

# GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH



*The Third Sunday of Easter*

April 19, 2026



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**W**ELCOME to all who are joining with us virtually as we celebrate *THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER*. We hope you feel at home with us and that you find the love, peace, inspiration, and strength to meet the challenges of your daily life.

We hope that you will take part in our worship by making the Peoples' responses as indicated and joining in the hymn-singing.

If you would like more information about Grace Church, or the Episcopal Church, please communicate with our Rector, The Rev. Rowena Kemp, or make an appointment with her to discuss any questions you have.

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Solemn High Mass, 10:30 A.M.

Propers of Year A

Mass Setting: *Grace Mass*

Edward Wagner, 1987

*This setting of the Ordinary of the Mass is for congregational singing.*

Voluntary: Psalm Prelude, Set I, No. I

Herbert Howells (d. 1983)

### THE ASPERGES

*During the Easter Season, we begin each Sunday High Mass  
with the sprinkling of the congregants with Holy Water as a reminder of our Baptism.*

Vidi aquam (*choir*)

Mode VIII

**I** SAW WATER proceeding out of the temple, from the right side thereof, alleluia: and all whithersoever the waters shall come shall be healed, and shall say, alleluia, alleluia.

*Celebrant:* O Lord, show thy mercy upon us. Alleluia.

*People:* And grant us thy salvation. Alleluia.

*Celebrant:* O Lord, hear my prayer.

*People:* And let my cry come unto thee.

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* And with thy spirit.

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

**G**RACIOUSLY hear us, O Lord, holy Father, Almighty, everlasting God: and vouchsafe to send thy Angel from heaven to guard, cherish, protect, visit, and defend all who are assembled in this thy holy temple: through Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant:* Alleluia! Christ is risen!

*People:* The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Collect for Purity

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

Introit (*choir*) *Jubilate Deo*

Mode VIII

**O**BE JOYFUL IN GOD, all ye lands, alleluia; sing praises unto the honour of his Name, alleluia; sing the glory of his praise, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Summary of the Law

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

**T**HOU 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.

Kyrie eleison (*sung by all*)

E. Wagner

*Cantor* *All*

[Ky-ri-e e- lei-son.] Ky-ri-e e- lei-son. Ky-ri-e e- le-i-son.

*Cantor* *All*

[Chris-te e- lei-son.] Chris-te e- lei-son. Chris-te e- lei-son.

*Cantor* *All*

[Ky-ri-e e- lei-son.] Ky-ri-e e- lei-son. Ky-ri-e e- le-i-son.



Gloria in excelsis (*sung by all*)

E. Wagner

*Cantor* *All*

[Glo-ry be to God on high,] and on earth peace, good will towards men. We  
 praise thee, we bless thee, we wor-ship thee, we glo-ri-fy thee, we give  
 thanks to thee for thy great glo-ry, O Lord God, heaven-ly King,  
 God the Fa-ther Al- migh-ty. O Lord, the on-ly-be- got-ten Son,  
 Je- sus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, that tak-est a-  
 way the sins of the world, have mer-cy up- on us. Thou that tak-est a- way the  
 sins of the world, re- ceive our prayer. Thou that sit- test at the right hand of  
 God the Fa-ther, have mer-cy up- on us. For thou on-ly art ho-ly; thou  
 on-ly art the Lord; thou on- ly, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost, ✠ art most  
 high in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A- men.

The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* And with thy spirit.

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

**O** GOD, whose blessed Son did manifest himself to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open, we pray thee, the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work: through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*



The First Lesson: The Acts of the Apostles 2: 14a, 36-41 [NRSV]

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

**P**ETER, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: “Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.” Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

The Word of the Lord.

*Congregation’s Response:* Thanks be to God.

*(Congregation sings the italicized verses.)**Antiphon (cantor first, then all)*

My de- light is in the Lord;  
be-cause he hath heard the voice of my prayer.

- 2 BECAUSE he hath inclin'd his ear unto | me;  
\* *therefore will I call upon him as long | as I live.*
- 3 *The snares of death compassed me round a- | bout,*  
\* *and the pains of hell gat hold | upon me.*
- 4 I found trouble and heaviness†; then called I upon the Name of the | LORD;  
\* O LORD I beseech thee, deli- | ver my soul.
- 11 *What reward shall I give unto the | LORD*  
\* *for all the benefits that he hath done | unto me?*
- 12 I will receive the cup of sal- | vation,  
\* and call upon the Name | of the LORD.
- 13 *I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his | people:*  
\* *right dear in the sight of the LORD is the death | of his saints.*
- 14 Behold O LORD, how that I am thy | servant;  
\* I am thy servant and the son of thine handmaid;  
thou hast broken my bonds | in sunder.
- 15 *I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanks- | giving,*  
\* *and will call upon the Name | of the LORD.*
- 16 I will pay my vows unto the LORD in the sight of all his | people,  
\* *in the courts of the Lord's house;*  
*even in the midst of thee O Jerusa- | lem. Praise ^ the LORD.*  
*[All repeat antiphon.]*

The Epistle: I Peter I: 17-23 [NRSV]

A Reading from the First Letter of Peter.

**I**F you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God. Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

The Word of the Lord.

*People's Response:* Thanks be to God.



Choir: THE DISCIPLES KNEW the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread.



Choir: Ought not Christ to have suffered these things: and to have entered into his glory.



The Holy Gospel: St. Luke 24: 13-35 [RSV]

*Celebrant:* The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People:* ✠ Glory be to thee, O Lord.

THAT very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What is this conversation which you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since this happened. Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning and did not find his body; and they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb, and found it just as the women had said; but him they did not see." And he said to them, "O foolish men, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" And beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself. So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He appeared to be going further, but they constrained him, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed, and broke it, and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognized him; and he vanished out of their sight. They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the scriptures?" And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven gathered together and those who were with them, who said, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Congregation's Response:* Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Nicene Creed from *Missa de Angelis* (sung by all)

See standard translation on Prayer Book p. 326

*Cantor* *All*



Cre - do in u - num De - - - um. Pa - trem o - mni - po - ten - tem,  
*I believe in one God, the-Father almighty,*

fa - cto - rem coe - li et ter - rae, vi - si - bi - li - um o - - mni - um, et in - vi - si - bi - - li - um.  
*maker of-heaven and of-earth, visible of-all-things and invisible.*

Et in u - num Do - mi - num Je - sum Chri - stum, Fi - li - um De - i u - ni - ge - ni - tum,  
*And in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the-Son of-God only-begotten,*

et ex Pa - tre na - - tum an - te o - mni - a sae - - cu - la.  
*and from the-Father born before all worlds.*

De - um de De - o, lu - men de lu - mi - ne, De - um ve - rum de De - o ve - ro.  
*God of God, light of light, God true of God true.*

Ge - ni - tum, non fa - - ctum, con - sub - stan - ti - a - lem Pa - tri: per quem o - mni - a fa - cta sunt.  
*Begotten, not made, of-one-substance with-the-Father: by whom all-things made were.*

Qui pro - pter nos ho - mi - nes, et pro - pter no - stram sa - lu - tem de - scen - dit de coe - lis,  
*Who for us humans, and for our salvation descended from heaven,*

***p*** (Here genuflect) ***pp***

Et in - car - na - tus est de Spi - ri - tu San - cto ex Ma - ri - a Vir - gi - ne: et ho - mo fa - ctus est.  
*And incarnate was by the-Spirit Holy of Mary the-Virgin: and human made was.*

***f*** (Here rise)

Cru - ci - fi - - xus e - ti - am pro no - bis sub Pon - ti - o Pi - la - to pas - sus et se - pul - - tus est.  
*Crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate, suffered and buried was.*



Et re-sur-re-xit ter-ti-a di-e, se-cun-dum Scri-ptu-ras. Et a-scen-dit in coe - - lum:  
*And rose-again the-third day, according-to the-Scriptures. And ascended into heaven:*



se-det ad dex-te-ram Pa - - tris. Et i - te-rum ven-tu-rus est cum glo-ri - a  
*he-sits at the-right-hand of-the-Father. And again to-come is with glory*



ju - di - ca - re vi - vos et mor - tu - os: cu - jus re - gni non e - rit fi - nis.  
*to judge the-living and the-dead: of-whose kingdom not shall-be an-end.*



Et in Spi - ri - tum San - ctum, Do - mi - num, et vi - vi - fi - can - tem:  
*And in the-Spirit Holy, the-Lord, and giver-of-life:*



qui ex Pa-tre. Fi - li - o - que pro - ce - dit. Qui cum Pa-tre et Fi - li - o  
*who from the-Father and-the-Son proceeds. Who with the-Father and the-Son*



si-mul a-do-ra-tur, et con-glo-ri-fi-ca-tur: qui lo-cu-tus est per Pro - phe-tas.  
*alike is-worshiped, and together-is-glorified: who spoken has by the-Prophets.*



Et u - nam, san - ctam, ca - tho - li - cam, et a - po - sto - li - cam Ec - cle - si - am.  
*And in-one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.*



Con - fi - te - or u - num ba - ptis - ma in re - mis - si - o - nem pec - ca - to - rum.  
*I acknowledge one baptism for the-remission of-sins.*



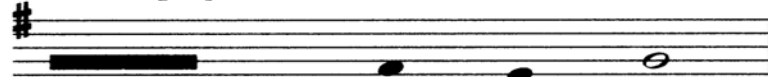
✠ Et ex-pe-cto re-sur-re-cti-o-nem mor-tu-o-rum. Et vi - tam ven-tu-ri sae-cu-li.  
*And I-look-for the-resurrection of-the-dead. And the-life to-come of-the-world.*



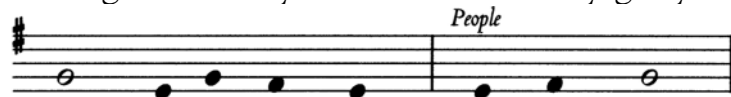
A - - - - - men.



*Leader:* Let us pray for the Church and | for the world.



Grant almighty God, that all who confess thy Name may be united in thy truth, live together in thy love, and reveal thy glory / in the world. (*Silence*)



Lord, in thy mer - cy *People* hear our prayer. (*Sung after every intercession*)

*Leader:* 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 thy mercy *People: hear our prayer.*

*Leader:* Give us all a reverence for the earth as thine own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to thy hon-/or and glory. (*Silence*)

Lord, in thy mercy *People: hear our prayer.*

*Leader:* We pray for an increase in the membership of this parish; that we may have the hands and hearts to carry / out thy will. (*Silence*)

Lord, in thy mercy *People: hear our prayer.*

*Leader:* We commend to thy gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad [*especially N.*]. Defend them day by day with thy heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of thine abiding presence wherever / they may be. (*Silence*)

Lord, in thy mercy *People: hear our prayer.*

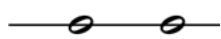
*Leader:* Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit (*pause*); give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of / thy salvation. (*Silence*)

Lord, in thy mercy *People: hear our prayer.*

*Leader:* We commend to thy mercy all who have died, that thy will for them may be fulfilled (*pause*); and we pray that we may share with all thy saints in thine e-/ternal kingdom. (*Silence*)

Lord, in thy mercy *People: hear our prayer.*

*Celebrant:* Lord, hear the prayers of thy people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *People*



*A - men.*

The Peace

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* And with thy spirit.

*The Ministers and People greet one another in the Name of the Lord.*



## THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

*Celebrant:* Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good thy vows unto the Most High. *Psalm 50: 14*

Offertory (*choir*) *Lauda anima mea*

Mode IV

**P**RAISE THE LORD, PRAISE THE LORD, O MY SOUL! I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises as long as I live, alleluia.

Motet (*choir*)

Giuseppe Pitoni (d. 1743)

**C**ANTATE DOMINO canticum novum; laus eius in ecclesia sanctorum. Laetetur Israel in eo, qui fecit eum, et filiae Sion exsultent in rege suo.

[O sing unto the Lord a new song; let the congregation of saints praise him. Let Israel rejoice in him that made him, and let the daughters of Sion be joyful in their King.] Ps. 149: 1-2



Presentation of the alms and oblations

*Celebrant:* All things come of thee, O Lord,

*People:* And of thine own have we given thee.

Orate

*Celebrant:* Pray that this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

*People:* May the Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his holy Name, both to our benefit and that of all his holy Church.

Sursum corda

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you. *People:* And with thy spi - rit.  
*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts. *People:* We lift them up un - to the Lord.  
*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.  
*People:* It is meet and right so to do.

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant says,*

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

**B**UT chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death and by his rising to life again hath won for us everlasting life:

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,



Sanctus and Benedictus (*sung by all*)

E. Wagner

*All*  
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of hosts: Heaven and earth are  
full of thy glo - ry. Glo - ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is  
he that com - eth in the Name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Canon of the Mass

ALL glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender  
A-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  
Bunto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

*People*

—●—○—○—|  
A- men.



The Lord's Prayer (*sung by all*)

*Celebrant:* And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Fa-ther, who art in hea-ven, hal-low-ed be thy Name,  
 thy king-dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in hea-ven.  
 Give us this day our dai-ly bread. And for-give us our tres-pas-ses,  
 as we for-give those who tres-pass a-gainst us. And lead us not in-to  
 temp-ta-tion, but de-liv-er us from e-vil. For thine is the king-dom,  
 and the power, and the glo-ry, for ev-er and ev-er. A-men.

The Fraction

*Celebrant*  
 Al-le-lu-ia. Christ our Pass-o-ver is sac-ri-ficed for us.  
*People*  
 There-fore let us keep the feast. Al-le-lu-ia.



Agnus Dei (*sung by all*)

E. Wagner

*Cantors*  
 [O Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sins of the world,]  
*All* have mer-cy u-pon us. *Cantors* [O Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the  
*All* sins of the world,] have mer-cy u-pon us. *Cantors* [O Lamb of God, that  
*All* tak-est a-way the sins of the world,] grant us thy peace.

Prayer of Humble Access (*said by all*)

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

**W**E 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

*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.

*People:* Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof; but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

Communion (*choir*) *Surrexit Dominus*

Mode VI

**T**HE LORD is risen, and hath appeared unto Peter, alleluia.



*The Macklin Bible -- Christ at Emmaus*

Prayer of Spiritual Communion (*said by those worshipping virtually*)

*IN UNION, O Dear Lord, with the faithful at every Altar of Thy Church, where Thy blessed Body and Blood are being offered to the Father, I desire to offer Thee praise and thanksgiving. I present to Thee my soul and body, with the earnest wish that I may ever be united to Thee. And since I cannot now receive Thee sacramentally, I beseech Thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to Thee, and embrace Thee with all the affections of my soul. O let nothing ever separate me from Thee. Let me live and die in Thy love. Amen.*

1 Come, ris - en Lord, and deign to be our guest; nay,  
 2 We meet, as in that up - per room they met; thou  
 3 One bo - dy we, one Bo - dy who par - take, one  
 4 One with each o - ther, Lord, for one in thee, who

let us be thy guests; the feast is thine;  
 at the ta - ble, bless - ing, yet dost stand:  
 Church u - nit - ed in com - mun - ion blest;  
 art one Sa - vior and one liv - ing Head;

thy - self at thine own board make man - i - fest in  
 "This is my Bo - dy"; so thou giv - est yet: faith  
 one Name we bear, one Bread of life we break, with  
 then o - pen thou our eyes, that we may see; be

thine own Sac - ra - ment of Bread and Wine.  
 still re - ceives the cup as from thy hand.  
 all thy saints on earth and saints at rest.  
 known to us in break - ing of the Bread.

Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

*People:* Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these Holy Mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical Body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Easter Blessing

**M**AY Almighty God, who hath redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. *Amen.*

May God, who through the water of baptism hath raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. *Amen.*

May God, who hath bought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. *Amen.*

**A**ND the blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

The Dismissal

*Celebrant:* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

*People:* Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Last Gospel (*remain standing*)

St. John I: I-14

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* And with thy spirit.

*Celebrant:* The Beginning of the holy Gospel ✠ according to John.

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

**I**N THE BEGINNING was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him: and without Him was not anything made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men: and the light shineth in the darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that light, but was sent to bear witness of that light.

That was the true light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

## And the Word

(*Here genuflect*) AND THE WORD WAS MADE FLESH, (*Here rise*) and dwelt among us: and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the Only-begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

**R**EGINA CÆLI laetare, alleluia: Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia: Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia: Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.

[Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia. For He whom you did merit to bear, alleluia. Has risen, as he said, alleluia. Pray for us to God, alleluia.]



### THE ANGELUS

*Celebrant:* THE ANGEL of the Lord announced unto Mary.

*People:* And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.

*Celebrant:* Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

*People:* Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

*Celebrant:* Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

*People:* Be it unto me according to thy word.

*Celebrant:* Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

*People:* Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

*(Here genuflect) Celebrant:* And the Word was made flesh.

*(Here rise) People:* And dwelt among us.

*Celebrant:* Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

*People:* Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

*Celebrant:* Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.

*People:* That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

**W**E beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts, that, as we have known the Incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his ✠ Passion we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



Hymn 417 (*sung by all*)

“This is the feast of victory”

*Festival Canticle*

*Antiphon*

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose  
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and  
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to  
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

1 blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. [Ant.]  
 2 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. [Ant.]  
 3 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion. [Ant.]  
 4 God and the Lamb for ev - er. A - men. [Ant.]  
 5 gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]

*Final Antiphon*

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Voluntary: Fanfare

Antonio Soler (d. 1783)

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**Sunday, April 19 *The Third Sunday of Easter***

**FOR PASTORAL ASSISTANCE**

**THE REV. ROWENA KEMP** welcomes hearing from you. Please don't hesitate to contact her if there's something you'd like to discuss, and please contact her immediately should there be an illness, hospitalization, or any other pastoral emergency that she should know about. [For such emergencies, please note Rev. Rowena's cell phone number: 203-209-4178.]

**PEOPLE AND PLACES TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS**

***A reminder: Tori Burns manages this list for us, and prayer requests need to be renewed after 2 weeks. Please communicate all prayer requests & updates with her (860-539-8790); (tburns@gracehartford.org).***

- *Bishops and Clergy:* Sarah, *Archbishop of Canterbury*; Sean, *Presiding Bishop*; Jeffrey and Laura, *Bishops of ECCT*; Rowena, Jerry, Annika, and Joseph, our priests, and Marta, our curate.
- *Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:* **We pray for an increase in the membership of this parish, that we may have the hands and hearts to carry out thy will;** for the Episcopal Church in CT & the Anglican Communion. Christ Church, Middle Haddam; St. George's, Middlebury; Holy Trinity, Middletown; clergy whose work is not in parishes, multi-vocational priests, supply clergy & those whose ministry is carried out in other countries or dioceses. *The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma).*
- *World & Community Concerns:* For peace throughout the world, especially in the Middle East between the US, Iran, Israel, Lebanon, and Gaza, and in Nigeria, Sudan, the Congo and Somalia; and between Russia and Ukraine; for Christians being persecuted around the world, particularly in China and Palestine; for those who are suffering because of extreme climate; for the hungry and poor in our midst; and the volunteers who serve *A Place of Grace* food pantry.
- *Serving Our Country in the Military (especially those associated with Grace Church):* Brian, Spencer, Bradley, Curtis, Jordan, John, William, Noel, James, Ryan, Michael, Karl, Alec, Jeff, David, Tom, Michael, and Charles.
- *Thanksgiving and Celebrations:* We give thanks and ask for thy blessings upon Lily Pryor (24 on Wed.), whose birthday we celebrate this week.
- *Sick or in need:* The Kendzior Family; Rowena; Margy; Larry; Ken T; Walter & Claudia; Stephen & Ratana; Peter; Veronica & the Rovetti Family; Lucy; Paulo Junior; Felix & Carmen; Mark; Jerry; Tom & Elaine; Ellen; Sally; Errol, Norma & the Kemp Family; Barbara; Nigel, Kraig & Deidre; Mary; Josephine, Melissa, Jaden, Tay, Soraya & Rapael; Linda, Tiffany & the Galarza Family; Tom; Kristen & Quintin; Julia, Mike, André & Maria; Soncia; Tom; Gail; Camden; Joan; David; Neil; Lea; Megin; Kathy; Patti; Delores; Nancy; Marcolina; Sr. Linda; Leonard; Joy; Cori and the Mackey Family; Judy; Jane; Bill, Carolyn & Susan; McJohn; Doreen; Ted; Kanata; Betty & John; Mary & Lou; Nelda Sue; Diane; Michael; Mark & Diane; Jean; and all victims of natural and man-made disasters.
- *The Deceased:* We pray for the repose of Ruth Enea, Larry Kendzior, Sr. Linda Giuli, The Rev. Dr. Nihal de Lanerolle, all soldiers and civilians killed in war or civil strife, and in memory of Mary Jane Bowman, Charles Fisher, Joseph Wei, Canon Richard Norris, and Gary Hryb.

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**THIS WEEK AT GRACE**

**Sunday, April 19** *The Third Sunday of Easter*

8:00 a.m.: Low Mass

10:30 a.m.: Solemn High Mass (*also on YouTube*)

**Tuesday, April 21** *Anselm, Archbishop of Canterbury, and Martyr, 1189*

10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.: Office Hours

**Wednesday, April 22** *Feria*

10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.: Office Hours

7:00 p.m.: **Choir Rehearsal**

**Thursday, April 23** *George, Martyr, 303*

9:15 to 11:30 a.m.: "A Place of Grace" food pantry distribution

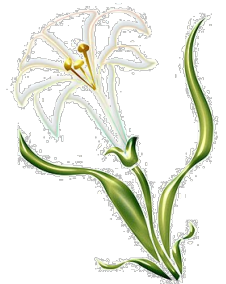
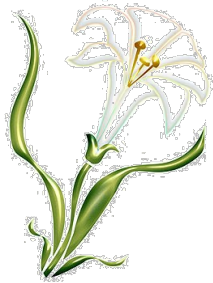
**Friday, April 24.** *Feria*

1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.: Office Hours

**Sunday, April 26** *The Fourth Sunday of Easter*

8:00 a.m.: Low Mass

10:30 a.m.: Solemn High Mass (*also on YouTube*)



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# Evensong

of St. Mark the Evangelist

**April 28, 6:00pm**

Grace Episcopal Church  
55 New Park Ave, Hartford, CT



The service will be followed  
by a light supper.



To sing in the Schola, please arrive at 5:00pm. All are welcome!