

# Grace Church in the Mountains

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Sunday, April 28, 2019, 10:30 am  
Second Sunday in Easter

## Welcome! / ¡Bienvenida!

We are honored by your presence as we gather as God's people to worship in the "beauty of holiness" through our ancient liturgy, contemporary prayers, and vibrant community.

Audio and visual aids, as well as "worship bags" for children, are available. Ask an usher for assistance.

Following the service, please join us in Thatcher Hall for coffee and fellowship!

## Missional Priorities

*(Annually discerned by the lay leadership team)*

- To steward God's creation faithfully.
- To develop a vibrant ministry to children, youth, and young adults.
- To enhance our ministries to meet the needs of seniors.



Prelude

Meditation on *God sent His son*

Charles M. Banks

Words of Welcome

## The Word of God

Processional Hymn 174

At the Lamb's High Feast

*Salzburg*

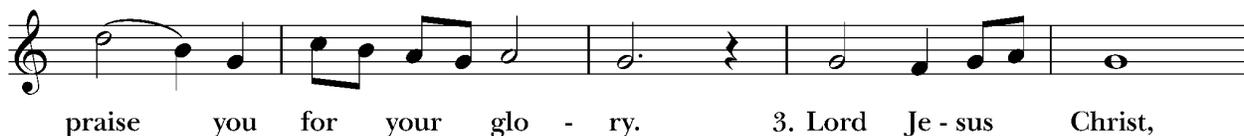
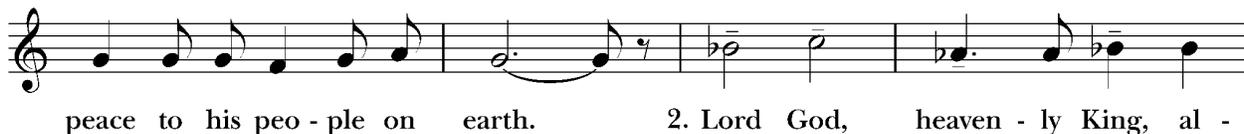
*Presider* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Hymn of Praise

*Gloria in Excelsis*

William Mathais



5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For  
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
 7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the  
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of  
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray together.

○ 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.*

*Please be seated.*

### First Reading: Acts 5:27-32

When the temple police had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

## Psalm: 118:14-29

The psalm follows the eight chords which appear below. We change to the next chord at the beginning of each verse, half verse (\*), and at each word with a slash before it.

Robert Knox Kennedy  
(b. 1945)



- 14 The Lord is my strength and my / song, \*  
and he has become my sal / vation.
- 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 sal / vation.
- 22 The same stone which the builders re / jected \*  
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.
- 25 Hosannah, Lord, hosannah! \*  
Lord, send us now suc / cess.
- 26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the / Lord; \*  
we bless you from the house of the / Lord.

27 God is the Lord; he has shined u / pon us; \*  
form a procession with branches up to the horns of the / altar.

28 "You are my God, and I will / thank you; \*  
you are my God, and I will ex / alt you."

29 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is / good; \*  
his mercy endures for / ever.

## **Second Reading: Revelation 1:4-8**

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            Thanks be to God.

*Please stand.*

**Sequence Hymn 209**

**We walk by faith, and not by sight**

***St. Botolph***

## **Gospel: John 20:19-31**

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

*People*            Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

*Deacon*            The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*            Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## The Sermon

*Please stand as you are able.*

## The Nicene Creed

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

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear when we pray in the name of your Son. Therefore, in confidence and trust we pray for the Church:

*Intercessions & Thanksgivings are offered aloud or silently.*

Father, enliven the Church for its mission,  
**that we may be salt of the earth and light to the world.**

Breathe fresh life into your people.

**Give us power to reveal Christ in word and action.**

Creator of all, lead us and every people into ways of justice and peace.

**That we may respect one another in freedom and truth.**

Awaken in us a sense of wonder of the earth and all that is in it.

**Teach us to care creatively for its resources.**

We pray for the community:

*Intercessions & Thanksgivings are offered aloud or silently.*

God of truth, inspire with your wisdom those whose decisions affect the lives of others

**that all may act with integrity and courage.**

Give grace to all whose lives are linked with ours.

**May we serve Christ in one another, and love as he loves us.**

We pray for those in need:

*Intercessions & Thanksgivings are offered aloud or silently.*

God of hope, comfort and restore all who suffer in body, mind or spirit.

**May they know the power of your healing love.**

Make us willing agents of your compassion.

**Strengthen us as we share in making people whole.**

We remember those who have died and those who mourn:

*Intercessions & Thanksgivings are offered aloud or silently.*

We remember with thanksgiving those have died in the faith of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone.

**Father, into your hands we commend them.**

Give comfort to those who mourn.

**Bring them peace in their time of loss.**

We praise you for all your saints who have entered into eternal glory.

**May their example inspire and encourage us.**

We pray for ourselves and our ministries:

*Intercessions & Thanksgivings are offered aloud or silently.*

Grant that we may walk in your presence:  
your love in our hearts,  
your truth in our minds,  
your strength in our wills,  
until, at the end of our journey,  
we may know the joy of our homecoming  
and the welcome of your embrace,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Peace

*Presider* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

*The people exchange Christ's peace with one another and then sit.*

## Announcements

### The Holy Communion

#### Offertory Sentence

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

#### Offertory Anthem

*Look there! the Christ, our Brother, comes*

Look there! the Christ, our Brother, comes resplendent from the gallows tree  
and what he brings in his hurt hands is life on life for you and me.

REFRAIN: Joy! joy! joy to the heart and all in this good day's dawning!

Good Jesus Christ inside his pain looked down Golgotha's stony slope  
and let the blood flow from his flesh to fill the springs of living hope. REFRAIN

Good Jesus Christ, our Brother, died in darkest hurt upon the tree  
to offer us the worlds of light that life inside the Trinity. REFRAIN

Look there! the Christ, our Brother, comes resplendent from the gallows tree.  
and what he brings in his hurt hands is life on life for you and me. REFRAIN

*Hymn 196*

*Please stand as the offering is brought forward and we sing*

**Presentation Hymn 304 v.1 – 3** I come with joy to meet my Lord *Land of Rest*



Holy and gracious Father: 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 Father 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.

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

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

294 MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Christ has died, Christ is ris - en,  
Christ will come a - gain. Christ has died,  
Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.

*The Presider continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his 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 sing:

Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,  
 your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in  
 hea - ven. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.  
 For - give us our sins as we for - give those who  
 sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,  
 and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow - er,  
 and the glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

## The Breaking of the Bread & Invitation

*This setting is not used in Lent.*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
 Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
 there - fore let us keep the feast.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*The Presider says*

This is the table, not of the Church, but of God.

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 those who struggle to find the path.

Come, because it is God who invites you.

It is God's will that those who desire to do so should meet God here.

## The Communion

*Ushers will direct you forward to receive the body and blood. If you prefer a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available.*

**Communion Hymn 204**

**Now the green blade riseth**

*Noël nouvelet*

## Sending Forth of the Eucharistic Visitor

**Presider** In the name of our parish family, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that {N.} to whom you go, may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

**People** *We who are many are truly one body, because we all share one bread and one cup. Amen.*

## Post-Communion Prayer

*After Communion, the Presider says*

Let us pray.

*Presider and People*

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.

## Blessing

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

**Post-Communion Hymn 417 This is the feast of victory for our God** *Festival Canticle*

## Dismissal

**Deacon** Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

**People** Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Postlude**

*Christ lag in Todesbaden*

Johann Sebastian Bach

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**In Our Prayers**

**Members of Grace Church:** Ben & Joanne, Jim & Eleanor, Linda & Al, Marlene, Nan, Sami, Tom & Christy, Ken, Les & Julie, Sallee, Susan & Randy, and our Homebound Members: Betty Shore, Ken Roach, Evelyn Overman, Dot Reid, & Alice Sexton.

**Friends of Grace:** Victor, Dale and Trish, Jeremy, Ethan, Heather, June, Syl, Edith, Matthew, Toni, family of Judy Mims, Leslie, Ruth, Anthony

**In our Cycles of Prayers this week, we pray for:** the Nippon Sei Ko Kai (The Anglican Communion in Japan) The Most Rev. Nathaniel Makoto Uematsu - Primate of The Nippon Sei Ko Kai & Bishop of Hokkaido; St. Mark's, Gastonia

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**Choir:** Kathy Alley, Betty Bradley, Jackie Blevins, Diane & Bill Collins, Pam Davis, Mary & Mike Hartman, Marlene Hyatt, Mary Alice & Michael Lodico, Adele Novotney, Kenneth Ratcliffe, Ann Rothermel, Meg Smith, Joanne Thrower, Jan Treston, Kathleen & Bob Vogt, Paula & Peter Welling, Derrick Zeller

**Altar Guild:** Melanie Cyre, Jason Heinz

**Coffee Hour:** Karen Morris

**Collection Counters:** Linda Deeb, Alyson Nelson

**Crucifer, Server, & Torchbearers:** Jack Geist, Karley Wells, Elias Schaefer, Harper Bishop

**Lectors:** Betsy Stecher, Susan Williams

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Kenneth Ratcliffe, Sara Tyburski, Susan Williams

**Ushers:** Les Taylor, Blair Bishop, Lisa Hardeman

**Eucharistic Visitors:** Donna Buckner visiting Betty Shore; Connie Mozelewski visiting Evelyn Overman

*Today's flowers were given to the glory of God by Douglas Staiger in memory of Mary Elizabeth.*

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## Happening Today

### EDUCATION FOR ALL AGES

**Adults:** A Conversation with the artist, Ludmila Pawlowska (begin to experience Icons in Transformation)

**Children:** Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (*Downstairs, Age 3 – Kindergarten*)  
Godly Play (*Downstairs, Grades 1 – 4*)

**Youth:** Rite 13 (*Across from Library, Grades 5 – 7*)  
Journey to Adulthood (*Rector's Office, Grades 8 – 12*)

**Taizé Service** at 7:00 pm – Come soak in resurrection joy during this time for chant, prayer & silence.

## Next Sunday - May 5

- **Pantry Sunday:** We will need volunteers to take the bags down to the pantry after each service and to put items away. Suggested donations for this month are **pasta sauce (pesto, Alfredo, marinara, etc.), soups (canned or ramen), and coffee.** This is a wonderful mission for our church and we thank you for your support! Also, please note that the pantry does not need egg cartons or plastic grocery bags, and we cannot take clothing. We do need more people willing to serve as substitutes. Contact Susan Williams for more information about serving in the pantry or to arrange for training.
- **Rector's Discretionary Fund:** on the first Sunday of each month, all loose cash collected is deposited into the Rector's Discretionary Fund. Any checks specifically marked for Rector's Discretionary Fund will also be included in that deposit. These funds are used at the Rector's Discretion to help those in need.
- **New Member's Liturgy:** Join us as we welcome several new members into our Grace Church family.

## Announcements

**Artist's Reception & Icons in Transformation Exhibit Opening, Tuesday, April 30 from 5:30 – 7:00 pm.** Open to the community. Bishop José will be with us. Thanks to Daughters of the King and ECW for hosting.

**Next Weekend: Spiritual Retreat at Grace - "Behold God's Word"** on Friday, May 3, 5:00 - 8:00 pm & Saturday morning, 9:00 am - 12:00 noon

This will be a grace-filled time to explore, share and pray "from one degree of glory to another," using seven mostly classical icons of Christ the Lord. The retreat, open to all, is meant to complement the experience of our exhibit, "Icons in Transformation." Led by The Rev. R. Carroll Travis. *Carroll+ is an actively retired clergyman who was the rector of Grace Church in the Mountains in the 1970's. He is the author of Discovering the Treasure Within, a resource for spiritual development, and he is a frequent speaker at conferences and retreats.*

**Haywood Pathways Center:** Please remember our commitment to the center to serve dinner the second Sunday and the fifth Monday (tomorrow) of the month. We meet there at 5:00 pm to prepare and then serve dinner to the residents at 6:00 pm. Haywood Pathways Center is located at 179 Hemlock Street. Please join us. For more information, please contact Natalie Bayless at 650-438-2953 or [nbayless1@gmail.com](mailto:nbayless1@gmail.com).

**New Greeter's Ministry & Welcome Table:** The Parish Life Committee is developing a new ministry of hospitality – greeting all who come to worship at the 10:30 am service and offering special hospitality to newcomers. If you are interested in serving as a greeter, contact Natalie Bayless, [nbayless1@gmail.com](mailto:nbayless1@gmail.com) or call the parish office.

**Ushers Needed:** for the 8:00 service. If you are interested, please call Lisa Hardeman at 828-926-0605 or email her at [lisahardeman0@gmail.com](mailto:lisahardeman0@gmail.com).

**Graceful Hikers Hike:** Saturday, May 11, meet at Grace at 9:30 (back about 2:30 or 3:00 pm), Flat Laurel Creek trail (no facilities).

**Newcomers' Gathering, Tuesday, May 14, 6:00 – 7:30 pm.** Join us for fellowship, food, and informal conversation to get to know one another and Grace Church.

**Instructions for new dishwasher:** Please watch this video to see how the new dishwasher works. You may go here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uAtuE-PbdKA>

**Name Badges** may be ordered by parishioners by emailing Al Fortney at [lafortneyjr@gmail.com](mailto:lafortneyjr@gmail.com). The cost for a new plastic badge is \$7.50.

## Upcoming Adult Forums:

- May 5        Congregational Meeting led by the Vestry
- May 12      Living the Scripture, led by the Rev. Mike Shirley and others: We will take the Sunday scriptures and go deeper with them wondering how God might be speaking to us through them. This will launch a six-week class that will be offered in the Library concurrently with the Forum.
- May 19      Icons & Spiritual Transformation, led by the Rev. Jim Dannals, interim Rector of Grace Church in 2016
- May 26      Episcopal Farmworker Ministry – A report from our family mission trip.

### Gatherings this Week: April 28 – May 4

(\* = open to all to attend)

Education for Ministry, Monday, 6:30 – 9:00 pm, Library

\* Icons in Transformation Artist's Reception with Bishop José, Tuesday, 5:30 – 7:00 pm, Thatcher Hall and throughout the entire building

\* Open Library Use, Wednesday, 9:00 am – 12:00 noon

\* Holy Eucharist and Healing Service, Wednesday, 12:00 noon, Church

\* Marthas Knitting Guild, Thursday, 10:00 am – 12:00 noon, Marthas Room  
Sisters of Grace, Thursday, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., call Donna Buckner or

Mary Lou Daily for location

\* Beginners Yoga, Thursday, 6:00 – 7:00 pm, Marthas Room

\* Icons Retreat with Rev. R. Carroll Travis, Friday, 5:00 – 8:00 pm and Saturday, 9:00 am – noon, Thatcher Hall

\* Men of Grace breakfast, Saturday, 9:00 – 11:00 am, Deck

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*The Rt. Rev. José A. McLoughlin, Bishop of Western North Carolina*  
*The Rev. Joslyn Ogden Schaefer, Rector*  
*The Rev. Br. Raymond Escott, OSB, Deacon*  
*The Revs. Orion Davis, Earle Pratt, & Harriet Simmons, Priest Associates*  
*Charles M. Banks, Director of Music*  
*Dawna Keilman, Nursery Supervisor*  
*Dawna E. Wade, Parish Administrator*

**Members of the Vestry**

Linda Deeb (2019)  
Rob Viau (2019)  
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