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**GRACE EPISCOPAL**

*You are welcomed. You are wanted.*

# *The Holy Eucharist, Rite 2*



**EASTER SUNDAY: THE FEAST OF RESURRECTION**

**APRIL 5, a.d. 2026 at 10:15 a.m.**

*Take  
Me  
Home*

*Serving Christ by Ministering to the Needs of the Community and the Parish*

# Welcome

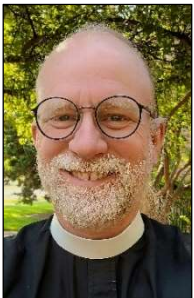
**Welcome to Grace Episcopal Church.** We are so delighted that you have chosen to worship in this place and in this community today. If you are new to Episcopal worship, this full-text bulletin has everything you need to participate.

**Welcome Card.** If you are new to Grace, we would love to have a record of your visit. There is a Welcome Card in the pew rack. Please fill out as much (or as little) information as you would like to share with us and place it in the offering plate when it comes by.

**A Word about Communion.** At the heart of our worship is Holy Communion, which we also call Holy Eucharist. We celebrate it every Sunday with bread and real wine. Please know that we practice an open table; all Christians (no matter what tradition you come from) are invited and encouraged to come forward and receive communion. On page 13, there are more details about how we practice communion at Grace.

Again, welcome! If you ever have any questions or thoughts, feel free to call, text, or email me (620-314-7520; frted.grace@gmail.com).

Blessings,  
Father Ted Blakley



*Priest and Rector*



## EASTER EGG HUNT AFTER THE SERVICE



Streaming Starts at 10:05 a.m. • Liturgy Starts at 10:15 a.m.  
To join the service, go to [www.tinyurl.com/GraceYouTubeLive](http://www.tinyurl.com/GraceYouTubeLive).

# The Liturgy of the Word

## PRELUDE

“Christus Resurrexit (Fanfare for Easter Day)” • organ by Jan Howard  
by Gordon Young

## WELCOME

## PROCESSIONAL *stand*

“Alleluia! The Strife is O’er, the Battle Done” • Hymnal 208 (vv. 1-5)  
Words: Francis Pott, Victory, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, arr William Henry Monk

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**The strife is o’er, the battle done,  
the victory of life is won;  
the song of triumph has begun.  
Alleluia!**

**The powers of death have done their worst,  
but Christ their legions hath dispersed:  
let shout of holy joy outburst.  
Alleluia!**

**The three sad days are quickly sped,  
he rises glorious from the dead:  
all glory to our risen Head!  
Alleluia!**

**He closed the yawning gates of hell,  
the bars from heaven’s high portals fell;  
let hymns of praise his triumphs tell!  
Alleluia!**

**Lord! by the stripes which wounded thee,  
from death’s dread sting thy servants free,  
that we may live and sing to thee.  
Alleluia!**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

## EASTER ACCLAMATION *stand*

BCP 355

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People:* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *stand and sing together*

BCP 356 • Hymnal S-278

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;**

**you are seated at the  
right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

*A moment of silence is observed.*

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; 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 FIRST LESSON *sit*

Acts 10:34-43

*A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles*

Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

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

## PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24 *to be read in unison*

BCP 760

- 1 **Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; \*  
his mercy endures for ever.**
- 2 **Let Israel now proclaim, \*  
"His mercy endures for ever."**
- 14 **The Lord is my strength and my song, \*  
and he has become my salvation.**
- 15 **There is a sound of exultation and victory \*  
in the tents of the righteous:**
- 16 **"The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! \*  
the right hand of the Lord is exalted!  
the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!"**
- 17 **I shall not die, but live, \*  
and declare the works of the Lord.**

- 18 **The Lord has punished me sorely, \***  
**but he did not hand me over to death.**
- 19 **Open for me the gates of righteousness; \***  
**I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.**
- 20 **“This is the gate of the Lord; \***  
**he who is righteous may enter.”**
- 21 **I will give thanks to you, for you answered me \***  
**and have become my salvation.**
- 22 **The same stone which the builders rejected \***  
**has become the chief cornerstone.**
- 23 **This is the Lord’s doing, \***  
**and it is marvelous in our eyes.**
- 24 **On this day the Lord has acted; \***  
**we will rejoice and be glad in it.**

**THE SECOND LESSON** *sit*

Colossians 3:1-4

*A Reading from Colossians*

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

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

**GRADUAL HYMN** *stand*

“Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain” • Hymnal 199 (vv. 1-3)

Words: John of Damascus, tr. John Mason Neale Music *St. Kevin*, Arthur Seymour Sullivan

**Come, ye faithful, raise the strain  
of triumphant gladness!  
God hath brought his Israel  
into joy from sadness:  
loosed from Pharaoh’s bitter yoke  
Jacob’s sons and daughters,  
led them with unmoistened foot  
through the Red Sea waters.**

**‘Tis the spring of souls today:  
Christ hath burst his prison,  
and from three days’ sleep in death  
as a sun hath risen;**

**all the winter of our sins,  
long and dark, is flying  
from his light, to whom we give  
laud and praise undying.**

**Now the queen of seasons, bright  
with the day of splendor,  
with the royal feast of feasts,  
comes its joy to render;  
comes to glad Jerusalem,  
who with true affection  
welcomes in unwearied strains  
Jesus’ resurrection.**

*The Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ according to John*  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

*The Gospel of the Lord.*  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**THE SERMON**

Father Ted Blakley

*A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.*

Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, now that our Lenten observance is ended, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy Catholic Church.

*Celebrant:* Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and  
renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

*People:* **I do.**

*Celebrant:* Do you believe in God the Father?

*People:* **I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

*Celebrant:* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People:* **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

*Celebrant:* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People:* **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

*Celebrant:* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,  
in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

*People:* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant:* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin,  
repent and return to the Lord?

*People:* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant:* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People:* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant:* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

*People:* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant:* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people,  
and respect the dignity of every human being?

*People:* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant:* May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Amen.*

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** *kneel as you are able*

Form III • BCP 387

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; **That we all may be one.**

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

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

In the world-wide Anglican Communion, we pray for La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico, and in the Diocese of Western Kansas, we pray that Easter brings us a time of joy and renewal, marking the resurrection of Jesus Christ and the hope it brings to all believers. For our Bishops, Sean, Mark, and Mike; for our parish clergy, Amy, Bill, Larry, Larry, Ted, Todd, and Shane. We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

We pray for Donald our President, Laura our Governor, and for our representatives and judges. We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

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

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

**That our works may find favor in your sight.**

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

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

We pray for those who have died. Give to the departed eternal rest.

**Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy.

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

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. For Abigail, Carson, Terry, Ellie, Bailey, Mary, Julie, Louise, Jodi, Doug, Reid, Jennie, Kathy, Gina, Jodie, Yosef, Kristin, and Mara. Let us pray for those confined to home or care center especially, Fifi, Ruth Ann, Clarice, Virginia, Lorene, and Lil. Are there others?



For those prayers and thanksgivings received online: \_\_\_\_\_.

*Celebrant adds a concluding collect.*

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**THE PEACE** *stand*

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

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

**PEACE HYMN** *stand*

“Now the Green Blade Riseth from the Buried Grain” • Hymnal 204 (vv. 1-4)  
Words: John MacLeod Campbell Crum Music: *New Christmas, medieval French carol*

**Now the green blade riseth, from the buried grain,  
Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;  
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:**

*Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.*

**In the grave they laid Him, Love whom had been slain,  
thinking that never He would awake again,  
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:**

*Refrain*

**Forth He came at Easter, like the risen grain,  
he that for three days in the grave had lain;  
quick from the dead the risen Lord is seen:**

*Refrain*

**When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,  
thy touch can call us back to life again,  
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:**

*Refrain*

# The Liturgy of the Table

## GATHERING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*In gratitude for who God is and what God does, we give back to God a portion of what God has given to us so that God's mission through this place and this people might flourish. What you give today represents your life and your labors, your loves and loyalties, your joys and thanksgivings, and God receives it with gladness.*



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- ✓ Scan the **QR Code** on the right.
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## OFFERTORY *sit*

“The Joy of Easter Day (“Polish Carol”) • Grace Choir  
Words and Music: Eileen Porter, Guest Conductor

## THE PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS *stand* Hymnal 380 (v. 3)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Celebrant:* All things come of Thee, O Lord.

*People:* **And of Thine own have we given Thee.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER D

BCP 372

### Sursum Corda (“Lift up your hearts...”) *stand*

*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 him thanks and praise.**

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

## SANCTUS *kneel*

Hymnal S-128

Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the  
high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

*The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues*

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

*Celebrant and People*

**We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs and matriarchs, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** *kneel*

BCP 364

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

**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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept, in reverent thanksgiving for what Jesus has done for us.*

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

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

**FRACTION ANTHEM**

“My Flesh Is Food Indeed” • Hymnal S-169

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*Cantor:* My Flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed says the Lord.

*People:* **My Flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed says the Lord.**

*Cantor:* Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood dwell in me, and I in them.

*People:* **My Flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed says the Lord.**

**THE INVITATION**

This is the Banquet of the Lamb.

It is made ready for those who love God,  
And for those who want to love God more.

So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little,  
You who have been here often, and you who have not been here long,  
You who have tried to follow, and you who have failed.

Come because it is the Lord who invites you.

It is Christ’s will that those who want him should meet him here.



**HOLY COMMUNION IN ONE OR BOTH KINDS**

*At this time, an usher will come forward and invite each row to go forward for communion. **Bread.** When it is your turn to receive communion simply extend your cupped hands forward, and a priest will place the wafer of bread in your hands. **Gluten Free.** If you would prefer a gluten-free wafer, extend your hands palms down. **Real Wine.** If you wish to receive the wine, you may drink from the chalice or you may dip the wafer into the chalice. **Two Stations.** You may choose to receive communion at the altar rail or at the station on the right side in front of the pulpit.*

**+** The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.**  
The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **Amen.**

## COMMUNION HYMN *sit*

“Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing” • Hymnal 205 (vv. 1-5)

Words: Cyril A. Alington, Norman Mealy, Music: *Praise be to God*, Melchior Vulpius

**Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!  
Now is the triumph of our King!  
To all the world glad news we bring:  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**The Lord of life is risen today!  
Sing songs of praise along his way;  
Let all the earth rejoice and say:  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Praise we in songs of victory that love,  
that life which cannot die,  
and sing with hearts uplifted high:  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Your Name we bless, O risen Lord,  
and sing today with one accord  
the life laid down, the life restored:  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**To God the Father, God the Son,  
to God the Spirit, always One,  
we sing for life in us begun:  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER *kneel as able*

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**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.**

## AN EASTER BLESSING

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

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

## PROCESSION INTO THE WORLD *stand*

“He is Risen, He is Risen” • Hymnal 180 (vv. 1-4)

Words: Cecil Frances Alexander, Music: *Our Ruler*, Joachim Neander

**He is risen, he is risen!  
Tell it out with joyful voice:  
he has burst his three days' prison;  
let the whole wide earth rejoice:  
death is conquered, we are free,  
Christ has won the victory.**

**Come, ye sad and fearful-hearted,  
with glad smile and radiant brow!  
Death's long shadows have departed;  
Jesus' woes are over now,  
and the passion that he bore—  
sin and pain can vex no more.**

**Come, with high and holy hymning,  
hail our Lord's triumphant day;  
not one darksome cloud is dimming  
yonder glorious morning ray,  
breaking o'er the purple east,  
symbol of our Easter feast.**

**He is risen, he is risen!  
He hath opened heaven's gate:  
we are free from sin's dark prison,  
risen to a holier state;  
and a brighter Easter beam  
on our longing eyes shall stream.**

## SENDING FORTH INTO GOD'S MISSION FIELD

*The Deacon bids the people to go forth into the world in mission, using the following or some other dismissal.*

*Deacon:* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
Alleluia. Alleluia.

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

*Birthdays and  
Anniversaries*



## BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



## PROVIDE A YOUTH GROUP DINNER

Sign up to bring dinner for our youth groups. Meals can be simple. Drinks and desserts are appreciated but not required. We eat at 6:30 pm, and we invite those who prepare the meal to join us for dinner. It is a great way to get to know our youth!

**Upcoming Dates Available:** April 15, 22

For Newcomers, Inquirers, and the Curious.  
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WEDNESDAYS • 7:00 – 8:30 pm

**NEW CLASS BEGINS WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8**  
**SEVEN WEEKS • APRIL 8 – MAY 20**

- Why do Episcopal Christians celebrate Holy Communion every week?
- What's *The Book of Common Prayer*? Why is it so central to Episcopal life and worship?
- What do Episcopalians believe about Baptism and Holy Communion?
- When do you bow or cross yourself in worship? And why?
- How can I participate more fully in the life and mission of Grace?
- What does it mean to know and follow Jesus... today?
- What are your questions?

**Baptisms** are planned for Sunday, May 17.

**Confirmations & Receptions** for Pentecost Sunday, May 24.

And what does the LORD require of you but  
to do justice, to love mercy, to walk humbly with your God?



## Rethinking Justice

A SCRIPTURE STUDY OF HOPE FOR CENTRAL KANSANS

**SATURDAY, APRIL 25**

**9:00–11:30am**

**EMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**140 East 30th in Hutchinson**

SCAN TO  
REGISTER



[www.tinyurl.com/JustKansas](http://www.tinyurl.com/JustKansas)

Worship, Bible Study, Sunday School, spiritual retreats, confirmation, etc.  
All of these encourage us to **WALK HUMBLY** in relationship with God.

Giving to the poor, disaster relief, food pantries, clothes closets, afterschool tutoring, etc. These serves are acts of **LOVING MERCY** for people in crisis.

We do those two things relatively well, but congregations often struggle to fulfill the Micah Mandate of **DOING JUSTICE** because we cannot do it alone.

God is bringing people of faith together to start a faith-based organization to fulfill the Micah Mandate of **DOING JUSTICE**. This organization will call for broad-scale improvements to local systems alongside and on behalf of the widow, the orphan, the poor and the oppressed, the immigrant and the stranger.

*Let's Learn How to Do Justice Together*

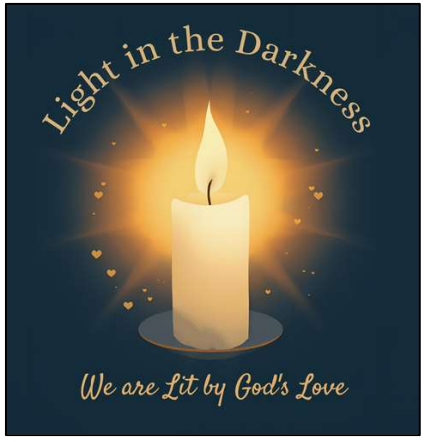
# DIOCESAN YOUTH LOCK IN Grades 5-12 • April 11-12

*Christ Cathedral in Salina*



Enjoy games, arts & crafts, and a special service project. To register scan the QR code.

- Tour the Cathedral.
- Experience Bible study and reflection time.
- Participate in Mass roles: readers, intercessors, ushers, acolyte, chalice bearer, etc.



## DIOCESAN WOMEN'S RETREAT • MAY 1-2

*Talitha Koum: Little Girl, I Say to You, Get Up!*

The ECW of the Diocese is hosting a women's retreat on May 1-2, at the Heartland Spiritual Center in Great Bend. The keynote speaker is the Rev. Dr. Christy Kass, pastor of First Presbyterian here in Hutchinson. **Registration is now open.**





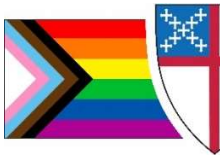
*Grace Episcopal*  
Church Women



# April 11<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm

Come join ECW for an afternoon of fun, fellowship, food and flowers!

Come be a part of our Episcopal Church Women! Kathy Milliken and Sally Russell will demonstrate how they do floral arrangements for the altar as part of the flower guild. We will have a short meeting for ECW and would love for you to bring a snack to share!



# GRACE EPISCOPAL

Serving Christ by Ministering to the Needs of the Community & the Parish

## Upcoming EVENTS

**Mondays thru Thursdays**  
9:00 am to 1:00 pm



### EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 5

8:00 am..... The Holy Eucharist, Rite 1 • Spoken  
10:15 am..... The Holy Eucharist, Rite 2 • Music  
After 10:15 am Service..... Fellowship Hour in Parish Hall & Easter Egg Hunt

### EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 6

7:00 pm .....Al-Anon

### EASTER WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

9:30 am..... The Holy Eucharist, Rite 1  
10:00 am..... Adult Bible Study  
1:00 pm .....DOK Meeting  
6:30 pm .....MS-HS Youth Group  
7:00 pm .....“Following Jesus the Episcopal Way”

### SUNDAY, APRIL 12

8:00 am..... The Holy Eucharist, Rite 1 • Spoken  
10:15 am..... The Holy Eucharist, Rite 2 • Music  
After 10:15 am Service..... Fellowship Hour in Parish Hall



### SCRIPTURES FOR NEXT SUNDAY • EASTER 2

- Acts 2:14a, 22-32
- Psalm 16
- 1 Peter 1:3-9
- John 20:19-31



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*The Easter flowers are given by...*

- Mary Adams.....in thanksgiving for family
- Julie Beal.....in thanksgiving for family and friends
- Mary Gere Bridger.....in memory of Baldwin and Wilma Bridger
- Christopher Britton and Gracie .....in memory of Steven R. Hawkins
- Suzanne Chandley .....in memory of Maurice, Ed, Rachel, Rosalie and Mark
- Ellie and Joe Cruz.....in memory of Grandmas Georgia and Irene
- Cece East .....in memory of Jerry East
- Elaine Fontaine .....in memory of Wallace and Mary Ellen McDown
- Steve Fontaine .....in memory of Charles and Virginia Fontaine
- Warren & Sharon Hixon .....in thanksgiving for family
- Julie & Tedd Kimmel .....in memory of Will
- Vonda McKenna .....in memory of Rev. Gerald Martin, Luella Martin, Ken Martin
- Kim Miller .....in memory of parents
- Monica & Doug Ptacek .....in memory of all of our lost family members
- Sally Russell & Rob Kline .....in thanksgiving for blessings
- Andrea Springer & Steve Snook .....in thanksgiving for family
- Jill Stromberg .....in memory of Mac Stromberg, in thanksgiving for Mac and Winston
- Delta & Roger Sullivan .....in thanksgiving for kids and grandkids
- Bob Summers .....in memory of Charlotte
- Missy & Bill Waln .....in thanksgiving for Grace Church