

**GRACE CHURCH IN NEW YORK**  
 THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT  
 A Penitential Order & Holy Eucharist Rite I  
 March 1, 2026 at eleven o'clock A.M.

**PRELUDE** Libro quarto  
 Ricercar in d, FbWV 407, 408

*Johann Jakob Froberger (1616-1667)*

**HYMN 401** The God of Abraham praise *(All stand to sing the hymn)*

LEONI

1 The God of A - braham praise, who reigns en - throned a - bove;  
 2 He by him - self hath sworn: we on his oath de - pend;  
 3 There dwells the Lord, our King, the Lord, our Right - eous - ness,  
 4 The God who reigns on high the great arch - an - gels sing,  
 5 The whole tri - um - phant host give thanks to God on high;

1 An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days, and God of love;  
 2 we shall, on ea - gle - wings up - borne, to heaven a - scend:  
 3 tri - um - phant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace;  
 4 and "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," cry, "Al - might - y King!  
 5 "Hail, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!" they ev - er cry;

1 the Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven con - fessed:  
 2 we shall be - hold his face, we shall his power a - dore,  
 3 on Zi - on's sa - cred height his king - dom he main - tains,  
 4 Who was, and is, the same, and ev - er - more shall be:  
 5 hail, A - braham's Lord di - vine! With heaven our songs we raise;

we bow and bless the sa - cred Name for ev - er blest.  
 and sing the won - ders of his grace for ev - er - more.  
 and, glo - rious with his saints in light, for ev - er reigns.  
 e - ter - nal Fa - ther, great I AM, we wor - ship thee."  
 all might and ma - jes - ty are thine, and end - less praise.

Words: Thomas Olivers (1725-1799), alt. Music: *Leoni*, Hebrew melody; harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, alt.

**OPENING ACCLAMATION**

*Celebrant* Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

*People* **His mercy endureth for ever.**

*The people kneel for the reading of the Decalogue, which may be followed beginning on page 317 of the Book of Common Prayer. After each Commandment, the people sing:*

*People*

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us, and in - cline our hearts to keep this law.

*After the 10th Commandment*

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us, and write all these thy laws in our

hearts, we be - seech thee.

Setting: From *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*, Healey Willan (1880-1968)  
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*The Celebrant then reads the following sentence:*

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8, 9*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept. Then all 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 Bishop when present, or the Priest, 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.*

*Then all sing, each line three times:*

**HYMNAL S-91** *Kyrie*

*Healey Willan*

**Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from thy ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of thy Word, Jesus Christ thy Son; who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever.  
*Amen.*

**FIRST LESSON** **Genesis 12:1-4a**

*(Please be seated)*

Cody Jones

The Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

**People** **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 121**

*(To be sung by choir)*

Anglican Chant (*Bairstow*)

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills;  
from whence cometh my help?  
My help cometh even from the Lord,  
who hath made heaven and earth.  
He will not suffer thy foot to be moved;  
and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.  
Behold, he that keepeth Israel  
shall neither slumber nor sleep.  
The Lord himself is thy keeper;  
the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand;  
So that the sun shall not burn thee by day,  
neither the moon by night.  
The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil;  
yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.



**THE GOSPEL****John 3:1-17** *(Please stand)**Celebrant*

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

*People***Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? "Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

*Celebrant*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People***Praise be to thee, O Christ.****SERMON***(Please be seated)*

THE REVEREND J. DONALD WARING

**THE NICENE CREED** *(To be said by all, standing)**Book of Common Prayer p. 326***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** (Remain standing)

*Book of Common Prayer p. 387*

Lector Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
People ***That we all may be one.***

Lector Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
People ***That your Name may be glorified by all people.***

Lector We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
People ***That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.***

Lector We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
People ***That there may be justice and peace on the earth.***

Lector Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
People ***That our works may find favor in your sight.***

Lector Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
People ***That they may be delivered from their distress.***

Lector Give to the departed eternal rest.  
People ***Let light perpetual shine upon them.***

Lector We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
People ***May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.***

Lector Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.*

**THE PEACE** (All stand)  
Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
People **And with thy spirit.**

**GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** (Please be seated)

**THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**AT THE OFFERTORY**, God so loved the world *John Stainer (1840-1901)*  
God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not  
perish, but have everlasting life.

For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be  
saved. *John 3:16, 17*

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DOXOLOGY

(All stand)

OLD 100TH

**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**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING** (Remain standing)

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*People* **It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, thou hast caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of thy glory in the face of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

**SANCTUS, HYMNAL S-114**

*Healey Willan* (1880-1968)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of  
Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -  
ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth  
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*All may kneel after the Sanctus.*

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood. And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *AMEN.*

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

*People and Celebrant*

**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.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

## AGNUS DEI, HYMNAL S-158

*Healey Willan* (1880-1968)

O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -  
way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -  
on us. O Lamb of God, that  
ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have  
mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of  
God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the  
world, grant us thy peace.

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following invitation*

The gifts of God for the People of God. Take and eat them in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## THE ADMINISTRATION

*The Communion is administered (bread only) at the chancel steps. Please approach single file from the center aisle and keep six-feet behind the person in front of you. Return to your pew using the side aisle to your right or left.*

1 Let thy Blood in mer - cy poured, let thy gra - cious  
 2 Thou didst die that I might live; bless - ed Lord, thou  
 3 By the thorns that crowned thy brow, by the spear-wound  
 4 Wilt thou own the gift I bring? All my pen - i -

Bo - dy bro - ken, be to me, O gra - cious Lord,  
 cam'st to save me; all that love of God could give  
 and the nail - ing, by the pain and death, I now  
 tence I give thee; thou art my ex - alt - ed King,

*Refrain*  
 of thy bound-less love the to - ken.  
 Jes - us by his sor - rows gave me. Thou didst give thy -  
 claim, O Christ, thy love un - fail - ing.  
 of thy match-less love for - give me.

self for me, now I give my - self to thee.

**AT THE COMMUNION,** Hide not thou thy face from us, O Lord  
Hide not thou thy face from us, O Lord, and cast not off thy servants in thy displeasure;  
for we confess our sins unto thee, and hide not our unrighteousness.  
For thy mercy's sake deliver us from all our sins.

*Richard Farrant (1530-1580)*

*Psalm 27:10; Psalm 32:5*

*The Celebrant and People say together:*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** *(Please kneel)*

**Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in, through Jesus Christ our Lord to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

**THE BLESSING**

1 O day of ra - diant glad - ness, O day of joy and  
 2 This day at the cre - a - tion, the light first had its  
 3 This day, God's peo - ple meet - ing, his Ho - ly Scrip - ture  
 4 That light our hope sus - tain - ing, we walk the pil - grim

light, O balm of care and sad - ness, most  
 birth; this day for our sal - va - tion Christ  
 hear; his liv - ing pres - ence greet - ing, through  
 way, at length our rest at - tain - ing, our

beau - ti - ful, most bright; this day the high and  
 rose from depths of earth; this day our Lord vic -  
 Bread and Wine made near. We jour - ney on, be -  
 end - less Sab - bath day. We sing to thee our

low - ly, through a - ges joined in tune, sing,  
 to - rious the Spi - rit sent from heaven, and  
 liev - ing, re - newed with heaven - ly might, from  
 prais - es, O Fa - ther, Spi - rit, Son; the

“Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,” to the great God Tri - une.  
 thus this day most glo - rious a tri - ple light was given.  
 grace more grace re - ceiv - ing on this blest day of light.  
 Church her voice up - rais - es to thee, blest Three in One.

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 harm. George Ratcliff Woodward (1848-1934)

**DISMISSAL**    *The people respond: Thanks be to God.*

**POSTLUDE**    Präludium und Fuge in c-moll, BWV 546

*Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)*

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***Serving Today***

The Choir of Men and Boys

Cody Jones, Laurent Brodie, *Acolytes*

Cody Jones, Ansley Galjour, Travis Brock Kennedy, *Readers*

Charlie Johnston, Ansley Galjour, Patrick McCullough, Austin Berger, *Ushers*

Ginger Blake, Cathy Minuse, Shingmin Lai, *Altar Guild*

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**TODAY**

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

**New Associate Rector(s)** – The Rev. Eva Suarez has accepted the call to become a new Associate Rector. Over the next weeks Eva will be easing into the position on a part-time basis and learning the ropes of Grace Church as she manages the transition from one place in her life to the next. She will be with us next Sunday to preach at all three services. Congratulations also to the Rev. James Morton, who was promoted

from Assistant to Associate Rector back in January.

**9 am Choir** – Do you like to sing? Would you like to see the 9 am Parish Choir revived? On the first Sunday of the month during the program year, a professional quartet of singers will form the core of the Parish Choir, making it easier for volunteers to join in, even when they aren't confident of their own musical abilities. There is safety in numbers! If you'd like to give the Parish Choir a try, meet Dr. Allen in the choir pews for a brief rehearsal at 8:30 am on Sundays 3/1, 5/3, and 6/7. More dates TBA.

**The Sunday Forum – Wilderness Emotions** – The season of Lent recalls the forty days that Jesus spent in the wilderness, contending with Satan's manifold temptations. All of us experience wilderness times that result in troubling emotions that threaten to consume faith, hope, and love. What resources does the Christian faith give us to contend with anger, anxiety, grief, doubt, and fear? The Sunday Forum in Lent examines these wilderness emotions and others. We continue the series today with the wilderness emotion of doubt, led by the Rev. James Morton. 10 am in the reception room. Breakfast treats served.

**Newcomers' Lunch** – New to Grace Church? Interested in learning more about this community and how to get involved? Today at 12:30 pm, come for lunch in the reception room, meet a few new friends, and learn about the many offerings at Grace Church.

**Lenten Sock Drive** – This Lent, Grace is collecting new (unused and unopened) socks to be distributed by The Red Door Place to those in need. At a previous parish day of service at The Red Door Place, one parishioner asked what besides food is most needed and the answer was socks. The Red Door Place is a food ministry, but it tries to meet other client needs as well. On raw, cold days, warm, dry socks are a godsend. The sock drive will culminate at the Maundy Thursday service on April 2.

**Souper Bowl Success** – The Souper Bowl of Caring is a national effort to use the energy of the Super Bowl for a higher good: collecting dollars for the needy in our local community. At Grace, we use the funds raised to underwrite the cost of our biggest outreach event of the year, the Brown Bag Volunteer Day we do each February. The results for this year are: New England Patriots (\$405), Seattle Seahawks (\$113), Fantasy Super Bowl 2027 – Jets vs. Giants (\$181). Thanks to everyone who donated!

**Today & Mar 8 – Cities in the Bible | Sunday Evening Adult Formation** – At the outset, the Bible does not have great things to say about cities. They are often corrupt and unwelcoming to outsiders. Hence, it would seem God's grand design is to restore all of us to a garden, yet all is not as it seems at first! The Bible can be surprising, and it may include some good news for New Yorkers who call this city home. Meeting a total of six times, this course will employ resources from The Bible Project and be led by the Rev. James Morton. We will meet on Sunday evenings in the chantry immediately following the 6 pm service. No advance reading is necessary to participate. Refreshments served.

**300 Giving Households!** – We have exceeded our goal of 300 pledging households in 2026, the highest number of pledging households in the 218-year history of Grace Church. Thank you to everyone who has pledged! We are grateful to have you in our midst, shaping this parish community. Now we are forging ahead to 350, with more fanfare to come if we reach it. If you have not yet made a pledge, there is still time! Scan the QR code or place your completed pledge envelope in the offering plate any Sunday.



**Nursery Care** – The nursery is open 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. Please be sure to collect your children by 12:30 pm. Please contact our seminarian, Molly Gouran, at [Parishlife@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:Parishlife@gracechurchnyc.org) for more information.

**Children's Chapel** – During the 11 am service, children ages 5-12 are invited to start church with their parents in the pews and then join a member of the clergy and a musician in the chantry for a time of singing, stories, and prayer. Younger children are welcome to attend with an adult. Children return during the announcements.

**2026 pledge envelopes** are available for those who use them! If you received 2025 pledge envelopes, your 2026 envelopes are available after service at the coffee hour. Please make sure to take the box with your name on it, as the number on the envelope identifies the person who made the donation! If you did not receive pledge envelopes last year but would like to receive them this year, please email Travis at [tkennedy@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:tkennedy@gracechurchnyc.org).

**Scaffolding** – The interior scaffolding is finally down, allowing passage through the south aisle and access to all pews. Unfortunately, the stained-glass windows will remain dark until the exterior south aisle work can be completed and the protection removed. Also, walkway exterior scaffolding will remain in place as workers continue the “make safe” inspection of the spire and tower.

**Join the Choir!** – Do you have a child in grades two through twelve? The Choirs are always recruiting and, with creative scheduling, all young people are eligible to participate, not just those who attend Grace Church School. It's fun, y'all come! Contact Patrick Allen via email at [pallen@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:pallen@gracechurchnyc.org) to work out the details. For more information about the choirs, please visit the music website at <https://gracechurchnyc.org/music/choirs/>.

**6 pm Sunday and Wednesday Worship in the Chantry** – If you cannot be here on Sunday mornings, note that every week we offer two evening opportunities for worship. The Sunday and Wednesday 6 pm services in the chantry include Holy Eucharist, sermon, and lively hymn singing accompanied by our Steinway grand piano. The first Wednesday of every month includes prayers for healing and anointing with oil.

**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 are welcome.

**COMING SOON**

## **HOLY WEEK AND EASTER**

### **PALM SUNDAY, March 29**

9 am & 11 am in the church  
Palm Sunday Liturgy and Holy Eucharist  
Preacher: The Rev. J. Donald Waring  
At 11 am: Music by Gibbons & Guilman; The Adult Choir

4 p.m. in the church  
Musical Offering  
Olivet to Calvary – John Henry Maunder  
The Adult Choir

6 pm in the chantry  
Palm Sunday Liturgy & Holy Eucharist  
Preacher: The Rev. James H.B. Morton III

**HOLY WEDNESDAY, April 1**

6 pm in the chantry  
Holy Eucharist and Hymns  
Preacher: Ms. Molly Gouran, Seminarian

**MAUNDY THURSDAY, April 2**

7 pm in the church  
Holy Eucharist, Stripping of the Altar, Ingathering of New Socks for the Shelters  
Preacher: The Rev. Eva Suarez  
Music by Duruflé, Farrant, Tallis & others; The Adult Choir

**GOOD FRIDAY, April 3**

12–3 pm in the church  
The Seven Last Words of Jesus  
Preachers: The Rev. Robbie Pennoyer, The Rev. J. Donald Waring,  
The Rev. Megan Sanders, The Rev. James H.B. Morton III, The Rev. Eva Suarez,  
The Very Rev. Harry Krauss, and Molly Gouran

**HOLY SATURDAY, April 4**

10:30 am–Noon in the chantry  
Easter Eve Walk  
Children ages 4–12 and their families are invited to experience the Passion and Resurrection through interactive storytelling, crafts, lunch, and an Easter egg hunt.  
RSVP to Molly Gouran at [parishhilfe@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:parishhilfe@gracechurchnyc.org).

7 pm in the church  
The Great Vigil of Easter  
Holy Baptism & Eucharist  
Preacher: The Rev. James H.B. Morton III  
Music by Byrd, Hancock & Palestrina; The Adult Choir

**EASTER DAY, April 5**

9 am in the church  
Festive Choral Eucharist  
Preacher: The Rev. J. Donald Waring  
Music: The Combined Choirs of Grace Church

11 am in the church  
Festive Choral Eucharist  
Preacher: The Rev. J. Donald Waring  
Music by Batten, Byrd, Noyon/Hancock, Parker & others  
The Combined Choirs of Grace Church with Brass & Tympani

4 pm in the church  
Organ Music for Easter Day  
Music by Bach, Handel, Pachelbel & Widor

6 pm in the church  
Festive Holy Eucharist & Easter Hymns  
Preacher: The Rev. J. Donald Waring

**Mar 4, 11, 18 & 25 – Favorite Psalms** – A new Wednesday evening study will continue through Lent. We will look at favorite Psalms, including an understanding of the text, and how they have been put to use in Anglican worship. 6:45 pm in the reception room. A Lenten supper of soup, bread, and beverages will be served.

**Mar 7 – Volunteer Day with The GO Project** – The GO Project is an after-school program and longtime ministry partner of Grace Church. Join us on Sat., Mar. 7 from 9:30 am to 12 pm for a volunteer day where we'll support students as they learn. Email the Rev. James Morton at [jmorton@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:jmorton@gracechurchnyc.org) if you'd like to attend.

**Mar 14 – Beverly Banks Memorial Service** – At 11 am we will gather in the church for a memorial Eucharist in thanksgiving for the life of Beverly Banks, who died on February 14. The Rev. Harry Krauss will offer the homily, and a reception will follow in the reception room.

**Apr 4 – Easter Eve Walk** – Children and families are welcome to join us on Holy Saturday, April 4, from 10:30 am–12 pm, as we experience the Passion and Resurrection of Jesus through interactive storytelling, crafts, lunch, and an Easter egg hunt. Activities are designed for kids ages 3–10, but the whole family is welcome. Volunteer to help! We need donations of candy for hiding in eggs, white hard-boiled eggs for dying, snacks, and party decorations, plus a handful of volunteers to help. Please sign up with Molly Gouran at [Parishlife@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:Parishlife@gracechurchnyc.org).

**Apr 11 – Ellen Maddock Funeral** – At 11 am we will gather in the church for the funeral Eucharist of Ellen Maddock, who died on January 27. The Committal will be in the columbarium, and a reception will follow in Tuttle Hall.

**Apr 12, 19 & 26, May 3 & 17 – Adult Confirmation** – For all adult seekers and returners who would like to explore Confirmation or Reception in the Episcopal Church, five sessions will meet in Eastertide with the Revs. Harry Krauss and Don Waring. Sundays April 12, 19, 26, May 3, and 17 at 12:30 pm in the reception room. Topics will include the Bible, the Episcopal Church, the Sacraments, Prayer and Worship, and Christian Living. Bishop Heyd will be here for Confirmation on Sunday, May 31. To sign up, please email the Rector at [dwarding@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:dwarding@gracechurchnyc.org).

**Apr 12, 19 & 26, May 3 & 17 – Youth Confirmation** – For youth in 7<sup>th</sup> grades and up who would like to explore Confirmation in the Episcopal Church, five sessions will meet in Eastertide with the Rev. James Morton, the Rev. Eva Suarez, and our seminarian, Molly Gouran. We'll meet Sundays April 12, 19, 26, May 3, and 17 from 4:00-5:30 pm in the reception room. Topics will include the Bible, the Episcopal Church, the Sacraments, Prayer and Worship, and Christian Living. Bishop Heyd will be here for Confirmation on Sunday, May 31. To sign up, please email the Rev. James Morton at [jmorton@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:jmorton@gracechurchnyc.org).

**Apr 18 – Community Blood Drive** – NY Blood Center is partnering with Grace Church for a community blood drive on **Saturday**, April 18 from 10:00 am–4:00 pm. Can I donate?

Questions or concerns regarding eligibility should be directed to the NYBC Eligibility office at (800) 688-0900, Monday–Friday from 9 am–5 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?

Visit [https://donate.nybc.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/311374](https://donate.nybc.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/311374) or use your phone to

scan the QR code. Registration is preferred but walk-ins are welcome! Sponsored by the Grace Church Women.



## 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 on Zoom starting around 10 am, we delve into theological and contemporary topics in depth.

**Nursery Care** – The nursery (next to the Sunday School classroom, across Tuttle Hall) is open from 8:30 am to 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. Please be sure to collect your children by 12:30 pm.

**Children's Chapel** – During the 11 am service, children ages 5-12 are invited to start church with their parents in the pews and then join a member of the clergy and a musician in the chantry for a time of learning and prayer. Younger children are welcome to attend with an adult. Children return during the announcements.

**Coffee Hour** – Coffee hour and fellowship take place in Tuttle Hall following the 9 and 11 am services.

**Activity Corner for Children** – In the north aisle of the church, you will find activity bags, 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.

**Sunday Evening Adult Formation Classes** – Join us on Sunday evenings following 6 pm worship in the chantry where we'll gather to study, learn, and deepen our faith in a small group setting.

**Hymns from Grace** – Held in the church during open hours and on the Grace Church NYC Vimeo channel at 4 pm – 45 minutes of favorite hymns, anthems and voluntaries played on the Bicentennial Organ.

## **EVERY WEEK**

**Monday – Centering Prayer** – 12:15-12:45 pm – In person and on Zoom. 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 Michelle Henderson at [mhenderson@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:mhenderson@gracechurchnyc.org). To practice in person, please come to the southeast corner of the church, just to the right of the organ and behind the pulpit. If you come down the center or north aisle and turn right, you'll see the spot set up.

**Tuesday-Friday – Bach at Noon** – Held in the church during open hours and on the Organ Meditations YouTube channel at 12:20 pm through May 15, 2026. 30 minutes of music by J.S. Bach, played on the Bicentennial Organ. Everyone is invited to visit the church in-person or join the livestream on the Grace Church Organ Meditations YouTube channel found at <https://youtube.com/@orgmed?si=VglrPvEdk2Iul72g>.

**Wednesday – Women's Bible Study** – 10:30 am on Zoom. Please contact our seminarian, Molly Gouran, at [Parishlife@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:Parishlife@gracechurchnyc.org) for more information.

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

**Saturday – Weekend Organ Meditation** – Held in the church during open hours and on the Grace Church Organ Meditations YouTube channel at 4 pm through May 31, 2026. 45 minutes of diverse music played on the Bicentennial Organ.

**Enter, Rest, Pray (CHURCH IS OPEN)** Monday through Saturday from noon – 5 pm. Sundays 8:30 am to 5 pm (Sunday 6 pm service is in the chantry).

## **OUTREACH**

**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 Bags Needed** – The Red Door Place is also seeking donations of Fresh Direct bags to support its ministries. Please note that they only accept Fresh Direct bags. Other reusable bags are not needed. If you would like to donate bags, please place them in the collection baskets in the narthex with the food items.

**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 number of adults/children in your household that may be interested, and the level(s) of experience. No experience is OK!

**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 the Episcopal Relief & Development website at <https://support.episcopalrelief.org/ukraineresponse>.

## 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 \$350, 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. Please note that during Advent and Lent we observe those seasons with simpler arrangements that do not include flowers. That said, many other Sundays are available for flower donors to claim. If you are interested, please email Mickey Hawley in the parish office at [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.

**Is hospitality your forte?** Would you like to help put on parish events? If so, the Hospitality Guild wants your help! Throughout the year, Grace Church puts on many special events and opportunities for table fellowship. At parish dinners, summer cookouts, and other festive receptions, the Hospitality Guild helps set the table, lay the buffet, and extend the church’s hospitality to members and newcomers alike. If you would like to be on the list of people we reach out to when we need hospitality volunteers, please email Travis Kennedy at [tkennedy@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:tkennedy@gracechurchnyc.org).

**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 email Travis Kennedy 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 at [jmorton@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:jmorton@gracechurchnyc.org) and he will add you to our email list. You can also sign up for the WhatsApp group using the QR code.



**Baptism at Grace Church** – The sacrament of baptism takes place during a weekly, public worship service about once a month. The upcoming dates are Sunday, Feb 8 at the 9 am service, Saturday, April 4 at the 7 pm Easter Vigil, and Sunday May 24 at the 11 am service. Please try to arrange your family plans around these dates if you are interested in baptism for yourself or a child at Grace Church. Contact the rector at [dwaring@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:dwaring@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. James Morton at [jmorton@gracechurchnyc.org](mailto:jmorton@gracechurchnyc.org).

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

**Please refrain from eating and drinking in the church** to help keep the church a clean and peaceful space for all.

**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/safeguarding-our-community/> to 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. Please bring a small, handheld FM radio to the church to access this system. Once at the church, tune in to frequency 87.6 mHZ on your FM dial to listen. Please visit <https://gracechurchnyc.org/assistive-listening/> for more information.



**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.



*Thank you for worshipping with us!*

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