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THE SHEPHERD AND GUARDIAN OF YOUR SOULS

GRACE CHURCH

26 April 2026

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Welcome to Grace!

Opening Voluntary - *The Gothic Toccata*
The Procession

Leon Boellmann

Hymn #377
All people that on Earth

Unison or harmony

1 All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with
2 Know that the Lord is God in - deed; with - out our aid he
3 O en - ter then his gates with praise, ap - proach with joy his
4 For why? the Lord our God is good, his mer - cy is for
*5 To Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost, the God whom heaven and

1 cheer - ful voice: him serve with mirth, his praise forth
2 did us make: we are his folk, he doth us
3 courts un - to; praise, laud, and bless his Name al -
4 ev - er sure; his truth at all times firm - ly
5 earth a - dore, from men and from the an - gel

1 tell, come ye be - fore him and re - - jice.
2 feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
3 ways, for it is seem - ly so to do.
4 stood, and shall from age to age en - - dure.
5 host be praise and glo - ry ev - er - - more.

Words: William Kethe (d. 1608?); para. of Psalm 100

Music: *Old 100th*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)

The Liturgy begins on page 355.

The Word of God

A Song of Praise

Hymn #180

1 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! Tell it out with
2 Come, ye sad and fear - ful - heart - ed, with glad smile and
*3 Come, with high and ho - ly hymn - ing, hail our Lord's tri -
4 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! He hath o - pened

joy - ful voice: he has burst his three days' pris - on;
ra - dian - t brow! Death's long sha - dows have de - part - ed;
um - phant day; not one dark - some cloud is dim - ming
hea - ven's gate: we are free from sin's dark pris - on,

let the whole wide earth re - joice: death is con - quered,
Je - sus' woes are o - ver now, and the pas - sion
yon - der glo - rious morn - ing ray, break - ing o'er the
ris - en to a ho - lier state; and a bright - er

we are free, Christ has won the vic - to - ry.
that he bore— sin and pain can vex no more.
pur - ple east, sym - bol of our Eas - ter feast.
Eas - ter beam on our long - ing eyes shall stream.

Title: Canticle 2, A Song of Praise: *Benedictus es, Domine*

Music: Plainsong, Tone 8; adapt. Bruce E. Ford (b. 1947); acc. Jackson Hill (b. 1941)

The Collect

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson

Acts 2:42-47

Those who had been baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

The Psalm

Psalm 23 (*read responsively by half verse*)

Dominus regit me

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; *
therefore can I lack nothing.
- 2 He shall feed me in a green pasture, *
and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.
- 3 He shall convert my soul *
**and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness for his
Name's sake.**
- 4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil; *
**for thou art with me;
thy rod and thy staff comfort me.**
- 5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me in the presence of them
that trouble me; *
**thou hast anointed my head with oil,
and my cup shall be full.**
- 6 Surely thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the
days of my life; *
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

The Second Lesson

1 Peter 2:19-25

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

“He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

The King of Love my Shepherd is



1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good-ness
 2 Where streams of liv-ing wa-ter flow, my ran-somed
 * 3 Per-verse and fool-ish oft I strayed, but yet in
 * 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear
 5 Thou spread'st a ta-ble in my sight; thy unc-tion
 6 And so through all the length of days thy good-ness



1 fail-eth nev-er; I noth-ing lack if
 2 soul he lead-eth, and where the ver-dant
 3 love he sought me, and on his shoul-der
 4 Lord, be-side me; thy rod and staff my
 5 grace be-stow-eth; and oh, what trans-port
 6 fail-eth nev-er: Good Shep-herd, may I



1 I am his, and he is mine for ev-er.
 2 pas-tures grow, with food ce-less-ial feed-eth.
 3 gent-ly laid, and home, re-joic-ing, brought me.
 4 com-fort still, thy cross be-fore to guide me.
 5 of de-light from thy pure chal-ice flow-eth!
 6 sing thy praise with-in thy house for ev-er.

Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821–1877); para. Psalm 23

Music: St. Columba, Irish melody, harm. Hymnal 1982

The Holy Gospel

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

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ*

John 10:1-10

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

Priest: *The Gospel of the Lord.*

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed - page 358

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Confession of Sin and Absolution - page 360

The Peace

Announcements (*Please notify the rector beforehand*)

Offertory - *May the Words of my Heart*

Hymn

E Laine Hagenberg

We Give Thee but Thine Own

1. We give Thee but Thine own, What - e'er the gift may be;
2. May we Thy boun - ties thus As stew - ards true re - ceive,
3. The cap - tive to re - lease, To God the lost to bring,
4. And we be - lieve Thy Word, Tho' dim our faith may be;

All that we have is Thine a - lone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
And glad - ly, as Thou bless - est us, To Thee our first - fruits give.
To teach the way of life and peace, It is a Christ - like thing.
What - e'er for Thine we do, O Lord, We do it un - to Thee.

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer D - page 372

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: The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: Sanctus Music: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

The Great Amen LEVAS 233

A - men, A - men, A - men, A - men, A - men.

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

Fraction Anthem LEVAS #154

Taste and see. Taste and see the good - ness
of the Lord. O Taste and see. Taste and
see the good - ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

Words: Eleanor Farjeon (1881-1965), alt.

Music: *Bunessan*, Gaelic melody; harm. Alec Wyton (b. 1921)

Communion Hymns #8

Morning Has Broken

Unison or harmony

1 Morn-ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing,
2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from hea - ven,
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing

black-bird has spo - ken like the first bird.
like the first dew - fall on the first grass.
born of the one light E - den saw play!

Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the morn - ing!
Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet gar - den,
Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - ery morn - ing,

Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
 sprung in com - plete - ness where his feet pass.
 God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

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

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

Hymn LEVAS #119

Spirit of God

1. Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart;
 2. I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies,
 3. Teach me to feel that thou art al - ways nigh;
 4. Teach me to love thee as thine an - gels love.

1. Draw it from earth; through all its puls - es move;
 2. No sud - den rend - ing of the veil of clay,
 3. Teach me the strug - gles of the soul to bear,
 4. One ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame;

1. Stoop to my weak - ness, might - y as thou art,
 2. No an - gel vis - i - tant, no o - p'ning skies;
 3. To check the ris - ing doubt, the reb - el sigh;
 4. The kin - dling of the heav'n - de - scend - ed dove,

1. And make me love thee as I ought to love.
 2. But take the dim - ness of my soul a - way.
 3. Teach me the pa - tience of un - an - swered prayer.
 4. My heart an al - tar, and thy love the flame.

Words: George Croly (1780-1860)

Music: Frederick C. Atkinson (1841-1897)

The Blessing of the People
The Procession

LEVAS Hymn # 198
Love Lifted Me

1. I was sink - ing deep in sin, Far from the peace - ful shore, —
2. All my heart to Him I give, Ev - er to Him I'll cling, —
3. Souls in dan - ger, look a - bove, Je - sus com - plete - ly saves; —

1. Ver - y deep - ly stained with - in, Sink - ing to rise no more; —
2. In His bless - ed pres - ence live, Ev - er His prais - es sing. —
3. He will lift you by His love Out of the an - gry waves. —

1. But the mas - ter of the sea Heard my de - spair - ing cry, —
2. Love so might - y and so true Mer - its my soul's best songs; —
3. He's the mas - ter of the sea, Bil - lows His will o - bey; —

1. From the wa - ters lift - ed me— Now safe am I. —
2. Faith - ful, lov - ing ser - vice, too, To Him be - longs. —
3. He your sav - ior wants to be— Be saved to - day. —

Love lift - ed me, _____ Love lift-ed me, _____

Love lift - ed e - ven me, Love lift-ed e ven me, When noth - ing

1. else could help, Love lift - ed me; _____ Love lift-ed me. _____

2. Love lift-ed me. _____

Words: James Rowe (1865-1933)

Music: Howard E. Smith (1863-1918)

The Sending Forth - page 366
Closing Voluntary - *When In Our Music God is Glorified*

arr. Steve Grant

Grace Notes

- **Welcome Visitors:** Please take a moment to fill out the visitor card located in the pew and place it in the offering plate. We are glad you chose to worship with us today.
- **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.
- **Daughters of the King** are collecting chicken lunch pouches to put in Blessing Bags for the unhoused. Please place any donations in the tote in the cloister.
- **Grace Life** is forming a committee to help with church events and creative new ways to enrich parish life. All are welcome to join. If interested contact Cyndi Dougherty (631) 766-3619 text, email cyndi-doug458@gmail.com, or see her.
- **GRADUATING SENIORS:** If you have a graduating senior, please talk to Sharon Dorsey.
- **Upcoming Diocesan Event:** This is a free event for parishioners to learn about lay ministry! If you are interested in signing up please see the sign up link on the Grace Website or Grace QR. *Lay ministry refers to the service, leadership, and pastoral care preformed by baptized, non-ordained members of a church, representing a collaborative “Priesthood of all believers.” It’s a call to serve both inside and outside the church walls. *Come discover your own gifts, discern where you feel called to lead, and develop practical action plans to turn a sense of calling into active ministry. Get equipped with tools, clarity and confidence for ministry leadership to further the kingdom of God.
- **IMPORTANT – KEY ENTRY TO THE BUILDING WILL NO LONGER BE AVAILABLE.** The church has been re-keyed. If you need access to the building and have not been contacted about this, please contact the church office.
- **St. Catherine’s Guild** will meet **Monday, May 4th** at noon at Grace. We will be discussing adding a new project. Bring a sandwich, but drink and dessert will be provided.
- **FAVOR UPSTATE:** Please join us for Lunch with Lesley to have lunch and to have a chance to connect, share perspectives and hear more about where FAVOR is headed and how we continue to strengthen recovery across the community. Lunch will be held at Grace **Wednesday, May 6th** from noon - 1 p.m. Please rsvp to Janelle Walker at Janelle@favorupstate.org if your interested in joining.
- **Daughter’s of the King** will meet **Saturday May 9th** at 10 a.m.
- **Eucharistic Minister Training:** Arch Deacon Mary Jeffers will be holding a eucharistic minister training on **Saturday, May 9th** from 10 - 11:30 a.m. at Grace. If you are currently trained as an eucharistic minister, Nikki will be reaching out to let you know if it is time to renew your training. If you are not trained and would like to be, please contact Nikki in the church office to let her know.
- **WWW** will begin a new book on **Tuesday, April 28th** *Liturgy of the Ordinary* by Tish Harrison Warren. Join us in the parlor on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 –8 p.m. All are welcome at the table.
- **Saturday Servants** will meet **May 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, and 30th**. Volunteers are needed. We also need donations of grape jam, creamy peanut butter and waters. If you are interested in helping contact Tracey Lidlow at tjlidlow@gmail.com
- **Fraud Protection Class:** United Community Bank is considering hosting a Fraud Protection Class at Grace to help individuals and families stay safe from scams, identity theft, and financial fraud. Topics may include; recognizing common scams, protecting your personal and banking information, tips for safe online and mobile banking and what to do if you suspect fraud. At this time, we are gathering interest to see if this class would be beneficial for our church community. If you are interested please email Nikki at gracechurchanderson1851@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATE

Save The Date: Grace will have a **Whitsun Ale drop in** on Pentecost Sunday, [May 24th](#), from 4 - 7 p.m. at the home of Brett and Rebecca Dixon, 389 Graham Rd, Anderson SC 29625. Bring a dish to share and enjoy some of Brett Dixon's home brewed ale.

SAVE THE DATE: Grace Annual BBQ is [October 10, 2026](#).

VBS: we are gearing up for VBS! [Every Wednesday night in July](#) beginning on July 8, we will have VBS [from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.](#), and the whole church is invited! If you are interested in serving in any capacity at VBS this year, please make sure you talk to Sharon so we can make sure you are Safe Church certified.

Weekly Meetings

Fiber, Friends, and Fellowship: Starting May 5th FFF will begin meeting every Tuesday from 12 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Women, Wine, and Wisdom meets every Tuesday from 6:30 - 8 p.m.

The Ladies' Prayer Group meets every Wednesday at 10 a.m.

Those who serve

Vestry-in-Charge: Heiko Erlenkeuser

Second Counter: Henry Todd

Lector: Tracey Lildlow

Lector: Kate Wilford

Intercessor: Sharon Dorsey

Chalice 1: Jane Williams

Chalice 2: David Burden

1st Crucifer: Nathanael Burden

Server/Gospel Bearer: David Burden

Ushers: Debbie Hand, Mike Digby

Linen Guild: Joanie Roberts

Altar Guild: Cindy Baker, Lisa Arnold

Organist/Choirmaster: Steve Grant

Organist Emeritus: Bill Scott

Expectant Parents
Brent and Kirri Kinley
Donovan and Erin Colman
Joey and Asheton Benson

Stewardship Report
As of 3/31/2026
YTD 2026 Revenue \$118,873
YTD 2026 Expenses \$122,568
YTD 2026 Surplus \$3,695

Those with birthdays this week **Baptismal Newbirth Day**
Cindy Hopkins 26 August

Those with Baptismal Newbirth Days this week
Lisa Mattison 27 April

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
Bill Scott
Jamie Ward
Jodie Webb 1st alternate
Carol Miller 2nd alternate
JoCarol Titmas 3rd alternate

Grace Church Endowment

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