



GRACE CHURCH IN PROVIDENCE

*Welcome to "Voices of Grace",
our virtual worship experience that features parishioners
leading worship from their own homes.
We hope you join us from yours!
Wherever you are, we pray for your health and
well-being. God bless you!*

Jonathan+

**AUGUST 16, 2020 ~ THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST**

VOICES OF GRACE "VIRTUAL" WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY

Prelude and Fugue in G, BWV 557

attr. to Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

HYMN 537

1 Christ for the world we sing! The world to
 2 Christ for the world we sing! The world to
 3 Christ for the world we sing! The world to
 4 Christ for the world we sing! The world to

Christ we bring with lov - ing zeal; the poor, and
 Christ we bring with fer - vent prayer; the way - ward
 Christ we bring with one ac - cord; with us the
 Christ we bring with joy - ful song; the new - born

them that mourn, the faint and o - ver - borne,
and the lost, by rest - less pas - sions tossed,
work to share, with us re - proach to dare,
souls, whose days, re - claimed from er - ror's ways,

sin - sick and sor - row - worn, whom Christ doth heal.
re - deemed at count - less cost from dark de - spair.
with us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.
in - spired with hope and praise, to Christ be - long.

Words: Samuel Wolcott (1813-1886)

Music: Moscon, melody Felice de Giardini (1716-1796); harm. The New Hymnal, 1916 based on Hymns Ancient and Modern, 1875, and Lowell Mason (1792-1892)

THE LESSONS

PSALM 67

Said by all

Led by Jeff Williams

May God be merciful to us and bless us, *

show us the light of his countenance and come to us.

Let your ways be known upon earth, *

your saving health among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; *

let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *

for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; *

let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has brought forth her increase; *

may God, our own God, give us his blessing.

May God give us his blessing, *

and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

JESUS called the crowd to him and said to them, “Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.” Then the disciples approached and said to him, “Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?” He answered, “Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.” But Peter said to him, “Explain this parable to us.” Then he said, “Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.” Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

THE HOMILY

The Reverend Jennifer West

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Led by Win Tompkins

ANTHEM

O LORD, whose mercies numberless o’er all thy works prevail,
 Though daily mankind Thy laws transgress, thy patience cannot fail.
 If yet our sins remain before thee, let Thy love our lives control.
 Now Lord, within us repentance see, and come to heal each wounded soul.

Nikki Lawrence, Mezzo-soprano

Words: Adapted by Lloyd Pfautch (1921-2003)
Music: from Saul, HWV 53, George Frederic Händel (1685-1759)

THE BLESSING

The Rev. Jennifer West

~ PRAYER LIST ~

This week, we pray for: *the family of Lorraine Slaney, Joseph, David, Robert Cramer, and all those caring for the sick, those seeking treatments and vaccines for the virus, and all those whose work places them in harm’s way.* We also pray for those members of our church who are homebound.

*Almighty God, who hast created us in thine own image:
Grant us grace fearlessly to contend against evil and to make
no peace with oppression; and, that we may reverently use
our freedom, help us to employ it in the maintenance of
justice in our communities and among the nations, to the
glory of thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who
liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and for ever. Amen.*

(A Prayer for Social Justice, BCP, p. 209)



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