



*in & for the city*

Grace Presbyterian Church of Washington, DC  
Sunday Evening, 13 April, 2014, 5:00 pm

# Welcome to Grace Downtown

Along with our sister congregations Grace Meridian Hill and Grace Mosaic, we long to be a church that is not only in the city, but for the city. Our desire is to express faithfully the gospel of Jesus Christ as an inwardly growing, outwardly serving community that experiences God's rich grace and extends it to Washington, DC. Whatever your spiritual disposition—skeptic, seeker, follower—we welcome you and pray that you might know something of this Good News today.

## Information

**Nursery Care** is provided during the service for children 0–3 years on the ground floor across from the library, as you take a right through the front door of the church.

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### Worship Etiquette

- Sit in the middle of the rows, and stow personal items under pews to free up seats.
- Electronic devices should be silenced.
- Food and beverages are prohibited in the sanctuary; trash cans are available in the lobby.
- Only ushers may remove white ropes.
- Feel free to share bulletins.

## Staff & Leadership

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# Service of Worship

*Rev. Glenn Hoburg and Rev. Mike Park*

## Prelude

## God Calls Us to Worship❖

**Matthew 21.5, 9–11**

*Leader:* Say to the daughter of Zion, Behold, your king is coming to you,

*People:* Humble, and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden,

*Leader:* And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting,

*ALL:* Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"

## Invocation Prayer

*Asking God to be with us*

## Song of Praise

**Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)**

Praise is rising, Eyes are turning to you, We turn to you

Hope is stirring, Hearts are yearning for you, We long for you

‘Cause when we see you, We find strength to face the day

In your presence, All our fears are washed away, Washed away

*Chorus:* Hosanna, hosanna, You are the God who saves us, Worthy of all our praises

Hosanna, hosanna, Come have your way among us, We welcome you here Lord Jesus

Hear the sound of, Hearts returning to you, We turn to you

In your Kingdom, Broken lives are made new, You make us new

‘Cause when we see you, We find strength to face the day

In your presence, All our fears are washed away, Washed away (*chorus 2x*)

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## Reading from the Old Testament

**Psalms 86**

<sup>1</sup>Incline your ear, O LORD, and answer me, for I am poor and needy. <sup>2</sup>Preserve my life, for I am godly; save your servant, who trusts in you—you are my God. <sup>3</sup>Be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you do I cry all the day. <sup>4</sup>Gladden the soul of your servant, for to you, O Lord, do I lift up my soul. <sup>5</sup>For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you. <sup>6</sup>Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer; listen to my plea for grace. <sup>7</sup>In the day of my trouble I call upon you, for you answer me. <sup>8</sup>There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours. <sup>9</sup>All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name. <sup>10</sup>For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God. <sup>11</sup>Teach me your way, O LORD, that I

may walk in your truth; unite my heart to fear your name. <sup>12</sup>I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart, and I will glorify your name forever. <sup>13</sup>For great is your steadfast love toward me; you have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol. <sup>14</sup>O God, insolent men have risen up against me; a band of ruthless men seeks my life, and they do not set you before them. <sup>15</sup>But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness. <sup>16</sup>Turn to me and be gracious to me; give your strength to your servant, and save the son of your maidservant. <sup>17</sup>Show me a sign of your favor, that those who hate me may see and be put to shame because you, LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

*Reader:* This is the Word of the Lord.

*All:* Thanks be to God!

## Confession of Sin

*Being honest with God and ourselves*

*(Those who wish may kneel during confession)*

O Lord, we confess that we have kept our hearts from you. We have trusted in the outward trappings of religion as a substitute. We have not only hidden in them, we have boasted in them as our righteousness before You—using them as barter for blessing, looking to them as a way to exalt ourselves before the world. O God, forgive our evil. Amen.

*(Silent confession)*

## Hearing and Receiving the Pardon ❖

**John 3.16–17**

*Leader:* “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

*People:* We are grateful for your love!

## Songs of Thanks

**Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners**

Jesus! What a friend for sinners! Jesus! Lover of my soul  
Friends may fail me, foes assail me, He, my Savior, makes me whole

*Chorus:* Hallelujah! What a Savior! Hallelujah! What a friend!  
Saving, helping, Keeping, loving, He is with me to the end  
He is with me to the end

Jesus! What a strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in him  
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing, He, my strength, my victory wins (*chorus*)

Jesus! What a help in sorrow! While the billows o’er me roll  
Even when my heart is breaking, He, my comfort, helps my soul (*chorus*)

Jesus! I do now receive him, More than all in him I find  
He hath granted me forgiveness, I am his, and he is mine (*chorus 2x*)

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### **In The Hours**

In the hours of pain and sorrow, When the world brings no relief  
When the eye is dim and heavy, And the heart oppressed with grief  
While blessings flee, Savior Lord we trust in thee *(repeat last line)*

When the snares of death surround us, Pride, ambition, love of ease  
Mammon with her false allurements, Words that flatter, smiles that please  
Then ere we yield, Savior Lord be thou our shield *(repeat last line)*

When forsaken in distress, Poor, despised and tempest-tossed  
With no anchor here to stay us, Drifting, sail and rudder lost  
Then save us thou, Who trod the earth with weary brow *(repeat last line)*

Thou the hated and forsaken, Thou the bearer of the cross  
Crowned of thorns and mocked and smitten, Counting earthly gain but loss  
When scorned are we, We joy to be the more like thee *(repeat last line)*

Thou the Father's best beloved, Thou the throned and sceptred King  
Who but thee should we adoring, All our prayers and praises bring?  
So blessed are we, Savior, Lord, in loving thee *(repeat last line)*

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### **Prayer of Intercession**

**Elder Tom Carpenter**

*Praying for our church, our city and our world*

### **Giving Our Tithes and Offerings**

*Responding to God's grace*

### **Prayer and Dismissal of Children**

*Children ages four years through second grade may be dismissed for Children's Church. Parents/guardians should pick children up from their classrooms on the floor above Woodward Hall after the benediction.*

### **Greeting One Another ❖**

## **Song of Preparation**

### **King of Grace**

We have come to a throne of grace  
Where our mighty Savior perfects our praise  
Where wrath and judgment have been put away  
Where not a trace of all our sin remains

*Chorus:* You're the King of Grace unending  
To your open arms we run  
You're the King of Grace unending  
And we rest in your unfailing love, And we rest in your unfailing love.

We have come to a throne of grace  
Where our Prince of Peace ever lives to pray  
For those his sacrifice has bought and saved  
Where saints and angels sing eternal praise (*chorus 2x*)

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## **Reading from the New Testament**

### **Hebrews 4.14–16**

<sup>14</sup>Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. <sup>15</sup>For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. <sup>16</sup>Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

*Reader:* This is the Word of the Lord.

*All:* Thanks be to God!

# Prayer for Illumination

## The Sermon

**Rev. Glenn Hoburg**

A Sympathetic Priest

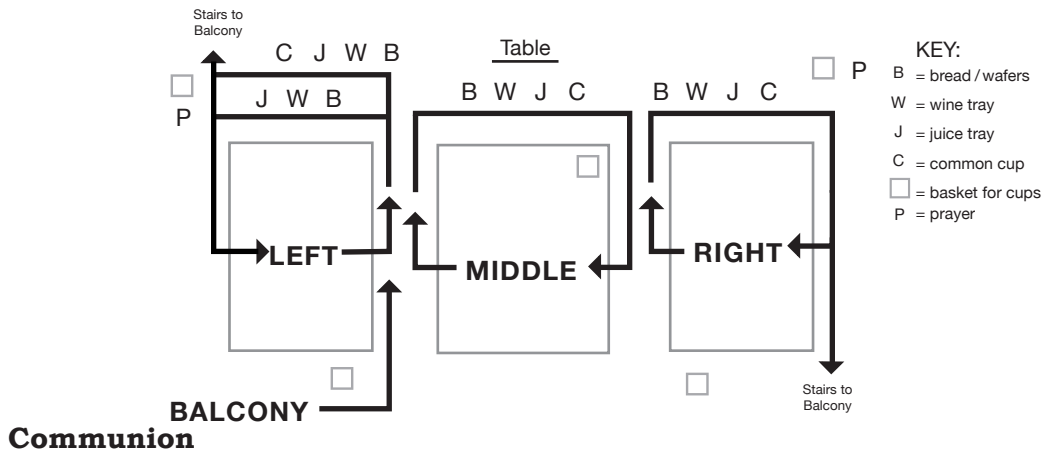
*Series: Hold to Christ*

## Sign and Seal of God's Grace

### The Lord's Supper

All baptized Christians who are members in good standing of a church that proclaims the Gospel of Jesus Christ are invited to participate. Children who have been admitted by their church as old enough to comprehend the Supper may partake as well. If you have any questions, please ask.

**Instructions** Come forward row by row or as directed by an usher. A gluten-free bread substitute is available. Wine is served in the first drink tray, grape juice in the second, and wine in the chalice at the end of each line if you wish to dip or drink from the common cup. You may take the elements standing to the side or at your seat. To avoid spills and out of respect for our host church, **please do not leave the cups in your pew.**



## Communion

### Prayer

If you would like someone to pray for you, church leaders are available for prayer during communion on the first floor. If you are not participating in the Lord's Supper and not receiving prayer, please observe communion, reflect on its meaning and, if willing, utilize one of the prayers below:

**Prayer for those Seeking** God, you promise that those who seek you will find you, and that you are found in Jesus Christ alone. Please honor my seeking and show me mercy; guide me, teach me, and lead me. Grant me your Spirit that I might not seek in vain, but have a true relationship with you.

**Prayer of Belief** Father, you are my Creator and I owe everything to you. I confess that Christ Jesus is your unique and only Son, full of grace and truth. Lord Jesus, thank you for paying my debt of guilt, taking the full punishment for my sin upon the cross, and by your righteousness making me completely accepted and loved by God, freely by grace. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I receive you as my Lord and Savior and commit myself to live as your follower at all cost. Holy Spirit, I have grieved you by my selfishness and lack of love. I turn from my sin and ask you to fill me and create new life in me. O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.

## **Communion Hymn**

### **How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds**

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds, In a believer's ear  
It soothes his sorrow, heals his wounds, And drives away his fear

It makes the wounded spirit whole, And calms the troubled breast  
'Tis manna to the hungry soul, And to the weary, rest.

Dear Name, the rock on which I build, My shield and hiding place  
My never failing treasury filled, With boundless stores of grace

Jesus, my Shepherd, Brother, Friend, My Prophet, Priest, and King  
My Lord, my life, my way, my end, Accept the praise I bring

Weak is the effort of my heart, And cold my warmest thought;  
But when I see thee as thou art, I'll praise thee as I ought

'Til then I would thy love proclaim, With every fleeting breath  
And may the music of thy name, Refresh my soul in death

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## **Song of Faith ❖**

### **All Hail King Jesus**

All hail King Jesus

All hail Emmanuel

King of kings

Lord of lords

Bright Morning Star

And for all eternity

I'm going to praise him

And forevermore

I will reign with him

And forevermore

I will reign with him *(repeat song)*

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## **Benediction**

*Going with God's blessing*

## **Announcements**



## **Prayer**

We want to be a community that is both inwardly growing and outwardly serving, seeing ourselves transformed by the good news of God's grace and making his renewal and reconciliation felt in the city and world around us. To this end, please pray this week...

### **Inwardly Growing**

...thanking God for the great lengths to which he has gone to share in your difficulties and suffering. Especially ask him for a deeper, more immediate awareness of his sympathy in the most difficult or stressful moments of the week ahead.

...that the various events and services going on in the Grace DC network to commemorate the upcoming Easter holiday would be an opportunity for all of us to draw closer to God and be challenged by a clearer view of who Jesus is.

### **Outwardly Serving**

...for those living in the aftermath of this week's mass stabbing just outside of Pittsburgh. Thank God for the survival of the victims and for their recovery. Pray also for the light of God's love to be made visible in the lives of all of those touched by this event.

...for the Grace Downtown members and attendees who serve our congregation and our city during our worship service. Pray for those serving as ushers and on the various ministry teams that facilitate our Sunday services. Pray as well for those who give of their time to teach children's church, serve in the nursery, and provide love and care to our neighbors as part of the Mercy Team.

## **Notes**

# Calendar

April – May 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
13  Coffee Hour 6:45 pm Coffee Hour 6:45 pm	14	15 City Prayer 7:15 am	16	17 Moms' Bible Study 10:00 am Maundy Thursday Service 7:00 pm	18 Good Friday Service 12:00 pm	19
20  Eat & Meet 7:00 pm	21	22 City Prayer 7:15 am	23	24 Moms' Bible Study 10:00 am	25  Fourth Friday Dinner	26
27 Financial Stewardship 3:00 pm Coffee Hour 6:45 pm	28 The Bible and Sexuality 7:00 pm	29 City Prayer 7:15 am	30	1 Moms' Bible Study 10:00 am	2	3
4  Eat & Meet 7:00 pm	5	6 City Prayer 7:15 am	7	8 Moms' Bible Study 10:00 am	9	10 Spring Picnic 1:00 pm
11  Coffee Hour 6:45 pm	12	13 City Prayer 7:15 am	14	15 Moms' Bible Study 10:00 am	16	17

## Events & Announcements

### *Tonight*

#### **Coffee Hour (After Service)**

Tonight's Coffee Hour is hosted by the Capitol Hill SE Community Group led by Jonathan Tuke and Becca Ryan. Stop by after service for great snacks, a visit to the Grace Downtown Library or to sign up for this month's Fourth Friday Dinner.

#### **New Library Books (After Service)**

We have added a number of books covering what Jesus' life, death and resurrection can mean to our lives today. Visit the library during Coffee Hour to browse our selections.

#### **Foster Care Roundtable (After Service)**

The Diaconate hosts an opportunity to learn more about the DC foster care system and to speak with representatives from local foster care organizations, including the DC 127 Foster Care Initiative.

### *This Week*

#### **Holy Week Email Devotionals (4/13–4/20)**

Sign up at [gracedc.net/downtown](http://gracedc.net/downtown) or fill out the Keeping Connected sheet and mark "tools for growth" for daily reflections taking you from the story of Jesus' return to Jerusalem through the story of his resurrection.

#### **Maundy Thursday Service (4/17, 7pm)**

Grace Meridian Hill hosts a special evening service commemorating the Last Supper. More information online.

#### **Good Friday Service (4/18, 12pm)**

Grace DC's noontime reflection on Jesus' crucifixion is held at Calvary Baptist Church and open to all.

## Events & Announcements (cont'd)

### ***Upcoming Events***

#### **Spring Picnic (5/10)**

Get ready for one of Grace Downtown's most beloved events of the year. Want to help out? Contact Ryan (rshiedermayer@gmail.com). More information, including what to bring and where to go, online.

#### **Social Events Team: Girls on the Run 5K (5/17)**

Love being outdoors? Join Social Events Team May 17th and volunteer with Girls on the Run DC for their Spring 5K! You can choose to be a Running Buddy (\$30) or help as a Race Volunteer to make sure the race runs smoothly. All volunteers are invited to an exclusive post-5K brunch. Interested? Contact Courtney (cdbell118@gmail.com) for more info!

### ***Grow & Learn***

#### **C.S. Lewis Institute Fellows Program Application Deadline (4/15)**

The C.S. Lewis Institute is accepting applications for its 2014–2015 fellows program. The program is designed to help you learn to articulate, defend and live out your faith in Christ in your public and personal lives. More information at [http://www.cslewisinstitute.org/DC\\_Metro\\_Area\\_Fellows](http://www.cslewisinstitute.org/DC_Metro_Area_Fellows).

#### **Financial Stewardship (4/27, 3pm)**

Grace Downtown's Diaconate periodically offers Financial Stewardship classes to help attendees dig deeper into what the gospel means to the way we approach money and finances. Sign up online.

#### **The Bible and Sexuality (4/28, 7pm)**

What does the Bible teach about the complex question of human sexuality? If you have been part of Grace Downtown and are looking for an opportunity to learn more about the Bible and sexuality in a safe and thoughtful environment, this seminar is for you. Sign up online.

#### **Men's Sexual Wholeness Group**

Are you a man dealing with sexual addictions/pornography/lust? Whether single or married, join a group led by men who have the same struggles and are experiencing sexual healing. The group meets for 10 weeks and uses *Crossroads*, a workbook on addiction written by Ed Welch. Please email elder Bob Baldwin (baldwinrobert@mac.com) with any questions.

#### **Visions of Vocation Retreat (5/10)**

How does the Christian hope for the world impact how I view my job? Does my work really matter to God? Why work on fixing problems that seem impossible? Join Rev. Bill Haley and Steve Garber for a retreat offered by The Washington Institute for Faith, Vocation and Culture. More information at [www.washingtoninst.org](http://www.washingtoninst.org).

### ***Serve***

#### **AGAP Volunteers**

Anacostia Gracious Arts Program is looking for weeknight volunteers to help create a supportive community for and provide arts education to local youth and teens. Whether you are capable of helping teach classes or have no experience in the arts, there is a way for you to help. Contact [kelliebleecker@yahoo.com](mailto:kelliebleecker@yahoo.com) for more information.

#### **Little Lights Urban Ministries**

Help elementary or middle school students with homework, reading and math tutoring. Homework help: Mon–Thu, 3:30–6pm. Reading help: Tue 6–7:30pm. Math help: Thu, 6–7:30pm. Contact [volunteer@littleglights.org](mailto:volunteer@littleglights.org) for info!

### ***Announcements***

#### **Grace Downtown Budget Update:**

Giving in the months of January and February slowed and we did not meet our budget. As a result we have a deficit of about \$33,000. The diaconate asks for your continued prayerful giving through the remainder of our fiscal year which ends June 30th. Please contact the diaconate with any questions.

# Keeping Connected

For visitors, members updating their information, people communicating interests and prayer requests. Tear off and place in offering basket, or turn in to the Info Table.

(today's date is \_\_\_\_\_)

☐ visitor ☐ regular attendee ☐ member

☐ single ☐ married

**Name** (ms./mr.) \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Phone** (w/h/c) \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**How did you hear about us?** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Birthdate** \_\_\_\_\_

**Children's names & ages** \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_

**Prayer Request** \_\_\_\_\_

## Please contact me about...

- ☐ I'm looking into the Christian faith and would like more info and/or to talk with someone
- ☐ Joining a community group in my neighborhood
- ☐ Grace Downtown events and announcements
- ☐ Grace Downtown congregation membership
- ☐ Tools for growth

## How to get involved in our church community:

- ☐ Social Events Team ☐ Greeting Team
- ☐ Children's Ministries ☐ Eat & Meet Team
- ☐ Mercy Ministries ☐ Communion Team
- ☐ Coffee Hour Team ☐ Set Up Team
- ☐ Prayer Team ☐ Fourth Friday Dinner Team
- ☐ Care Team

## ☐ Please do not contact me

## Prayer requests

Tear off this page, write your request on it and fold for privacy. Drop it in the offering basket or at the Info Table. You can also send your request to [prayer@gracedc.net](mailto:prayer@gracedc.net), subject: prayer request (please indicate confidential or for prayer-team in the subject). Deacons and deaconesses are also available for prayer at the front left of the sanctuary following each service. We would love to pray for you!

☐ please keep confidential (pastors/elders only)

## Grace DC Online

Grace DC Online is the digital hub for our community life. If you are a member or regular attendee of a Grace DC congregation (Grace Downtown, Grace Meridian Hill or Grace Mosaic), Grace DC Online makes it easy to connect more deeply and keep track of your commitments and upcoming events. If you are part of Grace Downtown or a Grace Downtown Community Group, we strongly encourage you get connected today.

☐ contact me about signing up for Grace DC Online