

The Fourth Sunday in Lent



Grace Episcopal Church
Holy Eucharist Rite II
Contemplative, without music at 8:00 am
Worship with music at 10:00 am

Penitential Order Holy Eucharist Rite Two
Confession

Red Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p351
BCP 352

Trisagion

BCP356, S-99

The Collect

BCP 219

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

BCP 357

Numbers 21:4-9

From Mount Hor the Israelites set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food." Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

Confitemini Domino

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, *
and his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Let all those whom the LORD has redeemed proclaim *
that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.
- 3 He gathered them out of the lands; *
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.
- 17 Some were fools and took to rebellious ways; *
they were afflicted because of their sins.
- 18 They abhorred all manner of food *
and drew near to death's door.
- 19 Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, *
and he delivered them from their distress.
- 20 He sent forth his word and healed them *
and saved them from the grave.
- 21 Let them give thanks to the LORD for his mercy *
and the wonders he does for his children.

22 Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and tell of his acts with shouts of joy.

Ephesians 2:1-10

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ~ by grace you have been saved~ and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God~ not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

Sequence Hymn

What wondrous love is this

Blue Hymnal#439

John 3:14-21

Jesus said, "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. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

The Sermon

Father Jeff Baker

Nicene Creed

BCP 358

Prayers of the People

Form III

BCP 387

Prayer for the Search Process

Lord, give us the courage to view the future with hope and expectancy and, most of all, with faith. In the face of change, help us set aside our fears, and urge us to seek and see your hand at work, while opening our hearts to recognize that change brings new life. Amen.

The Peace

BCP 360

Announcements

Offertory Hymn	<i>Rock of ages</i>	Blue Hymnal #685
The Doxology		
The Great Thanksgiving		BCP 367
Sanctus	<i>Holy, holy, holy, Lord</i>	S-124
Memorial Acclamation		S-138
The Great Amen		S-147
The Breaking of the Bread		BCP 364
Fraction Anthem	<i>Lamb of God</i>	S-161
Communion Hymn	<i>Come thou font of every blessing</i>	Blue Hymnal #686
The Post-Communion Prayer		BCP366
The Blessing		
Closing Hymn	<i>Love divine, all loves excelling</i>	Blue Hymnal #657
The Dismissal		BCP 366

Grace's Mission

We are disciples of Jesus, helping one another be the hands and feet of Christ by sharing God's love with the world.

Serving	Today	Sunday
Celebrant	The Reverend Jeff Baker	
Altar Guild	Kathy Hill Thora Scott	Peggy Burkacki Lynn Kramp Nancy Brothers
8 am Worship Assistant	Elizabeth Estep	Walt Iliff
8 am Usher	Sandy Wesley	Thora Scott
10 am Lectors	Sherry Occkial Deb Zimmerman	Harry Dodds Peggy Burkacki
10 am Chalice Bearer	Sherry Occkial	Harry Dodds
10 am Crucifer	Greg Mackey	Greg Mackey
10 am Usher	Phil Davis	Deb Zimmerman
10 am Zoom Host	Konnor Thompson	Elizabeth Estep
Music:	Scott Arra and the Grace Choir	

Updates and Reminders

****Special Thanks to Lisa Miragliotta for blessing us with her gifts at the piano last week and this week while Scott took some deserved time off.**

Altar Flower Signup

The new Altar Flower Sign-up Sheet is in the hallway for 2024, please consider signing up Altar Flowers are a way to express our thankfulness and celebrate the many blessings we have. Flower arrangements for a Sunday are \$40. Please note more than one person/family can sign up for the same Sunday.

Please also note that no flower arrangements will be on the altar during Lent.

It is not to late to join us this Wednesday evening we will gather at **5pm** and begin with a Soup Supper by 5:30 and then a Lenton Study lead by Father Jeff. Sign-up on tripod to make soup or something to share. Which will have on March 20th- This Wed. will be our Search committee all-parish meeting.

The Search Team have organized **all-parish meetings** to gather info and opinions from the entire congregation. The meetings are currently scheduled for **Wed. March 13 at 5:30 PM**, and Sun. April 7 after church. Check the website, or the bulletin board, for more info. A meal will be provided. So please be on time so that the food can be served quickly and the meeting can be underway.

Birthdays this week- Karla Zargari, Patrick Burke, Walt Iliff and Debbie Zimmerman.

keep in our Prayers this week, Aaron Lephart, Valerie Lephart, Margaret, Gerald Brothers, Ray, Beth, Belle, Cheri L., Pat & Ray Newyear, Sheila S., Deb B., Carolyn Stacks, Chuck Yaichner, Chris Junda, Tim Mackey, John and Joyce Hoste, Bev & Ken Schutt, Susan S., Mark S., Mary, Kathy Shay, Frank Burkacki, Lucille

P., Kathy Hill, Diane Z., Clare McElroy, Jeanne Schupp, Shirley Wilkes, Jennifer M., Clint N., Wesley, Joe, Amelia Nash, Karen, Sarah, Caitlin B., and Margaret G., Drake, Janet, Bill, Chris, Matthew, Janice, Rosemary, Riley Ray Vincent: The family of Fr. Jeff Baker

Fr. Jeff will be leading a class on Sunday mornings at 9:00 am. And Dates: 3/10, 3/17, 4/7, 4/14. Anyone interested in more information about the Episcopal Church, becoming a member, being received, The Bishop will be making a visit to Grace Episcopal April 21, 2024. This book study will help those interested walking down this path in a fun and interesting way. The book: Walk in Love, Episcopal Beliefs & Practices. Let Fr. Jeff know or leave a message with the office. 440-942-1015 office@gracewilloughby.org

This Week at Grace

Sun. 10-March.

8 am	Quiet Eucharist	Sanctuary
10 am	Eucharist with Music	Sanctuary
5 pm	Scouts BSA	Undercroft
6 pm	Speak Together	Meeting Room
6:30 pm	Cub Scouts	Undercroft

Mon, 11-March

7:30 pm	NA Meeting	Undercroft
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Tues, 12-March

4:30p	Finance	Gathering Rm
7p	Bible Study	Online, link on website
7 p	GA	Undercroft
7:30 p	AA	Undercroft

Wed, 13-March

10 am	Group Study	Online, link on website
5:30 p	All Church Search Dinner	Undercroft

Thu, 14-March

7p	Choir	Sanctuary
7 p	GA	Undercroft
7:30 p	AA	Undercroft

Fri, 15-March

12 noon	Social Hour	Online, link on website
7:30 p	AA	Undercroft

Sat, 16-March



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Staff

Interim Rector -The Rev. J. Jeffrey Baker
Administrative Assistant- Sherrie Miller
Music Director- Scott Arra

New Vestry members and officers for 2024.

Senior Warden: Walt Iliff

Junior Warden: Phil Davis

Vestry: Nancy Brothers, Kathy Hill, Thora Scott*, Beth Sphatt, Dave Zimmerman

Treasurer/Clerk: Elizabeth Estep

Asst Treasurer: Harry Dodds

* Cathy Nash resigned as she is moving away. Thora Scott will complete her term.

Grace Search Committee

Dawson Moorer, Search Consultant

Konnor Thompson, Mary Miragliotta, Peggy Burkacki, Ray Sphatt, and Greg Mackey