



Grace Episcopal Church

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Easter Sunday

March 31st, 2024 – 10:30 am

Festival Eucharist with Baptism, Rite II



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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.



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

Contacting Grace

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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.

**EASTER SUNDAY
FESTIVAL EUCHARIST, RITE II**

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

PRELUDE	Prelude for Easter Morning (Organ)	Gerald Near (b. 1942)
	My Spirit Be Joyful (Brass Quintet)	J.S. Bach (1685-1750)
	Alleluia, Alleluia (Brass Quintet)	William Byrd (1543-1623)
	Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring (Brass Quintet)	J.S. Bach
	Phoenix Processional (Organ)	Dan Locklair (b. 1949)
	Minuet Gothique from Suite Gothique (Brass and Organ)	Léon Boëllman (1862-1897)
	Entrada Festiva (Brass and Organ)	Hans-André Stamm (b. 1958)

The people stand.

HYMN 175 Hail thee, festival day Salve festa dies

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

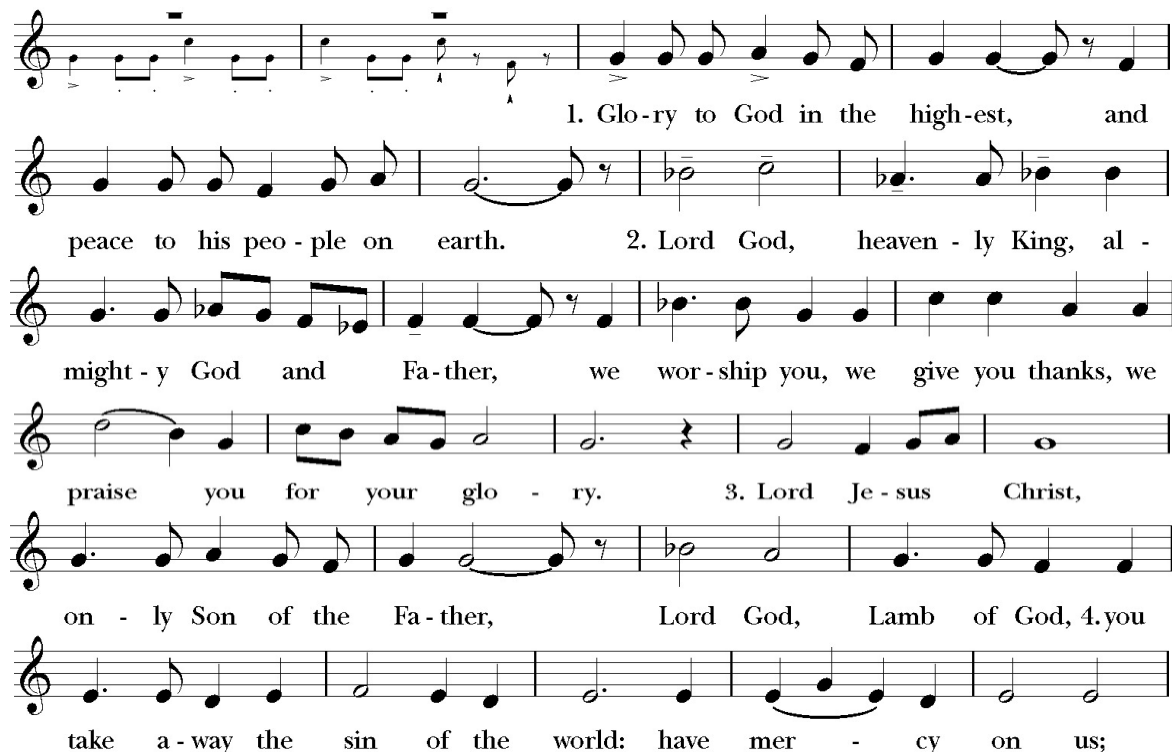
BCP, p. 355

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.**

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

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

William Mathias, Hymnal S-278



1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,
on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP, p. 222

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 25:6-9

Lector A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
 a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
 of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain
 the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
 the sheet that is spread over all nations;
 he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,
 and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,
 for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.
This is the Lord for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

All join in singing the Psalm.

PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24

Peter R. Hallock

ANTIPHON

Psalm 118: 24
Organ: *Everyone:*

On this day the Lord has act-ed,
we will re-joice and be glad in it.

Choir: The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.
There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous:

ALL REPEAT THE ANTIPHON

Choir: "The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! the right hand of the Lord is exalted! the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!" I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.

ALL REPEAT THE ANTIPHON

Choir: The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

ALL REPEAT THE ANTIPHON

THE SECOND LESSON

Acts 10:34-43

Lector A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Lector The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand.

HYMN 208

The strife is o'er, the battle done

Victory

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 16:1-8

Deacon The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The people are seated.

SERMON

Mother Jenny Montgomery

Silence is kept.

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATE

Priest The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and **We present Liam Forbes Vilella to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.**

Godparents **We present Katherine Mattingly Williams and Lucy Eleanor Williams to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.**

Priest Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christina faith and life?

Parents and
Godparents I will, with God's help.

Priest Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and
Godparents I will, with God's help.

Priest Katherine and Lucy, do you desire to be baptized?

Candidates I do.

Priest Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Candidates **I renounce them.**

Priest Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Candidates **I renounce them.**

Priest Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Candidates **I renounce them.**

Priest Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Candidates **I do.**

Priest Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Candidates **I do.**

Priest Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Candidates **I do.**

The Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying

Priest Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in their life in Christ?

People **We will.**

The Celebrant then says these or similar words

Priest Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The people stand.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

- Celebrant* Let us now pray for these children who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.
- Leader* Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Leader* Open their hearts to your grace and truth.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Leader* Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Leader* Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Leader* Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Leader* Send them into the world in witness to your love.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Leader* Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Celebrant* Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

- Celebrant* The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
- Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE BAPTISM

- Celebrant* Katherine Mattingly, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
- Priest* Katherine Mattingly, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.
- Priest* Katherine Mattingly, receive the light of Christ.
- Celebrant* Lucy Eleanor, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
- Priest* Lucy Eleanor, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.
- Priest* Lucy Eleanor, receive the light of Christ.
- Celebrant* Liam Forbes, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
- Priest* Liam Forbes, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.
- Priest* Liam Forbes, receive the light of Christ.
- Let us pray.
- Celebrant* Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**
- Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

THE PEACE

BCP, p. 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Sing Ye to the Lord

Edward Bairstow (1874-1946)

*Sing ye to the Lord,
for He hath triumphed gloriously.
Pharaoh's chariots and his host
hath He cast into the sea.*

Mighty Victim from the sky,
hell's fierce powers beneath Thee lie;
Thou hast conquered in the fight,
Thou hast brought us life and light.

Now no more can death appall,
now no more the grave enthrall;
Thou hast opened Paradise,
and in Thee Thy Saints shall rise.

Mighty Victim from the sky,
hell's fierce powers beneath Thee lie;
Thou hast conquered in the fight,
Thou hast brought us life and light;

Thou hast opened Paradise,
and in Thee Thy Saints shall rise.
Alleluia!
Amen.

Text: Robert Campbell & Exodus 15:21b & 4a

The people stand and sing the hymn.

HYMN AT PRESENTATION 179 Welcome, happy morning! Age to age shall say

Fortunatus

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

BCP, p. 340

The musical notation is set in a single system with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of four lines of music. The first line is for the Celebrant and the People, with lyrics: "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you." The second line is for the Celebrant and the People, with lyrics: "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The third line is for the Celebrant, with lyrics: "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." The fourth line is for the People, with lyrics: "It is right to give him thanks and praise." The music uses quarter notes, eighth notes, and rests, with some notes beamed together. There are also some decorative flourishes above certain notes.

The Celebrant continues.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. 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 AND BENEDICTUS

William Mathias, Hymnal S-128

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Music: William Mathias (1934-1992). Copyright © 1976 Oxford University Press.

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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 for ever. **AMEN.**

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

William H. Plant

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hal-lowed be thy name,
 Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in Heav-en.
 Give us this day our dai-ly bread, And forgive us our trespasses,
 As we forgive those who tres-pass a-gainst us.
 And lead us not in-to temp-tation, but de-liv-er us from e-vil.
 For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glo-ry,
 For ev-er and ev-er, A - men.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Hymnal S-155

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
 sac - ri - ficed for us; there-fore let us keep the feast.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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 ANTHEM

O Sacred Feast

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

O sacred feast, wherein Christ is received, the memory of his passion is renewed in us, our souls are filled with grace, and the pledge of everlasting glory is given unto us. Alleluia.

Text: Based on 1 Cor. 11:26 & Rom 8:18

HYMN 204

Now the green blade riseth

Noel Nouvelet

The people stand or kneel.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP, p. 365

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

The peace of God, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

All stand and sing the hymn.

CLOSING HYMN 207

Jesus Christ is risen today

Easter Hymn

THE DISMISSAL

BCP, p. 366

Deacon Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

VOLUNTARY

Toccata from Symphony no. 5

Charles-Marie Widow (1844-1937)
Arranged by Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

SERVING @ GRACE TODAY

<i>Celebrant</i>	Father Santi Rodriguez
<i>Preacher</i>	Mother Jenny Montgomery
<i>Deacon</i>	Father Ignacio Solano Gómez
<i>Assisting & Children's Chapel</i>	Mother Emma Brice
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<i>Lay Eucharistic Minister</i>	Jane Rosman
<i>Intercessor</i>	Khacki Berry
<i>Music Director</i>	Dr. Alain Truche
<i>Ushers</i>	Diana Jarrett, Coleen McArdelle, Mary Stewart, Laura Weidenfeld, John Boris
<i>Trumpets</i>	John Silva, Alex Szasz
<i>Horn</i>	Kevin Grasel
<i>Trombone</i>	Andrew Reich
<i>Tuba</i>	Luke Davey
<i>Livestream Crew</i>	Stephen Lovell
<i>Altar Guild Crew Leader</i>	Eleanor Reed
<i>Acolytes</i>	Jay Legere, Erin Kelly, Joey Portillo, Victoria Portillo, Annie Eason, Christian Portillo, Evelyn Woodiwiss, Violet Woodiwiss, Natalie Kupczyk, Alex Cline, Blythe Davis

ANNOUNCEMENTS AS OF MARCH 31ST 2024

Announcement deadline is Monday at 12 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.

Easter Flower dedications are listed after the announcements.

Thank you to all who contributed to making our church beautiful for Easter!

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED EASTER MONDAY

The office will be closed Monday, April 1st for Easter. The office will reopen Tuesday, April 2nd at 9 a.m.

REMINDER- NO 5 PM HOLY EUCHARIST TODAY, EASTER SUNDAY

As a reminder, we will not hold our 5:00 pm Holy Eucharist today.

ANNOUNCEMENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

ADULT FORUM SCHEDULE

Adult forum is offered Sundays from 9:45-10:15 am in the St. Mark room (2nd floor) or virtually via the Zoom link sent in the Sunday morning email. Tea and coffee are available just outside the St. Mark Room from 9:30 am. All are welcome at any forum; no commitment required.

March 31: Easter, no adult forum

April 7: Our Faithful Response to Christian Nationalism, by Father Santi Rodriguez

April 14: Seminarians at Grace: Ignacio Solano Gómez, by Father Ignacio Solano Gómez and Mary Hix

April 21: Praying the Labyrinth on Paper, by Mindy van Wart

April 28: To be announced

May 5: Family Ministries: What I've Learned in My First Year, by Mother Emma Brice

May 12: Discernment on the Internet: Spotting a Fake, by Scott Knudsen

LITTLE CHURCH MOVES BACK TO AMPHITHEATER, EASTER SUNDAY, WEATHER PERMITTING

Little Church, our 9 am service designed especially for families with small children, moves back to the amphitheater beginning today, Easter Sunday. If it is rainy or below 55 degrees F, we will move inside to the auditorium and will post signage on the glass doors.

SPRING ADULT FORMATION OPPORTUNITY: REFLECTING ON OUR LIVES AS PILGRIMAGES

Please join Julia McClung and Anne Boris as we gather for a six-week Adult Formation series this spring to grow and learn together, share our faith experience, and build community as we focus on the topic of viewing our faith as a pilgrimage. We're offering two formats for meeting each week: In-person at Grace Monday nights: 4/15, 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 5/13, and 5/20; and Virtual via Zoom: Tuesday or Thursday afternoons during the same weeks as above. For the Monday evening sessions, we will open at 6:30 pm for those who want to bring their own dinner and socialize, and then engage from 7:00 pm until 8:30 pm. Zoom timing TBD with participant input. There will be no fees or books to buy and preparation is light. We'll be looking for five to ten participants for the in-person series and at least three for the virtual series. Please reach out to Julia McClung (Julia.mcclung@gracealex.org) or Anne Boris (Anne.boris@gracealex.org) with any questions or to register. We would like to close registration by **April 7, 2024**. Look for more info in the April Grace Notes!

ANNOUNCEMENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK (CONTINUED)

GRACE CHURCH GOES ON ADULT-YOUTH MISSION – AGAIN!

Last year, Grace did something new – we participated in National Rebuilding Day with a large adult-youth mission on a one-day, one-team, one-house rebuilding mission. Let's do it again! National Rebuilding Day this year is Saturday April 27. We will be with many hundreds of teams like ours around the country. Our home is owned by a widow in the Springfield area about 20 minutes from Grace. It needs both outside yard work and inside repairs very much like we did last year. Come for a half-day or a full day as your schedule allows. Those who participated last year are welcome to return, and we are especially seeking first-timers and members of our booming EYC. If this kind of mission teamwork appeals to you, please email to either John Berry at kpbjab@yahoo.com or Cindy MacIntyre at cindymacrd@gmail.com. We will build an email listserve of potential team members for update messages. Decision to participate comes later!

BIRTHDAYS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

Monday, 4/1	<i>Ann Korky, Joey Madigan, John Metz</i>
Wednesday, 4/3	<i>Sean Kelly, Nancy Lorentz, Leanora Whitlock</i>
Thursday, 4/4	<i>Michael Kelly</i>
Friday, 4/5	<i>Anthony Obed Martinez Lopez</i>
Saturday, 4/6	<i>Kerry Broome, Mary Ann Ryan</i>



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!**

Easter Flower Dedications

The beautiful Easter Flowers adorning the Nave were lovingly placed by our committed team of outstanding Altar Guild volunteers and were sponsored by the generosity of the following ...

<u>Name of Donor(s)</u>	<u>Dedication</u>
Joyce & Nat Ames	<i>In thanksgiving for our Grace Church community and in loving memory of family and friends who have died.</i>
Arthur Family, children and grandchildren of Edward & Kathleen.	<i>In loving memory of Edward G. Arthur and Kathleen Arthur given by their children and grandchildren.</i>
Lisa and Paul Bellantoni	<i>In thanksgiving for our Grace Church family and our many blessings.</i>
Walter (Brad) Bergmann & June Huber	<i>In thanksgiving for our beloved Grace Church family.</i>
John J. & Anne Clift Boris	<i>In loving memory of Jill Boris Zadar.</i>
Kimberly Broome	<i>In thanksgiving for Marvin Broome and Ceil Traina, may God bless them with better health, joy, and peace.</i> <i>In loving memory of Diane Broome, Joe Traina, Robert Spaulding, Sarah Tedaldi, I am thankful for the memories and your love.</i>
Lisa Cassady	<i>In loving memory of my beloved mother Anna Cassady and my brother Bobby.</i>
The Cline Family	<i>In thanksgiving for our family and friends especially Alex & Reagan's Mimi & Papa.</i>
Ruth Corlett	<i>In loving memory of Cleve and Carolyn.</i>
Chrissie Crosby	<i>In thanksgiving for the privilege, honor, and joy of working with our seminarians over the past two years: the Rev. Durango Jenkins, Noah Aukerman, and the Rev. Ignacio Solano Gomez.</i>
Wendy & Bill Cummings	<i>In loving memory of Thomas, Margaret, Thomas, Margie, Eddie, Midge, Ferris, and George.</i>
Chuck & Sherryl Dodd	<i>In loving memory of our parents; Heywood, Nancy, and Sandra.</i>
Chuck & Sherryl Dodd	<i>In thanksgiving for my 4 (almost 5!) grandchildren: Caroline, Henry, Shinji and Emmy.</i>
Jonathan & Lisa Doelp	<i>In thanksgiving for all our friends and fellowship at Grace.</i>
Cleveland Eason	<i>In loving memory of Alton Eason, Min Wang and Lovie Lee Wilson.</i>
Chad Eckles	<i>In loving memory of, and thanksgiving for, my dad Kim Eckles and grandparents Bob and Betty Nichols.</i>
Tracy Enger	<i>In thanksgiving for all of the loving support our family has received from the Grace Church Clergy and congregation.</i>
Valerie Eudy, Claire, and Martin	<i>In loving memory of Rick Eudy.</i>

John Hall	<i>In loving memory of John T. Hall, father of John N. Hall; Paul Estaver, father of Donna Hall; and for the entire Hall family</i>
Kevin Hamilton	<i>In thanksgiving for the awesome office volunteers, clergy/staff, and the kind people of Grace... and for Evan Robinson and his countless hours of service in his role as our previous treasurer.</i>
Bernarda & Pedro Hernandez	<i>A la Gloria de Dios.</i>
Kristine Hesse & Greg Whitlow	<i>In thanksgiving for all our blessings.</i>
Peter, Charlie and Christina Iovino	<i>In loving memory of Peter Anthony Iovino, Sr., Marion Iovino, Charles Stanley Adlis and Audrey Terrel Adlis.</i>
Jane Clare & Barry Joyner	<i>In thanksgiving for the many blessings of our lives.</i>
Cindy & Rich Kelly	<i>In loving memory of our parents Virginia Kelly Woods, Randall Kelly, Daisy Thomas MacIntyre, and Frederick Hadley MacIntyre.</i>
Pierce & Tuke Klemmt	<i>In loving memory of Margaret Espenschied Ullman.</i>
Scott Knudsen & Jen Pease	<i>In thanksgiving for our parents, Chris, Elizabeth, Charles and Suzi, and our siblings and their families.</i>
Scott Knudsen & Jen Pease	<i>In Thanksgiving for the love and support we give each other every day... and for Willy and Dusty, who help keep us sane.</i>
Virginia Kress	<i>In loving memory of Lucille Kress.</i>
Nancy Lorentz	<i>In loving memory of Art Lorentz-Burnett and Betty Lorentz.</i>
Bill Malone	<i>In loving memory of John Malone and Ronald Cornett</i>
Anne McFadden	<i>In thanksgiving for the life of Gary Charles Schroen & in thanksgiving for friends and family.</i>
Betty Mills	<i>In loving memory of my mother Martha Mills.</i>
Doug & Judy Miller	<i>In loving memory of Claude A. Wheeler and Claude A. Wheeler, II</i>
Liz Myers	<i>In loving memory of my mother, Elizabeth Heider Walker.</i>
Suzanne & Jay O'Malley	<i>In thanksgiving for the joys of friends and family, especially our daughters, Meghan and Kerrigan, their husbands, Brett and Briggs, our three grandsons and our first and long-awaited granddaughter on the way!</i>
Douglas Prince & Vance Allen	<i>In thanksgiving for Grace Episcopal Church & parishioners.</i>
Cynthia & Cathy Puskar	<i>In thanksgiving for our many blessings and in loving memory of our parents and grandparents, Mary & Lewis Fulwiler and Chuck Puskar, and our beloved Bill Stokes.</i>
Barbara Ramm, her daughter.	<i>In loving memory of Hertha H. Moran.</i>
Jean & Lucy-Lee Reed	<i>In loving memory of Charles Howard Naginey and Rodney Pendelton Reed.</i>

Christina Ritter	<i>In thanksgiving for the 50th wedding anniversary of my parents, Bill & Joyce Ritter and for all of life's blessings.</i>
Nancy & Evan Robinson	<i>In thanksgiving for our family, especially our grandchildren Charlie and Lizzie.</i>
Father Santi Rodriguez	<i>To the greater gloria de Dios. In gratitude for our church and school staff. En acción de gracias por La Gracia y nuestro vestry.</i>
Sarah Schultz	<i>In thanksgiving for Grace Church.</i>
The Shaver Family	<i>To the Glory of God.</i>
Addie Tapp	<i>In thanksgiving for the clergy, staff, and seminarians of Grace.</i>
Larry Thompson	<i>In loving memory of Cathy Thompson.</i>
Elly Vogtmann	<i>In loving memory of my parents, Stella & Bill; and in thanksgiving for my cousins, Elaine & Keith.</i>
Linda Waskowicz	<i>In thanksgiving for my family.</i>
Geoffrey Whitlock	<i>To the Glory of God and in loving memory of Maxine Young Whitlock, grandmother of parishioner Geoffrey Whitlock.</i>
Matt & Tacie Williams	<i>In thanksgiving for the baptisms of Lucy and Kit Williams.</i>
Don Wills	<i>In loving memory of Bradlee Noelee Wills and Samuel Lambert Byrn the III.</i>
Heather Wishart-Smith, Keller Smith, Glory, Nick, and Alexandra.	<i>In thanksgiving for our family, friends, and faith, and that Grace has deepened our relationship with all each.</i>
Jan & Otto Wolff	<i>In thanksgiving for our many blessings, especially our grandchildren Alex & Reagan.</i>
Lorna Worley	<i>In loving memory of Lynn and Rosemond Worley, David Worley, Donald and Rebecca Stone, Harold and Frances Gadd, & Gibb and Violet Coonts and in thanksgiving for the life and ministry of Rick Eudy.</i>
Charlotte Payne Wright	<i>In loving memory of Georgiana Greely and in thanksgiving for all our office volunteers.</i>
Beth Yancey	<i>In thanksgiving for all my blessings and especially for my family- Libby, Dennis, Bette, Michael, Robert, Allie, Coker, Amanda, and Amy.</i>

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, Mario, Tina, Hector, Wendy, Conway, Amorita, Caz & family, Debbie, Amber, Kelly, Elle, John, Carl, Jeannie, Sigrid, Ed, Larry, Susie, Otto, Susan, Charles, Cleveland, Colin, Jennifer, Barbara, Joanne, John, Holly, Nancy.
- **Parishioners and others in assisted living:** Margaret, Nancy, Sally, Clare, Audrey, Charlie, Elesa, Mary Ann, Marilyn, Cynthia, Reg, Don, James.
- **Family & friends:** Robert, Morgan, Barbara, Becky, Maggie, Joel, Anthony, Mark, Klaus, Charles, Roger, Nancy, Madison, Jack, Michael, Dave & Mimi, Sharon, Peter, Cindy, Anne, Steve, Scott, Jean, Ida, Eileen & Dylan, Virginia, Christine, Lisa, Elena, Al, Connie, Don, Leslie, Elizabeth, Ada, Cooper, Marge, Elizabeth, Bert, Jay, Clare, Betsy, Chuck, Mike, Jim, Patrick, Ashby.
- **Members of our staff:** Mother Jenny, Father Santiago, Mother Emma, Father Ignacio, Noah, Durango, Alain, Mary, Kevin, Madeline, Addie, Pedro, Amorita, Betsy, Charlotte.
- **Grace School:** Students & their families; for the staff, especially Patti, head of school.
- **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; Tanzania Mission; 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 illnesses and natural disasters; and 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:** LCDR Claire S. Eudy, USN; SSgt Chip Fowler, USAF; Noah Woodiwiss; Christopher Corlett, US Foreign Service; 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 studying:** Julie Mills Cizek; Chris & Melissa Reed, Connor Murphy.
- **Diocese of Virginia Prayer Cycle:** Bishop E. Mark Stevenson; Bishop Gayle E. Harris; Bishop James "Bud" Shand; Diocesan staff; Altar Guilds, Flower Guilds, Ushers, Lectors, Lay Eucharistic Ministers, Acolytes, and Choirs.
- **Anglican Prayer Cycle:** The Church in the Province of the West Indies; The Diocese of Damaturu - The Church of Nigeria; The Diocese of Dar-es-Salaam - The Anglican Church of Tanzania; The Diocese of Davao - The Episcopal Church in the Philippines; The Diocese of Saint Davids - The Church in Wales; The Diocese of Delaware - The Episcopal Church; The Diocese of Delhi - The Church of North India.

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

EVENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT / INFO*
Sunday, 3/31	Sunrise Service by the Potomac - 6 am	Offsite	
	8:45 am Santa Eucaristía en Español	Nave	
	9:00 am Little Church, Rite II	MH Auditorium	
	Easter Egg Hunt - 9:45 am		
	10:30 am Festival Eucharist, Rite II	Nave / Livestream	
	No 5pm service for Easter		
Monday, 4/1	Church offices closed (Easter Monday)		
	Food Pantry Bagging - 4:30 - 6:30 pm	1 st floor Lobby Area	Judy.Willard@gracealex.org Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org
Tuesday, 4/2	Food Pantry Distribution - 6:30 pm	1 st floor Lobby Area	Judy.Willard@gracealex.org Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org
Wednesday, 4/3	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
	Alcoholics Anonymous - 8 pm	MH Auditorium	
	Alanon - 8 pm	Saint Luke Room	
Thursday, 4/4	12 pm Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayer	Nave, Lady Altar	
	Chorister Rehearsal - 4:30 pm		alain.truche@gracealex.org
	Handbell Rehearsal - 6 pm	Malm Narthex	alain.truche@gracealex.org
	Choir Rehearsal - 7 pm	Choir Room	alain.truche@gracealex.org
Friday, 4/5	Food Pantry Bagging - 3 - 5 pm		Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org
	Food Pantry Distribution - 6:30 pm		
Saturday, 4/6	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	Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org

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