, April 13**

- 12:00 Noon: Bulletin Deadline

**Tuesday, April 14**

- 12:00pm: Bible Study, Zoom

**Wednesday, April 15**

- 12:05pm: Midweek Service, Church

**Thursday, April 16**

**Friday, April 17 - Office Closed**

**Saturday, April 18 - Office Closed**

**Sunday, April 19 - Office Closed**

- 8:00am: Rite One Service, Church, Livestream
- 9:00am: Coffee Hour, Parish House
- 9:00am: Nursery (0-3), Nursery
- 9:15am: 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
- 1:00pm: Parish Picnic, Coehadjoe Park

## BIRTHDAYS

### APRIL

- 12 Chip Merchant
- 13 James Taylor
- 14 Romell Gordon  
Erin van Santen
- 15 Fr. Frans van Santen
- 16 Stephanie Bryden  
Michael Canzoneri
- 18 Chandler Sandy
- 19 Robert Estes  
Sheri Sullivan  
Olivia Cunjie  
Edward Eckhart  
Barbara Sandberg
- 21 Samantha Crawford
- 22 Lawton Turner
- 24 Joe White  
Sharon Whitehouse
- 26 Samantha Rauba  
David Freudenburg  
Tom Coleman
- 28 Shealy Harrell  
Molly Hetzel
- 30 Jacob Crawford

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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, Fr. Josh or Fr. Carlos 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 David Freudenburg  
Cheryl Arnold Audrey Flechas Kirsten Clauss

**SERVERS**

**Ushers:** Victor Barone, Vivian Barone  
**Reader, First Reading/Psalm:** Frank Blascucci  
**Reader, Second Reading/PoP:** Matt Merchant  
**Acolytes:** Michael Ashley, Elizabeth Hart, Will Rose  
**Chalice Minister:** Sanjit Nirmalanandhan  
**Altar Guild:** Lise Kent, James Purdue, Jeannie Pitrowski, Lynda Peek  
**Flower Guild:** Carolyn Ayres, Lynda Peek, Lynn Nobles, Heather Hetzel, Molly Hetzel,  
Erin van Santen, Estella van Santen  
**VPOD:** Amy Robertson

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS**

**Nursery:** Ligia Acosta & Sharon Romano  
**Wonderkids:** Mollie Miranda, Alizon Morales  
**Storymakers:** Anissa Cunjie  
**Connect:** Mariah & Kaleb Williams

**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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