

# GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

"The Mission of Grace Episcopal Church is to promote an atmosphere for the expression of God's love through Jesus Christ, which calls each of us to know God by reaching out to others and inwardly to ourselves."



**April 16, 2023**

**8:00a & 10:30a**

**Second Sunday in Easter**

**HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II**

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. William Yagel

## PRELUDE

*Pastorale Enfantine*Cecile Chaminade  
(1857-1944)

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*Ride on! Ride on in majesty*

Hymnal 156

*Once all are inside the song will end and the service continues.*

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

Prayer Book 355

*Presider* Alleluia. Christ is risen.*People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.*Presider* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## GLORIA

*Gloria in Excelsis*

Hymnal S-280

*Presider* The Lord be with you.*People* And also with you.*Presider* Let us pray.

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.*

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### THE OLD TESTAMENT

*The People Sit*

*Lector*                    A reading from Acts

ACTS 2:14A, 22-32

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, “You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him,

‘I saw the Lord always before me,  
     for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;  
 therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;  
     moreover my flesh will live in hope.  
 For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,  
     or let your Holy One experience corruption.  
 You have made known to me the ways of life;  
     you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

“Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

‘He was not abandoned to Hades,  
     nor did his flesh experience corruption.’

This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.”

*Lector*                    The Word of the Lord.

*All*                        Thanks be to God.

## THE PSALM

### PSALM 16

#### *Conserva me, Domine*

- 1 **P**rotect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; \*  
I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord,  
my good above all other."
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, \*  
upon those who are noble among the people.
- 3 But those who run after other gods \*  
shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, \*  
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
- 5 O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; \*  
it is you who uphold my lot.
- 6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; \*  
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 7 I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; \*  
my heart teaches me, night after night.
- 8 I have set the LORD always before me; \*  
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.
- 9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; \*  
my body also shall rest in hope.
- 10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, \*  
nor let your holy one see the Pit.
- 11 You will show me the path of life; \*  
in your presence there is fullness of joy,  
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

## THE EPISTLE

*Lector*      A reading from Peter's First Letter

### 1 PETER 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a

salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

*Lector*                      The Word of the Lord.

*All*                              Thanks be to God.

## THE GOSPEL

*The People Stand*

SEQUENCE HYMN                      *We Walk by Faith, and Not by Sight*                      Hymnal 209

*Presider*                      The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

*People*                              Glory to you, Lord Christ

## THE 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.

*Presider*      The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*        Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

The Rev. William Yagel

*The People Stand*

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We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (Form VI)

Prayer Book 392

*The People may stand or kneel*

*The intercessor and the people pray responsively.*

*Intercessor:* In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

*Intercessor:* For all people in their daily life and work;

*People:* For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

*Intercessor:* For this community, the nation, and the world;

*People:* For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

*Intercessor:* For the just and proper use of your creation;

*People:* For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

*Intercessor:* For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

*People:* For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

*Intercessor:* For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

*People:* For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

*Intercessor:* For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Mark our Bishop, and William our Priest and for all other bishops and other ministers;

*People:* For all who serve God in God's Church.

*Intercessor:* For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

We pray for those on our parish prayer list: Michael Cluver, Frann Felch, William Gregory, Bill Jeffrey, Bud Jeffries, Bill and Valerie Johnston, Noel Lawson, Matthew Phillips, Sarah Pollach, Anthea Pugh, Elijah Shomaker, Jim Slusher, Letitia Smith, Sam Smith, Sherry Spiers, Bill Zuti.

We pray for those who are serving in harm's way: for medical personnel and support staff; for first responders; for those ensuring we have access to food, medicine and other necessities of life; for teachers and school staff; for our armed forces; and all others who put themselves at risk in the service of others.

*Silence, The People may add their own petitions*

*Intercessor:* Hear us, Lord;

*People:* For your mercy is great.

*Intercessor:* We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

We pray for our young people who are away for their studies: Mason and Thor Sproule, India Black, Owen and Shea Himmell, Red Yagel, Abby Caldwell, and Emma Brockway.

*Silence, The People may add their own thanksgivings*

*Intercessor:* We will exalt you, O God our King;

*People:* And praise your Name for ever and ever.

*Intercessor:* We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Especially:

*Silence, The People may add their own petitions*

*Intercessor:* Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

*People:* Who put their trust in you.

*The Presider will add a concluding Collect.*

PEACE

*The People Stand*

*Presider*           The Peace of the LORD be always with you.



*People* And also with you.

## HOLY COMMUNION RITE II

### OFFERTORY

*Presider* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

OFFERTORY MUSIC *Faith* Mason Gottschalk

DOXOLOGY Hymnal 380 v3

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A Prayer Book 361

*The People Stand*

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* We lift them to the Lord.

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*The Presider continues:*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. For our sins he was lifted high upon the cross, that he might draw the whole world to himself; and, by his suffering and death, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who put their trust in him.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name

SANCTUS HYMN *Holy, Holy, Holy* Hymnal S-125

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*In Unison:*

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

*Presider:*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

*Together in a loud voice, the people say:* **AMEN**

And now, as our Savior  
Christ has taught us,  
we are bold to say,

*All:*

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.  
 Give us this day our daily bread.  
 And forgive us our trespasses,  
 as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
 And lead us not into temptation,  
 but deliver us from evil.  
 For thine is the kingdom,  
 and the power, and the glory,  
 for ever and ever. Amen.

## FRACTION ANTHEM

Christ Our Passover

Hymnal S-154

*Presider*        The Gifts of God for the People of God.  
                       Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in  
                       your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Eucharist. Communion, which is offered in both kinds. Consuming bread only is also considered full communion. Wine is offered by drinking from the common cup, or by dipping (intinction) in a smaller chalice. Notify an usher to have the elements brought to your pew. To receive a blessing come forward with those communing and place your hands across your chest. Gluten free wafers are available.*

## COMMUNION HYMN

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

LEVAS 88

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Prayer Book 365

*Presider*        Let us pray.

*All*                Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
                       you have graciously accepted us as living members  
                       of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
                       and you have fed us with spiritual food  
                       in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
                       Send us now into the world in peace,  
                       and grant us strength and courage  
                       to love and serve you  
                       with gladness and singleness of heart;  
                       through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## PRAYER

Rev. William Yagel

*Presider:*

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## CLOSING HYMN

O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing

Hymnal 203

## DISMISSAL

Prayer Book 366

## POSTLUDE

Menuet and Trio in D

Joseph Haydn  
(1732-1809)

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### THOSE SERVING TODAY

PRIEST	The Rev. William Yagel
PASCHAL CANDLE BEARER/LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTER	Mark Carper
CRUCIFER/ASSISTING LEM	Lee Slusher
GOSPEL BEARER	Jacob Harris
LECTOR	Dick Gregory
ALTAR GUILD	Judy Bethea
	Eve Yagel
COUNTERS	Ann Walker
	Diana Jordan
USHERS	Terry Nester
	Ben Caldwell

### UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Date	Crucifer/LEM	LEM2	Lector/Usher	Counter	Altar Guild
4/23/2023	Tim Walker	Cathy Caldwell	Robbie Nester	Lee Slusher Penny Sweet	Eve Yagel Judy Bethea
4/23/2023	Eve Yagel	Mark Carper	Margaret Hrezo	Kristi McCraw Sherri Carper	Eve Yagel Judy Bethea
4/30/2023	Lee Slusher	Tim Walker	Will Harris	Kristi McCraw Sherri Carper	Eve Yagel Judy Bethea
5/7/2023	Cathy Caldwell	Eve Yagel	Jennifer Hand	Ann Walker Diana Jordan	Sherri Carper Jennifer Hand Cathy Caldwell

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*Please be respectfully quiet before the service and greet each other at the coffee hour.*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## APRIL MISSION

### NEW RIVER COMMUNITY ACTION

THE MISSION OF NEW RIVER COMMUNITY ACTION, INC. (NRCA) IS TO PROMOTE AND SUPPORT THE WELL-BEING AND SELF-RELIANCE OF INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES. COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCIES ARE WELL KNOWN PROPONENTS OF SELF-SUFFICIENCY. “A HAND UP, NOT A HAND OUT” IS OUR MOTTO. WE STRIVE TO ACHIEVE OUR PURPOSE THROUGH COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION AND EMPOWERMENT, I.E., HELPING LOCAL COMMUNITIES TO RECOGNIZE AND ADDRESS THEIR OWN POVERTY CONDITIONS. NRCA HAS DEVELOPED A VARIETY OF PROGRAMS THAT PREVENT AND ALLEVIATE POVERTY AND IMPROVE THE LIVES OF LOW-INCOME INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES.

**JOIN THE CHOIR**—New members of all ages and skill levels are welcome to join anytime! Every Sunday the Choir will rehearse starting at 9:45 in the Sanctuary! Reach out to our Music Director, Mason Gottschalk, with questions.  
[masongottschalk.music@gmail.com](mailto:masongottschalk.music@gmail.com) .

**RED DOOR**—We need food donations for the Blessing Box in front of Red Door. You may drop off food directly, place it in the red box on the stage at church, or make a donation specific to the food ministry, the last option provides the greatest buying power, but any is appreciated! If you would like to join the Red Door team, please contact Cathy Caldwell.

**GRACE NOTES**—Please sign up for our weekly e-newsletter to hear the latest about what is happening with Grace. Email Samantha to be **added** to the list at: [office@graceradford.org](mailto:office@graceradford.org) or just write your name and email on the “friendship form” and give it to an usher or drop it in the plate.



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