

The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

Celebration of Black History Month

February 10, 2019

HOLY EUCHARIST

Prelude: Lento

Mendelssohn

Please stand

Hymn #401 *The God of Abraham praise*

The Opening Acclamation **BCP 355**

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

Collect

BCP 355

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open all desires known, and from you no secret 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

Barrie Cabena

5
Glo - ry to God in the High - est
and peace to his peo ple on earth Lord God heavn' ly King
9
Al migh ty God and Fa - ther We wor - ship - you, we give - you - thanks we
13
Praise - you for your glo - ry. Lord, Je - sus - Christ on ly Son of the
17
Fa - ther Lord God Lamb of - god, you take a way the
21
sin - of the World: have mer - cy on us; you are sea - ted - at - the
26
right hand of the Fa - ther, re - ceive - our prayers for you a lone are the
30
ho - ly - one, you a lone are the Lord you a lone are the most - High
35
Je - sus - Christ with the Ho - ly - Spi - rit in the glo - ry of god - the -
39
Fa - - - ther A - - - men.

Collect

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

The First Reading Isaiah 6:1-8, [9-13]

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory."

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!" [And he said, "Go and say to this people:

'Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.'

Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed."

Then I said, "How long, O Lord?" And he said: "Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate; until the LORD sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land. Even if a tenth part remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled." The holy seed is its stump.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 138



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*Jerome Webster Meacham
(b. 1930)*



1 I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; *before the gods I will sing your praise.

2 I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, ***because of your love and faithfulness;**

3 For you have glorified your Name ***and your word above all things.**

4 When I called, you answered me; ***you increased my strength within me.**

5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O LORD, ***when they have heard the words of your mouth.**

6 They will sing of the ways of the LORD, ***that great is the glory of the LORD.**

7 Though the LORD be high, he cares for the lowly; ***he perceives the haughty from afar.**

8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; ***you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.**

9 The LORD will make good his purpose for me; ***O LORD, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands**

The Epistle A Reading from the Letter from the Corinthians 15:1-11

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you--unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them--though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Sequence Hymn #671 Amazing Grace

The Gospel: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke 5:1-11

All: Glory to You Lord Christ

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help

them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to You Lord Christ.

The Homily 8 AM The Rev. Dr. Chip Graves **10 AM** Nathaniel Graves

The Nicene Creed BCP 358

The Prayers of the People

In faith, hope and love let us pray for God's people throughout the world, for our Presiding Bishop Michael and for our Bishops Andrew, Allen, and Mary, for this gathering, and for the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic church, saying:

Lord, make us one.

That we worship God in spirit and in truth. For the peace that comes from God alone, for the unity of all peoples, and for the salvation of souls.

Let us pray in the will of Christ:

Lord, make us one.

That we may be freed from our sins against one another, from prejudice and hasty judgment; from ignorance or pride; from isolation and exclusivity; from apathy and complacency.

Let us pray in the forgiveness of Christ:

Lord, make us one.

That the leaders of all nations may seek peace and justice, and that they may give priority to the poor and the homeless, to children, refugees and victims of random violence,

Let us pray in the spirit of Christ:

Lord, make us one.

That the churches may discover again their unity in the one baptism, that we may share joy and wonder at God's works.

Let us pray with the heart of Christ:

Lord, make us one.

That this congregation may discern God's purpose for Grace/ La Gracia with wisdom and courage, Let us pray in the strength of Christ:

Lord, make us one.

That our homes may be filled with grace during this coming year, and that our families may have confidence and peace in following Christ.

Let us pray in the wisdom of Christ:

Lord, make us one.

That we may care for the earth that God has given us and conserve it wisely.

Let us pray in the peace of Christ:

Lord, make us one.

That all Christians may embrace together Christ's command to care for those in need; the sick, the poor, the hungry, the lonely, the outcast.

Let us pray in the mercy of Christ:

Lord make us one.

Priest: Eternal God, giver of love and peace, you call us to live together as one community; give us grace to learn your ways and to fulfill your purpose, that we may bring justice and peace to all people, in the name of Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God now and forever. **Amen**

The Confession BCP 360

The Peace

Please be seated.

Announcements

The Offertory

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

Offertory Anthem: There is a Balm in Gilead

William Dawson

Please stand

Offertory Hymn #686 *Come, thou font of every blessing*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer A BCP 361

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus and Benedictus

Barrie Cabena

1
Ho - ly Ho - ly Ho - ly — Lord God — of —
6
Pow - er and — mght heav'n — and — earth are full — of your glo - ry Ho -
12
sa - na in the High - est Bles - sed is — he who — comes in the
17
name — of the Lord Ho - sa - 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 our Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 364

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sin of the world, have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
 take a - way the sin of the world have mer - cy on us Lamb of
 God you take a - way the sin of the world grant us
 peace.

The Invitation BCP 364**The Holy Communion**

You are invited and welcome to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

Anthem 1. Let your Little Light Shine.

Pamela Warrick-Smith

2.Thuma Mina

Please stand

Hymn #325 *Let us break bread together*

The Prayer of Thanksgiving BCP 365

Let us pray.

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.**

Blessing

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn #535 *Ye Servants of God*

Postlude: Toccata

Théodore Dubois

Dismissal

Celebrant & Preacher The Rev. Dr. Chip Graves

Organist Peter Roberts

Lectors 8 AM Mary Baker, Ella Fitzgerald

10 AM Hillary Fleming, Carlos Muñoz Intercessor: Jean Wilson

Eucharistic Ministers 8AM Brinda Bradley

10AM Ray Williams, Melanie Jackson

Acolytes Rudy Breach, Kaylee Owens, Cameron Owens, Harrison Richards, Ivana Richards, Mirna Sanchez, Amy Owens

Ushers 10 AM Lisa Daley, Hillary Fleming, Ginger Waters, Paxton Louis, Olivet Williams
Eucharistic Visitors: Judith Hutton, Cecilia Paegler, Marie Barrow

Vestry Greeter: Joseph Gallo

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.

The altar flowers are given in memoriam of Thomas Nastas, brother of Linda Gallo.

Lemuel Porras Aguadera will always be in our thoughts, forever in our hearts the Lorenzo Family

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

Steven Ancona, Corine Bradley, Norene Bueti, Bernice Burton, Gloria Chang, Cynthia Cole, Inez Dale, Jimmy Delaney, Carol DiGilio, Vincent Doria, Bill Dunphy, Cathy Dunphy, Sandra Esannason, Lydia Green, Sylvia Howard, Ivy John, Evgeniy Kaufman, Grace Kim, Manoris Long, Paxton Louis, Janice Moore, Giovanna Mustac, Selena Perry, Gladstone Reid, Leroy Reid, Renee Reid, Uriel Reid, Charlotte Roberson, Phil Sawyer, Marilyn Seimia, Norman Stanton, Susan Stanton, Natasha Vodyanitskaya, Marthe Watkins

Bethel Nursing and Rehabilitation Center: Verna Brown

Cedar Manor, Ossining: Robert Auld

Sarah Neumann, Mamaroneck: Nellie King

Serving in the Armed Forces: Kenny Duffy, Denny J. Edmondson, Christopher P. Halstead, 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

Sunday, February 10th Monica Braithwaite, Martha C. Watkins

Monday, February 11th Mrs. Ryan E. Heaney-Farnoli

Wednesday, February 13th Wayne Elliott, Dr. Ann Forster

Thursday, February 14th Mrs. Lindsay Larson, Victor A. Chung

Friday, February 15th Yvette C. Edmondson

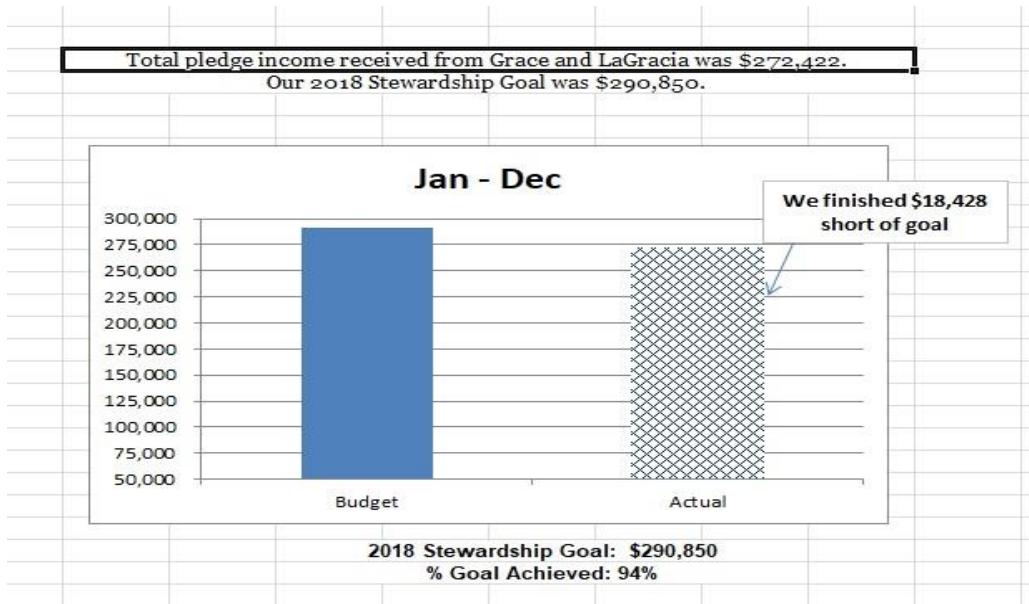
Saturday, February 16th Mrs. Joyce G. Sampson, James M. Heffner

Anniversaries

Thursday, February 14th Donna & Daryl Graves, Amy & Brian Owens

Please contact the Parish office to update birthday or anniversary entries for 2019.

In the effort to communicate to the congregation about our progress toward meeting our 2018 Stewardship Goal, the below chart shows Total Pledges for January – Dec. (actual vs. budget) for Grace and La Gracia. This chart will be updated each month.



THIS WEEK AT GRACE

Tuesday, February 12th

12:05 PM Eucharist in the Chapel
7:00 PM The Book Club - Library

Wednesday, February 13th

12:10 PM Downtown Music at Grace

Thursday, February 14th

10:30 AM LUW Meeting - Library
12:05 PM Eucharist in the Chapel
7:30 PM Santa Eucaristía in the Church

Dear Parishioners,

Grace La Gracia, it is so fantastic to be here with you. And I want to get to know each and every one of you. My best times to meet are on Wednesdays or Thursdays in the afternoon between 2 PM and 4 PM. Please contact me beforehand to ensure I'm in the office.

My email is therewchipgraves@gmail.com and my cell is 304-615-2106.

Furthermore, please remember that it may take me a while to catch everyone's name as I am meeting literally hundreds of wonderful new people over the next few weeks. It may help to remind me of your name in the beginning.

I look forward to seeing you.

God Bless,

Fr. Chip

Sundays in February

Grace Church celebrates Black History through a series of enriching events.

February 10th Reflections
February 12th Book Club Discussion
February 17th Meaning Expressions
February 24th Spreading Joy

"Here I am Lord, send me." Isaiah 6:8

Make an offering in thanks that God calls you for a special purpose and a special reason as you are uniquely you.

The ECW will have United Thank Offering (UTO) boxes available during coffee hour for those who did not yet get one. Stop by the table for a blue box or more information about the UTO. To learn more about the United Thank Offering (UTO) click the link on our e-newsletter or refer to UTO Information Poster on the bulletin board near the parish hall.

What's New

February 10th - 10:00 AM ALL Classes Meet; Rite 13 Prep for Celebration Liturgy

February 2019 Acolyte Rota, Lector Schedule and Lessons are now available in our Grace La Gracia weekly E-newsletter under General Information.

Copies of Grace Church 2018 Budget – Annual Parish Meeting held on January 27, 2019 are available at the table in back of the church and in our Grace La Gracia weekly e-newsletter under General Information.

Looking Ahead:

Volunteers and Donations Needed for President's Day - Monday, February 18th

Just a reminder that the staff at our soup kitchen will get a day off on President's Day – and volunteers will be serving our guests. We generally get started at 8:30am and are finished by 11:30am. Please come for all or a part of the event. Fresh fruit, salads, side dishes and drinks would be especially appreciated. We'll also be distributing shoes and clothing (donations should be gently worn and suitable for the season). Please contact Michael Heffner or Walter Simon if you have questions or would like to participate. Thank you for being involved!

S.A.G.E.: Our next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, March 6, 2019 at 1:30 PM** in the library.

The Book Club

In recognition of Black History Month, join the Book Club in discussing February's selection, **The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness** by Michelle Alexander, on Tuesday, Feb 12th, in the church library at 7pm.

Interested in joining the Book Club? Contact Karen Odom (karenodom@yahoo.com)

The Winter Angelus is available in the church and on our website.

With many thanks to all who contributed to this edition. It truly is a blessing to be able to tap into so many of the activities of Grace/La Gracia on a quarterly basis in a single publication.

The deadline for submission to the Spring Angelus is February 15.

Next ECW meeting will be held on **Sunday, February 17th** at 11:45 AM in the library.

Pastoral Care

We are inviting members who have a passion for serving others to join our Pastoral Care team. This ministry means so much to our members and it just might change your life. Please contact Sandy Gadsden at sunaganatag@aol.com for more information.

Lectors Needed

Volunteers are needed for all services including the Family service, every third Sunday of the month. If you are available for one or both of these services, please provide your contact information on the signup sheet located on the bulletin board near the parish hall. Please contact Ray Williams or Michael Heffner

All Cooks, Bakers: As our Rector, Fr. Chip is newly arrived and very busy settling in as the Rector, it would be wonderful if we helped him by providing some home cooked meals for his refrigerator and/or freezer. Please feel free to sign up on the sheet outside the Parish Hall. Any questions? Please speak with Linda Gallo

Join Our Volunteer Choir

Please consider joining our volunteer choir. We have inspiring, soulful and uplifting music for you to enjoy in the warm company of our dedicated, long time members. This invitation also extends to the younger members of our church community. We are delighted to have our kids sing in the 10am service every third Sunday of the month. The children's choir will be practicing every Sunday right after service in the choir room. All are welcome! Peter Roberts

Remember those you love by signing up for flowers to adorn the Altar for our worship. The signup sheets for February, March, April and May are located on the bulletin board near the parish hall.

Celebrate Black History Month with Grace

Grace Church celebrates Black History through a series of enriching events.

February 10th Reflections

Our very own Nathaniel Graves will again inspire us with insightful commentary and reflections as a guest speaker during the 10 am service, followed by a special coffee hour presentation focused on the wounds resulting from slavery, lynching and The Holocaust by members of the National Memorial for Peace and Justice.

February 12th Book Club Discussion

Join the Grace Church Book Club on Tuesday, February 12, at 7 pm in the church library for what is sure to be an enlightening conversation about their Black History Month selection. **The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness** by Michelle Alexander is a compelling and sobering exploration of the implementation of a new Jim Crow era through the incarceration of black men under the guise drug enforcement. Come even if you haven't read the book—it just may change the way you view the world.

February 17th Meaningful Expressions

Our celebration continues with meaningful hymns and personal expressions through African garb or a combination of African colors—red, green or black—worn by parishioners.

February 24th Spreading Joy

Join us in culminating a month of celebrating Black History when The Hon. Delores Brathwaite, Greenburgh Town Justice and Grace Church parishioner, will return with her always thought-provoking words of wisdom as a guest speaker during the 10 am service. We will end with a joyful celebration of food and refreshments that reflects our diverse culture. Everyone is invited to bring a dish. Please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the Parish Hall.

*A heartfelt thanks to all who have helped to make this another celebration to be remembered!
Marie Barrow and Karen Odom*



Where Hope Takes Flight—One Person At A Time

