



Grace Episcopal Church

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Second Sunday in Lent

March 1, 2026 – 10:30 am

Holy Eucharist, Rite I



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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.

 Please silence your cell phones during worship.

Our Mission Statement

To Love, Proclaim, and Serve God

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

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Clergy and staff are available for pastoral care. Please call the church office at (703) 549-1980 if you're ill or need pastoral care. For emergencies after hours, please call the **After-hours Emergency Number: (703) 261-9079**, and the priest on call will assist you.

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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
CHORAL EUCHARIST, RITE I

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

During Lent, we begin the liturgy with the Penitential Order (which includes the confession) to foreground our desire for forgiveness and repentance. The Order includes the Decalogue (literally, ten words, or the Ten Commandments), words from scripture about the forgiving nature of God, and a corporate confession of our shared and individual sins.

PRELUDE

The people stand at the tolling of the bell.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant

Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People

His mercy endureth for ever.

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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.

Celebrant If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

BCP, p. 320

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Celebrant and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

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

During the Kyrie, Children ages 3 years - 3rd grade follow the Crucifer to Children's Chapel.

KYRIE

Hymnal S-89

Unison or harmony

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from thy ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of thy Word, Jesus Christ thy Son; who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

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

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON

Genesis 12:1-4a

Lector A reading from the Book of Genesis.

The Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 121

Sung by all.
Jerome Webster Meachen
(b. 1930)



- 1 I lift up my eyes to the | hills; *
from where is my help to | come?
- 2 My help comes from the | Lord, *
the maker of heaven and | earth.
- 3 He will not let your foot be | moved *
and he who watches over you will not fall a-|sleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over | Israel *
shall neither slumber nor | sleep;
- 5 The Lord himself watches | over you; *
the Lord is your shade at your | right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by | day, *
nor the moon by | night.

7 The Lord shall preserve you from all | evil; *
it is he who shall keep you | safe.

8 The Lord shall watch over your going out and your | coming in, *
from this time forth for | evermore.

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 4:1-5,13-17

Lector A reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Romans.

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand for the Gospel Procession and sing the hymn.

Hymn 401

The God of Abraham praise

Leoni

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 3:1-17

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

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

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?"

"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The people are seated.

SERMON

Mother Anne Turner

Silence is kept.

THE NICENE CREED

BCP, p. 358

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 Leader and People pray responsively

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Jim Byrnes, husband of former Head of School Chris Byrnes, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

THE PEACE

BCP, p. 332

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

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Bless - ed is he that com - eth in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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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 hath 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 FRACTION ANTHEM

Hymnal S-169

Cantor or Choir
My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in -

1 *All* | 2 *Cantor or Choir*
deed, says the Lord. My Lord. Those who eat my

All
flesh and drink my blood dwell in me and I in them. My

flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord.

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THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

BCP, p. 337

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 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.

Please come forward to the altar rail at the direction of the ushers.

A full communion is made with the bread alone, but if you choose to receive the wine, you may either drink from the cup, or you may offer your wafer to the person holding the chalice, who will dip the bread in the wine for you.

If you prefer a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest. Gluten free wafers are available; simply ask the priest.

If you do not wish to receive communion at the altar, please let an usher know, and communion can be brought to you in your pew.

COMMUNION HYMN 489

The great Creator of the worlds

Tallis' Ordinal

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

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 OVER THE PEOPLE

Celebrant Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the help of your heavenly grace, they may be upheld by your divine protection; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

People **Amen.**

All stand and sing the hymn.

CLOSING HYMN 637

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord

Lyons

THE DISMISSAL

BCP, p. 339

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

CHORAL BENEDICTION

God be with you 'til we meet again

VOLUNTARY

*A priest will be available at the Lady Altar for prayers for healing.
Please allow quiet and privacy for those seeking prayer.*

SERVING @ GRACE TODAY

Celebrant

The Rev. Jon Scarffe

Preacher

The Rev. Dr. Anne Turner

Lay Eucharistic Ministers

Seth Wise Buck, Miranda Peters, Chris Kupczyk

Lector

Teresa Preston

Intercessor

Khacki Berry

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AS OF MARCH 1, 2026

The weekly announcement deadline is Monday at 12 pm.

Announcements arriving after that time will be held for the following week. Please limit submissions to 75 words. Announcements will be edited for content/length. Email requests to announcements@gracealex.org.

Lent is a season of beautiful simplicity. For this reason, there are no Altar Flower Dedications during Lent. See info in this week's announcements about making an Easter Flower Dedication.

***** Headings for New Announcements Added This Week are Shaded. *****

ASH WEDNESDAY LETTER FROM PRESIDING BISHOP SEAN ROWE

Scan the QR code to read Bishop Rowe's reflection on Ash Wednesday.



ADULT FORUM SCHEDULE

Adult forum is offered Sundays 9:40-10:15 in the St. Mark room (2nd floor) or virtually via Zoom link sent in the Sunday morning email. Tea and coffee are available just outside the St. Mark Room from 9:30. All are welcome at any forum; no commitment required.

March 1: Prayers for Hope and Peace, by *parishioners*

March 8: Grace at Work: Community and Presence in Nursing, by *Rebecca Prosser*

March 15: How I Know God Loves Me, by *parishioners*

March 22: National Rebuilding Day, by *Cindy MacIntyre and fellow team members*

March 29: Palm Sunday – Intergenerational Event in the Merrow Hall Auditorium

April 5: Easter Sunday – No Adult Forum

April 12: Faith Leaders in Defense of Human Rights, by *Jennifer Ibanez Whitlock and Anne Clift Boris*

FELLOWSHIP OPEN HOUSE

Everyone is invited to stop by the Grace kitchen after the 10:30 service today for a quick tour and opportunity to ask questions. We should all feel comfortable utilizing the kitchen space, not just for post worship Coffee & Conversation but for Simple Supper and other events. Fellowship team members will be collecting emails from anyone interested in joining the fellowship distribution list. For more information contact Angie Crane (angiebcrane@gmail.com).

MAUNDY THURSDAY VIGIL

On Maundy Thursday, April 2, we keep a prayerful watch at the altar of repose from the end of the liturgy until midnight. We need to have at least two people present during this time. Please commit to a time slot by scanning the QR code to help us make sure we have enough people attending. You are, of course, welcome to come without signing up, and we hope you will pray as long as the spirit moves you.



NATIONAL REBUILDING DAY – APRIL 25

National Rebuilding Day is coming! Please mark your calendars for participation in NRD this year! This year's date is Saturday, April 25th. More to come!

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR POSITION IN ALEXANDRIA

Looking for a part time job, in a wonderful lively setting, with great colleagues and lots of flexibility? If so, the Episcopal Church of Saint Clement would love to talk with you. The best candidate has curiosity, initiative, incredible boundaries, lots of flexibility, a good sense of humor and excellent organizational skills and working knowledge of office administration. This is generally a 3 - 4 hours a day, 5 day a week position with lots of flexibility for a working parent. See www.saintclement.org/open-positions for info.

BIRTHDAYS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 1	Eugene Alford, Peter Zuidema
Monday, March 2	Geraldine Palacios Cortez, Kemp Williams
Tuesday, March 3	Cindy MacIntyre
Thursday, March 5	Reyna Avelar
Saturday, March 7	Chuck Dodd



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!**

Celebrate Easter...

With a Music Fund Donation.

Gifts to the Grace Music Fund allow us to hire musicians to enhance our worship and make holy days more special. If you wish to donate to the Music Fund, please make your check out to Grace Episcopal Church, with "Music Fund" in the memo line. You may also use the QR code on the right to give via tithe.ly for a one time or recurring donation. Any amount is greatly appreciated.



With a Flower Dedication.

Help make Grace Church beautiful with seasonal decoration this Easter. Wish to donate via physical check or cash? Simply fill out the form below, cut out, enclose a donation of \$60 and drop in the Sunday offering. You may also mail checks along with this form directly to the church office (*please do not mail cash*). For checks, please note 'Easter Flowers' on the memo line. **If you wish to have your dedication in the Easter Vigil & Easter Day bulletins, the office must receive payment by 4 pm on Sunday, March 29.**

If you wish to contribute electronically, please scan the QR code on the right with your smartphone to access the form and select "Flowers for Easter or Christmas" from the Altar Flowers drop down menu. Questions? Contact Chad Eckles, Altar Guild Flower Chair, at cke1986@gmail.com.



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EASTER FLOWER DEDICATION

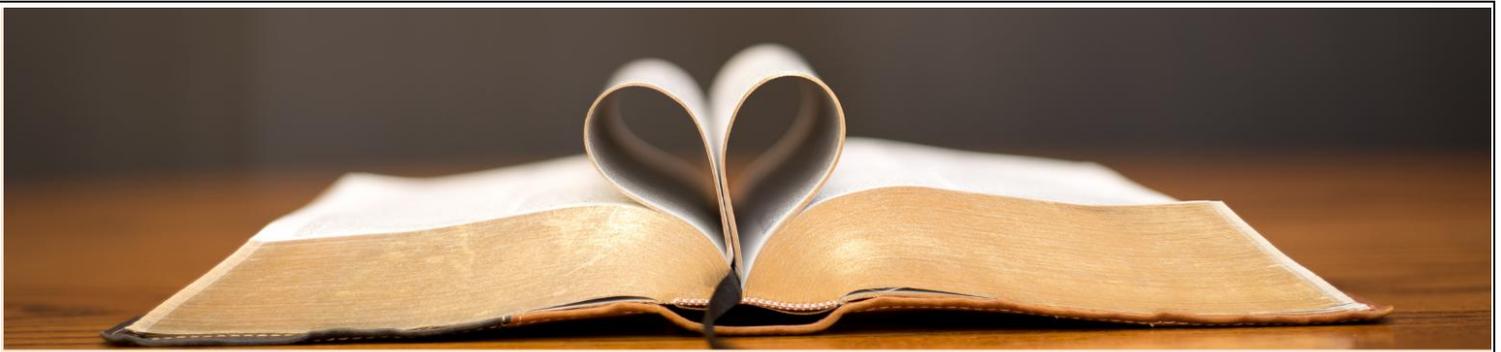
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EVENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT / INFO*
March 3/1	7:45 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I	Nave	
	8:45 am La Gracia Santa Eucarist	Nave	
	9:00 am Little Church, Rite II	Auditorium	
	Formation for all ages - 9:40 am	Various rooms	
	Adult Forum - 9:40 am	St. Mark Room	
	10:30 am Choral Eucharist, Rite I	Nave	
	5:00 pm Contemplative Eucharist, Rite II	Nave	
Monday, 3/2	Food Pantry Bagging - 3:30 - 5:30 pm	1 st floor Lobby	Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org
Tuesday, 3/3	Lenten Series - 5:45 pm	Auditorium	
	Food Pantry Distribution - 6 pm	1 st floor Lobby	Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org
Wednesday, 3/4	Evening Prayer - 5:30 pm	Zoom	Lucy-Lee Reed- 703.842.3121
	Bible Study - 7:30 pm	Zoom	Stephen.Lovell@gracealex.org
	Alcoholics Anonymous - 8 pm	MH Auditorium	
	Alanon - 8 pm	St. Luke Room	
Thursday, 3/5	Confession - 11:30 am	Nave	
	12:00 pm Midweek Eucharist	Lady Altar	
	Food Pantry Bagging - 3:30 - 5:30 pm	1 st floor Lobby	Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org
	Adult Choir Rehearsal - 7:00 pm	St. Cecilia/Nave	
Friday, 3/6	12:00 pm Stations of the Cross w/ Eucharist	Nave	
	Food Pantry Bagging - 3 - 5 pm	1 st floor Lobby	Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org
	Food Pantry Distribution - 6 pm		Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org
	Via Crucis y Cenita - 7pm	Nave	
Saturday, 3/7	Altar Guild Set Up - 9 am	Narthex, Sacristy	
	Bible Study - 10 am		Chrissie.Crosby@gracealex.org



2026 Learning to Love Lenten Series

Tuesdays, February 24 - March 24, 5:45 - 7:45 pm

“We loved because he first loved us.” 1 John 4:19

Join us Tuesday evenings during Lent, 5:45 - 7:45 pm, as we offer programming to enrich the season of lent for the entire family. Beginning at 5:45 pm, various Grace Church Ministries provide a simple supper, followed by a talk on spiritual practices to cultivate a loving heart. Children move to a parallel program designed just for them. We then end each session at 7:30 pm praying compline together.

This year's theme is “Learning to Love.” Attend as many sessions as you’d like or attend them all. Each session stands independently yet stays connected to the theme.

February 24 - Learning to Love Through Ignatian Spirituality

Presented by the Rev. Jon W. Scarffe,
Interim Assistant Rector, Grace Church, Alexandria

March 3 - Learning to Love Through Creation Care

Presented by Carlo Uchello,
The Chair of the Diocese of Virginia’s Creation Care Committee.

March 10 - Learning to Love Through Racial Reconciliation

Presented by Tracey Washington Enger,
Grace Episcopal Church, Alexandria.

March 17 - Learning to Love by Serving the Marginalized

Presented by Adriana Gomez Schellhaas,
Strategic Director, Hearts of Love, Alexandria.

March 24 - Learning to Love Your Enemies Through Prayer, in 6 Not-So-Easy Steps

Presented by Dr. Anne Clift Boris,
Grace Episcopal Church, Alexandria.

Additional Programs During Lent

Thursdays

Confession Offered 11:30 am - 12 pm

Holy Eucharist with Healing, Rite II @ 12 pm

Fridays

Stations of the Cross & Eucharist, Rite I @ 12 pm

Via Crucis y Cenita (in Spanish) @ 7 pm

Sundays During Lent

7:30 am - Holy Eucharist Rite I

8:45 am - La Santa Eucaristia (in Spanish)

9 am - Little Church

9:40 am - Adult Forum

9:40 am - Sunday School for Children & Youth

10:30 am - Choral Eucharist Rite I (*Livestreamed*)

5 pm - Contemplative Eucharist for Lent

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.

- **Parishioners:** Hector, Debbie, Ed, Colin, Jennifer, Joanie, Jean, Linda, John & Anne, Ismael, Wendy, Lisa, Liz, Anne, Claire, Doug, Lesley & Kelly, June, Alex, Cristina, Bob, Bob, Xan.
- **Parishioners and others in assisted living:** Margaret, Nancy, Sally, Clare, Marilyn, Don, Susan, James, Peck, Vylma, Bette, Cynthia, Elly, Valerie; José, Madison, Henry, Gustavo, Félix.
- **Family & friends:** Klaus, Michael, Sharon, Troy, Cathie, Cameron, Amy, Bill, Theresa, Rob & Sherry, Jack, Eileen, Deanna, Leslie, Sam, Lisa, Margianne, Courtney, Gina, Joanne, Jim, Theresa, Ron, Charlotte.
- **Members of our staff:** Amorita, Mother Anne, Betsy, Mother Emma, Gabriel, Ginny, Jane, Father Jon, Josh, Kevin, Kris, Mary, Miranda, Pedro, Seth.
- **Grace School:** Students & their families; for the staff, especially Amanda, head of school.
- **Outreach & Justice Partners:** ALIVE, Casa Chirilagua, Christ Church Refugee and Lazarus Ministries, Community Lodgings, Haiti Micah Project, Health Tanzania, Meade Memorial Lunch Program, Tenants and Workers, V.O.I.C.E., Kathleen and Eddie Arthur Hearts of Love Fund.
- **Those who have died:** Jim Byrnes, husband of former Head of School Chris Byrnes; those who have died from illnesses and natural disasters; all those killed in acts of terror, violence, and war around the world.
- **Those serving our country in the Armed Forces and State Department overseas:** Karen & Eric Coulson, Erika Olander; for healing for US troops wounded as casualties of war, and for physical and mental well-being of all veterans.
- **Others who are overseas serving the Church or our nation or teaching or studying abroad:** Chris & Melissa Reed, Virginia Robinson, Julie Mills Cizek & Theo Halliwell; the Epifanovskiye family.
- **Travel:** Sherryl and Chuck Dodd.
- **Diocese of Virginia Prayer Cycle:** St. David's, Aylett; Grace, Standardsville; St. Peter's in the Woods, Fairfax Station.
- **Anglican Prayer Cycle:** Nippon Sei Ko Kai ; Diocese of Toamasina, Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean; Diocese of Tohoku, Nippon Sei Ko Kai; Diocese of Tokyo, Nippon Sei Ko Kai; Diocese of Toliara, Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean; Diocese of Tonj, Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan; Diocese of Torit, Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

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