



Grace Episcopal Church

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The Third Sunday in Lent

March 12th, 2023 – 10:30 am

Holy Eucharist, Rite I



March 1, 2023

Compline

WELCOME TO GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

We are pleased to welcome you to Grace Church. If you are joining us for the first time, please send us a message at welcome@gracealex.org, so we can get to know you. We can also add you to our mailing list by request. We're glad to have you join with us in worshipping God in the beauty of holiness, something which is central to our identity at Grace. We hope you will join with us in sharing the love of God with this world that needs healing.

Assisted listening devices are available for use during worship. Please see an usher if you'd like to use one.

Our Mission Statement

To Love, Proclaim, and Serve God

Through + life-giving liturgical worship + joyful community + empowering others

Contacting Grace

Please feel free to contact our staff.

Our office hours are Monday to Thursday, 9 am – 3 pm and Fridays 9 am – Noon.
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HOME COMMUNION

Home Communion is available upon request for parishioners who desire this service by Eucharistic Visitors every Sunday. Home Communion will be in one form, Bread only. To request Home Communion, parishioners are asked to contact the Parish Office by telephone at 703-549-1980 no later than 12 pm on the Wednesday prior to the Sunday on which they would like to receive Home Communion.

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

Children 3 months until 3 years are welcome in the nursery. Please ask an usher to direct you.

PRELUDE

Elevation from Mass for the Convents Francois Couperin (1668-1733)
The people stand at the tolling of the bell.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins;

People

His mercy en - dures for ev - er.

The people kneel.

THE DECALOGUE

BCP, p.317

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.

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

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.

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

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

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

Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day.

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

Honor thy father and thy mother.

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

Thou shalt do no murder.

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

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

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

Thou shalt not steal.

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

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

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

Thou shalt not covet.

Lord have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

The people kneel

Priest and 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.

Priest 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.

Children ages 3 years – 3rd grade follow the Crucifer to Children’s Chapel.

KYRIE

Hymnal S-96

The musical score is arranged in three systems, each with a soprano and bass line. The lyrics are as follows:

System 1:
 Soprano: Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.
 Bass: Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

System 2:
 Soprano: Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord,-
 Bass: Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

System 3:
 Soprano: Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord,-
 Bass: Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

Exodus 17:1-7

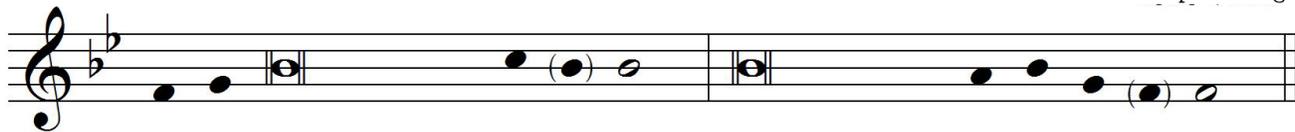
Lector A reading from the Book of Exodus.

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

All sing the psalm.



For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand and sing the hymn.

Sequence Hymn 664

My shepherd shall supply my need

Resignation

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 4:5-42

Priest The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" They left the city and were on their way to him.

Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something." But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I have ever done." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The people are seated.

SERMON

Father Santi Rodriguez

Silence is kept.

The people stand.

THE NICENE CREED

BCP, p. 326

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Mark our Bishop, Anne, Nina, Santiago, and Amanda our priests, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present and all preparing for confirmation and reception this Easter; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land Joe our President, Glenn our Governor, and Justin our Mayor, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Celebrant

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

THE PEACE

BCP, p. 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

The people are seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION



THE OFFERTORY

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The people stand and sing the hymn.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Hear My Words

Stephen Paulus (1949-2014)

*Hear my words, O gracious Lord,
To my thoughts attentive be;
Hear my cry, my King my God,
I will make my prayer to Thee.*

*With the morning light O Lord,
Thou shalt hear my voice arise;
And expectant I will bring,
Prayer as morning sacrifice.*

*Thou art Holy O my God,
Thou delightest not in sin;
Evil shall not dwell with Thee,
Nor the proud thy favor win.*

*Hear my words, O gracious Lord,
To my thoughts attentive be;
Hear my cry, my King my God,
I will make my prayer to Thee.*

OFFERTORY HYMN 649

O Jesus, joy of loving hearts

Dickinson College

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est." The music features a mix of quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, with some rests and ties. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Music: James McGregor (b. 1930), after *Verbum caro factum est*, Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612). Copyright © 1976 James McGregor.

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues.

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 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 has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP, p. 336

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

BCP, p. 337

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Hymnal S-158

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -
way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -
on us. O Lamb of God, that
ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have
mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of
God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the
world, grant us thy peace.

Music: From *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*, Healey Willan (1880-1968). By permission of Oxford University Press.

Priest and 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.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

BCP, p. 338

Celebrant Behold what you are.

People **May we become what we receive.**

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.

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Eucharist. If you prefer a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest.

At communion, gluten-free wafers are available by request.

To request the bread only, please put out both hands, palm up, with one hand crossed over one another.

To request a wafer that has been dipped in wine, please put out one hand only.

If you prefer to drink from the chalice, there is a common cup available at the crossing.

COMMUNION HYMN 692

I heard the voice of Jesus say

The Third Tune

THE SENDING FORTH OF LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we share in one bread, one cup.**

The people stand or kneel.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP, p. 365

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.

SOLEMN PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant Look mercifully on this your family, Almighty God, that by your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore; through Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

All stand and sing the hymn.

THE DISMISSAL

BCP, p. 339

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Fantasia

William Byrd (1543-1623)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AS OF MARCH 12TH, 2023

Announcement deadline is Monday at 4 pm. Announcements arriving after that time will be held for the following week. Please limit announcements to 75 words. Email requests to announcements@gracealex.org.

As a reminder, there are no Altar Flower Dedications during Lent as the altar is bare as a reminder of the simplicity and penitential nature of the season.

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

J2A MEAL FUNDRAISER – PICKUP TODAY!

Pick up preordered meals upstairs in the St. John Room after the 10:30 am service.

CLERGY AND STAFF OFFSITE TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, NO MORNING PRAYER

Clergy and Staff will be offsite on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week for staff planning meetings. The church office will have minimal volunteer coverage. Please call ahead before visiting the office to ensure a volunteer is available. **There will be no morning prayer on Tuesday or Wednesday.**

OWN A PIECE OF GRACE CHURCH!

The Altar Guild is offering the apostles' symbols from the old communion rail kneelers. They would look great framed! Contact kristine.hesse@gracealex.org for more info.

MORE EUCHARISTIC VISITORS NEEDED FOR HOME COMMUNION DELIVERY

Grace Church offers Home Communion for parishioners who are unable to come to church to worship due to illness, injury, disability, mobility issues, or other conditions. Eucharistic Visitors perform a brief Administration of Home Communion Service and offer a time of fellowship on these visits. Diocesan online training for the required licensure is provided. If you are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Visitor, or would like more info, please contact Michael Jones, Home Communion Coordinator, at mike.jones@gracealex.org.

EDUCATIONAL SERIES ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Gain insights to better understand and evaluate the many plans being discussed across Virginia and other states by joining Saint George's Episcopal Church (Arlington) and the Virginia Diocesan Homes online educational series. Each session will feature a range of experts and time for discussion. Sessions run from 4 to 5 PM on Sundays through April 23 (skipping Easter). For registration and more info, email njanopaul@gmail.com indicating you want to register along with your name, church, and email.

FATHER JASON ROBERSON APPOINTED PROVOST OF TRINITY CATHEDRAL IN MIAMI

The Right Reverend Peter Eaton, Bishop of Southeast Florida, is pleased to announce the appointment of the Reverend Canon Jason Roberson as provost of Trinity Cathedral in Miami. Father Roberson was unanimously elected by the Cathedral Chapter, and this election was affirmed by the Bishop. As the provost, Father Roberson will function in every respect like a dean, but in a special relationship with the Bishop. Father Roberson served as a member of the clergy of Grace for four years.

ANNOUNCEMENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

ADULT FORUM RESUMES (ST. MARK ROOM AND VIRTUALLY, 9:40-10:15)

Tea and coffee are available from 9:30 just outside the St. Mark room. Come and chat before we get started! Please see our schedule below:

March 12: *Thin Places Where We Felt Close to God*, presented by parishioners

March 19: *Wisdom of Our Mothers*, presented by Mother Amanda

March 26: *Guardian Angels*, presented by Father Santi

April 2: *Palm Sunday Intergenerational Event*, no separate adult forum

April 9: *Easter Sunday*, no adult forum

ANNOUNCEMENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK (CONTINUED)

EVENSONG; TONIGHT MARCH 12TH @ 5 P.M.

A Service of Evensong will be offered on March 12th at 5pm. The choir will be singing music by Richard Ayleward, Herbert Howells, and Noel Rawsthorne.

LISTENING FOR THE BELOVED: WEDNESDAY NIGHT LENTEN SERIES – MARCH 15

Join with your community for the Wednesday Night Lenten Series. Evening Prayer is available in St. Mark's Room and on Zoom at 5:30 pm. Simple supper starts at 6:00 p.m. (hosted by the Rite 13 & J2A). At 6:30 p.m., we'll have three tracks: a hands-on activity, youth confirmation class, or a conversation on discernment (also on Zoom). Mother Nina Bacas will be leading a conversation titled, "Listening for Jesus through Godly Play." We'll finish the evening with sung compline at 7:15 p.m.

CONFESSION IN LENT

Clergy will be available in the nave on Thursdays in Lent from 11:00-11:30 for the Rite of Reconciliation (individual confession). No sign up is necessary. If you would like to make confession at another time, please contact a member of the clergy, who will be glad to schedule an appointment.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS IN LENT

On Fridays in Lent, we walk the Stations of the Cross at 12:00 noon in the nave, followed by a short eucharistic service. All are welcome.

A THANK YOU AND UPDATE FROM FELLOWSHIP

Thank you to everyone who has donated food for events. It is very much appreciated. We have many dishes with no name on them, if you have left an item in the kitchen and would like it back, please pick it up by **Sunday, March 19th**. We are going to be cleaning out the kitchen and would not want to throw out something that you want back. We are also asking that any food items be stored in air tight containers to prevent pest issues. All items should be clearly marked, like Brown Bag Lunch, etc. Many of you have donated items for Church use in the kitchen. Thank you for your generosity. At this time, we are asking before you drop off items for Fellowship, contact Lynn Rohrs (weaverlynn47@gmail.com) to determine if the items are in need in the kitchen or elsewhere.

REFUGEE MINISTRY FUNDRAISER WITH SIGNATURE THEATRE

Christ Church Refugee Ministries is partnering with The Signature Theatre in Arlington for their upcoming production of "Selling Kabul." 40% of proceeds from ticket sales for the March 31st show will go to CCRM. This Pulitzer Prize-nominated production illustrates the lived experience of so many of our Afghan friends and neighbors. Tickets can be purchased through Whitney Mallory at CCRM via email WhitneyLMallory@gmail.com.

Easter Is Coming!

Celebrate with a flower dedication.



The Altar Guild invites you to help make Grace Church beautiful with seasonal decoration. If you wish to contribute electronically, please access the form by scanning the QR code on the right with your smartphone and be sure to select “Flowers for Easter or Christmas” from the Altar Flowers drop down menu.



To donate via check- fill out the form below, cut out, and enclose donation of \$50. These forms may be dropped in the Sunday offering or sent directly to the church office. Please note ‘Easter Flowers’ on the check memo line. **If you wish to have your dedication listed in the Easter bulletins, the office must receive this form and payment (or you must submit electronically) by 4 pm Sunday, April 2nd.** Questions? Contact Lisa Doelp, Altar Guild Flower Chair, at 703-239-1302 or lisa.doelp@gracealex.org.



EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

Check one and write description below: “In loving memory of” “In thanksgiving for”

Given by (print exactly as you want name(s) to appear): _____

PRAYER @ GRACE THIS WEEK

We continue praying for all those in need of healing of mind, body, or spirit. We also pray for wisdom and strength for our communities, our elected officials, and our leaders as they make difficult and important decisions. As we join in common prayer this weekend, let us remember those who are in any need or trouble.

We pray for:

- **Parishioners:** Virginia, Michael, Lisa, Lina, Elizabeth, Mario, Ismael, Tina, Hector, Betty & Reg, Conway, Amorita, Caz & family, Debbie, Amber, Wendy, Sara, Kelly, Elle, Jo-Anne, John, Anne, Carl, Cathy, Bette, Michael, Larry.
- **Parishioners and others in assisted living:** Rose, Margaret, Nancy, Sally, Clare, Nancy, Charlie, Elesa, Mary Ann, Jill, Marilyn, Cynthia.
- **Family & friends:** Michael, Chris & Eileen, Peter, Robert, Madison, Charlotte, Jerry & Dawn, Robert, Morgan, Melissa, Brian, Lexi, Landon, Jamison, Barbara, Charlotte & Michael, Dennis, Becky, Rebecca, Tom & Beth, Maggie, Joel, Etta & Perry, Carolyn, Betsy, Shannon, Anthony, Ally, Michael and family, Teresa, Ann.
- **Members of our staff:** Mother Anne, Mother Nina, Father Santiago, Mother Amanda, Durango, Patti, Samantha, Mary, Kevin, Pedro, Amorita.
- **Grace School:** Students, family and staff.
- **Outreach partners:** ALIVE; Carpenter's Shelter; Casa Chirilagua; Christ Church Refugee and Lazarus Ministries; Community Lodgings; Cristosal, El Salvador; Haiti Micah Project; Meade Memorial Lunch Program; St. James Hospital, Tanzania; Tenants and Workers; V.O.I.C.E.; Kathleen and Eddie Arthur Hearts of Love Fund.
- **Those who have died:** Those who have died from coronavirus and other illnesses; those who have died from earthquakes, fires, storms & floods; and all those killed in acts of terror, violence, and war around the world.
- **Pray for those who will be confirmed/received at our Easter Vigil this April.**
- **Those serving in the Armed Forces:** LCDR Claire S. Eudy, USN; SSgt Chip Fowler, USAF; all those in the Middle East; all others at risk; and for healing for US troops wounded as casualties of war and their caregivers.
- **Others who are overseas serving the Church or our nation or studying:** Virginia Robinson; Julie Mills Cizek; Chris & Melissa Reed; Connor Murphy; Christopher Corlett; Karen Coulson.
- **Diocese of Virginia Prayer Cycle:** The Rt. Rev. E. Mark Stevenson and all Bishops participating in the House of Bishops meeting.
- **Anglican Prayer Cycle:** The Church of South India; The Diocese of Rio de Janeiro - Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil; The Diocese of Rio Grande - The Episcopal Church; The Diocese of Riverina - The Anglican Church of Australia; The Diocese of Rochester (in the United Kingdom) - The Church of England; The Diocese of Rochester (in the United States) - The Episcopal Church; The Diocese of Rockhampton - The Anglican Church of Australia.

You can fill out a [Prayer Request Form](#) on our Website or email your request to prayers@gracealex.org

BIRTHDAYS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

Sunday, 3/12	Natalie Kupczyk
Monday, 3/13	Glenda Farciert
Wednesday, 3/15	Lance Moody
Saturday, 3/18	Betsy Bamford, Lucy Tschetter
Sunday, 3/19	Robby Schrum



Parishioner birthdays are listed weekly based on records from Breeze, our church database. For birthdays missing or listed on an incorrect date, please contact the church office to update your record. **Thank you!**

EVENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT / INFO*
Sunday, 3/12	7:30 am Holy Eucharist in English, Rite I	Nave	
	8:45 am Santa Eucaristía en Español	Nave	
	9:00 am Little Church, Rite II	MH Auditorium	
	Sunday School – 9:40 – 10:20 am	Various Rooms	
	Adult Forum – 9:40-10:15 am	St. Mark Room, Zoom	
	10:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I	Nave / Livestream	
	5:00 pm Evensong with Eucharist	Nave	
Monday, 3/13	Food Pantry Bagging – 4:30 – 6:30 pm	1 st floor Lobby Area	Judy.Willard@gracealex.org Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org
Tuesday, 3/14	No Morning Prayer / Staff Offsite Today	Church Office	
	Food Pantry Distribution – 6:30 pm	1 st floor Lobby Area	Judy.Willard@gracealex.org Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org
	Inquirers Class – 7 pm	Saint John Room	santiago.rodriguez@gracealex.org
Wednesday, 3/15	No Morning Prayer / Staff Offsite Today	Church Office	
	Food Pantry (Unloading of Delivery) – 2 - 4 pm	1 st floor Lobby Area	Judy.Willard@gracealex.org Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org
	Evening Prayer – 5:30 pm	St. Mark Room, Zoom	Lucy-Lee Reed – 703.842.3121
	Bible Study – 7:30 pm	Zoom	Stephen.Lovell@gracealex.org
	Wednesday night Lenten programming – 6 pm	MH Auditorium, St. Mark, Nave	
	Alcoholics Anonymous – 8 pm	MH Auditorium	
	Alanon – 8 pm	Saint Luke Room	
Thursday, 3/16	Morning Prayer – 9 am	Malm Narthex	
	Bible Study – 11 am	Saint Mark Room	bobbyd020@gmail.com
	Confessions – 11-11:30 am	Nave	
	12 pm Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayer	Nave, Lady Altar	
	Handbell Rehearsal – 6 pm	Choir Room	samantha.scheff@gracealex.org
	Choir Rehearsal – 7 pm	Choir Room	samantha.scheff@gracealex.org
Friday, 3/17	Stations of the Cross & Holy Eucharist Rite 1 -noon	Nave	
	Food Pantry Bagging – 3 – 5 pm		Judy.Willard@gracealex.org
	Food Pantry Distribution – 6:30 pm		Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org
	Viacrucis & Cenita (en español) – 7 pm	Nave	
Saturday, 3/18	Altar Guild Set Up – 9am	Nave & Sacristy	
	Bible Study – 10 am	Zoom	cmcfaddencrosby@gmail.com
	Food Pantry Bagging – 1-3 pm	1 st floor Lobby Area	Judy.Willard@gracealex.org Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org

SERVING @ GRACE TODAY

Celebrant	The Rev. Dr. Anne Michele Turner
Preacher	Father Santi Rodriguez
Assisting	The Rev. Nina Bacas
Lector	Bill Eckel
Intercessor	Mary Hix
Lay Eucharistic Ministers	Durango Jenkins, Bill Malone
Music Director	Samantha Scheff
Ushers	Brad Bergmann & June Huber, Elizabeth Legere, Mike Stancil
Livestream Crew	Christopher Rugaber
Altar Guild Crew Leader	Lucy-Lee Reed