

GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Lexington Parish of the Episcopal Diocese of Southwestern Virginia

March 6, 2022

First Sunday in Lent

10:30 a.m.

Announcements - *Today*

As we pray for an end to violence and for those fleeing Ukraine, please also pray for Episcopal Relief & Development and other ecumenical agencies working to respond to the current crisis. Specific needs will change as the crisis evolves. As of right now, there is a need for food, water and shelter. Please consider partnering with Episcopal Relief & Development in this response. Visit episcopalrelief.org/ukraine-crisis for more information.

Creating a Legacy at Grace Episcopal Church—Parish Hall, 9:15 Recent Vestry-designated Planned Giving Shepherds Dave Hansen and Dennis Cross will lead a discussion of the establishment of a Legacy Society and how individuals can prudently plan life decisions and personal resources and possessions to reflect faithful stewardship, personal values, and an interest in having a role in securing Grace Episcopal's future vitality and ministries.

Upcoming:

March 13, Parish Hall, 9:15 - Nick Moga, DIOSWVA's Coordinator for Episcopal Relief & Development (ER-D) will visit discuss ER-D's mission and what we can do to help. ER-D is the international relief and development agency of The Episcopal Church.

Lenten Program - March 9 - April 13 - 7 pm - ZOOM only. Pilgrimage: Spiritual Journeys that Touch the Soul Please join us for Grace's six-week Lenten series that feature stories of personal pilgrimage and spiritual journeys. March 9 Camino de Santiago Cecile West-Settle ♦ March 16 What is Pilgrimage? Alexandra Brown ♦ March 23 Iona William McCorkle ♦ March 30 TBA ♦ April 6 Taizé William McCorkle ♦ April 13 The Holy Land Tuck Bowerfind.

The Practice of Prayer—Lenten offering from The Diocese of Southwestern Virginia. This Lent, The Diocese of Southwestern Virginia will explore the practice of prayer over five weeks on Wednesday evenings on Zoom. Whether you have never prayed outside of worship, are a lifelong person of prayer, or somewhere in between, join us for this series. We will talk about what prayer is, why we do it, different types of prayer, and tools to help us pray. You will experience and engage in a variety of types of prayer, and guest speakers will guide us in some of these practices. Each evening will end with Compline. Go to dioswva.org to read more & register.

Music The Greater Richmond Children's Choir (GRCC) and Rockbridge Youth Chorale (RYC) will join together to present Sing for the Earth on Saturday, March 19, 4:30 pm at Grace Episcopal Church in Lexington. Inspired by Gwyneth Walker's organ composition Sanctuary, this concert will feature three sets: Reverence for the Earth, Song of the Earth and Hope for the Earth. The choirs will debut Martha Burford's composition Call It God set to the poetry of Jesse Stuart. Free will donations will be welcome. Under the direction of Crystal Jonkman and Pete Curry, the GRCC choirs performing include the advanced Pro Arte and Cavalieri Choirs as well as members of the intermediate level Concert Choir. The Rockbridge Youth Chorale, directed by Lacey R. Lynch and Anna Billias, will feature the Youth and Children's Choirs.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II THE WORD OF GOD

The Great Litany

The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 148
(*music found in 1982 Hymnal S-67, only part of the text is listed.*)

Intercessions:

Please pray for the wider Church and intercessions requested by our Congregants:

Pray for The Anglican Communion; The Most Rev. Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury; Standing Committee of the Diocese of Haiti as they search for their new Bishop; the Diocese of Leeds and their Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Nick Baines; the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan and their Archbishop, The Most Rev. Justin Badi Arama; the Episcopal Church in the United States of America and our Presiding Bishop, The Most Rev. Michael B Curry; the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia, and our Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Mark Bourlakas.

Pray today for the Youth of the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia, our Canon for Christian Formation, Pattie Ames and our Canon for Evangelism & Youth, Jenni Faires.

Pray for Bob and Lynda DeMaria, Peter Fyfe, Lucy Moise, Bob Crewdson, David Burford, Mary Jane Hubbard, Glen Jones, Don Ellis, Don & Robyn Fleming (uncles of Pat McGuire), Alice Furgerson, Julie Jennings, Mary Froehlich, Hunter Headings, Betty Swope, Bill Kozak, Bob Glidden, Eli Bradley, Richard Jones, Daniel Hudgins, Sue Denson, Sally Capets, Diana Kenney, and those we name aloud or in our hearts.

Pray for all people, the people of Russia and the people of Ukraine, of the region and the world. Pray for those who have power and influence to bring this war to a swift and just restoration of peace.

We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week - Woody Sadler (3/7), Emma Brooke (3/8), Jonathan Webster (3/8), Carole Elmore (3/8), Anne Grizzle (3/9), Mary Price (3/10), Alice Furgerson (3/11), Daniel Mastin (3/11).



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Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

WLP 810 You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord (*metrical setting Psalm 91*)

Romans 10:8b-13

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Hymn Unity by Glorrain Moone

Be - hold how good and how pleas - ant it is for

kin - dred to dwell to - geth - er in u - ni - ty. Be -

hold how good and how pleas - ant it is for kin - dred to

dwell to - geth - er in u - ni - ty. u - ni - ty.

U - ni - ty, u - ni - ty, Lord, we pray for

u - ni - ty. U - ni - ty,

u - ni - ty, Lord, we pray for u - ni - ty.

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Luke 4:1-13

After his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'" Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels

The Sermon Fr. Tuck
The Nicene Creed BCP 358

The Peace

Welcome

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

Anthem We Shall Walk Undine Smith-Moore

Hymn 339 Deck thyself, my soul with gladness v. 1 *Schmücke dich*

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A BCP 361
Sanctus and Benedictus qui venit: *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord* (pew card)
The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

The Fraction Anthem (pew card)

*All baptized Christians are invited to receive communion.
Those not receiving communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing;
simply signify by crossing your arms over your chest.*

Music during Communion

Hymn 325 Let us break bread *Let Us Break Bread*

Hymn 648 When Israel was in Egypt's land *Go Down, Moses*

Hymn 142 Lord, who throughout these forty days *St. Flavian*

Postcommunion Prayer BCP 365/366

Blessing & Dismissal

WLP 754 When from bondage we are summoned *Haywood's Home*

The postlude will begin after a slight pause after the final hymn. That moment offers those who want to move forward the opportunity to come closer to the pipes.

Postlude Let us Break Bread Together setting by John Carter