

## Welcome

We are pleased to have you worship with us this morning! We hope that your spiritual life is deepened today.

Please join us for coffee and refreshments in the church hall following worship.

Nursery care and Sunday School up to age 12 is available in the parish hall. Children will rejoin their parents after the Peace.

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# GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Feeding you, body, mind and soul

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT: MARCH 23, 2014, 10AM



*Samaritana* by Julio Romero de Torres, Córdoba, Spain, 1920. Source: Wikimedia Commons

Prelude, Welcome and Announcements

Hymn 455 *O Love of God, how strong and true*

Opening Acclamation and Prayer

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

**His mercy endures for ever.**

There is one Body and one Spirit;

**There is one hope in God's call to us;**

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

**One God and Father of all.**

Prayer of the Day

Response: **And also with you.**

Exodus 17:1-7

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 95

Come, let us sing to the LORD; \*  
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence  
with thanksgiving \*  
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the LORD is a great God, \*  
and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*  
and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, \*  
and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*  
and kneel before the LORD our Maker.

For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture  
and the sheep of his hand. \*  
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Harden not your hearts,  
as your forebears did in the wilderness, \*  
at Meribah, and on that day at Massah,  
when they tempted me.

They put me to the test, \*  
though they had seen my works.

Forty years long I detested  
that generation and said, \*  
"This people are wayward in their hearts;  
they do not know my ways."

So I swore in my wrath, \*  
"They shall not enter into my rest."

Romans 5:1-11

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 147, v. 3      *Now let us all with one accord*

John 4:5-42

First response: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Second response: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Jason Wells

Presentation and Examination      p. 301

Will you who witness these vows do all in  
your power to support these persons in their  
life in Christ? **We will.**

Baptismal Covenant      p. 304

Do you believe in God the Father?  
**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

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

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?  
**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.**

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

Prayers for the Candidate      p. 305

Responses: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Baptism of Vivian Rachel Gray      p. 307

Let us welcome the newly baptized.  
**We receive you into the household of  
God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified,**

**proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

Offertory *Good Shepherd, take this little child*  
*John Harrington, soloist*

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Altar flowers are given in memory of  
Laurence J. Dugan by Sean Dugan.

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Eucharistic Prayer

*Celebrant*                      *People*  
The Lord be with you.      And al - so with you.

*Celebrant*                      *People*  
Lift up your hearts.      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.

Holy, holy, holy                      Hymnal S-130

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,  
God of power and might, (2x)  
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in  
the highest.**

Memorial Acclamation

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith,  
**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

Lord's Prayer

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.**

Breaking of the Bread                      Hymnal S-164

**Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.  
Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world:  
give us your peace, give us your peace.**

Communion

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All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Altar. If you come to the rail and cross your arms over your chest, you may receive a blessing instead of Communion.

If you would like to be baptized, please speak to the Rev. Jason Wells as soon as possible for scheduling.

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Hymn                      *Eat this bread*

Eat this bread, drink this cup,  
come to me and never be hungry.

Eat this bread, drink this cup,  
trust in me and you will not thirst.

Closing Prayer & Blessing

Let us pray.  
**God of abundance, you have fed us with the  
bread of life and cup of salvation; you have  
united us with Christ and one another; and  
you have made us one with all your people in  
heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in  
the power of your Spirit, that we may pro-  
claim your redeeming love to the world and  
continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our  
Savior. Amen.**

Hymn 690                      *Guide me, O thou great Jehovah*

Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

# LENT: SPRING TRAINING

**Choir Rehearsals** Three rehearsals during Lent: 11:15am on March 23, March 30 and April 6. The choir will offer anthems on Good Friday (April 18, 6pm) and Easter Sunday (April 20, 10am).

**Road to Repeal**, on Tuesday, March 25, 4:30-6:30pm, a "walking vigil" from the State House Plaza to Blossom Hill Cemetery. Concord's diverse religious groups will offer reflections at stops along the way.

**Fairly Social** invites you next Sunday, March 30 at 11am to the parish hall to make baskets with Ken Hazen! Sign up in the hallway so that we bring enough supplies.

**Easter Lilies** Fill out the envelope in your pew with a name and memorial to beautify our Easter celebrations! Deadline is April 6. Suggested donation: \$20.

**Interfaith Seder** on Sunday, April 6 at 5pm, hosted at Wesley United Methodist Church (79 Clinton). Sign up on the bulletin board. Suggested donation: \$10 to support Kids 4 Peace.

**Concord Female Charitable Society** Annual meeting and turkey supper held at Alan's Restaurant on Tuesday, April 8 at 6pm followed by a musical program presented by Susan Campbell Goulet and Deborah Monson. Reservations (members only) for this event should be made with Janet Cumming by March 30. The ticket price is \$16. No tickets sold at the door.

**Save the Date** for May 17: Grace Church's next Yard Sale!

## PRAYER NEEDS

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**  
All Saints Church, Wolfeboro

### Requests

Jen, Gary, Tom, Noah, Ed and Barb, Harold Beliveau

## TAKE-A-TOTE NEEDS

This week's item is **pasta**. These come in small cans or microwaveable containers and include spaghetti and meatballs, beefaroni, beef ravioli, rice and chicken, and lasagna.

## POVERTY IN CONCORD

**Wednesdays, 5:30pm**  
**March 12-April 9**

### Mar. 26: Community Service

*Kelly Laflamme*

Endowment for Health

*Su McKinnon*

Catholic Charities

*Maggie Fogarty*

Am. Friends Service Cmte

*Jackie Whatmough*, City Services

### April 2: Families and Homelessness

*Chris Emond*

Concord Boys and Girls Club

*Ellen Fries and Brenda Perkins*,

Coalition to End Homelessness

### April 9: Poverty and Spirituality

*Rev. Jason Wells*, Grace Church

## WORSHIP TRAINING

### Holy Week Preparation

*Sunday, April 6, 11am*

Everyone scheduled for Palm Sunday through Easter Vigil will talk through these special services.

## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

### Palm Sunday

April 13, 8am and 10am

### Maundy Thursday

April 17, 6pm

### Good Friday

April 18, 6pm

### Easter Vigil

April 19, 7pm

