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# SEE MY HANDS

**GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

27 April 2025

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Second Sunday of Easter

# Welcome to Grace!

## Opening Voluntary - Lead On O King Eternal

arr. Steve Grant

The Procession

Hymn #205

### Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing

1 Good Chris - tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the  
\*2 The Lord of life is risen to - day! Sing songs of  
3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that  
4 Your Name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to -  
5 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, to God the

1 tri - umph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:  
2 praise a - long his way; let all the earth re - joice and say:  
3 life which can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:  
4 day with one ac - cord the life laid down, the life re - stored:  
5 Spi - rit, al - ways One, we sing for life in us be - gun:

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

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

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

Words: Cyril A. Alington (1872-1955), alt. St. 5, Norman Mealy (1923-1987) Music: *Gelobt sei Gott*, Melchior Vulpius (1560?-1616)

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## The Word of God

A Song of Praise S-236

1. Glo - ry to you, Lord  
God of our fa - thers; you are wor - thy of praise;  
glo - ry to you. 2. Glo - ry to you  
for the ra - di - ance of your ho - ly Name; we will  
praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

3. Glo - ry to you in the splen - dor of your  
tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to  
you. 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -  
ween the Cher - u - bim; we will praise you and  
high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

*Descant*

5. Glo - ry to you, be -  
5. Glo - ry to you, be - hold - ing the  
hold - ing the depths; in the high vault of  
depths; in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to  
hea - ven, 6. Glo - ry to you,  
you. 6. Glo - ry to you, Fa - ther,  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will  
Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will praise you and  
high - ly ex - alt you Glo - ry to you!  
high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

Title: He Is King of Kings

Words: Traditional

## The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

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

### The First Lesson

#### Acts 5:27-32

When the temple police had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

### The Psalm

#### Psalm 150 (read responsively by half verse)

##### *Laudate Dominum*

- 1 Hallelujah!  
Praise God in his holy temple; \*  
**praise him in the firmament of his power.**
- 2 Praise him for his mighty acts; \*  
**praise him for his excellent greatness.**
- 3 Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn; \*  
**praise him with lyre and harp.**
- 4 Praise him with timbrel and dance; \*  
**praise him with strings and pipe.**
- 5 Praise him with resounding cymbals; \*  
**praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.**
- 6 Let everything that has breath \*  
**praise the LORD. Hallelujah!**

### The Second Lesson

#### Revelation 1:4-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

#### Gospel Hymn #178

##### *Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks*



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

ris - en Lord. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give

Praise to his Name. Name.

Praise to his Name. Name.

1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.  
 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:  
 3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.  
 4 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,

He is the King of cre - a - tion.  
 Je - sus has died and has ris - en. Al - le -  
 Now we shall live for ev - er.  
 joy - ful - ly sing to our Sa - vior.

*Repeat Refrain*

*The descant may be sung after stanzas 3 and 4.*

Words: Donald Fishel (b. 1950)

Music: *Alleluia No. 1*, Donald Fishel (b. 1950); arr. Betty Pulkingham (b. 1928), Charles Mallory (b. 1950) and George Mims (b. 1938)

## The Holy Gospel

### John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

**The Sermon**

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**Confession of Sin and Absolution** - page 330

**The Peace**

**Announcements**

**Offertory** - *Now let Us All Praise God And Sing*

Gordon Young

**Hymn 380**

1 From all that dwell be - low the skies let  
2 E - ter - nal are thy mer - cies, Lord, and  
\*3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise

the Cre - a - tor's praise a - rise! Let the Re - deem - er's  
truth e - ter - nal is thy word: thy praise shall sound from  
him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye

Name be sung through ev - ery land, by ev - ery tongue!  
shore to shore till suns shall rise and set no more.  
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

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**

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**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



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

## Fraction Anthem S-154

*This setting is not used in Lent.*

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

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

## Communion Hymns #328

### *Draw Nigh and Take the Body of the Lord*

1 Draw nigh and take the Bo - dy of the Lord,  
 2 Saved by that Bo - dy and that ho - ly Blood,  
 3 Sal - va - tion's giv - er, Christ, the on - ly Son,  
 4 Of - fered was he for great - est and for least,  
 5 Ap - proach ye then with faith - ful hearts sin - cere,

1 and drink the ho - ly Blood for you out - poured.  
 2 with souls re - freshed, we ren - der thanks to God.  
 3 by his dear cross and blood the vic - tory won.  
 4 him - self the Vic - tim, and him - self the Priest.  
 5 and take the pledg - es of sal - va - tion here.

6 He that his saints in this world rules and shields  
 to all believers life eternal yields;

7 with heavenly bread he makes the hungry whole,  
 gives living waters to the thirsting soul.

8 Alpha-Omega, unto whom shall bow  
 all nations at the doom, is with us now.

# Hymn #435

## At the Name of Jesus



1 At the Name of Je - sus ev - ery knee shall bow,  
 2 Hum - bled for a sea - son, to re - ceive a Name  
 3 bore it up tri - um - phant, with its hu - man light,  
 4 Name him, Chris - tians, name him, with love strong as death,  
 \*5 In your hearts en - throne him; there let him sub - due  
 \*6 Chris - tians, this Lord Je - sus shall re - turn a - gain,



1 ev - ery tongue con - fess him King of glo - ry now;  
 2 from the lips of sin - ners, un - to whom he came,  
 3 through all ranks of crea - tures, to the cen - tral height,  
 4 name with awe and won - der and with bat - ed breath;  
 5 all that is not ho - ly, all that is not true;  
 6 with his Fa - ther's glo - ry o'er the earth to reign;



1 'tis the Fa - ther's plea - sure we should call him Lord  
 2 faith - ful - ly he bore it spot - less to the last,  
 3 to the throne of God - head, to the Fa - ther's breast;  
 4 he is God the Sa - vior, he is Christ the Lord,  
 5 crown him as your Cap - tain in temp - ta - tion's hour;  
 6 for all wreaths of em - pire meet up - on his brow,



1 who from the be - gin - ning was the might - y Word.  
 2 brought it back vic - to - rious, when from death he passed;  
 3 filled it with the glo - ry of that per - fect rest.  
 4 ev - er to be wor - shipped, trust - ed, and a - dored.  
 5 let his will en - fold you in its light and power.  
 6 and our hearts con - fess him King of glo - ry now.

Words: Caroline Maria Noel (1817–1877), alt. Music: King's Weston, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)

## Post Communion Prayer - page 366

### The Blessing of the People

#### The Procession

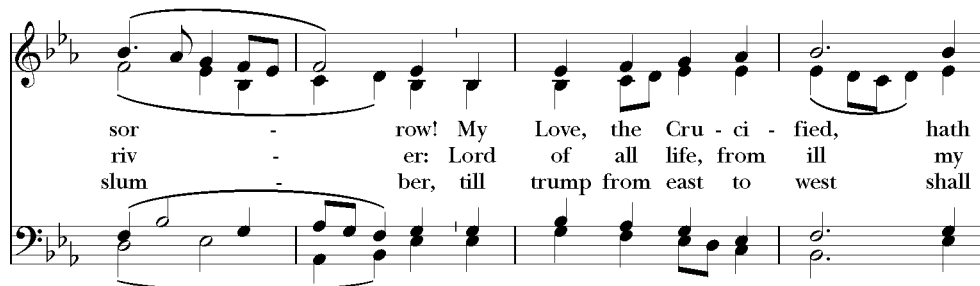
## Hymn #192

### This Joyful Eastertide

*Unison or harmony*



1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and  
 2 Death's flood hath lost its chill, since Je - sus crossed the  
 3 My flesh in hope shall rest, and for a sea - son



sor - row! My Love, the Cru - ci - fied, hath  
 riv - er: Lord of all life, from ill my  
 slum - ber, till trump from east to west shall



*Refrain*

sprung to life this mor - row.  
pass - ing life de - liv - er. Had Christ, that once was  
wake the dead in num - ber.

slain, ne'er burst his three-day pri - son, our faith had been in  
vain; but now is Christ a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a -

ris - en, a - ris - en.

Words: George R. Woodward (1848–1934), alt. Music: *Vruechten*, melody from *Psalmen*, 1685; harm. Charles Wood (1866–1926)

**The Sending Forth - page 366**  
**Closing Voluntary - *Celebration in D Major***

Stephen Aber

## Grace Notes

- **Fourth Sunday Loose Offering** goes to Family Promise.
- We are **In Need** of adults to assist with children's church. If you are interested, please contact Sharon George at [slgeorge864@gmail.com](mailto: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, April 26th 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/>.
- If you have a graduating senior, please contact Sharon at [slgeorge864@gmail.com](mailto:slgeorge864@gmail.com) so we can make preparations for this year's Sending Forth.
- Vestry will meet **Monday, May 5th at 6 p.m.**
- **The Grace Episcopal Music Department** is presenting a series of piano recitals on the exceptional Hardman piano in the Parish Hall. The first of this series will be **Sunday, May 18th at 5 p.m.** The name of the first program is "Chopin and Chardonnay". In addition to the 5 of Fredericks Chopin's most beautiful piano works we will have a tasting selection of 5 Chardonnay wines from Europe and the United States. Our first guest pianist is Mrs. Anita Jubin Brown. Tickets are \$40 each and seating will be limited. Please see Nikki or Steve Grant for Reservations.
- **Saturday Servants:** We are looking for volunteers to join us on the following dates in **May: 5/3, 5/17, 5/24, 5/31.** Please arrive at the Parish Hall by **9 a.m.** You do not have to help us deliver the lunches, but if you would like to we are usually done by 1 p.m. Feel free to reach out to Tracey or George Lidlow with any questions. [tjlidlow@gmail.com](mailto:tjlidlow@gmail.com) or (964) 914-9756.
- **WWW:** Our weekly discussion of *The Lemon Tree* by Sandy Tolani continues **every Tuesday from 6:30-8 p.m.** Join us for engaging conversation and fellowship.

## **Those Who Serve**

**Vestry-in-Charge:** Debbie Hand

**Second Counter:** Mike Digby

**Lector:** Kate Wilford

**Lector:** Sara Cheek

**Intercessor:** Hugh Osburn

**Chalice 2:** Bill Scott

**1st Crucifer:** Christopher Wilford

**Server/Gospel Bearer:** Cory Trotter

**Torch Bearers:**

**Ushers:** Mike Digby, Michael Cerps

**Linen Guild:** Joanie Roberts

**Altar Guild:** Cindy Baker, Lisa Arnold

**Organist/Choirmaster:** Steve Grant

**Organist Emeritus:** Bill Scott



## **Those with birthdays this week**

Jacob Arnold

Ashlyn Poole

## **Vestry Members**

Mike Digby - 2025  
Janet Rippy, Clerk- 2023-2025  
Louis Lebrun, Jr. Warden - 2023-2025  
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**

Melissa Langford  
Carol Miller  
Janet Rippy  
Louis Lebrun  
Cindy Baker  
Jodie Webb

## **Grace Church Endowment**

Matthias Kloeck  
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