

# GRACE CHURCH IN NEW YORK

## Morning Prayer & Sermon

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 14, 2024 at eleven o'clock A.M.

**PRELUDE** Concerto in B-flat Major, Op. 4/2

*George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)*

**HYMN 199** Come, ye faithful, raise the strain

*(Please stand)*

1 Come, ye faith - ful, raise the strain of tri - um - phant glad - ness!  
2 'Tis the spring of souls to - day: Christ hath burst his pri - son,  
3 Now the queen of sea - sons, bright with the day of splen - dor,  
4 Nei - ther might the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark por - tal,

God hath brought his Is - ra - el in - to joy from sad - ness;  
and from three days' sleep in death as a sun hath ris - en;  
with the roy - al feast of feasts, comes its joy to ren - der;  
nor the watch - ers, nor the seal hold thee as a mor - tal:

loosed from Pha - raoh's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons and daugh - ters,  
all the win - ter of our sins, long and dark, is fly - ing  
comes to glad Je - ru - sa - lem, who with true af - lec - tion  
but to - day a - midst thine own thou didst stand, be - stow - ing

led them with un - mois - tened foot through the Red Sea wa - ters.  
from his light, to whom we give laud and praise un - dy - ing.  
wel - comes in un - wear - ied strains Je - sus' re - sur - rec - tion.  
that thy peace which ev - er - more pass - eth hu - man know - ing.

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Officiant* Alleluia! Christ is risen.  
*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*The Priest invites the people to confess their sins.*

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

*Then all kneel and say together:*

**Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

## THE ABSOLUTION

*The Priest alone stands and says:*

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

## INVITATORY AND PSALTER

*(Please stand)*

*Priest* O Lord, open thou our lips.  
*People* **And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**

*All* **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.  
Amen. Alleluia.**

## JUBILATE DEO. PSALM 100.

Anglican Chant (*W. Russell*)

O BE joyful in the Lord / all . ye / lands:  
serve the Lord with gladness,  
and come before his / pre-.-sence / with . a / song.  
Be ye sure that the Lord he is God;  
it is he that hath made us and not / we . our- / -selves;  
we are his people and the / sheep of . his / PAS - / -ture.  
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,  
and into his / courts . with / praise;  
be thankful unto him and / SPEAK / good of . his / Name.  
For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is / e - . -ver - / - lasting;  
and his truth endureth from generation to / ge - . - ne - / - RA- / tion.  
Glory be to the Father and / to . the / Son,  
and / to . the / Ho- . -ly / Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and / e - . - ver / shall be,  
world without / end. A - / - A- / - men.

## FIRST LESSON Acts 3:12-19

*(Please be seated)*

Cathy Minuse

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and



**THIRD LESSON Luke 24:36b-48** *(Please be seated)*

Erin Hussein

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, “Peace be with you.” They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

*Reader*  
*People*

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

**HYMN 208** The strife is o'er, the battle done *(All stand to sing the hymn.)*  
*(During the hymn, children present in church may follow one of the clergy for Children's Chapel.)*

*Antiphon (at the beginning)*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done, the vic - to -  
 2 The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their  
 \*3 The three sad days are quick - ly sped, he ris - es  
 4 He closed the yaw - ning gates of hell, the bars from  
 5 Lord! by the stripes which wound - ed thee, from death's dread

1 ry of life is won; the song of tri - umph  
 2 le - gions hath dis - persed: let shout of ho - ly  
 3 glo - rious from the dead: all glo - ry to our  
 4 heaven's high por - tals fell; let hymns of praise his  
 5 sting thy serv - ants free, that we may live and

1 has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2 joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3 ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4 tri - umphs tell! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 5 sing to thee. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]

*Antiphon (at the end)*

The image shows a musical score for the Antiphon 'Al-le-lu-ia'. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The melody is written in a simple, homophonic style with chords. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!' are written below the treble staff. A 'Ped.' (pedal) marking is present at the beginning of the bass staff.

Words: Latin, 1695; tr. Francis Pott (1832-1909), alt.  
Music: *Victory*, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594); adapt. and arr. Willam Henry Monk (1826-1889)

**SERMON**      *(Please be seated.)*

THE REVEREND J. DONALD WARING

**THE APOSTLES' CREED**      *(To be said by all, standing)*

*Book of Common Prayer p. 53*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Officiant*      The Lord be with you.

*People*      **And with thy Spirit.**

*Officiant*      Let us pray.

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**      *(Please kneel if you are able)*

*Book of Common Prayer p. 54*

**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.**

**SUFFRAGES A**

V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;  
**R. And grant us thy salvation.**  
V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness;  
**R. And make thy chosen people joyful.**  
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
**R. For only in thee can we live in safety.**  
V. Lord, keep this nation under thy care;  
**R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**  
V. Let thy way be known upon earth;  
**R. Thy saving health among all nations.**  
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
**R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**  
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
**R. And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.**

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

O God, whose blessed Son did manifest himself to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open, we pray thee, the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

**COLLECTS**

*Book of Common Prayer p. 56*

**INTERCESSIONS**

**THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING**

*Book of Common Prayer p. 58*

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we thine unworthy servants  
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks  
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all people.  
We bless thee for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for thine inestimable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we beseech thee,  
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,  
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;  
and that we show forth thy praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to thy service,  
and by walking before thee  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,  
be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.***

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

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*  
*2 Corinthians 13:14*

**GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** *(Please be seated.)*  
*Children return from the Chantry.*

**AT THE OFFERTORY**

*Barry Rose (b. 1934)*

Morning glory, starlit sky,  
Soaring music, scholars' truth,  
Flight of swallows, autumn leaves,  
Memory's treasure, grace of youth:

Drained is Love, in making full,  
Bound in setting others free,  
Poor in making many rich,  
Weak in giving power to be.

Open are the gifts of God,  
Gifts of love to mind and sense;  
Hidden in loves agony,  
Love's endeavor, Love's expense.

Therefore He who shows us God,  
Helpless hangs upon the Tree;  
And the nails and crown of thorns  
Tell of what God's Love must be.

Love that gives, gives evermore,  
Gives with zeal, with eager hands,  
Spares not, keeps not, all outpours,  
Ventures all, its all expends.

Here is God, no monarch He,  
Throned in easy state to reign;  
Here is God, whose arms of Love  
Aching spent, the world sustain.

*W. H. Vanstone*

*Online worshippers may use the Virtual Offering Plate to make their gifts.*

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**DOXOLOGY**

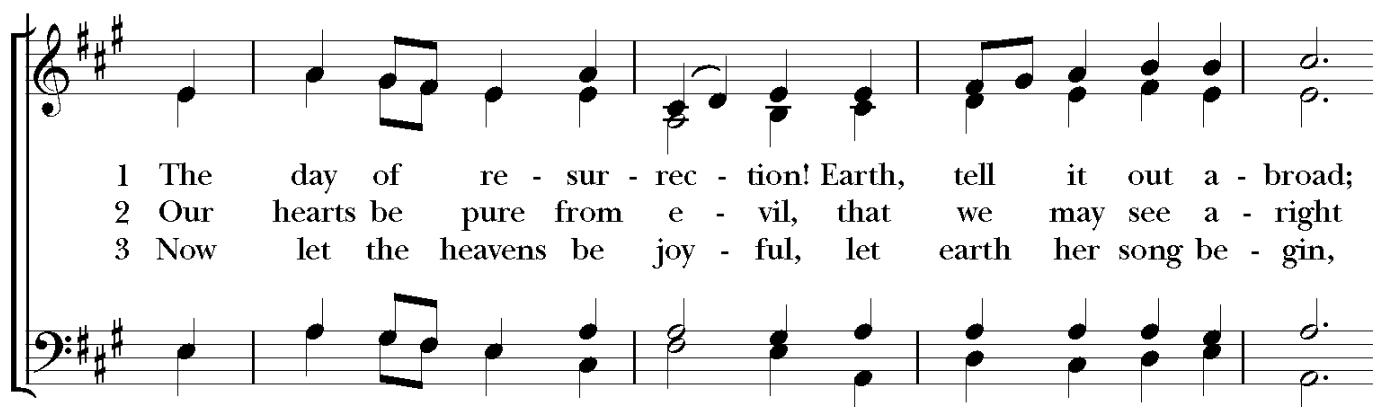
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**PRAISE God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

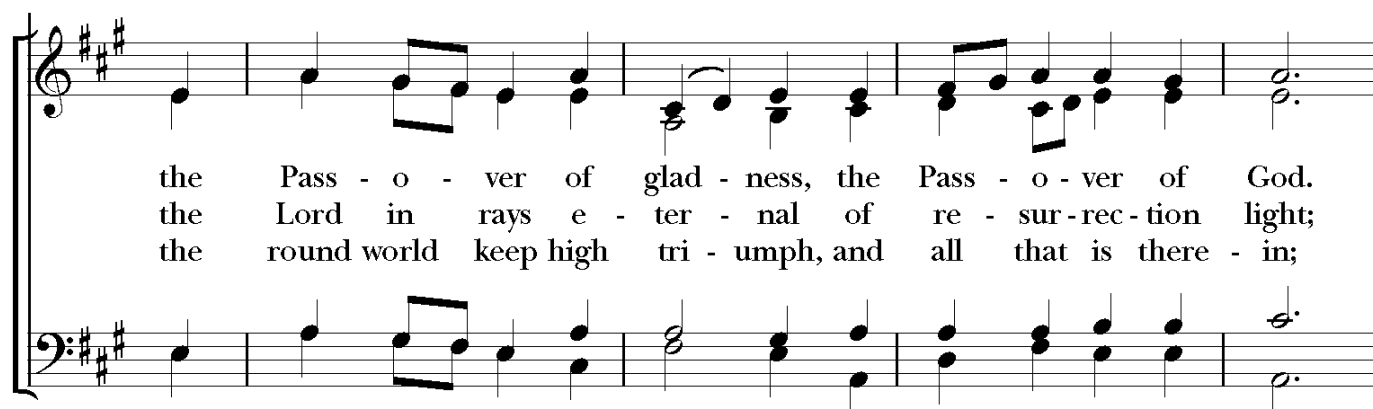
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**THE BLESSING**

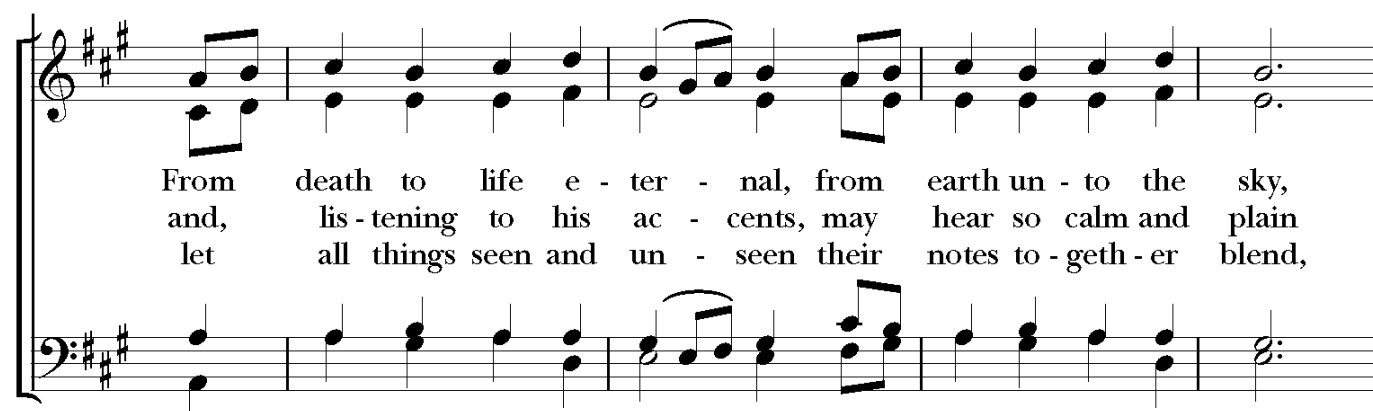




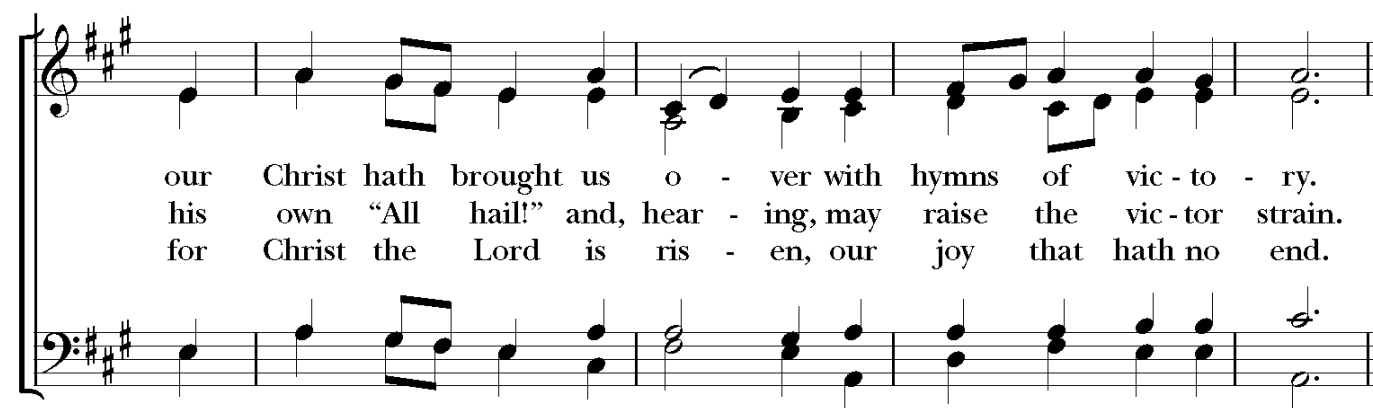
1 The day of re - sur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad;  
 2 Our hearts be pure from e - vil, that we may see a - right  
 3 Now let the heavens be joy - ful, let earth her song be - gin,



the Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the Pass - o - ver of God.  
 the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of re - sur - rec - tion light;  
 the round world keep high tri - umph, and all that is there - in;



From death to life e - ter - nal, from earth un - to the sky,  
 and, lis - ening to his ac - cents, may hear so calm and plain  
 let all things seen and un - seen their notes to - geth - er blend,



our Christ hath brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.  
 his own "All hail!" and, hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.  
 for Christ the Lord is ris - en, our joy that hath no end.

**DISMISSAL** *The people respond:* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

**POSTLUDE** Troisième Livre, Dialogue

*Louis Marchand (1669-1732)*

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***Serving Today***

The Choir of Adults, Girls and HS Singers

Kayleigh Stewart, *Acolyte*

Cathy Minuse, Henry Stevenson, Erin Hussein, *Readers*

Elana Foundos, *Altar Guild*

Charlie Johnston, Austin Berger, Ansley Galjour, Gene Raicovich, *Ushers*

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**TODAY**

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN LAUNCH**

“Making All Things New” is the theme of our campaign to raise the funds necessary to restore damaged plaster in the church and deteriorating exterior facades of the parish house and rectory. Following the 11 am service today, April 14, we will hold a festive party in Tuttle Hall featuring a campaign video, food and drink for all, and the BIG REVEAL of where we stand on the way toward our goal of \$4.5 - 5 million.

**The Sunday Forum – Stories in Light: the Windows of Grace Church, Part II** – The stained-glass windows of Grace Church are a treasure. Lovingly admired over many years, they convey the great stories of the Christian tradition, but did you know there is more than meets the eye? Over the next several weeks, the clergy will explore the stories within our stained-glass windows as well as the stories behind our stained-glass windows. Today’s conversation will be led by the Rev. James Morton and focus on the windows in the west apse of the Chantry. These windows surround the baptismal font and depict scenes from Jesus’ childhood. 10 am in the Reception Room. Coffee and breakfast treats are served.

**Nursery Care** is available from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm (during and between both morning services). The room is located in the Sunday School wing just off Tuttle Hall, and is professionally staffed according to Safe Church guidelines. Parents are welcome to bring their children up to age 4. For more information, contact the Rev. Julia Offinger at [joffinger@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:joffinger@gracechurchnyc.org).

**Coffee and Fellowship** takes place today in Tuttle Hall following the 9 am and 11 am services. Come enjoy coffee, conversation, and a variety of treats that have been provided.

**Pick Up an Easter Calendar** – The Grace Church Women are selling calendars (\$5.00 each) to help mark the season of Easter during Coffee Hour following the 11 am service. The calendars are available until supplies run out.

**Sunday 6 pm Eucharist in the Chantry** – The weekly 6 pm Sunday Eucharist is another way to experience the fullness of worship at Grace Church. The intimate service takes place in the cozy setting of the Chantry and features live instrumental music led by Dr. Patrick Allen, Organist and Master of Choristers. In addition to schedule flexibility, the evening hour provides an opportunity to end the weekend on a spiritual note and transition to the busy week ahead with an extra dose of faith. Newcomers and long-time members alike are welcome to join us.

**Canterbury Downtown Campus Ministry for College Students** - Canterbury Downtown is an open and inclusive Episcopal campus ministry for students of Manhattan colleges. Students of all religious and cultural backgrounds are invited to share in a faith-based community, connect with one another, and grow together in Christ. During the academic year, students gather for worship, conversation, and a complimentary meal with Canterbury Downtown Chaplain, The Rev. Megan E. Sanders, following the Sunday 6 pm service at Grace Church. All college students welcome.

## COMING SOON

**Confirmation for Youth and Adults** – Sign up to join Spring confirmation classes culminating with the Rt. Rev. Matthew Heyd's first visit to Grace on Sunday, June 2 at 11 am. For youth in 7th grades and up, we'll meet on six Sundays at 5pm this Spring, with a couple of service projects and worship opportunities thrown in. For adults, we'll set up a series of 3 classes based on interest and availability. Sign up ASAP by emailing the Rev. Julia Offinger at [joffinger@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:joffinger@gracechurchnyc.org).

**Apr 17 – Wednesday Evening Book Discussion** – We're back in the Reception Room from 6:45-8pm, April 10, 17, 24, and May 1. We'll be reading Rabbi Sharon Brous's new book *The Amen Effect: Ancient Wisdom to Mend Our Broken Hearts*. Copies are available for purchase during Coffee Hour and on Wednesday at our first meeting. No reading required for our first session!

**Apr 20 – Volunteer Day at The Red Door Place** – Help us prepare a meal for our neighbors at The Red Door Place at The Church of the Village, our food ministry partner. There are two available shifts, 8:30 to 11:45 am and 11:30 to 2:30 pm. Email the Rev. James Morton ([jmorton@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:jmorton@gracechurchnyc.org)) if you would like to attend.

**Apr 21 – Community Blood Drive** – NY Blood Center is partnering with Grace Church for a community blood drive Sunday, April 21, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Can I donate? Questions or concerns regarding eligibility should be directed to the NYBC Eligibility office: 800-688-0900 Mon through Fri. 9:am to 5:00 pm. Those who are ineligible or those who prefer not to donate can still help by spreading the word to recruit donors! How do I sign up? [https://donate.nybc.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/313345](https://donate.nybc.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/313345) or use your phone to scan the QR code shown on the posters. Registration is preferred but walk-ins are welcome! Sponsored by the Grace Church Women.



**Apr 21, 28, May 5, and 12 – Stories of Resurrection** – Each of the four Gospels present their own lens on the resurrection of Jesus with much to consider from one account to the next. This Eastertide, you're invited to join a new class led by The Rev. James Morton where we'll spend time with these passages. We'll meet on Sunday evenings immediately following the 6 pm Eucharist in the Chantry. Using poetry and art to complement our study, this short (45 minute) weekly class will journey through Scripture seeking signs of new life. No advanced reading is necessary to participate. Refreshments served.

**Apr 26 – Annual Spring Concert** – The Combined Choirs of Grace Church will offer their Annual Spring Choir Concert on Friday, April 26 at 7:00 pm featuring music the choir will offer on tour this summer in Salzburg and Prague. The program is free and open to all. Please consider supporting the choir tour by making a donation to the choir special projects fund at <https://gracechurchnyc.org/choir/>

**Apr 28 – 20s & 30s Brunch** – At Grace we have a very active group of parishioners in their twenties and thirties. Join us for brunch following the 11 am service on Sunday, April 28 to hang out and catch up. We'll meet at coffee hour then walk to a restaurant near the church. RSVP to the Rev. James Morton: [jmorton@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:jmorton@gracechurchnyc.org).

## **EVERY SUNDAY**

**9 am, 11 am Worship Services in the Church and 6 pm in the Chantry.** The 11 am service is video streamed every week.

**The Sunday Forum** – Between the services in the Reception Room (and over Zoom) starting around 10 am, we delve into theological and contemporary topics in depth.

**Children's Chapel** - During the 11 am service children ages 4-12 are invited to start church with their parents in the pews and then join Father James or Mother Julia and parishioner Kayleigh Stewart in the chantry for a time of learning and prayer. Children will return during the announcements.

**Nursery Care** – The nursery (next to the Sunday School classroom, across Tuttle Hall) is open from 8:30 am – 12:30 pm. Adults can sign children ages 0-4 in and out at their convenience. The nursery is professionally staffed according to Safe Church guidelines.

**Coffee Hour** - Coffee and fellowship takes place in Tuttle Hall following the 9 and 11 am services. Delicious baked goods are available thanks to the Guild of Bakers.

**Activity Corner for Children** – In the north aisle of the church you will find coloring supplies, and books for children to use during the service. Please return all materials before you leave, and help us keep the area clean for future families.

**Hymns from Grace** – Held in the church during open hours and on the Organ Meditation YouTube Channel at 4:00 pm - 45-minutes of favorite hymns, anthems and voluntaries played on the Bicentennial Organ.

## **EVERY WEEK**

**Monday – Centering Prayer (over Zoom)** – 12:15-12:45 pm – Christian silent prayer that prepares us to receive the gift of God's presence. Led by Currie Estreich, MA, Spiritual Direction, the General Theological Seminary. For Zoom access, please see The Weekly Epistle or email the Rev. Julia Macy Offinger at [joffinger@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:joffinger@gracechurchnyc.org).

**Tuesday-Friday – Bach at Noon** – Held in the church during open hours and on the Organ Meditation YouTube Channel at 12:20 pm - 30 minutes of music by J.S. Bach, played on the Bicentennial Organ.

**Wednesday – Women's Bible Study** – 10:30 am on Zoom with the Rev. Julia Offinger. Contact Julia for Zoom instructions.

**Wednesday – 6 pm Eucharist in the Chantry**

**Saturday – Weekend Organ Meditation** – Held in the church during open hours and on the Organ Meditation YouTube Channel at 4:00 pm - 45-minutes of diverse music played on the Bicentennial Organ.

**Enter, Rest, Pray (CHURCH IS OPEN)** Monday - Saturday from noon – 5 pm.

## **OUTREACH**

**Knitters and non-knitters unite!** Love to knit, curious how to start, or just want to dust off those old needles and plunge into purling again? We want you! We are looking for all levels of knitters to help grow our partnership with Seamen's Church Institute and the Christmas at Sea program by knitting heart-made hats, scarves,

and mittens. If you are interested, please contact Ashleigh Madureira at [amadureira1@gmail.com](mailto:amadureira1@gmail.com). Just include your name, the # of adults/children in your household that may be interested, and the level(s) of experience. No experience is OK!

**Food Donations for The Red Door Place** – Our food ministry partner, The Red Door Place at The Church of the Village, is a vital pantry/soup kitchen serving those in need supporting the social safety net in our neighborhood. Donations are desperately needed. Non-perishable food item(s) may be dropped off in the collection baskets in the narthex when you visit Grace Church during open hours. Clothing donations are not needed for this ministry.

**Fresh Direct (or Other Reusable) Bags Needed** – The Red Door Place is also seeking donations of Fresh Direct or other reusable bags to support its ministries. If you'd like to donate bags, you can place these in the collection baskets in the narthex with the food items.

**Help Ukrainian Families** – Episcopal Relief & Development is working to provide humanitarian assistance to the more than 2 million people who have had to leave Ukraine. Specifically, their partner ACT Alliance is helping families on the Hungarian border, and their Anglican partners are mobilizing both an immediate and long-term response in Poland, Romania and Hungary. Your emergency gift will provide cash, blankets, hygiene supplies and other needs as this crisis unfolds. Visit <https://support.episcopalrelief.org/ukraineresponse> to make a donation today.

## PARISH LIFE

**Altar Flowers** - Every Sunday the flowers on the altar assist our prayers by reminding us of the beauty of God's creation. The gift of flowers is a wonderful way to remember a departed loved one, or give thanks for a happy occasion such as a birthday or an anniversary. The flowers not only brighten our Sundays, but remain on the altar most of the week for school chapels and open door hours. The cost for sponsoring the arrangements on both sides of the cross is \$300. But donors can also go in together and jointly sponsor a Sunday. Either way, we will list the givers and the occasions in the Sunday bulletin. Many Sundays are available for flower donors to claim. If you are interested, please email Mickey Hawley in the parish office, [mhawley@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:mhawley@gracechurchnyc.org).

**Become a Worship Leader** – Readers, ushers, and altar guild members play vital roles in all our services here at Grace Church. If you feel called to help us lead worship and are interested in learning more about any of these opportunities, email the Rev. James Morton at [jmorton@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:jmorton@gracechurchnyc.org) and he can help you connect to a ministry that suits you.

**Wear your nametags!** Nametags can be found on the boards in Tuttle Hall. Newcomers are encouraged to visit our welcome table during coffee hour to create their own nametags. If you are a pledging member and do not see your nametag on the boards in Tuttle Hall, please send Travis Kennedy an email at [tkennedy@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:tkennedy@gracechurchnyc.org) so he can make you one.

**20s & 30s at Grace Church** – We have a very active group of parishioners in their twenties and thirties here at Grace who meet regularly for Pub Theology and other seasonal events. If you are interested in connecting with us, please email the Rev. James Morton and he will add you to our email list.

**Baptism at Grace Church** – The sacrament of baptism takes place during a weekly, public worship service about once a month. If you are interested in baptism for yourself or a child, please first be in touch with The Rev. Julia Offinger at [joffinger@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:joffinger@gracechurchnyc.org) to discuss next steps. Attendance at one class prior to your chosen baptism date is required.

**Grace Cares** – Would you like a visit at home or at the hospital? Do you need assistance in getting to church or an appointment? Are you struggling and in need of a friendly phone call? Would you like the Sunday lessons read to you or the service bulletin brought to you? Would you like to receive communion in your home? Grace has a pastoral care team that provides these services and more. Contact the Rev. Julia Macy Offinger at [joffinger@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:joffinger@gracechurchnyc.org).

**Restrooms** are available on the 1st floor of the parish house, through the north aisle door near the baptismal font.

**Nut-Free Fare** – To ensure the safety of all our parishioners, every precaution is taken to provide food that is nut-free at coffee hours and other receptions. If you are bringing treats for others to enjoy, please make sure they are nut-free.

**Safe Church** – Grace Church is committed to providing its members, staff, and visitors with a place that is free of abuse and harassment. If you have observed, or personally experienced sexual or other forms of harassment, or other concerning behavior while attending activities, classes, or events held at Grace Church, or on our shared campus with Grace Church School, we encourage you to notify us. Please visit <https://gracechurchnyc.org/safechurch/> where you will find a direct means of providing feedback.

**Assistive Listening System** - During Sunday morning worship services, Grace Church provides an assistive listening system (ALS) for visitors with hearing loss. For information on how to connect to our FM radio transmitter, visit <https://gracechurchnyc.org/assistive-listening/> If you already have your listening equipment, tune in to frequency 87.6 mHZ on your FM dial.

**Give Via Venmo** – If you don't have cash on you, but still want to give to Grace Church, you can Venmo your donation by searching for our page (@GraceChurchNYC) or by scanning this QR code using the camera on your phone. Use the "What's it for?" line to tell us the specific project or program you want to support.



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*Thank you for worshipping with us.*