

## 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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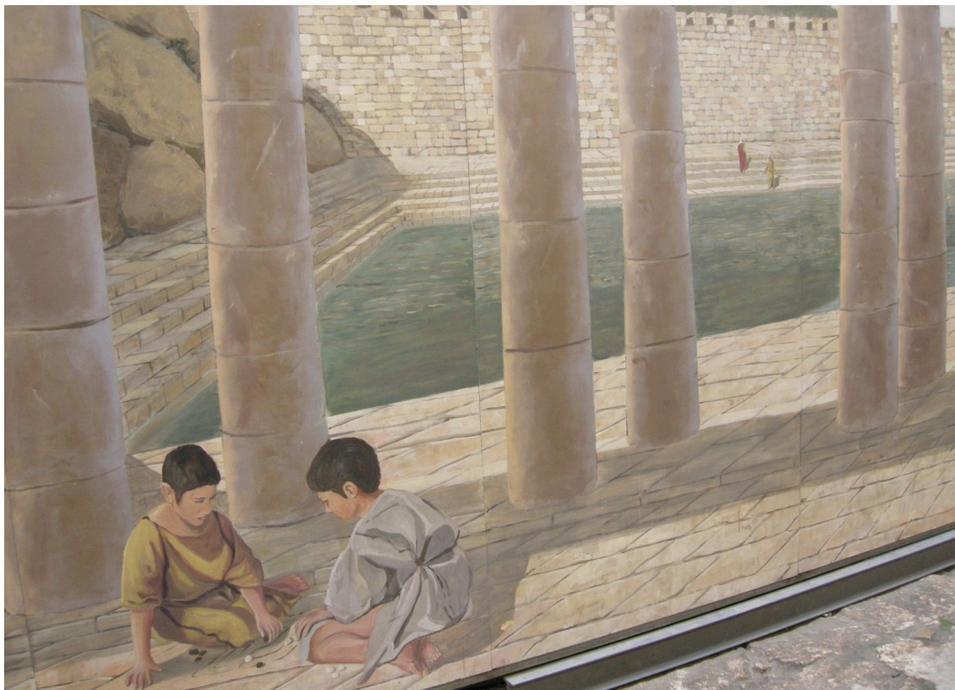
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# GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

## Feeding you, body, mind and soul

### THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT: MARCH 30, 2014



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## Prelude

## Welcome and Announcements

## Hymn 493

*O for a thousand tongues to sing*

## Opening Acclamation and Prayer

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

**His mercy endures for ever.**

## Kyrie eleison

Hymnal S-96

(8am) Lord, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy.

(10am) **Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

**Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.**

**Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

**Lord, have mercy, have mercy.**

## Prayer of the Day

Response: **And also with you.**

## 1 Samuel 16:1-13

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd; \*  
I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures \*  
and leads me beside still waters.

He revives my soul \*  
and guides me along right pathways  
for his Name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the  
shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; \*  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You spread a table before me in the presence  
of those who trouble me; \*  
you have anointed my head with oil,  
and my cup is running over.

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow  
me all the days of my life, \*  
and I will dwell in the house  
of the LORD for ever.

Ephesians 5:8-14

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 147, v. 4      *Now let us all with one accord*

John 9:1-41

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

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

Sermon

The Rev. Jason Wells

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.**

Prayers of the People

Response: **Lord, have mercy.**

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Peace

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

Offertory

Hymn 645

*The King of love my Shepherd is*

## 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

(8am) **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

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

(10am) **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

(8am) Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

(10am) 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.  
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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.  
**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

Hymn 657                      *Love divine, all loves excelling*

## Dismissal

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

# LENT: SPRING TRAINING

**Choir Rehearsals** Today and April 6 at 11:15am The choir will sing on Good Friday and Easter Day (10am).

**Fairly Social** invites you at 11am to the parish hall to make baskets with Ken Hazen!

**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 Campbelle Goulet and Deborah Monson. Reservations (members only) for this event should be made with Janet Cumming today. The ticket price is \$16. No tickets sold at the door.

**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.

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

**Chapter Two Thrift Shop** St. Paul's Church invites you to its thrift shop—stocked with fresh merchandise including boutique items, shoes, clothing and accessories plus small household items. Downstairs at the Centre Street entrance to St. Paul's Church building. Shop hours are Mon-Thurs, 10am-2pm, and the first Sundays, 8:45am–Noon. Proceeds support St. Paul's outreach to the needy. For more information, call 224-2523.

## PRAYER NEEDS

### Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

St. John the Evangelist, Dunbarton, where the Bishop is visiting this morning

### Requests

Jen, Gary, Tom, Noah, Father Harold and Steve

### Birthdays this Week

Charlie Makee and Caroline Gardner

## TAKE-A-TOTE NEEDS

Our supply of **Macaroni and Cheese** needs replenishing, preferably the ready to heat microwaveable Styrofoam-like containers (usually sold 4 or 6 in a package). We have a good supply of boxes containing individual packages of macaroni to boil.

## POVERTY IN CONCORD

Wednesdays, 5:30pm  
March 12-April 9

April 2

Families and Homelessness

*Chris Emond*

Boys and Girls Club

*Ellen Fries and Brenda Perkins*  
Coalition to End Homelessness

April 9

Poverty and Spirituality

*Rev. Jason Wells*  
Grace Episcopal 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

