

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, April 19th and 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/>.
- Lenten Madness** has begun. For more information visit <https://www.lentmadness.org/category/lent-madness-2025/>
- AAR&RI Film Screening** of the History in the Shadows - Morris St. Cabins is **Thursday, April 10th at 5:30 p.m.**
- Sylvvara Communion Visit is Monday, April 14th at 11 a.m.**
- Church Office will be Closed Monday, April 21st.**
- We are in need** of Easter candy for the Easter Egg Hunt on April 20. Please bring individually wrapped candy to the parish hall before **April 17th.**
- If you have a graduating senior, please contact Sharon at slgeorge864@gmail.com so we can make preparations for this year's Sending Forth.
- Outreach** will meet **TODAY, Sunday April 6th** right after coffee hour.
- Wednesday Night Dinner:** **Wednesday, April 9th at 5:45 p.m.** with Bingo to follow. If you would like to attend RSVP to Nikki (864) 225-8011 or gracechurhanderson1851@gmail.com **by 1 p.m. on Monday, April 7th.**
- Vestry** will meet **Monday, April 7th at 6 p.m.**
- St. Catherine's Guild** will meet **Monday, April 7th at noon** in the Parish Hall. Please join us for fellowship and Bingo. All you need to bring is your sandwich of choice.
- Vestry Retreat** will be **Saturday, April 12th** at Grace from **8 a.m. - 4 p.m.**
- Planting Day** for Grace Community Garden will be on **Saturday, April 12th from 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.** Bring your garden gloves, garden tools, for planting, and sun screen! Contact Danny Ehler with questions (864) 276-2579, Call/text.
- Easter Lillies:** Forms for Easter Lillie can be found in the cloister and outside the church office door. Please have these filled out and returned to Nikki by **Sunday, April 13th.**
- 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 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.

- WWW:** Our weekly discussion of *The Lemon Tree* by Sandy Tolan continues **every Tuesday from 6:30-8 p.m.** Join us for engaging conversation and fellowship.
- Altar Guild:** Do you want to be involved at church but in a more behind the scene manner once a month? Do you want to learn more about our ministry? Do you want to hangout with the coolest people at Grace? The Altar Guild is seeking new recruits. See Jodie Webb 864-380-1683 if you are interested in checking out what we are about and see if you are a good fit.
- Saturday Servants:** We are gearing up for our next round of Saturdays in May. We are seeking donations of the following: creamy peanut butter, grape jam and water. If you would like to make a contribution, please leave it on the table at the back of the Parish Hall. We thank you in advance for your help. We will be looking for volunteers to help make the lunches and deliver them as well. More information on that to follow. If you have any questions, please reach out to Tracey or George Lidlow at tjlidlow@gmail.com



Collection of Monte and Karey Swan circa 2014

Holy Week Schedule

- Palm Sunday, April 13th:** Procession of the Palms and Passion Narrative at 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
Maundy Thursday, April 17th: 6 p.m. Eucharist, foot washing, stripping of the Altar.
Good Friday, April 18th: 11 a.m. Stations of the Cross; Noon Good Friday Liturgy with Bishop Richards preaching.
Holy Saturday, April 19th: 9 a.m. liturgy followed by preparations for Easter Morning.
Easter Sunday, April 20th: 6 a.m. Easter Vigil, begins with Easter Fire on the Church lawn; 8 a.m. Eucharist with Choir; 9 a.m. Easter Breakfast in Parish Hall; 9:30 a.m. Easter Egg hunt; 10:30 a.m. Eucharist and Baptism with Choir.

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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

8 am - 2pm

ANointed

GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

6 April 2025

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
Fifth Sunday in Lent

Welcome to Grace!

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The Word of God

The Collect

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson

Isaiah 43:16-21

Thus says the LORD,
who makes a way in the sea,
a path in the mighty waters,
who brings out chariot and horse,
army and warrior;
they lie down, they cannot rise,
they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:
Do not remember the former things,
or consider the things of old.
I am about to do a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.
The wild animals will honor me,
the jackals and the ostriches;
for I give water in the wilderness,
rivers in the desert,
to give drink to my chosen people,
the people whom I formed for myself
so that they might declare my praise.

The Psalm

Psalm 126 *(read responsively by half verse)*
In convertendo

- 1 When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, *
then were we like those who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, *
and our tongue with shouts of joy.
- 3 Then they said among the nations, *
"The LORD has done great things for them."
- 4 The LORD has done great things for us, *
and we are glad indeed.

5 Restore our fortunes, O LORD, *
like the watercourses of the Negev.

6 Those who sowed with tears *
will reap with songs of joy.

7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, *
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

The Second Lesson

Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

The Holy Gospel

Deacon or Priest: *The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.*

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

John 12:1-8

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She

bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

Deacon or Priest: *The Gospel of the Lord.*

People: *Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

The Sermon

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Those who serve

Vestry-in-Charge: Louis LeBrun

Second Counter: Heiko Erlenkeuser

Lector: Kathe Harris

Intercessor: Annette Guiseppi-Elie

Chalice: Kathe Harris

Church Opener: Jim Harris

Those with birthday's this week

Tab Bates

Parker Baker

George Sutcliff

Melissa Roberts

Tom Pearce

Mary Jeffers

Jennifer Campbell