

Grace Church in the Mountains

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Sunday, May 12, 2019, 10:30 am
Fourth 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

Puer Nobis

Healy Willan

Words of Welcome

The Word of God

Processional Hymn 366 (v. 1-4)

Holy God, we praise thy name

Grosser Gott

Opening Acclamation

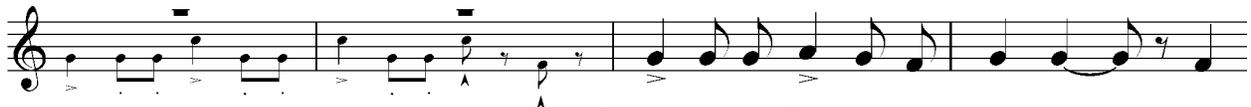
Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Hymn of Praise

Gloria in Excelsis

William Mathias



1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and



peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -



might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

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 Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray together.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated.

First Reading: Acts 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;
for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

Sequence Hymn 646

The King of love my shepherd is

Dominus regit me

Gospel: John 10:22-30

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

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

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb! The good shepherd is faithful and true; therefore, let us pray with confidence: “Father, keep us; *Jesus, lead us.*”

Good Shepherd, you know your sheep: give us the ears to hear you call our names and the strength to follow where you lead.

Silence

Father, keep us; *Jesus, lead us.*

For those killed, injured, or traumatized because of human violence, we pray: God, wipe away every tear from their eyes. We pray again for an end to the violence. We pray again for peace. *Silence*

Father, keep us; *Jesus, lead us.*

Creator God, by the victory of your Son, turn the valleys of death into green pastures where living waters flow. Bless and renew your creation.

Invite the congregation to add their thanksgivings, followed by silence

Father, keep us; *Jesus, lead us.*

O Lord, we pray for those who work for justice and peace in our community. Flood this city with goodness and mercy. Extinguish from our region the fear of evil. *Silence*

Father, keep us; *Jesus, lead us.*

Mighty God, we look for the day when hunger is no more, and thirst is no more. We look for the day when the souls of the downcast are revived, and the displaced find a home in your shelter. In this Easter season, we pray in faith for all those in need, especially....

Invite the congregation to add their petitions, followed by silence

Father, keep us; *Jesus, lead us.*

Good Shepherd, your gift is eternal life; those who belong to you never perish. Bring us, and those who have died, into your heavenly home where we may worship you for ever and ever, especially....

Father, keep us; *Jesus, lead us.*

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

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.

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:

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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.

Healing Prayer Stations: During and after communion, members of the Order of St. Luke will be serving at our prayer stations in the Narthex (lobby). If you would like them to offer a prayer for you or someone else you know, please feel free to go to one of the tams.

Communion Hymn 664 My Shepherd will supply my need *Resignation*

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 205 Good Christians all, rejoice and sing! *Gelobt sei Gott*

Dismissal

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude

Gelobt sei Gott

Healy Willan

In Our Prayers

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

For those who have died: Nan Flynn, Sami Felmet & Laura Lang

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

In our Cycles of Prayers this week, we pray for: the Anglican Church of Korea, The Most Rev. Moses Nagjun Yoo - Primate of Korea and Bishop of Daejeon; Church of the Ascension, Hickory

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## Serving Today

**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:** John Zeller, Edwina Costley, Posy Williams, Kathy Jennings

**Coffee Hour:** Ann and Don Rothermel

**Collection Counter:** Dale McDonald

**Crucifer, Server, & Torchbearers:**

**Lectors:** Joyce Brooks, Mary Lockey

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Derrick Zeller, Melanie Walt, Joyce Brooks

**Ushers:** Dale McDonald, Marcia McDonald, Bill Pace

**Eucharistic Visitor:** Donna Buckner visiting Dot Reid

*Today's flowers were given to the glory of God by Susan and Paul Daniel in honor of their mothers.*

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Happening Today

EDUCATION FOR ALL AGES

Adults: 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.

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*)

A Brief History of Representation in Christian Art: The Icon & Beyond - 4:00 pm, Thatcher Hall One of the greatest controversies in Christian history occurred over the question of the artistic representation of Jesus and other holy figures. This so-called Iconoclastic Controversy will form the nucleus around which we will consider the role of representational art in Christianity from the catacombs to the period of the Reformation. Led by Dr. Rodger Payne, Professor and Chair of the Department of Religious Studies at UNC-A.

Mother's Day Cards Available: You are invited to take a few cards or bookmarks to share your appreciation and love for anyone in your life who might benefit from this – be it a mother, neighbor, friend, or family member. Cards are available in the Narthex after both services.

Haywood Pathways Center: This evening at 5:00 pm, we will meet at Haywood Pathways Center to prepare and then serve dinner to the residents at 6:00 pm. It only takes a couple of hours of your time to help. We meet at 5:00 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 Edwina Costley at 452-9544 or Vicky Gribble at 400-7616.

Announcements

Pub Theology, Monday, May 13, 7:00 – 9:00 pm, Blue Ridge Beer Hub – Enjoy conversation and fellowship as you ponder the mysteries of the Universe and God’s place in it. All are welcome. Invite a friend.

Graceful Hikers: The hike previously scheduled for Saturday, May 11, has been moved to Saturday, May 18. Meet either at Grace Church at 9:15 am or Jukebox Junction at 9:45 am.

Our Parish Administrator will be out of the office beginning Monday, May 20th, for a minimum of two weeks. Volunteers will staff the office from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon, Monday through Thursday. She will return as soon as she is able!

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.

Lake Logan / Camp Henry Work Day: Saturday, May 18, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. All skill-levels needed – Help prepare cabins and the grounds for the hundreds of kids who participate in Camp Henry. RSVP to director.camphentry@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 by email at nbayless1@gmail.com or call the parish office.

Office Volunteer Wanted: Can you please spare the time to volunteer in the parish office twice a month? We need a volunteer two Wednesdays of each month, from 9:00 am – 12:00 noon. Please call Edwina Costley at 828-452-9544 for more information and/or to volunteer.

Upcoming Adult Forums:

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: May 12-18

(* = open to all to attend)

- Education for Ministry, Monday, 6:30 – 9:00 pm, Library
Newcomer Gathering, Tuesday, 6:00 – 7:30 pm, Thatcher Hall
Finance Committee meeting, Tuesday, 7:00 – 9:00 pm, Library
* 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
* Sew Graceful, Saturday, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm, Marthas Room

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Dawna E. Wade, Parish Administrator

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Rob Viau (2019)
Paula Welling, Sr. Warden (2019)

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