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GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

16 March 2025

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Second Sunday in Lent

Welcome to Grace!

Opening Voluntary - A Lenten Meditation

arr. By Bill Scott

The Procession

Hymn #401

The God of Abraham praise

1 The God of A - braham praise, who reigns en - throned a - bove;
2 He by him - self hath sworn: we on his oath de - pend;
3 There dwells the Lord, our King, the Lord, our Right - eous - ness,
4 The God who reigns on high the great arch - an - gels sing,
5 The whole tri - um - phant host give thanks to God on high;

1 An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days, and God of love;
2 we shall, on ea - gle - wings up - borne, to heaven a - scend;
3 tri - um - phant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace;
4 and "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," cry, "Al - might - y King!
5 "Hail, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!" they ev - er cry;

1 the Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven con - fessed:
2 we shall be - hold his face, we shall his power a - dore,
3 on Zi - on's sa - cred height his king - dom he main - tains,
4 Who was, and is, the same, and ev - er - more shall be:
5 hail, A - braham's Lord di - vine! With heaven our songs we raise;

we bow and bless the sa - cred Name for ev - er blest.
and sing the won - ders of his grace for ev - er - more.
and, glo - rious with his saints in light, for ev - er reigns.
e - ter - nal Fa - ther, great I AM, we wor - ship thee."
all might and ma - jes - ty are thine, and end - less praise.

Words: Thomas Olivers (1725-1799), alt. Music: *Leoni*, Hebrew melody; harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, alt.

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People

A - men. Lord, have mer - cy.

The Word of God

Kyrie S-96

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

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ have mer - cy.

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

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

Title: The Holy Eucharist, The Prayers of the People: Form III Music: Anaphoral chant; adapt. Bruce E. Ford (b. 1947)

The Collect

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

The Children's Procession: the children process to children's chapel

The First Lesson

Genesis 15:1-12,17-18

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Then he said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." But he said, "O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates."

The Psalm

Psalm 27 (*read responsively by half verse*)

Dominus illuminatio

- 1 The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear? *
**the LORD is the strength of my life;
of whom then shall I be afraid?**
- 2 When evildoers came upon me to eat up my flesh, *
**it was they, my foes and my adversaries, who
stumbled and fell.**
- 3 Though an army should encamp against me, *
yet my heart shall not be afraid;
- 4 And though war should rise up against me, *
yet will I put my trust in him.
- 5 One thing have I asked of the LORD;
one thing I seek; *
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;
- 6 To behold the fair beauty of the LORD *
and to seek him in his temple.
- 7 For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe
in his shelter; *
**he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling
and set me high upon a rock.**
- 8 Even now he lifts up my head *
above my enemies round about me.
- 9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation
with sounds of great gladness; *
I will sing and make music to the LORD.
- 10 Harken to my voice, O LORD, when I call; *
have mercy on me and answer me.
- 11 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." *
Your face, LORD, will I seek.
- 12 Hide not your face from me, *
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.
- 13 You have been my helper;
cast me not away; *
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.
- 14 Though my father and my mother forsake me, *
the LORD will sustain me.
- 15 Show me your way, O LORD; *
lead me on a level path, because of my enemies.
- 16 Deliver me not into the hand of my adversaries, *
**for false witnesses have risen up against me,
and also those who speak malice.**
- 17 What if I had not believed
that I should see the goodness of the LORD *
in the land of the living!

18 O tarry and await the LORD's pleasure;
 be strong, and he shall comfort your heart; *
wait patiently for the LORD.

The Second Lesson

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

Gospel Hymn #455

O love of God, how strong and true

1 O Love of God, how strong and true, e - ter - nal
 2 O wide - em - brac - ing, won - drous Love, we read thee
 3 We read thee best in him who came to bear for
 4 We read thy power to bless and save e'en in the

and yet ev - er new; un - com - pre - hend - ed and un -
 in the sky a - bove; we read thee in the earth be -
 us the cross of shame, sent by the Fa - ther from on
 dark - ness of the grave; still more in re - sur - rec - tion

bought, be - yond all know - ledge and all thought.
 low, in seas that swell and streams that flow.
 high, our life to live, our death to die.
 light we read the full - ness of thy might.

Words: Horatius Bonar (1808-1889) Music: *Dunedin*, Vernon Griffiths (b. 1894)

The Holy Gospel

Luke 13:31-35

Some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed - page 358

The Peace

Announcements

Offertory - *Create in Me a Clean Heart*

Hymn

Carl F Mueller

A Lenten Doxology

Praise God through-out these for - ty days. Praise
Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise. And praise the Spir - it who im -
parts God's love in Christ in - to our hearts. A - men.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), para. of Psalm 117. St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711) Music: Old 100th, melody from Pseaumes Octante trois de David, 1551, alt. ; harm, after Louis Bourgeois (1510-1561)

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer B - page 367

Sanctus 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.

Title: The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: *Sanctus* Music: William Mathias (b. 1934)

Fraction Anthem S-161

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.

Title: The Holy Eucharist II, Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God: *Agnus Dei* Music: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

Communion Hymns LEVAS #89

My Jesus I love thee

1. My Je - sus, I love thee, I know thou art mine,
 2. I love thee be - cause thou hast first lov - ed me,
 3. I'll love thee in life, I will love thee in death,
 4. In man - sions of glo - ry and end - less de - light,

1. For thee all the fol - lies of sin I re - sign;
 2. And pur - chased my par - don on Cal - va - ry's tree,
 3. And praise thee as long as thou lend - est me breath;
 4. I'll ev - er a - dore thee in heav - en so bright;

1. My gra - cious Re - deem - er, my Sav - ior are thou:
 2. I love thee for wear - ing the thorns on thy brow:
 3. And say when the death - dew lies cold on my brow,
 4. I'll sing with the glit - ter - ing crown on my brow,

1. If ev - er I loved thee, my Je - sus, 'tis now.
 2. If ev - er I loved thee, my Je - sus, 'tis now.
 3. "If ev - er I loved thee, my Je - sus, 'tis now."
 4. "If ev - er I loved thee, my Je - sus, 'tis now."

Words: William R. Featherstone (1846-1873) Music: Adoniram J. Gordon (1836-1895)

Hymn #448

O love, how deep, how broad, how high



1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how pass - ing
2 For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly
3 For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his
4 For us to wick - ed hands be - trayed, scourged, mocked, in
5 For us he rose from death a - gain; for us he
6 All glo - ry to our Lord and God for love so



1 thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of
2 fast and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tions
3 dai - ly works he wrought: by words and signs and
4 pur - ple robe ar - rayed, he bore the shame - ful
5 went on high to reign; for us he sent his
6 deep, so high, so broad; the Trin - i - ty whom



1 God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.
2 sharp he knew; for us the tempt - er ov - er - threw.
3 ac - tions, thus still seek - ing not him - self, but us.
4 cross and death; for us gave up his dy - ing breath.
5 Spi - rit here to guide, to strength - en, and to cheer.
6 we a - dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.

Words: Latin, 15th cent.; tr. Benjamin Webb (1819–1885), alt. Music: *Deus tuorum militum*, from *Antiphoner*, 1753; adapt. *The English Hymnal*, 1906, alt.; harm. after Basil Harwood (1859–1949)

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The Procession

Hymn #337

And now, O Father, mindful of the love



1 And now, O Fa - ther, mind - ful of the love that
2 Look Fa - ther, look on his a - noint - ed face, and
*3 And then for those, our dear - est and our best, by
*4 And so we come; O draw us to thy feet, most



bought us, once for all, on Cal - vary's tree, and hav - ing with us
on - ly look on us as found in him; look not on our mis -
this pre - vail - ing pres - ence we ap - peal; O fold them clos - er
pa - tient Sa - vior, who canst love us still! And by this food, so



him that pleads a - bove, we here pre - sent, we here spread
us - ings of thy grace, our prayer so lan - guid, and our
to thy mer - cy's breast! O do thine ut - most for their
awe - some and so sweet, de - liv - er us from ev - ery

forth to thee, that on - ly of - fering per - fect in thine
faith so dim: for lo! be - tween our sins and their re -
soul's true weal! From taint - ing mis - chief keep them pure and
touch of ill: in thine own ser - vice make us glad and

eyes, the one true, pure, im - mor - tal sac - ri - fice.
ward, we set the pas - sion of thy Son our Lord.
clear, and crown thy gifts with strength to per - se - vere.
free, and grant us nev - er - more to part from thee.

Words: William Bright (1824–1901), alt. Music: *Unde et memores*, William Henry Monk (1823–1889)

The Sending Forth - page 366
Closing Voluntary - *Chaconne*

Louis Couperin

Grace Notes

- We are **In Need** of adults to assist with children's church. If you are interested, please contact Sharon George at slgeorge864@gmail.com
- **Fiber Friends and Fellowship** meets every Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the Parish Hall.
- **Daughters of the King (DOK) Study Session** will be Saturday, March 22nd, and 29th from 10 a.m. - Noon.
- **SAVE THE DATE:** Grace Church BBQ will be Oct. 11 2025
- If you are interested in the Bishop's **Bible in a year challenge** visit <https://www.edusc.org/bible-in-a-year/>
- If you are interested in receiving **Bishop Daniel Richards weekly meditations** called *Notes Along the Way*, visit <https://www.edusc.org/notes-from-along-the-way/>.
- The **Outreach Committee** is preparing to choose an organization to support for this calendar year. Besides being the beneficiary of the BBQ proceeds, the organization should have other ways our congregation can volunteer, support, and be involved. We are asking members for suggestions. Please submit your suggestions to the Church Office, or talk with Tom or Connie Pearce or Janet Rippy.
- **Lenten Madness** has begun. For more information visit <https://www.lentmadness.org/category/lent-madness-2025/>
- **Wednesday Night Dinner:** Wednesday, March 19th at 5:45 p.m. with Bingo to follow. Tom and Connie will be serving the Pearce's World famous Corned beef and Cabbage. If you would like to attend RSVP to Nikki (864) 225-8011 or grace-churchanderson1851@gmail.com by 1 p.m. on Monday, March 17th.
- **Guy's Gathering at Grace:** March 20, third Thursday, 6pm. Chili by Tom Pearce. Please let Doug Martin know if you will be there. peregrino.doug@gmail.com.
- **Grief Support** will meet Thursday, March 27th at 10 a.m.
- **It's time for Mulch Madness!** Join us Saturday, March 29th with your work boots and gloves. We will have mulch to spread in the gardens around the church and playground, as well as a special project in the community garden. Please bring shovels, wagons, rakes as you are able. We look forward to seeing you there at 8 a.m.
- **World Mission Symposium** at Trinity Cathedral in Columbia is Saturday, March 29th from 9 a.m.—2:30 p.m.
- **Fiber Friends and Fellowship** is in need of yarn for their yarn stash. If you are interested in donating any yarn you may leave it in Deacon Mary's Office.
- **Lenten Study:** The Lenten Study has been **anceled**.
- **The Grace Episcopal Choir** has established a mission statement adapted from an anthem by renowned British composer Martin Shaw, *O Sing Praises to the honor of HIS Name*. The choir welcomes two new young singers, Lucy and Anna Rose, who join our experienced and capable members. The choir has been working diligently on the much loved *Hallelujah* Chorus by singing this monumental work on Easter Sunday. A special music part for the congregation will be provided in the bulletin.
- **WWW:** Join us for thoughtful discussion and fellowship every Tuesday from 6:30 to 8 p.m. We're starting *The Lemon Tree* by Sandy Tolan on March 18th—New voices are always welcome!

Those Who Serve

Vestry-in-Charge: Mike Mahaga

Second Counter: David Burden

Lector: Hugh Osburn

Lector: Nathanael Burden

Intercessor: Jane Williams

Chalice 2: David Burden

1st Crucifer: Christopher Wilford

Server/Gospel Bearer: Nathanael Burden

Torch Bearers:

Ushers: Cory Trotter, Michael Cerps

Linen Guild: Joanie Roberts

Altar Guild: Janet Rippy, Michelle King

Organist/Choirmaster: Steve Grant

Organist Emeritus: Bill Scott

Those with birthdays this week

Dole Baker

Deb Seegers

Nita Colman

Kelly Peebles

Emerson Cox

Donna LeBrun

George Lidlow

Besty Beard



Congratulations to those who were Received, Confirmed, or Reaffirmed on March 9th. Sandra Chipman, Besty Beard, Ariel Sisler, Anthony Sisler, Kay Martin, Pam Herold, Joe Herold, Kenneth Inskeep, Jon Owens, and Sara Owens.

Vestry Members

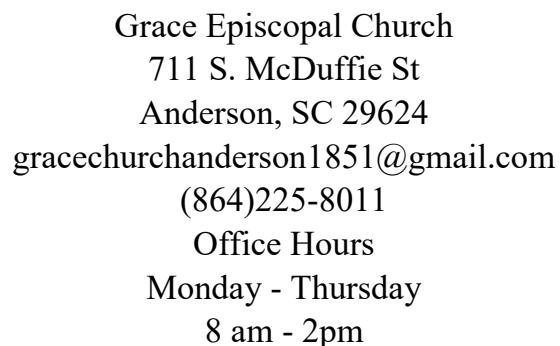
Mike Digby - 2025
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David Burden - 2024-2025
Kirri Kinley - 2024-2026
Mike Magaha - 2024-2026
Cory Trotter - 2024-2026
Debbie Hand Sr. Warden - 2024-2026
Jodie Webb - 2025-2027
Bill Scott - 2025-2027
Cyndi Dougherty - 2025-2027
Heiko Erlenkauser - 2025-2027

Delegates to the Convention

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