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FOR THEY WERE FISHERMEN

GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

25 January 2026

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Welcome to Grace!

Opening Voluntary - *In My Life*

The Procession

Bella Fullerton and Teagan Roberts

Hymn #304

I Come With Joy to Meet My Lord

Unison or harmony

1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to
3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each
4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll

1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der
2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -
3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us
4 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship
5 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple

1 to re - call his life laid down for me.
2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.
3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.
4 bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.
5 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

Words: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936), alt.

Music: *Land of Rest*, American folk melody; adapt. and harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan (1889-1983)

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The Word of God

Song of Praise #490

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
2 I want to see the bright - ness of God.
3 I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.

I want to fol - low Je - sus.
 I want to look at Je - sus.
 I want to be with Je - sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world. The
 Clear sun of right - eous - ness, shine on my path, and
 When we have run with pa - tience the race, we

star of my life is Je - sus.
 show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 shall know the joy of Je - sus.

Refrain

In him there is no dark - ness at all. The
 night and the day are both a - like. The
 Lamb is the light of the ci - ty of God.

a tempo

Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

The Collect

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson

Isaiah 9:1-4

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who lived in a land of deep darkness--
on them light has shined.
You have multiplied the nation,
you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as people exult when dividing plunder.
For the yoke of their burden,
and the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

The Psalm

Psalm 27: 1, 5-13 (*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?**
- 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 Hearken 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.

The Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Gospel Hymn #661

They Cast Their Nets in Galilee

1 They cast their nets in Gal - i - lee just
2 Con - tent - ed, peace - ful fish - er - men, be -
3 Young John who trimmed the flap - ping sail, home -
4 The peace of God, it is no peace, but

off the hills of brown; such hap - py,
fore they ev - er knew the peace of
less, in Pat - mos died. Pe - ter, who
strife closed in the sod. Yet let us

sim - ple fish - er - folk, be - fore the Lord came down.
God that filled their hearts brim - ful, and broke them too.
hailed the teem - ing net, head - down was cru - ci - fied.
pray for but one thing— the mar - velous peace of God.

Words: William Alexander Percy (1885-1942), alt.

Music: Georgetown, David McKinley Williams (1887-1978)

The Holy Gospel

Priest: *The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew.*
People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Matthew 4:12-23

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

“Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—
the people who sat in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death
light has dawned.”

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Priest: *The Gospel of the Lord.*
People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon

Serman Hymn #554

Tis the gift



'Tis the gift to be sim - ple, 'tis the gift to be free,
'tis the gift to come down where we ought to be,
and when we find our - selves in the place just right,
'twill be in the val - ley of love and de - light.
When true sim - pli - ci - ty is gained to
bow and to bend we shan't be a-shamed, to turn, turn, will

be our de-light till by turn - ing, turn - ing we come round right.

Words: Shaker song, 18th cent. Music: *Simple Gifts*, Joseph Brackett (1797-1822); acc. Margaret W. Mealy (b. 1922)

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The Peace

Brief Announcements (three short bullet points, or preferably in Haiku format)



Offertory - *God Be in my Head*

Hugo Nicholson

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 WLP #858

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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Title: Holy, holy, holy Lord [*Sanctus*]

Music: American folk melody; arr. Marcia Prumer, harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan (1889-1983)

The Great Amen LEVAS #233

Musical score for 'The Great Amen' in 4/4 time, key of D major. The score consists of three systems. The first system has a vocal line with lyrics 'A - men, A - men,' and a piano accompaniment. The second system has a vocal line with lyrics 'A - men, A - men, A - men.' and a piano accompaniment. The piano part features chords and moving lines in both hands.

Words: Traditional

Music: Negro Spiritual; ar. Horace Clarence Boyer (b. 1935)

Fraction Anthem LEVAS # 154

Musical score for 'Fraction Anthem' in 3/2 time, key of B-flat major. The score consists of three systems. The first system has a vocal line with lyrics 'Taste and see. Taste and see the good - ness' and a piano accompaniment. The second system has a vocal line with lyrics 'of the Lord. O Taste and see. Taste and' and a piano accompaniment. The third system has a vocal line with lyrics 'see the good - ness of the Lord, of the Lord.' and a piano accompaniment. The piano part features chords and moving lines in both hands. The word 'Fine' is written at the end of the third system.

Words: Psalm 34

Music: James E. Moore, Jr.

Communion Hymns #655

O Jesus, I have Promised



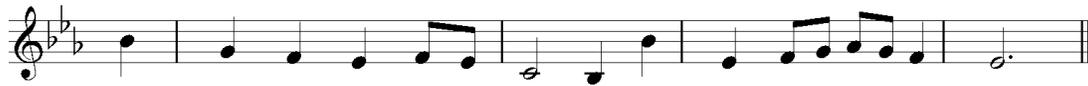
1 O Je - sus, I have prom-ised to serve thee to the end:
2 O let me hear thee speak-ing in ac - cents clear and still,
3 O Je - sus, thou hast prom-ised to all who fol - low thee,



be thou for ev - er near me, my Mas - ter and my friend;
a - bove the storms of pas-sion, the mur-murs of self - will;
that where thou art in glo - ry there shall thy ser - vant be;



I shall not fear the bat - tle, if thou art by my side,
O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
and, Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;



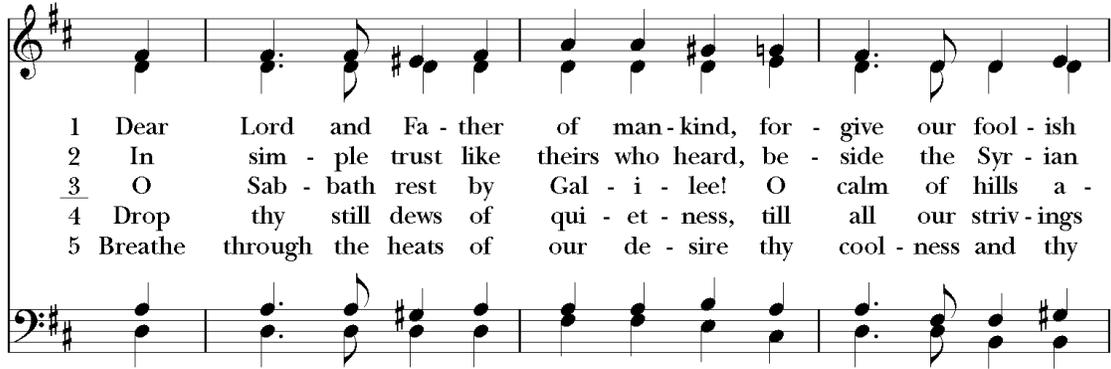
nor wan - der from the path-way, if thou wilt be my guide.
O speak, and make me lis - ten, thou guard-ian of my soul.
O give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my friend.

Words: John Ernest Bode (1816–1874), alt.

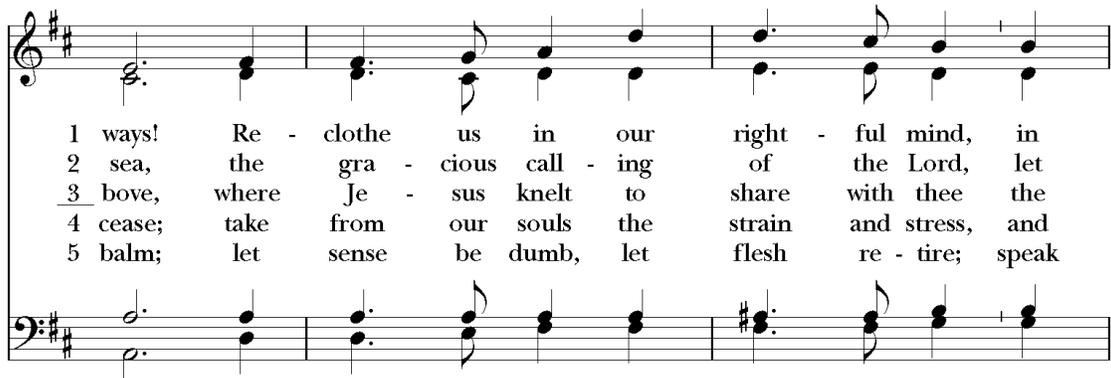
Music: *Nyland*, Finnish folk melody; adapt. and harm. David Evans (1874–1948)

Hymn #652

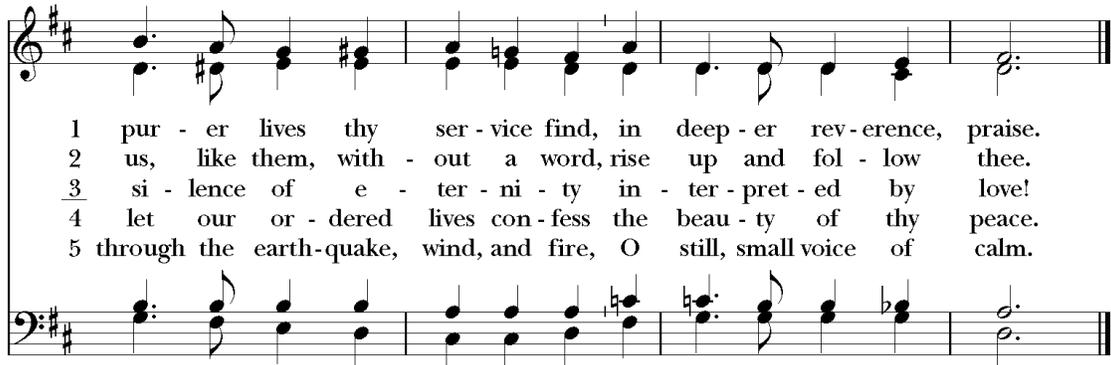
Dear Lord and Father of Mankind



1 Dear Lord and Fa - ther of man - kind, for - give our fool - ish
2 In sim - ple trust like theirs who heard, be - side the Syr - ian
3 O Sab - bath rest by Gal - i - lee! O calm of hills a -
4 Drop thy still dews of qui - et - ness, till all our striv - ings
5 Breathe through the heats of our de - sire thy cool - ness and thy



1 ways! Re - clothe us in our right - ful mind, in
2 sea, the gra - cious call - ing of the Lord, let
3 bove, where Je - sus knelt to share with thee the
4 cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and
5 balm; let sense be dumb, let flesh re - tire; speak



1 pur - er lives thy ser - vice find, in deep - er rev - erence, praise.
2 us, like them, with - out a word, rise up and fol - low thee.
3 si - lence of e - ter - ni - ty in - ter - pret - ed by love!
4 let our or - dered lives con - fess the beau - ty of thy peace.
5 through the earth - quake, wind, and fire, O still, small voice of calm.

Words: John Greenleaf Whittier (1807–1892), alt.

Music: Rest, Frederick Charles Maker (1844–1927)

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The Blessing of the People

Hymn #657
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven, to
2 Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy
3 Fi - nish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - way bless - ing,
ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

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Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Music: *Hyfrydol*, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887)

Grace Notes

- Today's **Forth Sunday Loose offering** will go to Family Promise.
- The **Music Ministry** at Grace Church is growing. Our choirs meet **Wednesdays** with Children's Choir at **5:15 p.m.** and Adult Choir at **6:15 p.m.**
- **Fiber Friends and Fellowship** meets every **Tuesday from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.**
- If you would like to **donate to Family Promise**, scan the Grace QR Code.
- **WWW** meets on **Tuesday evenings** in the parlor from **6:30 - 8:00 p.m.** Come join us as we continue our discussion of *Searching For Sunday*.
- **St. Catherine's Guild** will **not** meet in **February**. Their next meeting will be **Monday, March 2nd at noon** in the parish hall. One of our new members Betty Avakian who is an aesthetician, will be speaking about skin care and makeup.
- **Pacesetters Square Dancing** lessons started **Thursday, January 15th at 7 p.m.** The First two lessons are free. Lessons will be at Grace Episcopal Church. The contact person is Anna-bel Milton (864) 972-3170.
- **Saints and Sinners Spring Dinner** groups will be starting up soon. This is a GREAT way to get to know your fellow parishioners better. If you are interested, please contact Tanya Pusey at (864) 359-9878 or Debbie Hand at (316) 617-2409. If you participated in the Fall of 2025, your name should already be on the list for the spring dinners.
- **Outreach** will meet **Sunday, February 8th** after 10:30 service.
- **Celebrate Grace's 175th** anniversary of being allowed into the Diocese, **Thursday, February 12th, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.** Reception following. Bishop Richards will be there, and we will have confirmations, receptions, and reaffirmations as part of the celebration.
- **Ready for a Leap of Faith?** Our next Episcopal Christianity Class meets today **Sunday, January 25th at 9:15 a.m.** in the parish library. It is the last chance to prepare before the Bishop's February 12th visit. This class is for anyone interested in Baptism, Confirmation, Reception, Reaffirmation, or to simply study the faith.
- **Annual Parish Soup Luncheon** will be **Thursday, January 29th from 11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.** for more information contact Jodie Webb at j.webb@nationwide.com
- If you are interested in being **confirmed, reaffirmed, or received** When the Bishop visits in February, please contact Nikki in the office.
- **Lenten study heads up:** our Sunday morning Lenten Study will be Honest to Goodness by Furman Buchanan, copies available in parish office for \$7.00. We begin **February 22nd at 9:15 a.m.** in the parish library. It is a daily devotional that looks at interesting, curious and humorous scripture verses.
- **WWW** is asking for YOUR help in our efforts to collect diapers, wipes, and feminine hygiene products support the Anderson County Diaper Bank. Donations may be placed in the cloister. We are grateful to **Louise Knisley** for coordinating collection and delivery on our behalf.
- **February 12th, 2026- 175th Anniversary Celebration/ Bishop Daniel's visit-** Kirri Kinley/Grace Life is planning this upcoming celebration. If you would like to assist in the planning and execution of this celebration, please contact Kirri Kinley kirrikinley@gmail.com, (843) 384-5213.
- **Grace's former Organist Choir Master** Will Thomas Cleveland will present an organ recital **Sunday, February 1st at 3 p.m.** at First Baptist Church in Greenwood, SC. All are invited to join.

Those Who Serve

Vestry-in-Charge: Kirri Kinley
Second Counter: Heiko Erlenkeuser
Lector: Bill Scott
Lector: Tracey Lidlow
Intercessor: Abby Burden
Chalice 1: Al Sloan
Chalice 2:
1st Crucifer: Cory Trotter
Server/Gospel Bearer: Brett Dixon
Torch Bearers:
Ushers: Mike Digby, Micheal Cerps
Linen Guild: Susan Carpenter
Altar Guild: Cindy Baker, Lisa Arnold
Organist/Choirmaster: Steve Grant
Organist Emeritus: Bill Scott

Stewardship Report

As of 12/31/2025

YTD 2025 Revenue \$424,678

YTD 2025 Expenses \$439,965

YTD 2025 Deficit \$15,287

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- New to Grace
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Those with birthdays this week Baptismal Newbirth Day

Jan Osburn

Joanie Roberts

John Bradford Jr.

Luke Kent

Baylis Maxwell

15 February

27 October

04 April

Those with Baptismal Newbirth Days this week

Greg Souther

26 January

Expectant Parents

Parker and Caroline Bates

Brent and Kirri Kinley

Donovan and Erin Colman

Sam and Cayce Baker

Vestry Members

Kirri Kinley - 2024-2026
Mike Magaha - 2024-2026
Debbie Hand, Sr. Warden - 2024-2026
Henry Todd - 2025-2026
Jodie Webb, Jr. Warden - 2025-2027
Bill Scott - 2025-2027
Cyndi Dougherty - 2025-2027
Heiko Erlenkeuser - 2025-2027
Buddy Bilbrey - 2026-2028
Jamie Ward, Clerk - 2026-2028
JoCarol Titmas - 2026-2028
Tracey Lidlow - 2026-2028

Delegates to the Convention

Janet Rippy
Debbie Hand

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