

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+

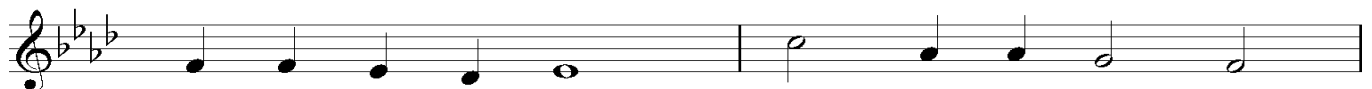
SEPTEMBER 20, 2020 ~ THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
VOICES OF GRACE "VIRTUAL" WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY Prelude *from* Suite in E Major for Organ Everett Titcomb (1884-1968)

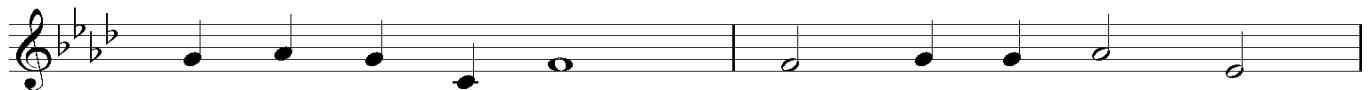
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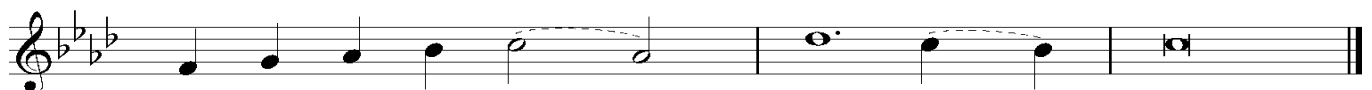
1	Come,	la - bor	on.	Who	dares	stand	i - dle
2	Come,	la - bor	on.	The	en - e - my	is	
3	Come,	la - bor	on.	A - way	with	gloom - y	
4	Come,	la - bor	on.	Claim	the	high	call - ing
5	Come,	la - bor	on.	No	time	for	rest, till



1	on	the	har - vest	plain,	while	all	a - round	us
2	watch - ing	night	and	day,	to	sow	the	tares, to
3	doubts	and	faith - less	fear!	No	arm	so	weak but
4	an - gels	can - not	share—		to	young	and	old the
5	glows	the	west - ern	sky,	till	the	long	sha - dows



1	waves	the	gold - en	grain?	And	to	each	ser - vant
2	snatch	the	seed	a - way;	while	we	in	sleep our
3	may	do	ser - vice	here:	by	feeb - lest	a - gents	
4	Gos - pel	glad - ness	bear:		re - deem	the	time;	its
5	o'er	our	path - way	lie,	and	a	glad	sound comes



1	does	the	Mas - ter	say,	"Go	work	to	day."
2	du - ty	have	for - got,	he	slum - bered	not.		
3	may	our	God	ful - fill	his	right - eous	will.	
4	hours	too	swift - ly	fly.	The	night	draws	nigh.
5	with	the	set - ting	sun,	"Ser - vants,	well	done."	

*Words: Jane Laurie Borthwick (1813-1897), alt.
Music: Ora Labora, Thomas Tertius Noble (1867-1953)*

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST LESSON

Jonah 3:10-4:11

Read by Dave Reedy

WHEN GOD SAW what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it. But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." And the Lord said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live." But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." Then the LORD said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?"

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 145:1-8

Said by all

Led by Drake Douglas

I will exalt you, O God my King, *
and bless your Name for ever and ever.
Every day will I bless you *
and praise your Name for ever and ever.
Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; *
there is no end to his greatness.
One generation shall praise your works to another *
and shall declare your power.
I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty *
and all your marvelous works.
They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, *
and I will tell of your greatness.
They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; *
they shall sing of your righteous deeds.
The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.

ANTHEM

O GOD MY KING, I will magnify thee and praise thy Name for ever and ever.
Great is the Lord, and marvelous, worthy to be praised:
there is no end of his greatness.
The Lord is gracious and merciful, long-suffering, and of great goodness.
My mouth shall speak the praises of the Lord:
Let all flesh give thanks unto this holy Name for ever and ever. Amen.

*Words: Psalm 145: 1, 3, 8, 21
Music: John Amner (1579-1641)*

THE SECOND LESSON

Matthew 20:1-16

Read by Joy Twelves

JESUS SAID, “The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

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

THE HOMILY

The Rector

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER

Led by Andy Shapiro-Zysk

Please join in responding to each petition saying:

Hear our prayer.



ANTHEM

ALL THY WORKS PRAISE THEE, O LORD,
and thy saints give thanks unto thee.
They shew the glory of thy kingdom,
and talk of thy power.
That thy power, thy glory, and mightiness of thy kingdom:
might be known unto men.
Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom:
and thy dominion endureth throughout all ages.
My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord:
and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy name for ever and ever

Words: Psalm 145: 10-13, 21
Music: Thomas Adams (1857-1918)

THE BLESSING

The Rector

~ PRAYER LIST ~

This week, we pray for: *Michele, David, Theo, and Mel, 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.

The Grace Church Quintet

Erin Preston, Soprano ~ Nikki Lawrence, Mezzo-soprano ~ Olivia Kleyla, Alto
Brad Kleyla, Tenor ~ Nicholas Halar, Baritone



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