GRACE CHURCH

IN PROVIDENCE

The Mission of Grace Church is to build, by the grace of God, a loving and joyful community which lives the Gospel through worship, proclamation, and service to each other, to downtown Providence, and beyond.

WELCOME!

Welcome to Grace Church! While our congregation has been around for almost two centuries, people from miles around become part of our community every week, so we are always becoming a "new" church. We are also an incredibly diverse church, which is a source of great joy for us. No matter who you are, we are thrilled that you have found your way to us this morning! And while we are a big church, we are also an open and welcoming one, so do not let Grace's size and downtown location prevent you from jumping right in and asking us whatever questions you might have. So welcome, and many blessings to you!

The Rev. Canon Jonathan Huyck+
Rector



THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

~ SUNG HOLY EUCHARIST ~ RITE II

> SEPTEMBER 26TH, 2021 10:00 AM

Per the CDC guidelines and due to the increase in COVID-19 cases in our area, we are asking people to wear masks when they come to church, whether or not they are vaccinated. We are blessed with a large Nave that allows for more room to spread out, so please do make full use of the available space. Coffee Hour will take place in the Courtyard after the service, weather permitting. Masks are available from an Usher, should you need one. Please turn off or silence all mobile devices prior to the service.

VOLUNTARY

Lobe den Herren

Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748)

The Celebrant and Choir sing from The Pavilion,

God is in this holy temple: Let all the earth keep silence. Let us go forth in peace: In the name of Christ. Amen.

Please join in singing the hymn on the following page.



Words: Joachim Neander (1650-1680); tr. Hymnal 1940, alt. Music: Lobe den Herren, melody from Erneuerten Gesangbuch, 1665; harm. The Chorale Book for England, 1863; Descant: Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971)

THE WORD OF GOD

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant

LMIGHTY GOD, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

GOD, YOU DECLARE YOUR ALMIGHTY POWER chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the lessons.

THE LESSONS

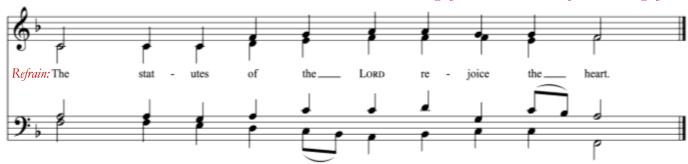
THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

★HE RABBLE AMONG THEM HAD A STRONG CRAVING; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, "If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at." Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the LORD became very angry, and Moses was displeased. So Moses said to the LORD, "Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, 'Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child,' to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, 'Give us meat to eat!' I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once – if I have found favor in your sight – and do not let me see my misery." So the LORD said to Moses, "Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you. So Moses went out and told the people the words of the LORD; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again. Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the LORD'S people were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit on them!"

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.



- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect and revives the soul; * the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just and rejoice the heart; * the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean and endures for ever; * the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, * sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb. *Refrain*.
- 11 By them also is your servant enlightened, * and in keeping them there is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how often he offends? * cleanse me from my secret faults.
- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; * then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, *

O LORD, my strength and my redeemer. Refrain.

Music: A Hymn-Tune Psalter, Carl P. Daw, Jr. & Kevin R. Hackett; Refrain based on Song 1 by Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

James 5:13-20

The Epistle Reading

RE ANY AMONG YOU SUFFERING? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever

brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able and join in singing the Sequence Hymn.



Words: Georg Neumark (1621-1681); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt. Music: Wer nur den lieben Gott, Georg Neumark

THE HOLY GOSPEL Mark 9:38-50

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John SAID To JESUS, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. "If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. "For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON The Rector

We stand and say together
The Nicene Creed

f WE BELIEVE IN ONE f GOD, the Father, the Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light,

true God from true God, begotten, not made,

of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

Who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.

Who has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Intercessor and People pray responsively

Let us pray to God, for whom and through whom all things exist.

We pray for believers everywhere: May the Lord God deliver us from all hardness of heart and make us one in the covenant of fidelity and love.

God of love, hear our prayer.

We pray for all peoples of the earth: May we celebrate the richness of our diversity and our deeper unity as children of the one God and members of the one human family.

God of love, hear our prayer.

We pray for all who are burdened by loneliness or scarred by rejection: May they know the joy of loving others and of being loved in return.

God of love, hear our prayer.

We pray this morning for: Roger Ceresi, Joanne Quinn, Robert Yates, Leah, Patty and Rick Birkes, the Chamberlain and O'Neil families, Sarah, Diana, Ruby, and Lola. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble.

God of love, hear our prayer.

We pray that those who followed Christ in this life and served Christ in others may come to the reward of life with him forever.

God of love, hear our prayer.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, including those we name now either aloud or in the silence of our hearts.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept

MOST MERCIFUL GOD, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord

Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit

keep you in eternal life.

People Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

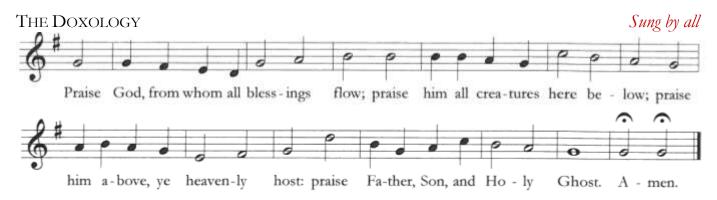
WELCOME AND PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY

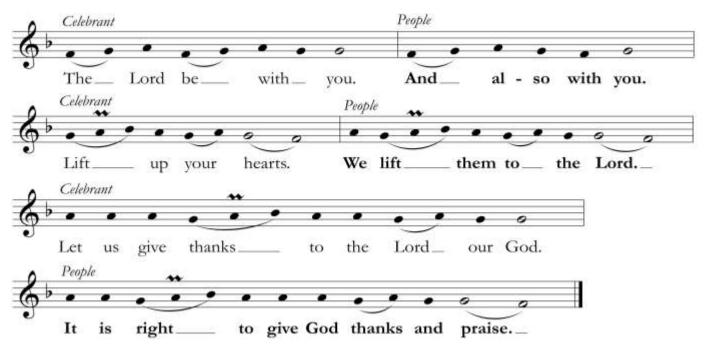
TEACH ME, O LORD, the way of Thy statutes: and I shall keep it unto the end. Give me understanding, and I shall keep Thy law: yea, I shall keep it with my whole heart. Make me to go in the path of Thy commandments: for therein is my desire. Incline my heart unto Thy testimonies: and not to covetousness. O turn away mine eyes, lest they behold vanity: and quicken Thou me in Thy way. O 'stablish Thy word in Thy servant: that I may fear Thee. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Please remain standing as you are able as the Offering is brought forward.



Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711) Music: Old Hundredth, melody from Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551, alt.;

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



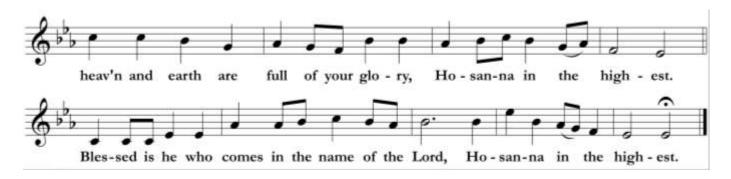
Celebrant

T IS RIGHT, AND A GOOD AND JOYFUL THING, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Sung by all





Setting: Mass for St. Paul's, V. Edwards

Celebrant

OLY AND GRACIOUS FATHER: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant

TE CELEBRATE THE MEMORIAL of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.





THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

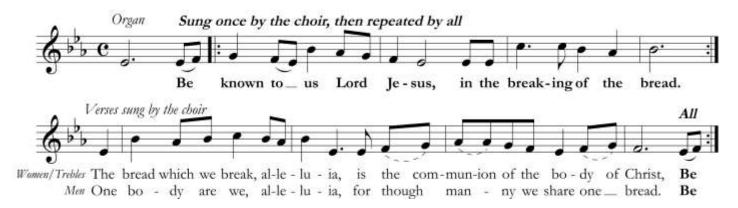
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

After the Celebrant breaks the host, please join in singing the Fraction Anthem.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM



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THE COMMUNION

If you would prefer to receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest when you come to the Altar. We also have gluten-free wafers for those who are allergic. At the moment, Grace Church is only offering the sacrament of communion in the form of the bread. It is always considered fully acceptable to take communion in just one kind (i.e. the bread). We encourage all communicants to make liberal use of the hand sanitizer placed in the pews after they have received communion.

While the Congregation receives communion, the Choir sings,

THE COMMUNION MOTET

JUSTITIAE DOMINI RECTAE, laetificantes corda; et judicia eius dulciora super mel et favum. Nam servus tuus custodit ea. The statutes of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart his judgments sweeter also than honey, and the honey-comb. For Thy servant keeps them.

> Words: Psalm 18:9a, 11b-12a Music: Alessandro Scarlatti (1660-1725)

THE COMMUNION HYMN, 309



Words: Latin, 1661; tr. John Athelstan Laurie Riley (1858-1945), alt. Music: O Welt, ich muss dich lassen, present form of melody attrib. Heinrich Isaac (c 1450-1517), alt; harm. J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

ALMIGHTY AND EVER-LIVING GOD,

we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Please remain standing as you are able, to join in singing the hymn.



Words: John Raphael Peacey (1896-1971) and English Praise, 1975, alt. Music: Litton, Erik Routley (1917-1982) THE DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Toccata from Symphonie No. 5, Op. 42

Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

The music at this morning's service is offered to the glory of God, and in loving memory of Edward A. Flood, by Len Flood and David Olsen.

~ SERVING TODAY ~

Celebrant: The Reverend Hartwell Hylton
Preacher: The Reverend Canon Jonathan Huyck
Crucifer: Jim Mahoney
Lectors: Len Flood and David Olsen
Intercessor: Lucia Bomster
Ushers: Michael D'Alesandre, Matthew Sneider, Wade Bright
Greeters: Lisa Gerlach and Lisa Doucet
Altar Guild: Sandra Read, Sue Hall
Audio/Visual: Clinton Crocker
Coffee Hour Servers: Luci Scanlan, Russell Barnaby

Cover art: "For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another." (Mark 9:50)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THURSDAYS AT NOON CONCERTS: This coming Thursday at 12 Noon oboist Cheryl Bishkoff, Principal Oboe of the Rhode Island Philharmonic, will play a free, 30-minute program of music by Georg Phillip Telemann, Ulysses Kay, and Philippe Gaubert. Bookmarks detailing the line-up of Thursday performers are available on the information tables in the rear of the church. We hope you join us and bring along friends!

UPCOMING BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS: On Sunday, October 3rd, we invite you to bring your pets to church so that they might receive a blessing from the clergy at the 10:00 AM service. This is in anticipation of the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals, whose feast day falls on October 4th. Grace Church welcomes everyone and their pets: dogs, cats, rabbits, birds, fish, turtles, and toy pets. The only requirement is that animals must be properly restrained, leashed or caged.

UPCOMING CHORAL EVENSONG: Our first Choral Evensong of the season will take place on Sunday, October 3rd at 4:00 PM. The service will be sung by The Choristers of Grace Church and will include the Investiture of New Choristers. The investiture is a ceremony installing those novice choristers from the Training Choir who are ready to participate as "full-fledged" members of The Choir & Choristers of Grace Church. We hope you will join us!

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