

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 28, 2021

EASTER EUCHARIST AT CHRIST AND GRACE SUNDAY, APRIL 4TH

Reservations Required by Thursday, March 25!

Holy Eucharist at 9 am

Bring flowers for the flowering of the cross

Easter Treat Bags for Children and Pansies for Families

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

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

Questions? Email the church office at churchoffice@christandgrace.org or call during office hours at 804.733.7202

HOLY WEEK SERVICES AT CHRIST AND GRACE

Palms and palm crosses are available at church for pick up Friday, March 26 from 10 am - 12 pm or on Palm Sunday.

Palm Sunday Service, live-streamed at 10 am on March 28th. Holy Communion and Palms may be picked up in the church parking lot after the service, from 11am to 1pm. No In Person Worship on Palm Sunday.

Maundy Thursday Eucharist, In Person and live-streamed at 7 pm April 1st

Good Friday Service, In Person and live-streamed at 12 pm (noon) April 2nd

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.

PANSIES

One of our beloved traditions at Easter is the joy of seeing the beautiful pansies grown by Kathy Talmage that she so generously shares with us. Be sure to pick one up after worship on Easter Day.

THE GOOD FRIDAY OFFERING

The Good Friday Offering was first gathered in 1922 as an intentional response by The Episcopal Church to the devastations of World War I, the Spanish flu pandemic, and political and social unrest affecting Armenian Christians and others in the Middle East. Today we are still all too aware of the effects of a pandemic, violence and unrest in our world. This offering assists churches, schools, and medical programs sponsored by our Anglican sisters and brothers in the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East, reminding them that The Episcopal Church stands with them in Jesus' Name. Gifts may be made online by clicking on this link: <https://episcopalchurch.org/goodfridayoffering> or by mail to the address: DFMS-The Protestant Episcopal Church, US, P.O. Box 958983, St. Louis, MO 63195-8983 Please make checks payable to:

The Domestic Foreign and Missionary Society with Good Friday Offering in the memo line.

FLOWERING OF THE CROSS

This year the cross will be outside near the back entrance so that there is more space to safely add our flowers as we arrive. Bring whatever you might have blooming in your yard.

Then, before the Gospel reading, we will bring the cross into the nave. At the end of the service we will carry the cross back outside and you are invited to get a closer look or take pictures, remembering to keep a safe distance from one another.

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.

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, Mary Villeponteaux and Elaine Yeatts.

PALM SUNDAY by Malcolm Guite

Now to the gate of my Jerusalem,
The seething holy city of my heart,
The saviour comes. But will I welcome him?
Oh crowds of easy feelings make a start;
They raise their hands, get caught up in the singing,
And think the battle won. Too soon they'll find
The challenge, the reversal he is bringing
Changes their tune. I know what lies behind
The surface flourish that so quickly fades;
Self-interest, and fearful guardedness,
The hardness of the heart, its barricades,
And at the core, the dreadful emptiness
Of a perverted temple. Jesus come
Break my resistance and make me your home.