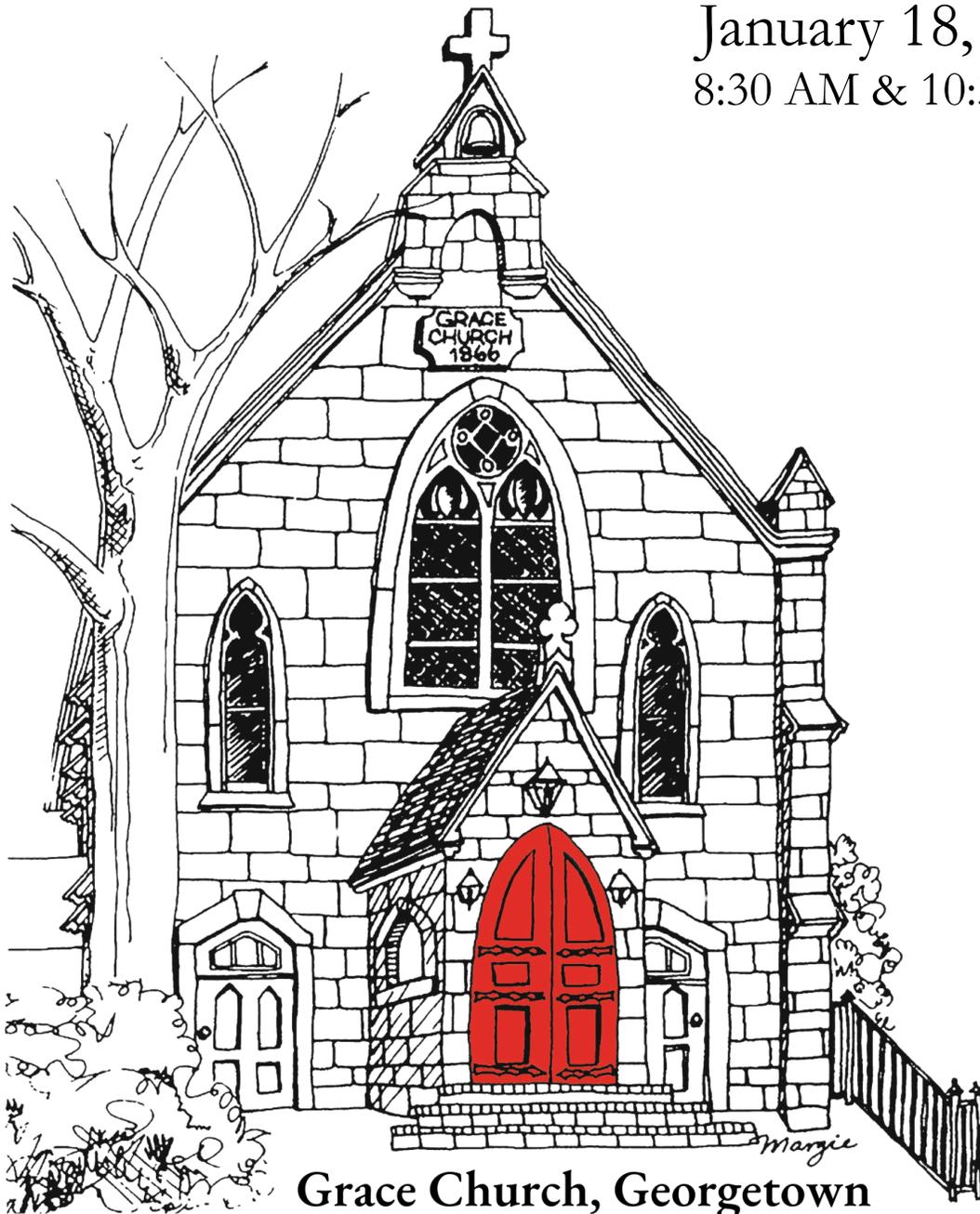


# The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Holy Eucharist

January 18, 2026

8:30 AM & 10:30 AM



Grace Church, Georgetown

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## Welcome to Grace Church

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We are so glad that you are worshiping with us this morning! If you are visiting or want to know more about Grace, please visit our website for more information: [gracedc.org](http://gracedc.org).

Let this bulletin be your guide for the service; it includes everything you need.

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**Second Lesson:** To Come  
**Prayers of the People:** To Come  
**Communion Minister:** Helen Buhr  
**Greeter:** To Come  
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We are delighted that you are here to worship God with us this morning!

This worship bulletin contains the full text of the liturgy, including hymns, prayers, scripture readings, and some explanations and instructions at key points in our service. You are also welcome to use the Book of Common Prayer and Hymnals found at your seat if you prefer.

The Episcopal Church is part of the liturgical tradition, which has ancient roots in Jewish and early Christian worship. If this tradition is unfamiliar to you, please follow along as best as you are able and do not hesitate to ask someone nearby for assistance. For those who are familiar with our liturgy and how we navigate it, please keep an eye out for anyone among us who might need guidance and be prepared to offer them assistance and assurance. The God whom we come together to worship today is less interested in us ‘getting everything just right’ than in the attitude and inclination of our hearts. We believe that you are here because God has led you here today. Our intention is to welcome you as a beloved child of the living God, and make space for you to experience that love.

Our mission is simple and straightforward:

Grace Church manifests God’s love by offering a sacred space in Georgetown where diverse communities weave together their gifts and blessings.

We welcome each person as a beloved neighbor.

Welcome Home to Grace.

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*As we prepare for worship, we are invited to rest in God’s presence, stilling our hearts and quieting our minds*

## Liturgical Note:

- **Opening Dialogue** (“The Lord be with you...”),
  - **Sanctus** (“Holy, holy, holy Lord...”),
  - **Epiclesis**, the prayer asking the Holy Spirit to bless and sanctify the gifts,
  - **Words of Institution**, recounting Jesus’ words at the Last Supper,
  - **Anamnesis**, our remembrance of Christ’s death, resurrection, and coming again,
  - **Memorial Acclamation** (“We remember his death...”), and then flows directly into the **Lord’s Prayer**.
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## PRELUDE

*Wondrous Love*

David N. Johnson (1922-1987)

# The Word of God

## OPENING HYMN H543

*O Zion, Tune Thy Voice*

*10:30 a.m. service only – All stand as they are able.*

1 O Zi - on, tune thy voice, and raise thy hands on  
2 He gilds thy morn-ing face with beams that can - not  
3 In hon - or to his Name re - flect that sa - cred  
4 There on his ho - ly hill a bright - er sun shall

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "O Zion, Tune Thy Voice". It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff at the top and a bass clef staff at the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff, with four numbered lines of text corresponding to the four lines of the hymn. The lyrics are: "1 O Zi - on, tune thy voice, and raise thy hands on", "2 He gilds thy morn-ing face with beams that can - not", "3 In hon - or to his Name re - flect that sa - cred", and "4 There on his ho - ly hill a bright - er sun shall".

high; tell all the earth thy joys, and boast sal -  
fade; his all - re - splen - dent grace he pours a -  
light; and loud that grace pro - claim, which makes thy  
rise, and with his ra - diance fill those fair - er

va - tion nigh. Cheer - ful in God, a -  
round thy head; the na - tions round thy  
dark - ness bright; pur - sue his praise, till  
pur - er skies; while round his throne ten

rise and shine, while rays di - vine stream all a - broad.  
form shall view, with lus - ter new di - vine - ly crowned.  
sov - ereign love in worlds a - bove the glo - ry raise.  
thou - sand stars in no - bler spheres his in - fluence own.

*All remain standing as they are able.*

*Celebrant:* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People:* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*All:* **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.**

# SONG OF PRAISE H421

## *All Glory be to God on High*

Spoken at 8:30 a.m. service. Sung at 10:30 a.m. service.



1 All glo - ry be to God on high, and peace on earth from  
2 O Lamb of God, Lord Je - sus Christ, whom God the Fa - ther  
3 You on - ly are the Ho - ly One, who came for our sal -  
hea - ven, and God's good will un - fail - ing - ly be  
gave us, who for the world was sac - ri - ficed up -  
va - tion, and on - ly you are God's true Son, who  
to all peo - ple giv - en. We bless, we wor - ship you, we raise for  
on the cross to save us; and, as you sit at God's right hand and  
was be - fore cre - a - tion. You on - ly, Christ, as Lord we own and,  
your great glo - ry thanks and praise, O God, Al - might - y Fa - ther.  
we for judg - ment there must stand, have mer - cy, Lord, up - on us.  
with the Spi - rit, you a - lone share in the Fa - ther's glo - ry.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever.

*People:* **Amen.**

*The people sit.*

## THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 49:1-7

*Reader:* A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

Listen to me, O coastlands,  
pay attention, you peoples from far away!  
The LORD called me before I was born,  
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.  
He made my mouth like a sharp sword,  
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;  
he made me a polished arrow,  
in his quiver he hid me away.  
And he said to me, "You are my servant,  
Israel, in whom I will be glorified."  
But I said, "I have labored in vain,  
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;  
yet surely my cause is with the LORD,  
and my reward with my God."

And now the LORD says,  
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,  
to bring Jacob back to him,  
and that Israel might be gathered to him,  
for I am honored in the sight of the LORD,  
and my God has become my strength--  
he says,  
"It is too light a thing that you should be my servant  
to raise up the tribes of Jacob  
and to restore the survivors of Israel;  
I will give you as a light to the nations,  
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

Thus says the LORD,  
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,

to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,  
the slave of rulers,  
“Kings shall see and stand up,  
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,  
because of the LORD, who is faithful,  
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## THE PSALM

Psalm 40:1-12

*Reader:* Let us recite the Psalm responsively by half verse.

*The people read the words in bold.*

- 1 I waited patiently upon the LORD; \*  
**he stooped to me and heard my cry.**
- 2 He lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay; \*  
**he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.**
- 3 He put a new song in my mouth,  
a song of praise to our God; \*  
**many shall see, and stand in awe,  
and put their trust in the LORD.**
- 4 Happy are they who trust in the LORD! \*  
**they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods.**
- 5 Great things are they that you have done, O LORD my God!  
how great your wonders and your plans for us! \*  
**there is none who can be compared with you.**
- 6 Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! \*  
**but they are more than I can count.**

7 In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure \*

**(you have given me ears to hear you);**

8 Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required, \*

**and so I said, "Behold, I come.**

9 In the roll of the book it is written concerning me: \*

**'I love to do your will, O my God;**

**your law is deep in my heart.'"**

10 I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation; \*

**behold, I did not restrain my lips;**

**and that, O LORD, you know.**

11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;

I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; \*

**I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the  
great congregation.**

12 You are the LORD;

do not withhold your compassion from me; \*

**let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever.**

## THE SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

*Reader:* A reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians.

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

# SEQUENCE HYMN H136 in LEVAS

## *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*

10:30 a.m. service only – All stand as they are able.h

1. I have de - cid - ed \_\_\_\_\_ to fol - low Je - sus, \_\_\_\_\_  
2. Though no one join me, \_\_\_\_\_ still I will fol - low, \_\_\_\_\_  
3. The world be - hind me, \_\_\_\_\_ the cross be - fore me, \_\_\_\_\_

1. \_ I have de - cid - ed \_\_\_\_\_ to fol - low Je - sus, \_\_\_\_\_  
2. \_ Though no one join me, \_\_\_\_\_ still I will fol - low, \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_ The world be - hind me, \_\_\_\_\_ the cross be - fore me, \_\_\_\_\_

1. \_ I have de - cid - ed \_\_\_\_\_ to fol - low Je - sus, \_\_\_\_\_  
2. \_ Though no one join me, \_\_\_\_\_ still I will fol - low, \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_ The world be - hind me, \_\_\_\_\_ the cross be - fore me, \_\_\_\_\_

— No turn - ing back, \_\_\_\_\_ no turn - ing back! \_\_\_\_\_  
(no turn - ing back,)

## THE GOSPEL

John 1:29-42

*All stand as they are able.*

*Deacon:* The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

*Deacon:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

## **THE SERMON**

**The Reverend David C. Wacaster**

*Following the sermon we keep a period of silence for individual reflection*

## **THE NICENE CREED**

*All stand as they are able.*

**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.**

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Celebrant:* God of light and life, our prayers rise before you this day  
in hope and faith.

*Leader:* Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

*People:* **That we all may be one.**

*Leader:* Grant that every member of the Church may truly  
and humbly serve you;

*People:* **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

*Leader:* We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

*People:* **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word  
and Sacraments.**

*Leader:* We pray for all who govern and hold authority  
in the nations of the world;

*People:* **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

*Leader:* Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

*People:* **That we may find favor in your sight.**

*Leader:* Have compassion on those who suffer from  
any grief or trouble;

*People:* **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

*Leader:* Give to the departed eternal rest.

*People:* **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

*Leader:* We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

*People:* **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

*Leader:* Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*(Please add your own prayers for those in need)*

*Celebrant:* God of radiant light, your love illumines our hopes before we know them, and our needs before we ask. Kindle your flame within us, that in our prayers and service, we may know your transforming presence at work in the world around us. All this we ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

*All:* **Amen.**

## CONFESSION

*Deacon:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All:* **Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name.  
Amen.**

*Celebrant:* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

## THE PEACE

*All stand as they are able.*

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord. After which, the people sit.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

For a full listing of announcements and volunteer opportunities, please turn to pages 24-27.

## THE OFFERTORY & PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

### OFFERTORY

*Sung by the choir*

*There is a Balm in Gilead*

Spiritual Arranged by Carl Haywood (b. 1949)

*The altar is prepared for Holy Communion.*



Donate to Grace

*Your offering gifts may be placed in the offering plate as it is passed around. All are also invited to support Grace Church's ministry of sharing God's love with the world by scanning this QR code: it takes you right to the Grace Church PayPal donation page. You may also contribute through our website at [gracedc.org/give-to-grace](http://gracedc.org/give-to-grace), and through your regular contributions in-person or by mail.*

### Communion @ Grace

Everyone is invited to receive Holy Communion. Communion will be distributed by the priest and communion minister standing below the altar steps, center aisle. Please approach the priest by the center aisle. The priest will place the bread in your hand. Gluten free wafers are available by request. If you prefer not to receive communion, please cross your arms over your torso for the priest to bless you. Please return to your seat by the side aisle.

*Please stand as the peoples' offerings are carried forward*

# The Holy Communion

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A

*All stand as they are able.*

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

*People:* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People:* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant continues...*

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

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 S 129

Robert Powell (b. 1932)

*Spoken at 8:30 a.m. service. Sung at 10:30 a.m. – Celebrant and People:*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



*The Celebrant continues...*

Holy and gracious God: 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 Parent 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.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All: Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his birth, life, 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.

**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.**

# THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People:* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

## FRACTION HYMN H439

### *What Wondrous Love Is This, O My Soul!*

*Unison*

1 What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What  
2 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, to  
3 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and  
won-drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is this that  
God and to the Lamb, I will sing. To God and to the Lamb who  
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on. And when from death I'm free I'll  
caused the Lord of bliss to lay a-side his crown for my  
is the great I AM, while mil-lions join the theme, I will  
sing and joy-ful be, and through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing  
soul, for my soul, to lay a-side his crown for my soul.  
sing, I will sing, while mil-lions join the theme I will sing.  
on, I'll sing on, and through e-ter-ni-ty I'll sing on.

*Celebrant:* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*The people may be seated. The ministers deliver the Sacrament to the people.*

*The following music is played during Communion.*

## COMMUNION MUSIC

### *Public Domain Epiphany Hymns*

## THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

*All:* Almighty and everlasting God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out to do the work  
you have given us to do, to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever.  
Amen.

## THE BLESSING

*Celebrant:* May Almighty God, who led the Wise Men by the shining of  
a star to find the Christ, the Light from Light, lead you also,  
in your pilgrimage, to find the Lord.

*People:* Amen.

*Celebrant:* May God, who sent the Holy Spirit to rest upon the  
Only begotten at his baptism in the Jordan River, pour out  
that same Spirit on you who have come to the waters of new  
birth.

*People:* Amen.

*Celebrant:* May God, by the power that turned water into wine at the  
wedding feast at Cana, transform your lives and make glad  
your hearts.

*People:* Amen.

*Celebrant:* And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

*People:* **Amen.**

## POST COMMUNION HYMN H7

## *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies*

*10:30 a.m. service only – All stand as they are able.*

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are arranged in three columns, corresponding to the three parts of the hymn.

1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true, the on - ly Light,  
2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pan - ied by thee;  
3 Vis - it then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!

Sun of Right-eous - ness, a - rise! Tri-umph o'er the shades of night:  
joy-less is the day's re - turn, till thy mer - cy's beams I see,  
Fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine; scat - ter all my un - be - lief;

Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.  
till they in - ward light im - part, glad my eyes, and warm my heart.  
more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.

## DISMISSAL

*Deacon:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God!**

## POSTLUDE

*All Glory be to God on High*  
Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748)

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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*If you have news, announcements, or updates you would like included in our weekly announcements, please email [office@gracedc.org](mailto:office@gracedc.org)*

## *Updates from Grace*

### **2025 Christmas Donations: Thank You to All Who Donated!**

Thank you to all who donated this past Christmas season, and to those listed below who made their gift in honor or memory of loved ones.

Gene and Joyce Wubbels, in honor of Marilyn Brattskar  
Richard Meyer, in memory of Sharon Kay Meyer  
Diana Edwards, in memory of Pauline, Frederick, & Siana Edwards  
Mary Ann Ruehling, in memory of Kathryn Gissing  
Sally Stanfield, in memory of Pat Fields and Sue Carol  
Terry Murphy & Patricia Sherman, in memory of Mal Murphy  
Martin L. & Faye M. Kerns, in memory of Eugene M., Audrey Kearns, and William & Almeda G. Marsden

### **Open Mic Nights @ Grace Church | January 26 @ 7 PM**

We are having monthly Open Mic nights in the Sanctuary. Come and enjoy a cup of coffee and share! Poetry, music, and original works encouraged; all are welcome to join!

### **Office Hours**

Our office will be closed on Monday, January 19, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

The normal office hours are Monday - Friday, from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm.

The office can be reached by email at [office@gracedc.org](mailto:office@gracedc.org), and by phone at 202-333-7100.

### **Koinonia Groups**

The Koinonia fellowship groups consist of small groups of people who meet periodically, either in members' homes or in another location of their choice, for food, conversation, and fun. For additional information contact Alecia Torres Valdez at [aleciatorresv@gmail.com](mailto:aleciatorresv@gmail.com).

### **Virtual Gatherings Calendar**

*Tuesdays* - Centering Prayer 12:15 p.m. (Questions? Email [helen.buhr@gracedc.org](mailto:helen.buhr@gracedc.org))  
(NOTE: Email [office@gracedc.org](mailto:office@gracedc.org) to receive zoom links. All Sunday services will be in person. The 10:30 am service will also be live streamed when trained technical personnel are available. The service can be viewed on Grace's YouTube channel. Search for Grace Episcopal Church, Georgetown Washington, DC and subscribe to our channel.)

### **Pastoral Care and Pastoral Care Committee**

The Pastoral Care Committee prays for members and friends, especially those feeling alone, even bereft. Email [office@gracedc.org](mailto:office@gracedc.org) to let the committee know if someone needs a check-in, a listening ear, or special prayers. The committee also enjoys their continuing ministry of delivering meals to families with newborns!

### **Note on Communications from the Rector**

The Rector will never solicit financial gifts or gift cards via text message or email. If you receive such a communication please report it to your internet or cell service provider and delete the message. If you receive any other unusual communication purporting to be from our clergy or the church, please first verify that it was sent from the clergy's cell phone number or their official @gracedc.org email addresses. If you are still uncertain of the origins of the communication, please contact the church office directly! Thank you.

## ***Volunteer Opportunities***

### **Interested in Volunteering at Grace Church?**

We need Readers – Eucharistic Ministers – Coffee Hour Hosts – and especially Broadcast Technicians! Contact Helen Buhr, at [helen.buhr@gracedc.org](mailto:helen.buhr@gracedc.org), to get involved!

### **Georgetown Ministry Center:**

Want to help volunteer with GMC or want to donate items? Contact [info@gmccgt.org](mailto:info@gmccgt.org) or (202) 338-830.

### **Grace's Table / Saturdays 10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.**

Grace's Table is a Saturday morning feeding ministry for the unhoused and those living on the margins. We are so grateful for our wonderful volunteers and are hoping to expand our team, which would allow us to share the responsibilities more broadly. Please consider providing some portion of the meal or helping serve and assist with set up & clean up. Come join us! Please contact Beth Lee at [gracetable@gracedc.org](mailto:gracetable@gracedc.org) for more info or to volunteer.

## **Georgetown Village**

### **Georgetown Village Square, 1801 34th St. NW**

Are you looking to help others in our local community? Georgetown Village, a nonprofit organization committed to helping older adults thrive while aging in place, is in need of volunteers to meet a number of important needs, such as driving older adults to medical appointments, making friendly visits, providing tech support, and more. This is a great opportunity to make a positive difference in the lives of your neighbors! Reach out to [info@georgetown-village.org](mailto:info@georgetown-village.org) for more information.

## ***Beyond the Gates of Grace***

### **Voices from the Holy Land Online Film Salon | January 18 @ 3 PM**

On Sunday January 18, join the online salon, “Total Impunity: International Law and the Israel Exception.” at 3:00 pm ET. Register at [Tinyurl.com/VFHL-January2026](https://www.tinyurl.com/VFHL-January2026)

### **Deep Dive: Countering Christian Nationalism for Formation Leaders | January 28 & February 11 @ 7 PM**

A two part Zoom series hosted by Province 3 of the Episcopal Church for learning on the topic of understanding and countering Christian Nationalism, as well as conversation and Q&A time. Registration can be found via <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/deep-dive-countering-christian-nationalism-for-formation-leaders-tickets-1976463477466?aff=oddtcreator>

### **Icon Writing Workshop & Retreat | February 5-7**

St. Luke’s Episcopal Church, Washington, D.C. will host an Icon Workshop with iconographer and Episcopal Priest, The Reverend Peter Pearson, OFM. No previous experience or natural talent is required. We paint, pray, and follow the simple step-by-step instructions. For more information and to register: email Father John Ball: [Johnball0450@gmail.com](mailto:Johnball0450@gmail.com) or call: 202-667-4394 office 240-434-2998 cell



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## Grace's Mission Statement

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Grace Church manifests God's love by offering a sacred space  
in Georgetown where diverse communities weave together their gifts and blessings.  
We welcome each person as a beloved neighbor.

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### Upcoming Events

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- Sunday, January 25th** 8:30 AM Holy Eucharist, *Contemplative Service*  
The Third Sunday after 9:30 AM Adult Forum, in the Parish Hall  
the Epiphany 10:15 AM Prayers for the Fallen, the Nation, and the World, at  
the Memorial Cross  
10:30 AM Holy Eucharist with music & live-streamed  
*Coffee Hour after 10:30 service*
- Monday, January 26th** 7:00 PM Open Mic Night, in the Sanctuary
- Sunday, February 1st** 8:30 AM Holy Eucharist, *Contemplative Service*  
The Fourth Sunday after 9:30 AM Adult Forum, in the Parish Hall  
the Epiphany 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist with music & live-streamed  
*Coffee Hour after 10:30 service*
- Sunday, February 8th** 8:30 AM Holy Eucharist, *Contemplative Service*  
The Fifth Sunday after 9:30 AM Adult Forum, in the Parish Hall  
the Epiphany 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist with music & live-streamed  
*Coffee Hour after 10:30 service*
- Sunday, February 15th** 8:30 AM Holy Eucharist, *Contemplative Service*  
The Sixth Sunday after 9:30 AM Adult Forum, in the Parish Hall  
the Epiphany 10:30 AM Holy Eucharist with music & live-streamed  
*Coffee Hour after 10:30 service*

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### Recurring Events

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- Last **Monday** 7 PM Open Mic Night, in the Sanctuary  
of each Month
- Tuesdays** 12:15 PM Virtual Centering Prayer
- Saturdays** 11 AM - 12:15 PM Grace's Table Feeding Ministry  
Contact Beth Lee at [gracetable@gracedc.org](mailto:gracetable@gracedc.org) for more info.
- Office Hours** 9 AM - 2 PM Monday - Friday  
(The Rector's regular day off is Friday)



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