



**GRACE CHURCH**  
**IN NEWARK**

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**Prelude** – Lead On, O King Eternal  
Ian Good, Organist

Arr. Joshua Evanovich

## Processional Hymn 495

Hail, thou once despised Jesus

*Please stand at the sound of the bells and join in singing the hymn. After the procession, the Priest sprinkles the people with holy water as a sign of their baptism.*

## Introit

*Graduale Romanum*

*The Cantor sings the Antiphon. The Priest kisses and censes the altar with frankincense and myrrh, the gifts of the Magi at Jesus's birth, in honor of Christ's sacrifice, and presence among us in the Blessed Sacrament.*

Dignus est Agnus, qui occisus est, accipere virtutem, et divinitatem, et sapientiam, et fortitudinem, et honorem. Ipsi gloria et imperium in sæcula sæculorum. Ps. Deus, iudicium tuum Regi da: et iustitiam Filio Regis.

*How worthy is the Lamb who was slain. to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honor. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever. Ps. Endow the King with your judgment, O God, and the King's son with your righteousness. Revelation 5 & Psalm 72*

## Kyrie – Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

*Please remain standing and join in singing the Kyrie & Gloria.*

Lord, have mer-cy up- on us. Lord, have mer-cy up- on us.

Lord, have mer-cy up- on us. Christ, have mer-cy up- on us.

Christ, have mer-cy up- on us. Christ, have mer-cy up- on us.

Lord, have mer-cy up- on us. Lord, have mer-cy up- on us.

Lord, have mer-cy up- on us.

**Gloria in excelsis** – Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena

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Glo-ry be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we wor-ship thee, we glo-ri-fy thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glo-ry, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God—the Fa-ther al-migh-ty—

O Lord, the on-ly be-got-ten Son, Je-sus Christ, O Lord God Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, that tak-est a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. Thou that tak-est a-way the sins of the world, re-ceive our prayer. Thou that sit-test at the right hand of God the Fa-ther, have mer-cy up-on us. For thou on-ly art ho-ly. Thou on-ly art the Lord. Thou on-ly, O Christ, with the Ho-ly Ghost, art Most High in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A— men.

## Collect of the Day

*Please sing “Amen” on a monotone throughout the service unless otherwise indicated. This prayer sets the theme for the day, reflected in the Gregorian Chant, as well as the readings and post-communion prayer.*

*Priest*     The Lord be with you.

*People*     And also with you.

*Priest*     Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Reading

Jeremiah 23: 1-6

*Please be seated for the Readings and the Psalm.*

*Reader*     A Reading from the Book of the prophet Jeremiah.

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: “The LORD is our righteousness.”

*Reader*     The Word of the Lord.

*People*     Thanks be to God.

### Gradual – Psalm 46

Martin Luther (1483-1546)

*The Cantor alone sings the Gradual.*

- 1    God is our refuge and strength, \*  
      a very present help in trouble.
- 2    Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, \*  
      and though the mountains be toppled into the  
      depths of the sea;
- 3    Though its waters rage and foam, \*  
      and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.

- 4 The LORD of hosts is with us; \*  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
- 5 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, \*  
the holy habitation of the Most High.
- 6 God is in the midst of her;  
she shall not be overthrown; \*  
God shall help her at the break of day.
- 7 The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken; \*  
God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.
- 8 The LORD of hosts is with us; \*  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
- 9 Come now and look upon the works of the LORD, \*  
what awesome things he has done on earth.
- 10 It is he who makes war to cease in all the world; \*  
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,  
and burns the shields with fire.
- 11 “Be still, then, and know that I am God; \*  
I will be exalted among the nations;  
I will be exalted in the earth.”
- 12 The LORD of hosts is with us; \*  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

## Second Reading

Colossians 1: 11-20

*Reader* A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Colossians.

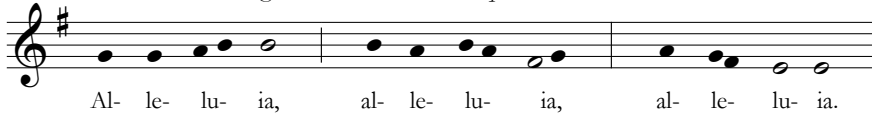
May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-- all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

## Alleluia

*Please stand. The Cantor sings the Alleluia, then all repeat.*



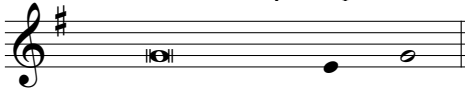
*Cantor* Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father  
David that is to come! *All repeat Alleluia.*

## Holy Gospel

Luke 23: 35-43

*Please remain standing for the Gospel, which is censed with frankincense and myrrh as a way of giving honor to the ancient account of the life, death, and resurrection of Our Lord. It is customary to make three small signs of the cross with one's thumb on the forehead, lips, and heart, asking God for the Gospel to be in our minds, on our lips, and in our hearts.*

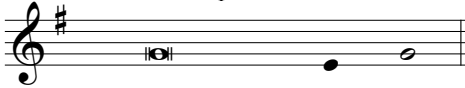
*Priest* The ☩ Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.



*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The people stood by, watching Jesus on the cross; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.



*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ

## Homily

Father Bates, Rector

*Please be seated when the homilist says "☩ In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."*

## Nicene Creed

*Please stand for the Creed. The music can be found inside the back cover of the blue Hymnal.*

## Prayer Biddings

*Please remain standing for the Prayers of the People. The Priest makes special prayer biddings.*

- ☛ **The Church:** Pray for *Sarah Mullally*, Archbishop of Canterbury designate, *Sean Rowe* our Primate, *Carlye Hughes* our Bishop, and *Leo* and *Bartholomen*, primates of the other branches of the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. Pray for the growth and sustainability of our parish, our various ministries, and our leaders, the Members of Vestry, *Andre* and *Tracy* our Wardens, *Michael* our Ministry Fellow, *Emmanuel* our Director of Choristers *Luke* our Candidate for the Priesthood in seminary, *Egan* our Nominee for the Priesthood, and *Brent* our Rector.
- ☛ **The Nation & World:** Pray for *Donald*, the President, Members of Congress, Justices of the Supreme Court, *Mikie*, the Governor-elect, and *Ras*, the Mayor. Pray for the people of the nations of the world, especially Palestine, Israel, Sudan, Nigeria, Ghana, Liberia, Jamaica, Haiti, Ukraine, and Russia. Pray for peace and justice in the Middle East, for those who are suffering, and all who have been killed.
- ☛ **Parish Prayer List:** Pray for our parishioners, especially *Comfort Abogan*, and for our family and friends, especially *Tom Durrell*, husband of Sandra, *Jason Bowers*, friend of Rosemary Kearney, *Monica McFadzean*, mother of Mark, and *Damion H. Arthur*, son of Pat.
- ☛ **Birthdays:** Give thanks for those whose birthdays are this week, especially *Madison Pigott* (11/23), *Rashanda Cumming* (11/24), *Grant Mandigora* (11/27), and last week, especially *Marlene Alene* (11/19), and *Winifred Langevine* (11/19).
- ☛ **Departed:** Pray for the departed in past years, especially *Louie Crew Clay* (11/27/2019), *Rhonda Dover* (11/28/2021), *Elaine Davis* (11/28/2022), *Victoria Richardson* (11/29/2019), *Lynmarie Francis* (11/19/2022), sister of Charmin Davies.

## Prayers of the People

*The Cantor leads the Prayers of the People.*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world

*Here and after every petition is sung*



*Cantor* Lord in your mer- cy. *People* Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

We commend to your mercy all who have died ✠, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*The Priest adds a concluding Collect.*

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## Confession of Sin

*Priest* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Please kneel or bow profoundly for the Confession and say*

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

*The Priest proclaims God's absolution of sin saying*

Almighty God have mercy on you, ✠ forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

## The Peace

*Please stand for the peace.*



*Priest* The peace of the Lord be al- ways with you. *People* And al- so with you.

## Announcements

### THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

*Please be seated during the preparation of the Altar, stand for the hymn, then stand or kneel for the Eucharistic Prayer. All baptized Christians of any tradition are welcome to receive the Blessed Sacrament; Speak to the priest to discuss baptism. Please receive the bread on the tongue or folded hands with palms up. Wine may be sipped, but dipping bread is not allowed. If you need the Blessed Sacrament brought to your pew, please signal an usher.*

## Offertory Antiphon

*Graduale Romanum*

*The Cantor sings the Offertory Antiphon.*

Postula a me, et dabo tibi Gentes  
hereditatem tuam, et possessionem tuam  
terminos terræ.

*Ask me and I will give you the nations for an  
inheritance and the ends of the earth for your possession.*  
Psalm 2

## Offertory Anthem – Glory to the Lamb

David Blackwell (b. 1961)

*The Choristers sing an Offertory Anthem.*

Come let us join our cheerful songs with angels round the throne; ten thousand thousand are their tongues, but all their joys are one: Alleluia, alleluia, Glory to the Lamb. “Worthy the Lamb that died,” they cry, “to be exalted thus;” and “Worthy the Lamb,” our lips reply, “for he was slain for us.” Alleluia, alleluia, Glory to the Lamb. Let all that dwell above the sky, and in the earth and seas, combine to lift your glories high, and sing your endless praise. Let all creation join in one, to bless the sacred name of him that sits upon the throne, and to adore the Lamb: Alleluia, alleluia, Glory to the Lamb, Glory to the Lamb!

## Offertory Hymn 442

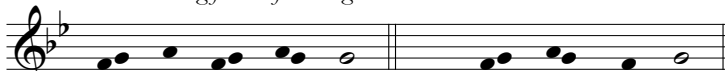
In the cross of Christ I glory

*Please stand and join in singing the hymn.*

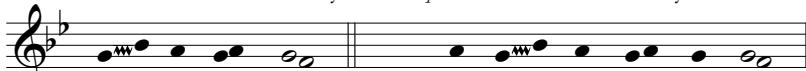
## Eucharistic Prayer II

*Sanctus* – Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena, Healey Willan (1880-1968)

*Please remain standing for the following.*



*Priest* The Lord be with you. *People* And also with you.



*Priest* Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them to the Lord.



*Priest* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *People* It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you,  
Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord;  
who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave,  
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

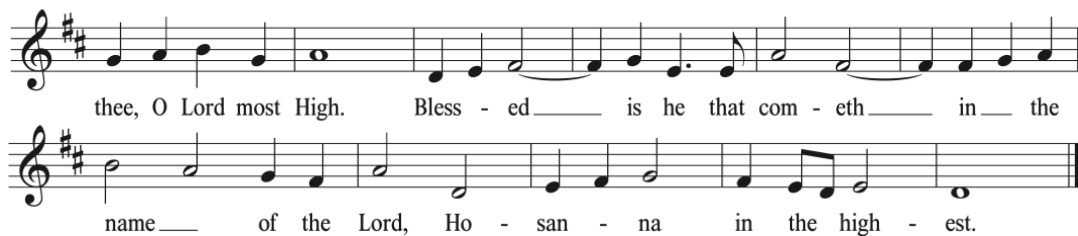
Therefore we praise you,  
joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven,  
who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - - - ly, Lord God of hosts,



hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry: Glo - - - ry be to



*Please kneel or remain standing as the Priest continues.*

All glory be to you, O Lord our God,  
for you created heaven and earth, and made us in your own image;  
and, of your tender mercy, gave your only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him,  
and to suffer death on the cross for our redemption.

He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world;  
and instituted, and in his holy Gospel commanded us to continue,  
a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread;  
and when he had given thanks to you, he broke 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 this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant,  
which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins.  
Do this, as often as you shall drink it, in remembrance of me.’

Therefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we your people celebrate and make,  
with these your holy gifts which we now offer to you,  
the memorial your Son has commanded us to make;  
having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death,  
his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;  
and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

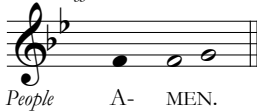
And we most humbly beseech you, O merciful Father, to hear us, and,  
with your Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine,  
that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire your fatherly goodness  
to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,  
by which we offer and present to you, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies.

Grant, we beseech you, that all who partake of this Holy Communion  
may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ,  
and be ✠ filled with your grace and heavenly benediction;  
and also that we and all your whole Church may be made one body with him,  
that he may dwell in us, and we in him;

through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;  
 By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit  
 all honor and glory be to you, O Father Almighty, world without end.

*Please affirm the consecration of the Bread & Wine as the Body & Blood of Christ by exclaiming the Great Amen.*



## The Lord's Prayer

*The Priest begins*

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

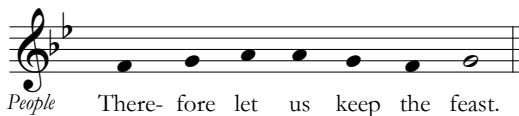
*Please continue*

Our Fa-ther, who art in hea-ven, hal - low ed be thy Name,  
 thy king-dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in  
 hea - ven. Give us this day our dai-ly bread, and for-give us our tres -  
 -pass-es, as we for-give those who tress-pass a-gainst us. And lead us  
 not in-to temp-ta tion, but de-liv-er us from e - vil. For thine is the  
 king-dom and the pow'r and the glo-ry, for ev-er and ev - er. A - men.

## The Fraction

*The Priest breaks the bread.*

Priest Christ our Pass-o- ver is sac-ri- ficed for us.



## Agnus Dei – Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

*Please join the Cantor in singing the Agnus Dei.*

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

## Invitation to Receive the Blessed Sacrament

*Please come forward immediately after the following invitation in order to receive the Blessed Sacrament.*

✠ Behold the Lamb of God. Behold him who takes away the sins of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

*The people may privately say the Prayer of Humble Access for preparation to receive the Blessed Sacrament.*

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us. Amen.

*A Prayer of Spiritual Communion for all who worship remotely or do not wish to receive the Blessed Sacrament*

In union, O Dear Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church, where your blessed Body and Blood are being offered to the Father, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body, with the earnest wish that I may ever be united to you. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. O let nothing ever separate me from you. Let me live and die in your love. Amen.

### Communion Antiphon

*Graduale Romanum*

*The Cantor sings the Communion Antiphon.*

Sedebit Dominus Rex in æternum:

Ps. Dominus benedicet populo suo in pace.

*The Lord sits as King for ever. Ps. The Lord will bless*

*his people with peace. Psalm 29*

### Communion Hymn 448

O love, how deep, how broad

*Please stand, join in the singing of the hymn, and remain standing until the dismissal.*

### Postcommunion Prayer

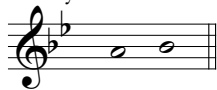
*After any remaining Sacrament has been consumed and the Altar has been cleared, the Priest says*

Hear, O Lord, the prayers of those whom you have nourished with the food of immortality: and grant that as we rejoice to obey the commandment of Christ the King, so we may be made worthy to dwell with him in heaven, where he lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### The Blessing

*The Priest offers a blessing.*

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.



People A- men.

### Dismissal

*The Priest dismisses the people. Please remain standing until the end of the exit hymn, then be seated for the organ piece.*

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.



People Thanks be to God.

### Recessional Hymn 596

Judge eternal, throned in splendor

**Postlude** – Prelude and Fugue in D minor, BWV 554

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Ian Good, Organist

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## GRACE NOTES

Welcome to our visitors this morning. We hope you will fill out a visitor's card located in your pew. All are welcome to join us at Coffee Hour upstairs in the Parish House after Mass. We are very glad to have new families worshipping with us! If you are in need of childcare, ask an usher.

Online giving is easy at [bit.ly/GraceOnlineGiving](https://bit.ly/GraceOnlineGiving) or Venmo (@GraceNewark)

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### INTRODUCING EMMANUEL BONILLA-ACOSTA, DIRECTOR OF CHORISTERS



Emmanuel B. Acosta is a lyric tenor, voice teacher, and vocal coach based in Princeton, NJ. He earned his Bachelor of Music in Voice Performance from Westminster Choir College, where he developed a strong foundation in classical technique and performance. Known for his warm tone and expressive artistry, Emmanuel began his mainstage career with The Princeton Festival, performing in a wide range of repertoire including works by Wagner, Gershwin, Mozart, Britten, Puccini, and John Adams.

Emmanuel has also been featured with Boheme Opera New Jersey, where he made his mainstage debut as Normanno in Donizetti's *Lucia di Lammermoor*. His continued collaboration with the company has included roles in operas by Bizet, Rossini, Mascagni, and Leoncavallo. In Boheme Opera NJ's production of Verdi's *Aida*, he appeared as the

Messenger, receiving acclaim for his "appealing lyric tenor voice." Most recently, he portrayed Matteo Borsa in Verdi's *Rigoletto*, performing in Boheme Opera NJ's triumphant return to the Patriots Theater at the War Memorial—a production that marked a celebrated milestone for the company.

In addition to his performance career, Emmanuel is deeply committed to arts education and serves as the Artistic and Music Director for Central Jersey Performing Arts Academy. With a passion for storytelling, mentorship, and youth development, he has directed and produced a number of successful musical theater productions, including *Aladdin Jr.*, *Annie Jr.*, *The Lion King Jr.*, *Into the Woods Jr.*, and the original holiday musical *A Christmas Portrait*. Through his artistic vision and leadership, Emmanuel creates a vibrant and inclusive environment where young performers are empowered to grow in confidence, creativity, and discipline. His work continues to leave a lasting impact on both the stage and the students he guides.

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### CHORISTER SEASON HAS BEGUN

Please help us to recruit new children to the program, whether your children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews, or neighbors, or friends of the family. *The program is tuition free and the Choristers receive a stipend.* Please help us get the word out! The Chorister rehearsals are now on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:00 p.m. during the school year. The children will perform twice per month.

## PLEDGE CAMPAIGN 2026

Thank you to everyone who has submitted their pledges. Thank you for your generosity! Today, Sunday, November 23, 2025, is the blessing of the pledges. It is not too late to make a pledge. Please get a pledge card from the usher or complete it online by using the QR code or at <https://bit.ly/GracePledge2026>.



Judith Alexander-Edwards  
Rhoda S. Ansah  
Pat Arthur  
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Judy Beck  
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Sylvia Christie  
Alman Clarke  
Tracy Cummings  
James Drayton

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Martelly Elyzé-Vital  
Rosemary Ferguson  
Gavin Fisher  
Winifred Langevine  
Mike Lindstrom  
Kenneth Scott Norris  
Egan Pemberton  
Darriea Pigott  
Laurence Richards  
Daphne Turner  
Peter Woolley

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## SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR THANKSGIVING WEEK

Father Bates will be away the week of Thanksgiving visiting his children. There will be no masses on the weekdays of November 25-28. Morning and Evening Prayer will also be suspended, though our Ministry Fellow will say Noonday Prayer publicly on those days, except for Thanksgiving Day, November 27. Mother Leanne Dodge will be the celebrant on Sunday, November 30.

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## COME SING WITH THE GRACE CHURCH ADULT CHOIR FOR CHRISTMAS!

Do you love singing and want to be more involved in the life of the Church? We'd love to invite **you** to join the **Adult Parish Choir** at Grace Church! Whether you've sung in choirs before or are simply drawn to the beauty of sacred music, this is a great opportunity to help lead worship—especially for **holidays and special liturgies** throughout the church year. The Choir will rehearse regularly and sing at Masses on Sundays and for major feasts. It's a meaningful way to serve, grow musically, and be part of a supportive community rooted in faith and tradition. **Interested? Speak with or send Michael Banks, Ministry Fellow, an email ([mtbanks@gracechurchinnewark.org](mailto:mtbanks@gracechurchinnewark.org)) with any questions about rehearsal schedules, commitments, or expectations. Singers of all skill levels are welcome.** Come and see what it's like to sing for the glory of God at Grace Church! **Rehearsals for Christmas will begin after High Mass on November 30<sup>th</sup>.**

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## FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We warmly invite you to join us in serving our neighbors in need at our weekly Food Ministry. Every Saturday from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM, we gather to provide nourishment and support to those facing

hunger in our community. Your hands and heart can make a difference. Whether you're new to serving or a regular participant, your presence is a blessing to those we serve. Come and be a part of this meaningful work, as we show God's love through action. Please contact Michael Banks for more information at [mtbanks@gracechurchinnewark.org](mailto:mtbanks@gracechurchinnewark.org).

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### COFFEE HOUR HOSTS NEEDED

Coffee hour hosts are needed for upcoming months. Consider signing up to bring a small dish (coffee cake, Dunkin Donuts, bagels, etc.) for us to share during this time of fellowship. Friends can team up to cook or bring a dish as well. The sign-up sheet is located in the Parish Hall.

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### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School meets on the first Sunday of the month at 10:15 a.m. in the Parish Parlor. Any school age child is welcome to join for a lesson on the day's scriptures. The children will join the Mass after the Peace for Holy Communion. For more information speak to Mariyam Kayjay or Father Bates.

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### SERVICE TIMES

#### Sunday Services

8:00 a.m. – Said Mass

*A simple spoken service celebrated at a side altar*

10:30 a.m. – High Mass

*An elaborate sung service with music, acolytes, and incense*

#### Weekday Services – Tuesday through Friday

9:00 a.m. – Morning Prayer (*suspended week of 11/24-11/28*)

12:10 p.m. – Midday Mass (*Noonday prayer week of 11/24-11/28 except 11/27*)

*Anointing for Healing offered Thursdays*

5:00 p.m. – Evening Prayer (*suspended week of 11/24-11/28*)

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Michael Banks, *Ministry Fellow*

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Luke Andersen, *Candidate for the Priesthood*

Egan Pemberton, *Nominee for the Priesthood*

Andre Murray & Tracy Cummings, *Wardens*

Judith Alexander-Edwards, Luis Sanchez, & Peter Woolley, *Vestry Class of 2026*

Rosemary Kearney, Allie Ulrich, & Jeff Ulrich, *Vestry Class of 2027*

Comfort Abogan, Shevon Armstrong, & Jason Scully, *Vestry Class of 2028*