

Grace Lutheran Church

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Our Mission Statement:

We are a community of believers in Christ called to be servants to all people.

Page numbers (p.) are in front half of the hymnal.

Hymn numbers (#) are in back half of the hymnal.

Everyone is invited to join in **bolded responses.**+ Please stand as you are able.

+ Gathering +

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

All are invited, as able and weather permitting, to gather outside to begin the service.

+ Acclamation

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

+ Processional Gospel

Luke 19:28-40

The holy gospel according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

+ Blessing of Palms

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept.

We praise you, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. Today he entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed messiah and king by those who spread garments and branches along his way. Bless these branches and those who carry them. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross, so that, joined to his death and resurrection, we enter into life with you; through the same Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

+ Procession

Let us go forth in peace, in the name of Christ. Amen.

The assembly processes into the church, waving palms and singing the Processional Song.

Please remain standing in your pew.

+ Processional Song

"Hosanna"

Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

Lord, we lift up Your name, with hearts full of praise; Be exalted, oh Lord, my God! Hosanna in the highest!

Glory! Glory! Glory to the King of Kings! Glory! Glory! Glory to the King of Kings!

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+ Prayer of the Day

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As we now enter into the contemplation of the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ and meditate on the salvation of the world through his sufferings, death, burial, and resurrection, let us pray.

A brief silence is kept.

Sovereign God, you have established your rule in the human heart through the servanthood of Jesus Christ. By your Spirit, keep us in the joyful procession of those who with their tongues confess Jesus as Lord and with their lives praise him as Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

+Word+

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

First Reading Isaiah 50:4-9a

A reading from Isaiah.

⁴The Lord GoD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning

he wakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

⁷The Lord GoD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; ⁸he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. ⁹alt is the Lord GoD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

Second Reading

Philippians 2:5-11

A reading from Philippians.

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God

+ Gospel Reading

Luke 22:14--23:56

The holy gospel according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

Young at Heart Message

The Rev. Leslie D. Weber

+ Song of the Day

"Above All"

Above all powers, above all kings, above all nature and all created things; Above all wisdom and all the ways of man, You were here before the world began.

Above all kingdoms, above all thrones, above all wonders the world has ever known; Above all wealth and treasures of the earth, there's no way to measure what You're worth.

Crucified, laid behind the stone; You lived to die, rejected and alone; Like a rose, trampled on the ground, You took the fall and thought of me, above all.

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+ Nicene Creed ACS p.16

With the whole church, let us confess our faith with the words of the Nicene Creed.

We believe in one God,

the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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,

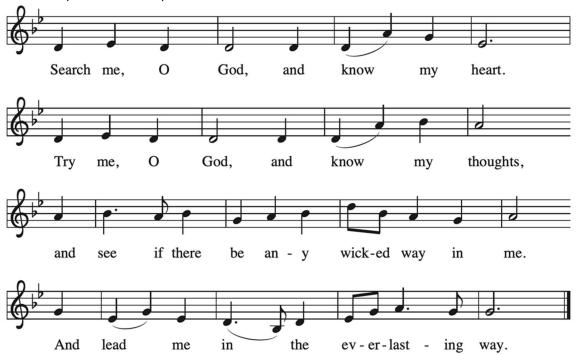
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

^{*} universal

+ Prayers of Intercession

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Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.



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Music: KAM-CHHAT, I-to Loh

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We pray for the church, called to follow Jesus in the way of the cross. Make us unflinching servants of the gospel. Deliver us from hardship as we confront the forces of injustice and practice radical compassion.

For the earth and all its inhabitants, created in love: Train us to recognize your divine goodness in the world around us. Rouse in us a reverence for creation, that we take greater care of its resources.

For those in positions of authority called to lead with integrity and compassion: Supply them with courage and vulnerability when challenged with new ideas. Deliver them from fear that limits imagination and impedes justice.

Refrain

For those who suffer, waiting expectantly for mercy and consolation: Accompany those who feel abandoned or betrayed, defend those who are wrongly accused, and embrace those who are incarcerated or detained. Heal those who are ill. Hear our prayers for those who are sick or grieving, especially for those listed on our prayer list and those we name now aloud or silently (pause for names).

We remember those who have died who were commended into your hands. Remember us when you come into your kingdom, and prepare a place for each of us with you in paradise.

Accept the prayers we bring, O God, on behalf of a world in need, for the sake of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Refrain

+ Peace

+Meal+

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering

Thank you for supporting the mission of the church as you are able! Electronic donations can be made at

https://tithe.ly/give_new/www/#/tithely/giveone-time/475611.

Checks can be also be sent to church: 521 Providence Rd, Chesapeake, VA 23325



+ Offering Prayer

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept.

Extravagant God, you have blessed us with the fullness of creation. Now we gather at your feast where you offer us the food that satisfies. Take and use what we offer here, come among us, and feed us with the body and blood of Christ, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

+ Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God, our living Water and our merciful Guide, together with rivers and seas, wells and springs we bless and magnify you. You led your people Israel through the desert, and provided them water from the rock.

We praise you for Christ, our Rock and our Water, who joined us in our desert, pouring out his life for the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his life, death, and resurrection, we await your salvation for all this thirsty world.

Pour out your Spirit on this holy food and on all the baptized

gathered for this feast: wash away our sin, that we may be revived for our journey by the love of Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. **Amen**

+ Lord's Prayer

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Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

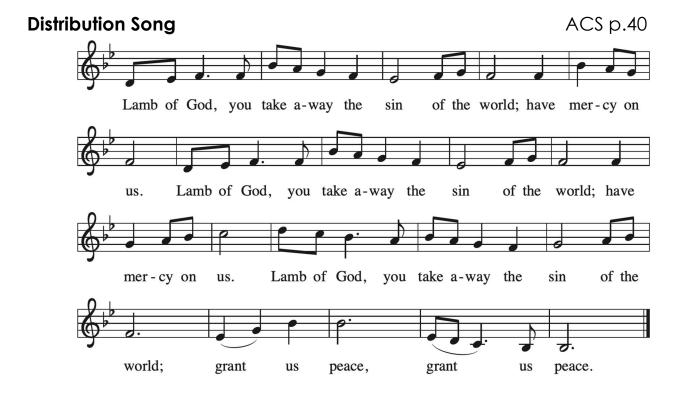
Communion

Here is food and drink for the journey. Take and be filled.

Notes about Communion Distribution at Grace

When we're gathered around the table, there is enough food, drink, blessing, space and time for all to share in Holy Communion! GLC practices Eucharistic hospitality since we trust that God welcomes all who come to the table where Christ is both host and meal.

Wine (red) and grape juice (white) are distributed in individual cups. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you prefer to stay in the pew, there are prepackaged kits (wine, juice, and gluten free options) available at the sanctuary doors. If you prefer not to receive the wafer and wine/grape juice, you may kneel or stand at the rail with arms folded across your chest to receive a blessing.



+ Sending +

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

+ Blessing

You are children of God, anointed with the oil of gladness and strengthened for the journey. Almighty God, motherly, majestic, and mighty, + bless you this day and always. **Amen.**

Announcements

+ Sending Song

"Once Again"

Jesus Christ, I think upon Your sacrifice; You became nothing, poured out to death. Many times I've wondered at Your gift of life, and I'm in that place once again. I'm in that place once again.

Once again I look upon the cross where You died. I'm humbled by Your mercy and I'm broken inside. Once again I thank You, once again I pour out my life.

Now You are exalted to the highest place, King of the heavens, where one day I'll bow. But, for now, I marvel at this saving grace, and I'm full of praise once again. I'm full of praise once again.

Thank You for the cross. Thank You for the cross. Thank You for the cross, my Friend.

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+ Dismissal

Go in peace. Remember the poor. Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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