

# ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 21, 2021

## MESSAGE FROM ROBIN+

To paraphrase a well-known angel from the Christmas story, I bring you good news of great joy for all the people! We will be returning to in person worship!

We've been watching the percent positivity rates for the localities surrounding the church (where our members live) and have determined that it is now safe to regather for worship.

This is going to be like Christmas and Easter for us at Christ and Grace!

Please note that all previous protocol remains in place –

- Worship space seating is limited in order to maintain safe distancing
- Masks are required
- Entrance/exit/seating guidelines are still in place
- Easter Day reservations are **REQUIRED**.

Please see the separate article below to make your Easter Day reservations and for more specific information.

We will also be open for in person worship on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday.

For those not yet ready to return to in person gatherings, all services will continue to be live streamed on our YouTube channel as usual.

## Christ and Grace Easter Service Reservations

Easter Service will be held in the sanctuary Sunday, April 4 at 9 am. If you are interested in attending, please contact the church office at 733-7202 to make a reservation.

In-person attendance is limited to people with advanced reservations due to COVID protocol.

**DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS THURSDAY, MARCH 25th at 5pm.**

Due to COVID restrictions attendance is limited. We will follow our previous COVID protocols for in-person worship. Please also anticipate assigned seating in order to accommodate everyone.

## IMPORTANT

\* Your reservation will be confirmed directly to you by a call from the church office.

\* If you need to cancel, OR if the number in your party changes, please call 804.733.7202 as soon as possible.

As always everyone is encouraged and welcome to watch the live stream of the service on our You Tube channel: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgveCGQgn0okeiNXLcmZI\\_w](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgveCGQgn0okeiNXLcmZI_w)

Recordings of our other worship services may be found here as well.

Questions? Email the church office at [churchoffice@christandgrace.org](mailto:churchoffice@christandgrace.org) or call during office hours at 804.733.7202

## EASTER FLOWER DEDICATIONS

If you would like to dedicate an Easter memorial in memory or honor of a loved one, please contact the church office at 733-7202. The deadline to submit a memorial is Friday, March 26 by 12 pm. Please mail your payment to the church office, or drop through the back door mail slot. Call the church office for questions or assistance. Make checks payable to Christ and Grace with "Easter Flowers" on the memo line. Your \$10 payment will help our flower guild create a beautiful arrangement to celebrate the Resurrection and honor your loved ones.

## **ALTAR FLOWERS**

To paraphrase an old saying, "March showers have not brought April flowers". We've been doing well with flower signups, but the month of April is wide open. We need your help to beautify our altar! We have dates open from April through September just waiting for you to honor a loved one. To schedule your dedication, contact Lee at 243-3302 or at shakubuku42@gmail.com with your dedications, or if you have any questions. Thank you for your continued support for beautifying our altar, even in these difficult times. The cost is \$55, payable to Christ and Grace.

## **LENT AT CHRIST AND GRACE**

### ***Palm Sunday***

Live streamed at 10 am on March 28

### ***Maundy Thursday Service***

In person and live streamed service on April 1 at 7 pm.

### ***Good Friday Service***

In person and live streamed service on April 2 at noon.

### ***Easter Day***

In person and live streamed service on April 4 at 9 am.

Holy Communion is available following all Sunday services. Contact Robin+ or the church office if you would like to come by the church to receive communion.

## **COMPLINE IN LENT**

Join us each Wednesday evening for a service of Compline. It's available on our YouTube channel <https://bit.ly/3kVvNR5> each Wednesday from 6pm onward.

The Order of Compline can be found in the Book of Common Prayer on page 127. This is an ancient prayer, believed to have originated in about the 6th Century in monasteries. The monks would say this at the end of each day, bringing the day to a close in beauty, peace, thanksgiving, and hope.

## **PRAYER LIST**

We beg you to feed the hungry, protect the refugee, embrace the distressed, house the homeless, nurse the sick, and comfort the dying. Especially we pray for Dale Bateman, Daniel, Katie, and Thomas Clark, John Haman, Sharon Plymire, Tasha Rempfer, Lilly Rudd, Mark Sheffield, Ted Simpson, and Elaine Yeatts.

To add someone to our prayer list, please contact the church office at 733-7202. We will keep names on the list about a month so please contact us if they need to remain longer. To send a note of encouragement to parishioners on the Prayer List, please use the on line church directory that you can find at [www.christandgrace.org](http://www.christandgrace.org). Contact the church office 733-7202 for the log in password or for additional assistance.

## **PALM SUNDAY PASSION NARRATIVE**

We are not certain yet what our worship will look like on Palm Sunday, but if you are comfortable being in the worship space, wearing a mask and safely distanced, please consider signing up for one of the parts in the Passion Narrative.

The narrative is Mark 14-15. There are 12 parts available: Narrator, Jesus, Pilate, Peter, Judas, Chief Priest, Disciple, High Priest, Servant Girl, Bystander, Soldier, Centurion

Parts will be assigned first come first served! Please email your preference to Robin+ at [rteasley@christandgrace.org](mailto:rteasley@christandgrace.org)