

Bold Text is read or sung by the congregation

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME & THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. And also with you.

 *CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 121)
 Elder Cherry Smith We are standing on holy ground. And I know that there are angels all around.
 Let us praise Jesus now.
 We are standing in his presence.
 Let us praise Jesus now on this holy ground.

***OPENING PRAYER**

*OPENING HYMN O worship the King, all glorious above! O gratefully sing God's power and God's love:

Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of God's might; O sing of God's grace, whose robe is the light, whose canopy space,

Whose chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form; and bright is God's path on the wings of the storm.

The earth with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, your power has founded of old; *O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!* | No. 41 Established it fast by a changeless decree, and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Your bountiful care what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air; it shines in the light;

It streams from the hills; it descends to the plain, and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;

Your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Faithful God, you created us in your image.
We fail to recognize that we are created by and for good.
You have gifted us with power to change the world.
We abdicate and squander that power.
You promise to be with it, but we still feel lost and alone.
Forgive us Lord. Call us again, and we will come near.
Send us again, and we will go.

HYMN

Lord, Have Mercy | No. 551

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Know that you are a child of the God who welcomes, embraces, accompanies. You are not alone. You are forgiven. Be at peace.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

*SONG OF PRAISE

Praise to God the Father; praise to God the Son; praise to God the Spirit: praise to the Three-in-One. Praise to God the Father | No. 605 Sing praise, sing praise to the Lord on high. Praise to God Almighty; praise to the Holy One.

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LENTEN MOMENT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

SERMON

*HYMN

When Israel was in Egypt's land, let my people go; oppressed so hard they could not stand, let my people go!

[*Refrain*] Go down, (go down,) Moses, (Moses,) way down in Egypt's land; tell old Pharaoh: let my people go!

"Thus saith the Lord," bold Moses said, "Let my people go! If not, I'll smite your firstborn dead. Let my people go!"

Exodus 2:23-3:14 (Common English Bible)

"Knowing Who We Are" | Rev. Cindy Carlisle

When Israel Was in Egypt's Land | No. 52

[Refrain]

"No more shall they in bondage toil: let my people go! Let them come out with Egypt's spoil: let my people go!"

[Refrain]

O let us all from bondage flee; let my people go! And let us all in Christ be free: let my people go!

[Refrain]

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Lenten Creed|from *Traveling to Easter with Jesus as our Guide*, posted on the website of Patmos Abbey—The Order of Saint Columba. http://www.patmosabbey.org/

We believe that our lives are held within the encircling love of God, who knows our names and recognizes our deepest needs. We believe that Christ is the divine Child of the living God, and that his grace is like living waters that can never be exhausted. We believe in the birthing, renewing, enabling Spirit of God who yearns over our welfare as a mother yearns for her child. We believe that God is in the arid desert as well as in green pastures, and that hard times and disciplines are also loving gifts. We believe that our journey has a purpose and a destination, and that our path leads to a human glory we cannot yet imagine. We believe that in the church we are fellow pilgrims on the road, and that we are called to love one another as God loves us. This is our faith and we are humbled to profess in Jesus the Christ. Amen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER | GTG pg. 35

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.

*CLOSING HYMN

Goodness is stronger than evil; love is stronger than hate; light is stronger than darkness; life is stronger than death.

Victory is ours; victory is ours, through God who loves us.

Goodness is Stronger than Evil | No. 750

Victory is ours, victory is ours, through God who loves us.

Oh, victory is ours; victory is ours, through God who loves us. Oh, victory is ours; victory is ours, through God who loves us.

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*CHARGE &*BENEDICTION

*PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

If you would like to give a special offering directly to *One Great Hour of Sharing*, scan this QR Code with your mobile device.



IT IS SAID THAT CATS CAN SEE IN THE DARK, BUT THIS CAT CAN'T

To be honest, we don't know if you have completed the CAT or not because each person's answers are anonymous. BUT, if you haven't already, please shed some light on your experiences here at Grace. For your convenience, there are computers set up in the library ready for you to use after worship today. Someone will also be there to answer any questions you may have.

PLEASE DON'T KEEP US IN THE DARK!

To make a general offering to Grace online, please scan the QR Code. For all offerings given in any form, thank you!



April Fools' Family

Movie Night

Friday, April 1st Come join in the fun! Pizza @ 5:30PM • Movie @ 6:00PM

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Preaching - Rev. Cindy CarlisleLiturgist – Elder Cherry SmithAccompanist—Patricia ProvencioChoir Director—Brittney WilliamsTechnology - Bob Jones, JT Thomas, DianeThomas & Jim Collins

Sunday Worship, 10:00AM ²⁴ Fellowship on the Patio, 1:00AM NA of EP, 3:00PM <u>Meeting After Worship:</u> Technology & Worship Teams	EASTER DAY 17 Sunrise Worship, 6:30AM Community Breakfast, 8:00AM Celebratory Worship, 10:00AM Easter Egg Hunt, 11:30AM NA of EP, 3:00PM	10 Palm Sunday Worship, 10:00AM Fellowship on the Patio, 1:00AM NA of EP, 3:00PM <u>Meeting After Worship:</u> Unity Circle	3 Worship, 10:00AM Fellowship on the Patio, 1:00AM NA of EP, 3:00PM		SUN	
25 BIRTHDAY Delilah Flory	18	11 BIRTHDAY Kerri Villalobos	Hospitality Team, 5:00PM PFH Pool Board, 5:30PM		MON	
26	19 BIRTHDAY Pat Jones	12 BIRTHDAY Kyla McMillan	τC		TUE	AP Events +
27 Zoom Bible Study, 2:00PM	20 Zoom Bible Study, 2:00PM Session, 6:00PM	13 Zoom Bible Study, 2:00PM Mission Team, 5:00PM Admin Team, 6:00PM	6 Zoom Bible Study, 2:00PM Deacons, 6:00PM		WED	APRIL 2022 Events + Celebrations
28 Hand Bells, 5:30PM	21 Hand Bells, 5:30PM Youth Group, 6:00PM	14 MAUNDY THURSDAY Worship, 6:30PM BIRTHDAY Danielle Hard	Hand Bells, 5:30PM Youth Group, 6:00PM Quilter's Board, 7:00PM		THU	tions
29	22 Earth Day	15 GOOD FRIDAY BIRTHDAY Vicki Wilson	œ	1 Grace Movie Night, 5:30PM	FRI	
30 BIRTHDAY Omar Fernandez	19	16 Quilter's Workshop, 8:30AM	Building &Grounds, ⁹ 2:00PM BIRTHDAY Ian Malone	19	SAT	