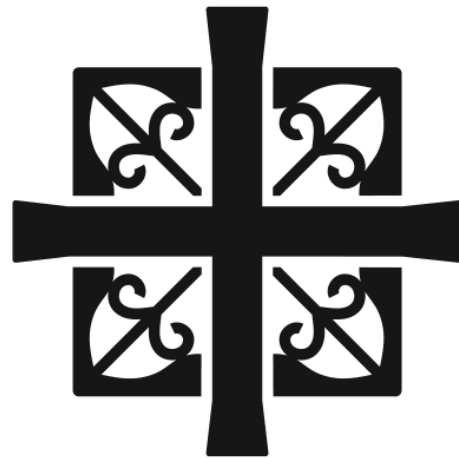


Palm Sunday
Holy Eucharist Rite II



GRACE
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

March 24, 2024
10:30 a.m.

GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH: A VISION FOR THE FUTURE

We believe Grace Church is called to be that “city on a hill” where people of all races and cultures can come to build their relationships with God and others.

TO VISITORS

*Welcome! We are delighted that you have joined us for worship this morning. You have a vital role to play in our worship! The **bolded** print indicates that all in attendance are invited to join in responding/ speaking/ praying. You will also notice italicized print. The italicized print is called “rubrics.” Rubrics are the ‘stage directions’ of worship; they offer instruction on who is speaking, when to stand, sit, kneel and so forth. (Even though the rubrics invite you to stand or kneel, if you need to sit, please feel free to do so.) The page numbers in your bulletin are for the music we will sing together: the red or blue book in your pew is the **Hymnal**; the red-and-black book is **Lift Every Voice and Sing (LEVAS)**.*

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Please see the Announcements section of this bulletin for detailed information regarding upcoming events.

- April 20, 5:30pm and 7:00pm – Men’s Group Southwestern Style Dinner

Holy Week Schedule on page 16

Grace Church Statement of Inclusivity and Anti-racism

As members of Grace Church and followers of Jesus and His Way of Love, we are called to keep our eyes and energies fixed on addressing the root causes of systematic racism and white supremacy in all its forms. As a church, we are committed to bravely uncovering, understanding, reckoning with and acting to dismantle racism within ourselves, our faith communities, and our localities. *(Adapted from the Episcopal Diocese of Washington website.)*

PRELUDE

Ride On, King Jesus

Negro Spiritual
Arr. John Carter (1932-1985)

INTROIT

Hosanna filio David

*Hosanna to the son of David:
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
O King of Israel: Hosanna in the highest.*

WELCOME BY THE CLERGY

Please stand as you are able

Presider Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.

People **Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**

Presider Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GOSPEL

Mark 11:1-11

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'" They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,

"Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Presider It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was proclaimed as King of kings by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way. Let these branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Presider Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
People **Hosanna in the highest.**

Presider Let us go forth in peace.
People **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

OPENING HYMN

All glory, laud, and honor

Hymnal 154

THE COLLECT

Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

THE OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Lector A reading from Isaiah

The Lord GOD has given me
the tongue of a teacher,
that I may know how to sustain
the weary with a word.
Morning by morning he awakens--
awakens my ear
to listen as those who are taught.
The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious,
I did not turn backward.
I gave my back to those who struck me,
and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face
from insult and spitting.
The Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;

therefore I have set my face like flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?
Let us stand up together.

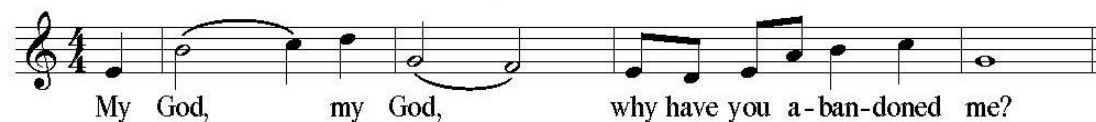
Who are my adversaries?
Let them confront me.

It is the Lord GOD who helps me;
who will declare me guilty?

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

PSALM 31: 9-16 *Congregation to join in singing the refrain*

In te, Domine, speravi



All who see me deride me;
they curl their lips, they toss their heads:
“He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;
let him release him, for him he delights.” **Refrain**

For dogs have surrounded me;
a band of the wicked besets me.
They tear holes in my hands and my feet;
I can count every one of my bones. **Refrain**

They divide my clothing among them,
they cast lots for my robe.
But you, oh, Lord, do not stay far off; Good
my strength, make haste to help me! **Refrain**

I will tell of your name to my kin,
and praise you in the midst of the assembly;
“You who fear the Lord, give him praise;
all descendants of Jacob, give him glory;
revere him, all you descendants of Israel.” **Refrain**

THE EPISTLE

Philippians 2:5-11

Lector A reading from Philippians

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
who, though he was in the form of God,
 did not regard equality with God
 as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself,
 taking the form of a slave,
 being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
 he humbled himself
 and became obedient to the point of death--
 even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him
 and gave him the name
 that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus
 every knee should bend,
 in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
 that Jesus Christ is Lord,
 to the glory of God the Father

Lector The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, as you are able.

SEQUENCE HYMN

*My song is love unknown
(Vss 1-4 & 6-7)*

Hymnal 458

You may be seated until the verse that mentions the arrival at Golgotha, then all stand as you are able. The assembly joins in reading the bolded text.

THE GOSPEL

Mark 14:1-15:47

Reader The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

It was two days before the Passover and the festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him; for they said, "Not during the festival, or there may be a riot among the people."

While he was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. But some were there who said to one another in anger, "Why was the ointment wasted in this way? For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor." And

they scolded her. But Jesus said, "Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her."

Then Judas Iscariot, who was one of the twelve, went to the chief priests in order to betray him to them. When they heard it, they were greatly pleased, and promised to give him money. So he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him, "Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?" So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there." So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

When it was evening, he came with the twelve. And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me." They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another, "Surely, not I?" He said to them, "It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born."

While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. And Jesus said to them, "You will all become deserters; for it is written,

'I will strike the shepherd,
and the sheep will be scattered.'

But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee." Peter said to him, "Even though all become deserters, I will not." Jesus said to him, "Truly I tell you, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times." But he said vehemently, "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you." And all of them said the same.

They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I pray." He took with him Peter and James and John, and began to be distressed and agitated. And he said to them, "I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake." And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. He said, "Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want." He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, "Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. And once more he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were very heavy; and they did not know what to say to him. He came a third time and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Enough! The hour has come; the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand."

Immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard." So when he came, he went up to him at once and said, "Rabbi!" and kissed him. Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to them, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day

I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled.” All of them deserted him and fled.

A certain young man was following him, wearing nothing but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him, but he left the linen cloth and ran off naked.

They took Jesus to the high priest; and all the chief priests, the elders, and the scribes were assembled. Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the courtyard of the high priest; and he was sitting with the guards, warming himself at the fire. Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for testimony against Jesus to put him to death; but they found none. For many gave false testimony against him, and their testimony did not agree. Some stood up and gave false testimony against him, saying, “We heard him say, ‘I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and in three days I will build another, not made with hands.’” But even on this point their testimony did not agree. Then the high priest stood up before them and asked Jesus, “Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?” But he was silent and did not answer. Again the high priest asked him, “Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?” Jesus said, “I am; and ‘you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power,’ and ‘coming with the clouds of heaven.’”

Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, “Why do we still need witnesses? You have heard his blasphemy! What is your decision?” All of them condemned him as deserving death. Some began to spit on him, to blindfold him, and to strike him, saying to him, “Prophesy!” The guards also took him over and beat him. While Peter was below in the courtyard, one of the servant-girls of the high priest came by. When she saw Peter warming himself, she stared at him and said, “You also were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth.” But he denied it, saying, “I do not know or understand what you are talking about.” And he went out into the forecourt. Then the cock crowed. And the servant-girl, on seeing him, began again to say to the bystanders, “This man is one of them.” But again he denied it. Then after a little while the bystanders again said to Peter, “Certainly you are one of them; for you are a Galilean.” But he began to curse, and he swore an oath, “I do not know this man you are talking about.” At that moment the cock crowed for the second time. Then Peter remembered that Jesus had said to him, “Before the cock crows twice, you will deny me three times.” And he broke down and wept.

As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” He answered him, “You say so.” Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again, “Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you.” But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.

Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then he answered them, “Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?” For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again, “Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?” They shouted back, “**Crucify him!**” Pilate asked them, “Why, what evil has he done?” But they shouted all the more, “**Crucify him!**” So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor’s headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him, “Hail, King of the Jews!” They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus.

Please stand as you are able.

Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.

It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!" In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "Listen, he is calling for Elijah." And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

THE SERMON

The Rev. Sarah D. Odderstol

Please stand, as you are able.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intervessor Trusting in God's promise to reconcile all things, let us pray for the church, the well-being of creation, and a world in need.

A brief silence

Blessed One, today the church sings glad hosannas as we enter Holy Week. Prepare us to bear witness to Christ's suffering and death endured for our sake. Gather your people around the cross and comfort us with resurrection hope. Hear us, O God.

All **Your mercy is great.**

Intervessor Renew your good creation and protect the balance of life on earth. Encourage the work of foresters, scientists, arborists, gardeners, and river keepers. We pray for the health of pollinating insects, songbirds, and native plants. Hear us, O God.

All **Your mercy is great.**

Intervessor Establish peace and justice among the nations. Hold to account any with authority to judge others. Grant that courts, legislatures, and local governments will serve with integrity and compassion. Hear us, O God.

All **Your mercy is great.**

Intervessor Bring hope to any who feel forsaken or forgotten. We pray for the Moodie family and all those on the Grace Church prayer list. Make a way for refugees and asylum seekers. Reunite families enduring separation. We pray for any who are incarcerated, institutionalized, or in foster care, that they may know your love. Hear us, O God.

All **Your mercy is great.**

Intervessor Give energy and joy to our priests, deacons, worship leaders, and musicians. Bless baptismal candidates, their godparents, confirmands, and teachers. Watch over those who travel. We give joyful thanksgiving for the birth of Lucia Isabella Broadbent, niece of Anna Broadbent-Evelyn. Hear us, O God.

All **Your mercy is great.**

Intervessor Blessed One, our times are in your hand. Sustain us in discipleship throughout our lives and receive us into everlasting life. We pray for the Moodie family and all those on the Grace Church prayer list. Hear us, O God.

All **Your mercy is great.**

Intervessor Save us at the last, O God. We give you thanks for your saints of old who embodied your servant love. We pray for the repose of the souls of Michael James Muldowney, James Yeldell, and The Rev. Nancy Noall. As you came to their aid, so deliver us in times of trial that every knee would bend in praise to you. Hear us, O God.

All **Your mercy is great.**

Intervessor Accompany us on our journey, God of grace, and receive the prayers of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior

All **Amen.**

Please stand, as you are able.

THE PEACE

Deacon The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

THE OFFERTORY

*Please place your offering in the baskets as the Ushers arrive at your pew,
or Text to Give: text GIVGRACESILVERSPRING to 73256 and follow the prompts.*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Carol of the Hill

Music: Stephen Paulus (1949-2014)
Text: Michael Dennis Brown (b. 1940)

*On my ground with a crown of thorn,
He died for us who for us was born,
The tree that flowered is cold and bare;
No songs, no singing anywhere;
O Bethlehem, Ah, Jerusalem.*

*Second Adam Son of Man,
Into my earth your life's blood ran.
Now from this earth new trees will grow
With fruits, with flowers I swear it so.
O Bethlehem, Ah, Jerusalem.*

*For you I shall wear a crown of trees,
And birds will sing from among their leaves,
For you I shall wear a crown of trees,
Now sing birds, sing, from among your leaves;
O Jerusalem.*

Please stand, as you are able.

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION

Tune: *Rockingham*

Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were an
of - fering far too small; love so a - maz - ing,
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

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

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Presider 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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

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

S.129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven 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.

Presider continues

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

He Stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

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

Presider & People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Presider continues

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

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

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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

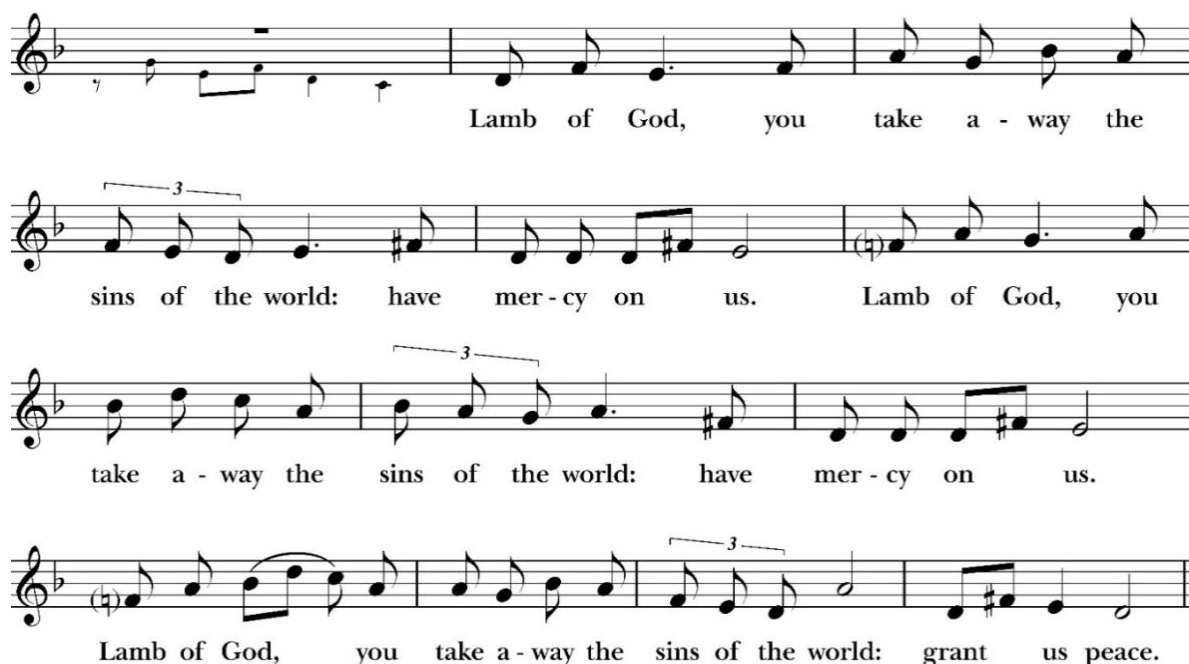
THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

FRACTION ANTHEM

S.163



The musical score for the Fraction Anthem is written in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The lyrics are: "Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace." The music features a mix of eighth and quarter notes, with some triplets indicated by a '3' over a bracket. The final staff ends with a double bar line.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.

HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Bread and wine are distributed at the base of the chancel steps. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Should you wish to participate but not take Communion, you are invited to come forward for a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest as you approach the clergy to indicate that you desire a blessing. If you are unable to come forward to receive communion, please let an usher know, and a clergy member will bring Holy Communion to you. Please join us for the feast!

COMMUNION ANTHEM

He was despised

G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

Standing, or kneeling, as you prefer.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

Presider and People

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

Please stand, as you are able.

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN

Were you there when they crucified my Lord? (Vss. 1-3)

LEVAS 37

THE DISMISSAL

Presider Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Special Request for Housing:

We are looking for a one-bedroom for \$1300-\$1400/month. The family is made up of a grandmother who speaks very little English, a mother whose English is good, and an 11-year-old daughter whose English is excellent. The daughter attends Rock Creek Forest Elementary and the hope is to stay in the area until the daughter finishes 5th grade (end of June 2024). Additionally, the mother is employed at Behavior Educational Solutions in downtown Silver Spring and does not have a car so something near public transportation would be key as well.

If you know of a place that fits this description please contact Meaghan Parker Forney at meaghanpr@gmail.com

Strolling Seniors Planning meeting- Today after the 10:30 service in the Undercroft. People are invited to attend and help plan events for April, May, June.

April 20, Saturday 5:30pm & 7:00pm Men's Group Dinner. Southwestern Style dinner with two seatings – 5:30pm for adults and children and 7:00pm for adults with a cash bar. Must buy tickets in advance. Use the QR code below to purchase. Price: Adult \$18, Child \$9, Family \$45.



Grace's Little Food Pantry – Grace Little Food pantry is located in front of Grace House on Georgia Ave - it is the cute house-like cabinet that holds non-perishable food which folks can take for free. Please consider purchasing non-perishable items (canned meats/fish, soup, vegetables etc.) and bringing them to church with you. There will always be a box for food donations in the Undercroft, and a basket in the Narthex. For questions or to receive a SignUp Genius link, email Christy Joria at cljoria@gmail.com.

Altar Flower Dedications - Requests for altar flowers dedication should be directed to Fern Johnson-Clarke: fernmjohnson@hotmail.com. The cost of flowers starts at \$50.

Interested in Carpooling to Church? As part of our efforts to reduce congestion, minimize our carbon footprint, and ensure all parishioners are able to attend services, Grace will be organizing a voluntary carpool. To participate, please fill out the form at the link below. A paper sign up form will also be available at coffee hour. If you don't drive or know of someone who doesn't drive and needs a ride to church, this is a great opportunity to ensure their needs are met. Sign up link: <https://forms.gle/Ao6L7JzZDtaxDNJj6>

Pennyworth thrift shop is having a 50% off sale beginning February 10th through March 31st. (Easter Sunday) The shop is located in the rear of the church parking lot. operating hours are: Sat. 10:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. and Sunday 12:00-2:00 p.m. There will be a sign posted in the parking lot. We look forward to seeing you.

Sunday Forum Schedule

March 24th- Palm Sunday- Palm neighborhood procession (with donkey)

March 31st- Easter Bag Hunt

April 7th– San Mateo refugee ministry discussion – Rice and Beans bagging after the 10:30 service.

*Please contact Rev. Yaa if you have any questions about these events.

Sunday School Dates

March 24th- Palm Sunday neighborhood procession (with donkey) - March 31st Easter Egg Hunt

Children in Pre-K to 5th grades are invited to participate in Sunday School. Sunday School is from 9:30 a.m. until 10:25 a.m. Pre-K to 1st classes meet in the Pre-K Sunday School room located next to the Choir Room. The 2nd to 3rd grades meet in the upstairs music classroom. The 4th & 5th graders meet in the Youth Room.

Holy Week Schedule:

Palm Sunday – March 24

7:45 AM – Blessing of the Palms and Rite I

9:00 AM – Blessing of the Palms and Family Centered Eucharist

9:30 AM – Neighborhood Procession of the Palms with donkey

10:30 AM – Blessing of the Palms Rite II

7:00 PM – Way of the Cross service – Stations of the Cross

Maundy Thursday – March 28

6:00 PM - Agape Dinner of soup, salad, and bread offered by the Hospitality Ministry

7:00 PM - Worship with Choir

Good Friday – March 29

12:00 PM - Good Friday Liturgy with Communion from Reserve Sacrament & Simple Music in church.

3:00 PM - Children's Stations of the Cross – Meet on the front steps of the Church. In case of bad weather, meet in the foyer of the Church. *Please wear play clothes and comfortable shoes!*

7:00 PM - Good Friday Liturgy with Communion from Reserve Sacrament and Choral Music – in the church.

8:00 PM - Stations of the Cross – following the 7:00pm Good Friday Liturgy

The Easter Vigil – March 30

7:00 PM – Lighting of the Paschal Candle and procession into church for the Easter Vigil.

Easter Sunday – March 31 – Alleluia!!

7:45 AM - Festival Worship – Rite I – followed by coffee hour

9:00 AM – Engaging Worship – Family Centered Eucharist followed by Easter Candy Hunt & Coffee Hour

11:00 AM – Festival Worship - Rite II

GRACE CHURCH PRAYER LIST

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Michael James Muldowney, James Yeldell, and The Rev. Nancy Noall

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

The birth of Lucia Isabella Broadbent, niece of Anna Broadbent-Evelyn

RECENTLY ADDED OR IMMEDIATE NEED

The Moodie Family

CONTINUED SUPPORT

Joan Christopher, Roderick Harrison, Linda Baily, Louise and Michael Clark, Kennita Collard, Maria Jenkins, Alfred Ekuban, Susan Maloney, Kala and Thomas Fowler, Traci Thompson, Gerald Hurley, David Max-Johnson, Marc Biagas, Gail Epps Rowe, Brigitte Johnson, Rachel and Nasri Bou-Saba, Lucida D. Robles, and the Bone-Steele Family.

FRIENDS OF GRACE

Olivia Engler, Georgean and Don Vorwek, Nicki Collard, Sherry Morrison, Mulugeta Wodajo and Woudnesh Ewhetu, Phebe Kemmer, Betsy Burton, Laneisha Williams, Deirdre Martel, Hayden McCain, John Rowe, Janet and Callie, John Buckley, Janice Flood, Eva Leach, Mandy Bryant, Mason Williams, Sy Jones, Myrtle Gordon, Jon Fletcher, Kevin Fletcher, Jennifer Cupples, Celine Muldowney, Linda Stratman, Aliyah Frazier, Marion Brown, Joel Ifraimoff, Imogene Davis, Carol McKetty-Frank, Georgia and Pat Shaw, Jane Kolb, Ricky Reeves, Clay Wilsey, Joseph Adelsberger, May Collard, Janet Foster Britt, Liz Samworth, Alan Haeberle, Vernon Conton, Kent Stamps, Sarah Kolb Samples, Vonzela Vaughn, Joannie, AdairKim Feicke, Rick Gehrenbeck, Michael Joseph Muldowney, Matt Muldowney, and Jan Kvale.

PASTORAL CARE

To share news or request pastoral support, please call the parish office (301-585-3515). After office hours, the church voicemail system will prompt you to leave your message for the clergy. To add a name to the prayer list, please email communications@graceepiscopalchurch.org. Throughout the week, the clergy and Grace Church chapter of the Daughters of the King pray for the people listed on our prayer list. The Daughters of the King also pray daily for those who submit prayer requests. Prayer requests may be dropped in the designated box in the Chapel, or sent via email to our private, confidential email address: dok@graceepiscopalchurch.org.

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GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH: A VISION FOR THE FUTURE

We believe Grace Church is called to be that "city on a hill" where people of all races and cultures can come to build their relationships with God and others.

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