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## The Third Sunday of Easter

April 15, 2018

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**Grace Church is a diverse congregation committed to a common life sustained by worship. We bear witness to God's love in Christ through our life together and our service to the wider community. All are welcome!"**

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Our liturgy can be found in the Book of Common Prayer, beginning on page 355.

**Prelude** *Coro* G. F. Handel  
**Hymn** #525 *The church's one foundation*

### The Easter Acclamation

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

### Collect for Purity

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 in Excelsis

Barrie Cabena

Organ

Glo - ry to God in the high - est  
and peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heav'n - ly king,  
Al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we  
praise you for your glo - ry. Lord, Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the  
Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed  
at the right hand of the Fa - ther, re - ceive our prayer. For  
you a - lone are the ho - ly one, you a - lone are the Lord,  
You a - lone are the most High Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,  
in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

### The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD

### The First Lesson A Reading from the Book of Acts (3:12-19)

When Peter saw that people were surprised at the miracle of healing, he addressed them, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. 'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had promised through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent, therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.

The Word of the Lord.

**Response: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 4**



**S 415**

Jerome Webster Meachen  
(b. 1930)



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1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; \*

**you set me free when I am hard-pressed;  
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.**

2 "You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; \*

**how long will you worship dumb idols  
and run after false gods?"**

3 Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful; \*

**when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.**

4 Tremble, then, and do not sin; \*

**speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.**

5 Offer the appointed sacrifices \*

**and put your trust in the Lord.**

6 Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!" \*

**Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.**

7 You have put gladness in my heart, \*

**more than when grain and wine and oil increase.**

8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; \*

**for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.**

## **Second Lesson:** A Reading from the First Letter of John [3:1-7]

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

## **The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God**

**Sequence Hymn:** LV&S #41 *Christ is arisen, Alleluia*

**The Holy Gospel Response:** The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke [24:36-48]  
**Glory to You Lord Christ.**

While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' They were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

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 Gospel of the Lord.

**Response:** **Praise to You Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon** The Rev. Dr. Judith Lee

**The Nicene Creed** BCP 358

## **The Prayers of the People**

With thanksgiving for the gift of new life, and in hope that our risen Savior may fill us with the joy of his glorious and life-giving resurrection.

Let us pray to our Creator  
in Christ our Risen Savior

In thanksgiving for the gift of the Good News, and in hope that the church may find new life in the joyful mystery of the resurrection, especially through the leadership of our Presiding Bishop Michael, our Bishops Andrew, Allen, and Mary, our priests Judith and Adolfo, and the lay leaders of this congregation,

Let us pray to our Creator  
in Christ our Risen Savior

In thanksgiving for the gift of this community of Grace La Gracia, in hope that God may continue to renew us in his love and guide us in our preparations for a new Rector

Let us pray to our Creator  
**in Christ our Risen Savior**

In thanksgiving for the opportunity for leisure and travel, and in hope that he may watch over and protect all who are traveling, and comfort those who have nowhere to go.

Let us pray to our Creator  
**in Christ our Risen Savior**

In thanksgiving for the abundance, we enjoy with our families and friends, and in hope that he may provide for those who lack food, work, or shelter.

Let us pray to our Creator  
**in Christ our Risen Savior**

In thanksgiving for the freedoms, we enjoy, and in hope that by his power, war and famine may cease through all the world,

Let us pray to our Creator  
**in Christ our Risen Savior**

In thanksgiving for our health and in hope that he may reveal the light of his presence to comfort and strengthen those who are weak in body and soul, especially those we name silently or aloud Pause

Let us pray to our Creator  
**in Christ our Risen Savior**

In thanksgiving for the gift of eternal life, and in hope that he may enfold in his joyful presence those who have died, especially those we now name, silently or aloud,

Let us pray to our Creator  
**in Christ our Risen Savior**

In thanksgiving for the gift of faith, and in hope that God may send the fire of the Holy Spirit upon his people, so that we may bear faithful witness to his resurrection,

Let us pray to our Creator  
**in Christ our Risen Savior**

Priest: O God, worker of wonders, you made this season for joy and gladness. Let the risen Lord abide with us always, set our hearts on fire, and open our eyes, so that we may see him at this table, the Christ now entered into glory, firstborn from the dead. **Amen.**

## **The Peace Announcements**

**Anthem**      *Hear O Lord your servants gather*

*words: Tokuo Yamaguchi, trans. Everett M. Stowe  
Music: Isao Koizumi*

*Here, O Lord, your servants gather, hand we link with hand;  
Looking toward our Savior's cross, joined in love we stand.  
As we seek the realm of God, we unite to pray  
Jesus, Savior, guide our steps, for you are the Way.*

*Many are the tongues we speak, scattered are the lands,  
Yet our hearts are one in God, one in love's demands.*

*E'en in darkness hope appears, calling age and youth,  
Jesus, teacher, dwell with us, for you are the Truth.*

*Nature's secrets open wide, changes never cease.  
Where, or where, can weary souls find the source of peace?  
Unto all those sore distressed, torn by endless strife:  
Jesus, healer, bring your balm, for you are the Life.*

*Grant, O God, an age renewed, filled with deathless love;  
Help us as we work and pray, send us from above  
Truth and courage, faith and power, needed in our strife:  
Jesus, master, be our Way, be our Truth, our Life.*

**Hymn #182 Christ is alive!**

### THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer D BCP 372

**Sanctus and Benedictus**

Barrie Cabena

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

Benedictus qui venit  
san - na in the high - est. Bles - sed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

BCP 364

**At the Breaking of the Bread**

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia.

*This setting is not used in Lent.*

*Antiphon*

*Cantor; then All*

The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing of the bread.

*Cantor*

1. The bread which we break, al - le lu - ia,

is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant]

*Cantor*

2. One bo - dy are we, al - le lu - ia,

for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant]

**Anthem** *Hear my words*

*Hear my words, O gracious Lord,  
To my thoughts attentive be  
Hear my cry, my King, my God,  
I will make my prayer to Thee*

*With the morning light O Lord,  
Thou shalt hear my voice arise;  
And expectant I will bring,  
Prayer as morning sacrifice*

Stephen Paulus

*Thou art Holy, O my God  
Thou delightest not in sin;  
Evil shall not dwell with Thee  
Nor the proud Thy favor win*

*Hear my words, O gracious Lord,  
To my thoughts attentive be  
Hear my cry, my King, my God,  
I will make my prayer to Thee*

**Hymn** #343 *Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless*

**The Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Eternal God, by the power of your Word you created all things, and by your Spirit you renew the earth. Give now the water of life to all who thirst for you and nourish with the spiritual food of bread and wine all who hunger for you, that our lives may bear the abundant fruit of your heavenly reign; through Jesus Christ, the first born from the dead. Amen.**

**Sending forth of the Eucharistic Visitors:**

In the name of this congregation I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. We who are many are one body because we share one bread, one cup. Amen.

**The Easter Blessing**

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Ministers of the Liturgy

**Celebrant & Preacher** The Rev. Dr. Judith Lee**Assisting Priest** The Rev. Adolfo Moronta**Organist & Choir Director** Peter Roberts**The St. Nicholas Choir****Lectors** **8AM** Ella Fitzgerald**10AM** Vika O'Hanlon, Cameron Owens **Intercessor:** Eve Bradford**Eucharistic Ministers****8 AM** Brinda Bradley**10 AM** Ray Williams, Malik Bradford**Acolytes** **10 AM** Lauren Reid, James Heffner, Aaron Bradford, Eve Bradford, Jordan Acevado, Mirna Sanchez**Ushers** **8 AM** Stuart Madden**10AM** Margaret Bloomfield, Delroy Chang, Albert Sargent, Bob Soso, Shirley Spencer, Jean Wilson**Eucharistic Visitors:** Eileen McClean, Ray Williams, Carolyn Rogers, Lisa Daley**Coffee Hour** Erika and Barbara Santos **Assistant:** Jane Washington**Nursery Care** is available during the 10:00 AM service.

If you are visiting with us for the first time, we welcome you to Grace Church!

Our liturgy is found in the Book of Common Prayer.

Our communion is open to all baptized Christians.

Please take the time to fill out one of our visitor cards which the ushers have available.

Your presence is a blessing to us; may our worship together be a blessing to you.

**Grace Church Prayer List: We hold the following people in prayer:**

KeAsia Boyles, Corine Bradley, Canon Percy Brathwaite, Joe Brown, Bernice Burton, Bill Coggins, Inez Dale, Bill Dunphy, Cathy Dunphy, Sandra Esannason, Clara Harmon, Marie Huckabry, William Jackson, Jr., Ivy John, Trisha McGuiness, Canon Blake Rider, Gladstone Reid, Leroy Reid, Renee Reid, Uriel Reid, Norman Stanton, Susan Stanton, Laura Stix, Barbara Vigliotti, Stacey Vitale, Natasha Vodyanitskaya, Marthe Watkins, Barbara Wiggins, Charles Wiggins

**Bethel Nursing and Rehabilitation Center:** Verna Brown**Cedar Manor, Ossining:** Robert Auld**Serving in the Armed Forces:** Kenny Duffy, Denny J. Edmondson, David Packer, Sgt. Christopher Vigliotti, Gunnery Sgt. Les Yearwood.

Please call the Parish Office or contact Sandy Gadsden McAllister if you would like to place someone's name on our prayer list.

**Birthdays****Anniversary**

April 16 Elsie Adams

April 17 Albert Sargent

April 20 Nathan Hogan

April 21 Oni Wright

April 20 Linda and Joseph Gallo

## Sundays in April

<b>April 15th</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	Family Service
	<b>11:15 AM</b>	Parish Forum Hosted by the Building & Grounds Committee: Capital Improvements at the Church & Rectory
<b>April 22nd</b>	<b>8 &amp; 10 AM</b>	Earth Day Celebration & Autism Awareness Day: <b>Wear Blue!</b>
	<b>11:15 AM</b>	Coffee Hour with a presentation on Autism Awareness
	<b>11:45 AM</b>	Vestry Meeting
	<b>4:30 PM</b>	Downtown Music; 30th Anniversary Concert
<b>April 29th</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	Prayers for Healing Mother Judith will be away. Fr. Adolfo will be celebrant & preacher

## Sundays in May

<b>May 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10:00AM</b>	Anahaita Kotval, Executive Director of Lifting up Westchester
	<b>11:15 AM</b>	Parish Forum with Anahaita Kotval
<b>May 13th</b>		<b>Mother's Day</b>
	<b>10:00 AM</b>	Family Service
<b>May 20<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>The Feast of Pentecost: Wear Red!</b> Last Choir Day
	<b>11:30 AM</b>	Annual Parish Brunch at La Bocca Ristorante
	<b>4:30 PM</b>	Downtown Music: Young Artists' Program
<b>May 27<sup>th</sup></b>		<b>Memorial Day Weekend</b>

## THIS WEEK AT GRACE

### Tuesday- April 17th

**12:05 PM** Holy Eucharist in the Chapel  
**8:00 PM** Executive Committee – The Rectory

### Wednesday – April 18th

**12:10 PM** Downtown Music at Grace – Celebrating the 30<sup>th</sup> Season!  
**1:30PM-3PM** Bible Study – Library  
**7:30PM-9PM** Bible Study – Library

### Thursday – April 19th

**12:05 PM** Holy Eucharist in the Chapel

### Friday – April 20th

**7:00 PM** La Gracia Bible Study

### Saturday- April 21<sup>st</sup>

**9:00 AM-3:00 PM** Diocesan Training for Eucharistic Ministers & Eucharistic Visitors

## Announcements for the Week of April 15, 2018

### What's New This Week?

**Thank you!** to everyone who helped to make last Sunday's Festival of Divine Mercy memorable and meaningful.

### **Wednesday April 18<sup>th</sup>: 1:30-3 pm & 7:30-9 pm: Bible Study on the Book of Acts [Chapters 5-9]**

Presiding Bishop Michael Curry has invited Episcopalian to share a study of the Book of Acts during the weeks between Easter and Pentecost. We will follow the outline and reflections in *A Journey Through Acts*, ed. Marek Zabriskie (Forward Movement, 2018), which is available on Amazon and from the publisher.

### **Saturday April 21<sup>st</sup> Diocesan Training for Eucharistic Visitors & Eucharistic Ministers at Grace Church.**

Eucharistic Ministers and Eucharistic Visitors whose licenses have expired or who are not licensed, will have an opportunity to attend this bilingual training here at Grace Church / La Gracia from **9:30 am to 2:30 pm**. The cost of the training session is \$25.00 payable at the time of registration or at the door on the day of training. Please speak with Rev. Lee or Fr. Adolfo for scholarship assistance or if you would like to explore joining this ministry. Click on the following link to register for the training session: <https://www.dioceseny.org/ednyevent/eucharistic-ministereucharistic-visitor-training-2-2/>. If you have questions about the training session or need additional information, please contact Sandy Gadsden McAllister at [sunaganataq@aol.com](mailto:sunaganataq@aol.com); 914-923-3033 or Arlene Bullard at [abullard@dioceseny.org](mailto:abullard@dioceseny.org); 212-932-7363.

### **Join Today! [chatwith-grace](#)**

A new Snapchat group chat for J2A/ High school teens\* connected with Grace/La Gracia. Share snaps, be creative, feel connected, tell stories etc. \*chatwith-grace will be monitored by an adult.

**Register Now: April 30<sup>th</sup>: 7 – 10 PM Adult and Pediatric CPR/AED Training:** Grace Church will host this training for leaders, teachers, and liturgical ministers from local churches. This course incorporates the latest science and teaches one how to respond to breathing (choking) and cardiac emergencies to help victims of any age - adults (about 12 years and older) and pediatric (infants and children up to 12 years of age). Those who successfully complete this course will receive a certificate for Adult and Pediatric CPR/AED valid for two years. The cost will be \$50. You may register online at [www.gracechurchwhiteplains.org](http://www.gracechurchwhiteplains.org), or contact Marisol Ortega, or call the parish office.

**Book Club Update:** The Book Club will discuss its May selection, **Sisters in Law: How Sandra Day O'Connor and Ruth Bader Ginsburg Went to the Supreme Court and Changed the World** by Linda Hirshman on Tuesday, May 8, at 7 pm in the church library. Interested in joining the Book Club? Contact Karen Odom ([karenodom@yahoo.com](mailto:karenodom@yahoo.com)).

### **Sign up Now! Annual Spring Brunch at La Bocca on May 20<sup>th</sup> 11:30 am-1:30 pm**

The Grace Church Welcome Committee welcomes you to Spring Brunch at La Bocca on **Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup> from 11:30am –1:30pm**. The cost will be \$40 for adults and \$25 for children ages 6-12. Children under 6 are free. Please write your check out to Grace Church with La Bocca in the memo section . Payments are due by **May 15<sup>th</sup>**. Reserve your place by April 29<sup>th</sup>. Please see Ella Fitzgerald after the 8am service or Sylvia Simon after the 10am service.

### Looking Ahead

#### **Next Sunday: April 22<sup>nd</sup> – Earth Day and Autism Awareness**

Wear light blue in recognition of people living with autism. We will include prayers for Earth Day and for those living with autism in our service, and Melanie and Dan Lynch will give a brief presentation with a video on autism during coffee hour.

## **Next Sunday: April 22nd: 4:30 PM Downtown Music 30th Anniversary Concert: Three**

**Concertos and A World Premiere:** A World Premiere of work for orchestra and narrator, commissioned and narrated by Robert Sherman, caps this anniversary celebration. A gala reception follows.

**May 5<sup>th</sup> – Grace Church will participate in the Diocesan Sacred Sites Project.** We will welcome visitors in the afternoon, **1 PM-4 PM**, with a special demonstration of the organ by Peter Roberts 3-4 pm. Please contact the parish office or Joe Brown if you can serve as a host for any part of this afternoon.

**May 5th - First Saturdays at Grace:** At 5pm we will observe *Cinco de Mayo* with Eucharist in the Renaissance Square Garden with a Mariachi band.

## **May 6th: Parish Forum with Anahaita Kotval, Executive Director of Lifting Up Westchester**

Anahaita Kotval will preach at the 10 AM service and will lead a discussion at a parish forum after the 10 AM service. She will also speak with the congregation at the 8 AM and 12:30 PM services.

## **September 7 & 8 – Parish Retreat: *Be Filled with The Holy Spirit***

How would you like to transform your life? Nourish your spiritual life and find the purpose you're been seeking?

**October 28<sup>th</sup> – Bishop's Visitation:** Bishop Dietsche will make his triennial visitation to Grace La Gracia. Watch for more news about preparations for Confirmation or Reception into the Episcopal Church. Please see Rev. Lee if you are exploring the possibility of being received or confirmed.

## **General Information:**

**Note:** In upgrading our Microsoft software, some email addresses were inadvertently deleted from our database. If you know anyone who is not receiving parish emails, please ask them contact Maria Campos at [mcampos@gracechurchwhiteplains.org](mailto:mcampos@gracechurchwhiteplains.org) or 914-949-2874.

## **Paying Pledges by check or online**

We now offer the opportunity to pay your pledge through PayPal on our website ([www.gracechurchwhiteplains.org/Giving](http://www.gracechurchwhiteplains.org/Giving)). If you pay by check, please note the current posted date and write your pledge number on the memo line. To arrange automatic payments of your pledge, please contact Maria Romeo in the parish office ([mromeo@gracechurchwhiteplains.org](mailto:mromeo@gracechurchwhiteplains.org)).

## **Counters**

There is an urgent need for counters. The task is not difficult. You will be a member of a two-person team and are only required to count once a month after church service. The task usually takes less than an hour of your time. We especially need individuals familiar with Excel. For more information please contact Jim Brown at [Brown12West@yahoo.com](mailto:Brown12West@yahoo.com).



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