

GRACE CHURCH

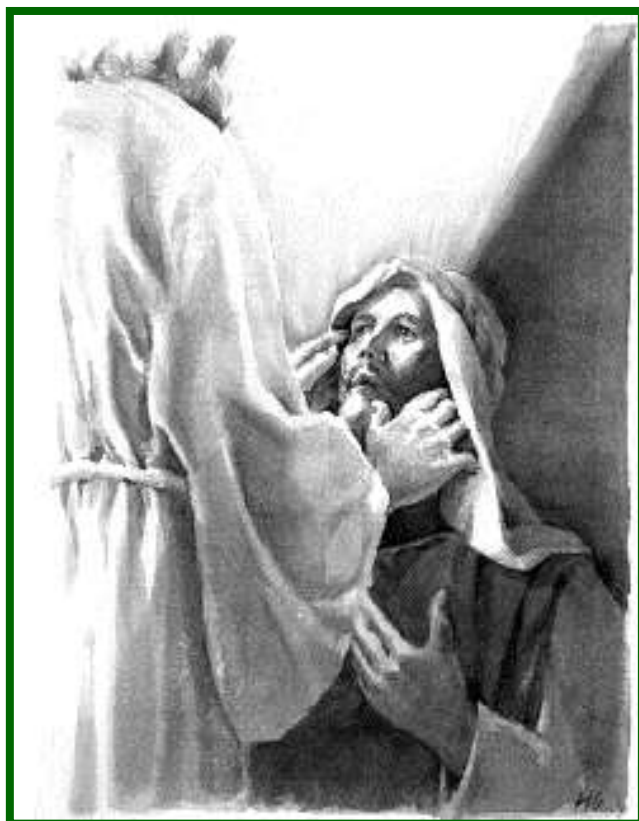
IN PROVIDENCE

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 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

~ SUNG HOLY EUCHARIST ~
RITE II

SEPTEMBER 5TH, 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 have moved worship back into the Church, as that allows for more room to spread out than in The Pavilion and 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

Please stand as you are able to join in singing the hymn on the following page.

THE OPENING HYMN, 1



1 Fa - ther, we praise thee, now the night is
2 Mon - arch of all things, fit us for thy
3 All - ho - ly Fa - ther, Son, and e - qual



o - ver, ac - tive and watch - ful, stand we all be -
man - sions; ban - ish our weak - ness, health and whole - ness
Spi - rit, Trin - i - ty bless - ed, send us thy sal -



fore thee; sing - ing we of - fer prayer and med - i -
send - ing; bring us to hea - ven, where thy saints u -
va - tion; thine is the glo - ry, gleam - ing and re -



ta - tion: thus we a - dore thee.
nit - ed joy with - out end - ing.
sound - ing through all cre - a - tion.

Words: Latin, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer (1867-1936)
Music: Christe sanctorum, melody from Antiphoner, 1681



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

ALMIGHTY 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.**

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Setting: from Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena, Healey Willan (1880-1968)

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

GRANT US, O LORD, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the lessons.

THE LESSONS

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 35:4-7a

SAY TO THOSE WHO ARE OF A FEARFUL HEART, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.' Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.

For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

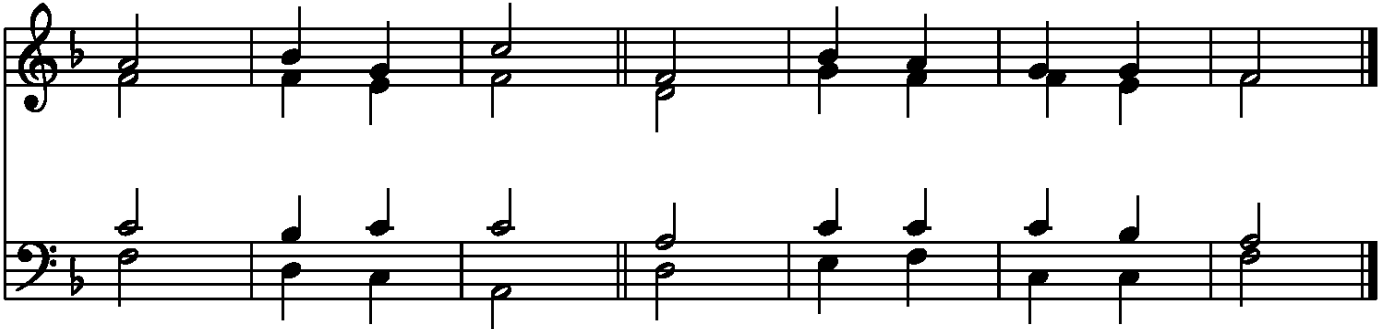
The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 146

Sung by all



- 1 Hallelujah! Praise the LORD, /O my/ soul! *
I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my/ God • while I /have my/ being.
- 2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any/ child of/ earth, *
for/ there is • no /help in/ them.
- 3 When they breathe their last,/ they return • to/ earth, *
and in that /day their /thoughts/ perish.
- 4 Happy are they who have the God of/ Jacob • for their/ help! *
whose /hope is • in the /LORD their/ God;
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and /all that • is in/ them; *
who/ keeps his/ promise • for/ ever;
- 6 Who gives justice to/ those who • are op/pressed, *
and/ food to/ those who/ hunger.
- 7 The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the /eyes of • the/ blind; *
the LORD lifts up /those • who are/ bowed/ down;
- 8 The LORD loves the righteous; the LORD/ cares for • the/ stranger; *
he sustains the orphan and widow,
but /frustrates • the /way of • the/ wicked.
- 9 The LORD shall/ reign for/ ever, *
your God, O Zion, through/out all • gene/rations. • Halle/lujah!

Chant by William Russell (1777-1813)

THE EPISTLE READING

James 2:1-10, 14-17

MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS, do you, with your acts of favoritism, really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, “Have a seat here, please,” while

to the one who is poor you say, “Stand there,” or, “Sit at my feet,” have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill,” and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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

AT THE SEQUENCE, HYMN 493

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my dear Re - deem - er's praise,
 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim
 3 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease;
 4 He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive,
 5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;

1 the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!
 2 and spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.
 3 'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
 4 the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.
 5 ye blind, be - hold, your Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

6 Glory to God and praise and love
 be now and ever given
 by saints below and saints above,
 the Church in earth and heayen.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.

Music: Azmon, Carl Gottbifl Gläser (1784-1829); adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

JESUS SET OUT AND WENT AWAY to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go – the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Reverend Hartwell Hylton

We stand and say together

THE NICENE CREED

**WE BELIEVE IN ONE 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

For the needs of the whole world let us pray to our God, who comes with salvation to make us strong and cast out fear.

We pray for God's holy Church: May it be an instrument of Christ's compassion and healing for all in need.

God of love, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the leaders of communities and nations: May they cooperate to advance peace and reduce and fear.

God of love, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for victims of discrimination and prejudice: May they be accorded the respect which all God's children deserve.

God of love, **hear our prayer.**

We pray this morning for: *Patty and Rick Birkes, Christine Danesi, Arthur and Sandy Butler, Richard Curtiss, Ruth, 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 for all of those who followed Jesus on their earthly pilgrimage: May they inherit the kingdom promised by our Lord.

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 PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

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

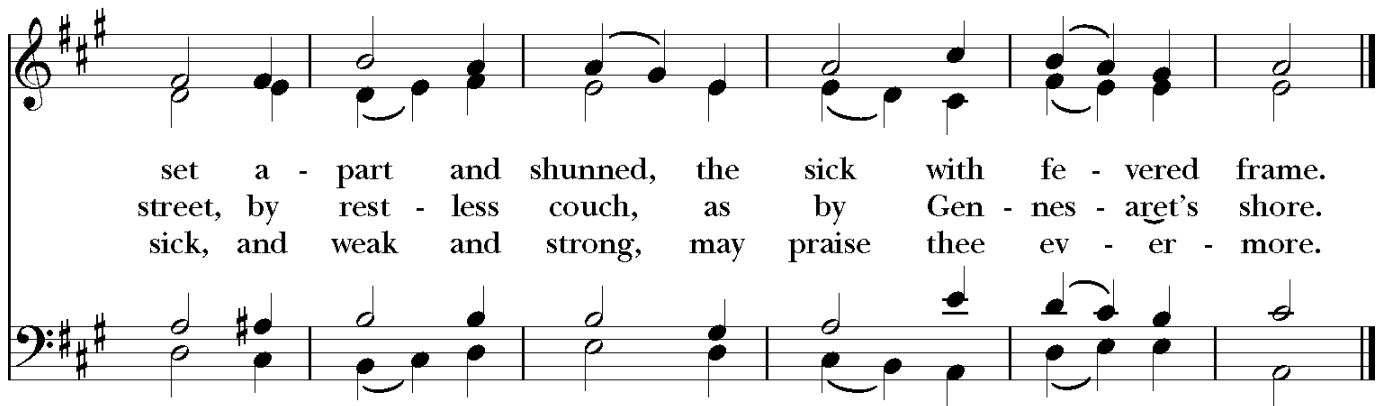
AT THE OFFERTORY, HYMN 567

1 Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old was strong to
2 And lo! thy touch brought life and health, gave hear - ing,
3 Be thou our great de - liv - erer still, thou Lord of

heal and save; it tri - umphed o'er dis - ease and death,
strength, and sight; and youth re - newed and fren - zy calmed
life and death; re - store and quick - en, soothe and bless,

o'er dark - ness and the grave. To thee they went, the
owned thee, the Lord of light: and now, O Lord, be
with thine al - might - y breath: to hands that work and

blind, the deaf, the pal - sied, and the lame, the lep - er
near to bless, al - might - y as of yore, in crowd - ed
eyes that see, give wis - dom's heaven - ly lore, that whole and



set a - part and shunned, the sick with fe - vered frame.
street, by rest - less couch, as by Gen - nes - aret's shore.
sick, and weak and strong, may praise thee ev - er - more.

Words: Edward Hayes Plumptre (1821-1891), alt.
Music: St. Matthen, from Supplement to the New Version of Psalms by Dr. Brady and Mr. Tate, 1708

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

THE DOXOLOGY

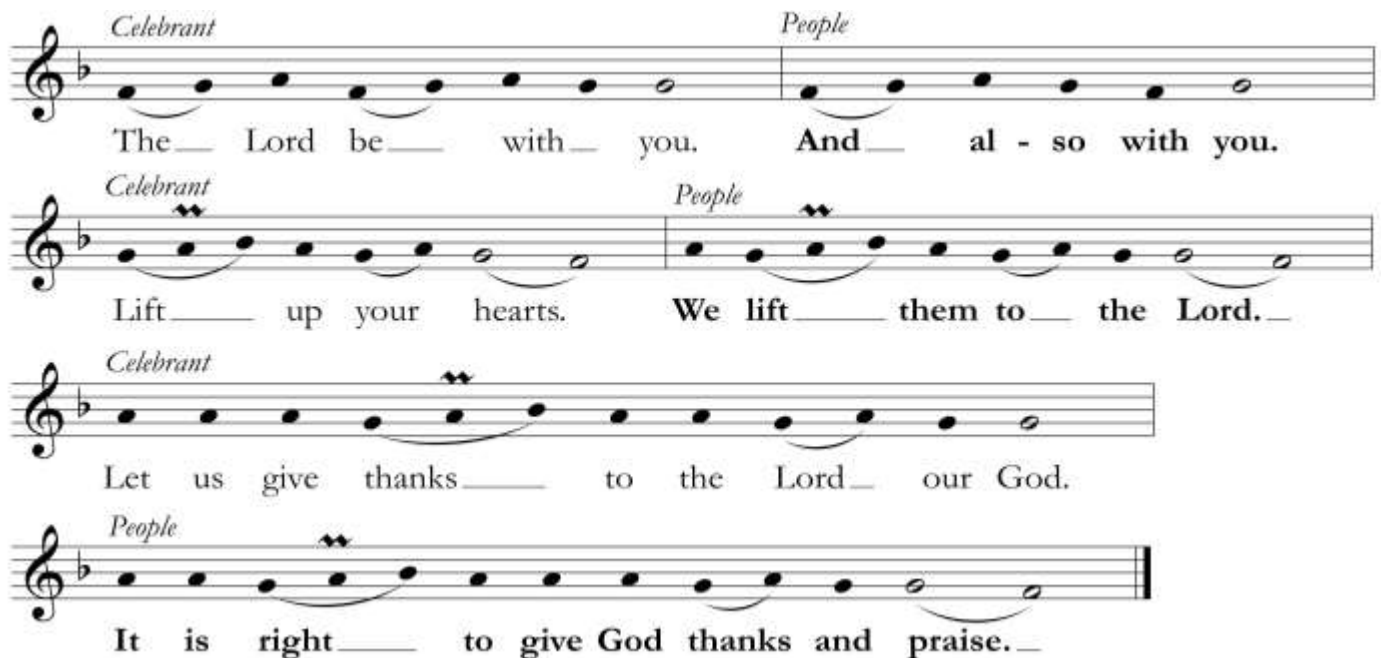
Sung by all



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him all crea - tures here be - low; praise
him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

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

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts. *People* We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant

IT 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:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

Sung by all

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly God of pow'r and God of
might, Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry; Ho - san - na in the
high - - - est! Bles - sed is the one who comes in God's
name; Ho - san - na in the high - - - est.

Setting: Picardy, Traditional French melody, 17th cent.

Celebrant

HOLY 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

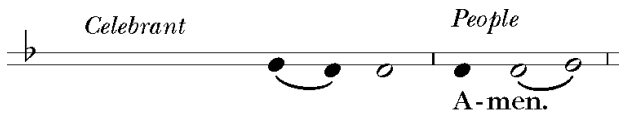
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.



Celebrant

WE 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

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

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.

Please join in singing the hymn on the following page.



THE COMMUNION HYMN, 633



1 Word of God, come down on earth, liv - ing rain from
2 Word e - ter - nal, throned on high, Word that brought to
3 Word that caused blind eyes to see, speak and heal our
4 Word that speaks your Fa - ther's love, one with him be -



heaven de - scend - ing; touch our hearts and bring to birth
life cre - a - tion, Word that came from heaven to die,
mor - tal blind - ness; deaf we are: our heal - er be;
yond all tell - ing, Word that sends us from a - bove



faith and hope and love un - end - ing. Word al - might - y,
cru - ci - fied for our sal - va - tion, sav - ing Word, the
loose our tongues to tell your kind - ness. Be our Word in
God the Spi - rit, with us dwell - ing, Word of truth, to



we re - vere you; Word made flesh, we long to hear you.
world re - stor - ing, speak to us, your love out - pour - ing.
pi - ty spo - ken; heal the world, by our sin bro - ken.
all truth lead us, Word of life, with one Bread feed us.

Words: James Quinn (1919-2010)

Music: Mt. St. Alban NCA, Richard Wayne Dirksen (1921-2003)

We stand and say together

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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.

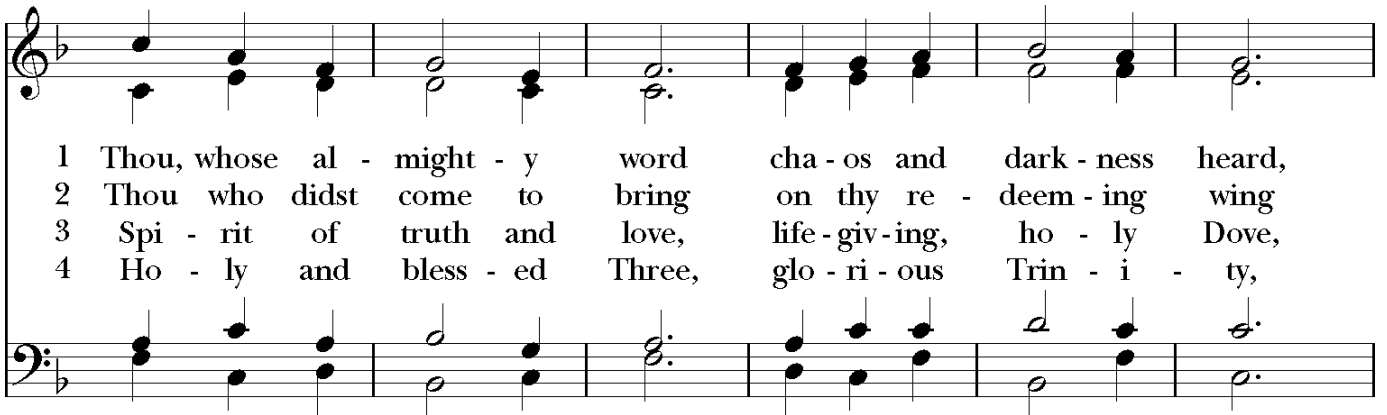
And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory,
now and for ever. Amen.

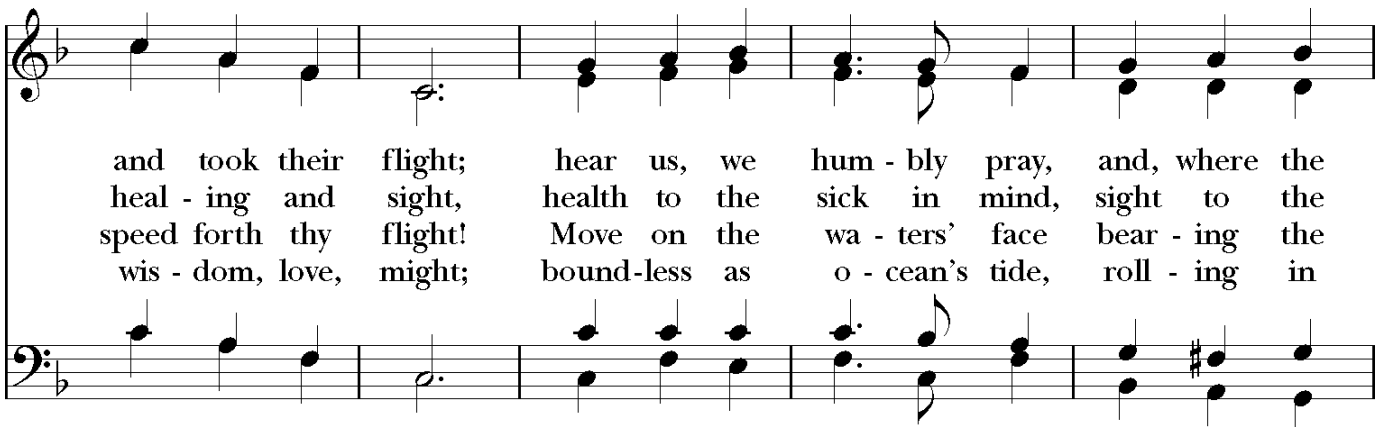
THE BLESSING

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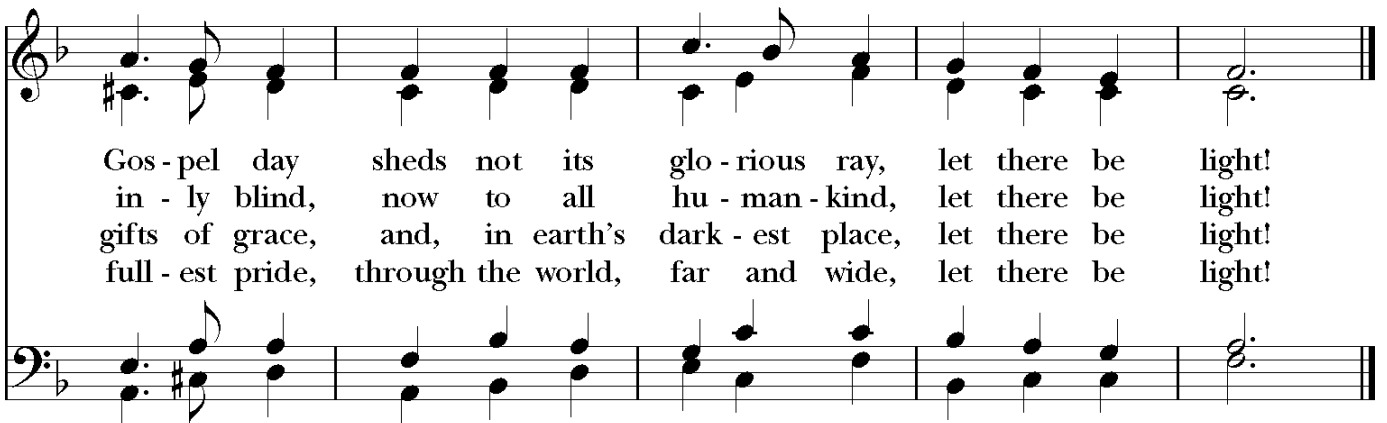
THE CLOSING HYMN, 371



1 Thou, whose al - might - y word cha - os and dark - ness heard,
2 Thou who didst come to bring on thy re - deem - ing wing
3 Spi - rit of truth and love, life - giv - ing, ho - ly Dove,
4 Ho - ly and bless - ed Three, glo - ri - ous Trin - i - ty,



and took their flight; hear us, we hum - bly pray, and, where the
heal - ing and sight, health to the sick in mind, sight to the
speed forth thy flight! Move on the wa - ters' face bear - ing the
wis - dom, love, might; bound - less as o - cean's tide, roll - ing in



Gos - pel day sheds not its glo - rious ray, let there be light!
in - ly blind, now to all hu - man - kind, let there be light!
gifts of grace, and, in earth's dark - est place, let there be light!
full - est pride, through the world, far and wide, let there be light!

*Words: John Marriott (1780-1825), alt.
Music: Moscow, Felice de Giardini (1716-1796);
harm. The New Hymnal, 1916, based on Hymns Ancient and Modern, 1875, and Lowell Mason (1792-1972)*



THE DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

~ SERVING TODAY ~

Celebrant: The Reverend Canon Jonathan Huyck

Preacher: The Reverend Hartwell Hylton

Lectors: Rusty Beatty, Adrienne Southgate

Intercessor: Luci Scanlan

Ushers: David Kwami, Matthew Sneider, Richard Pezzillo, Michael DeGrandpre

Greeters: Duncan Cook, Jahzmyn House

Altar Guild: Andrew Shapiro-Zysk, Cindy Stephanopoulos

Audio/Visual: Lisa Doucet

Coffee Hour Servers: Diane Stamp, Denise Lapolla, Lucia Bomster

Cover art: Jesus heals the deaf and mute man in Decapolis.

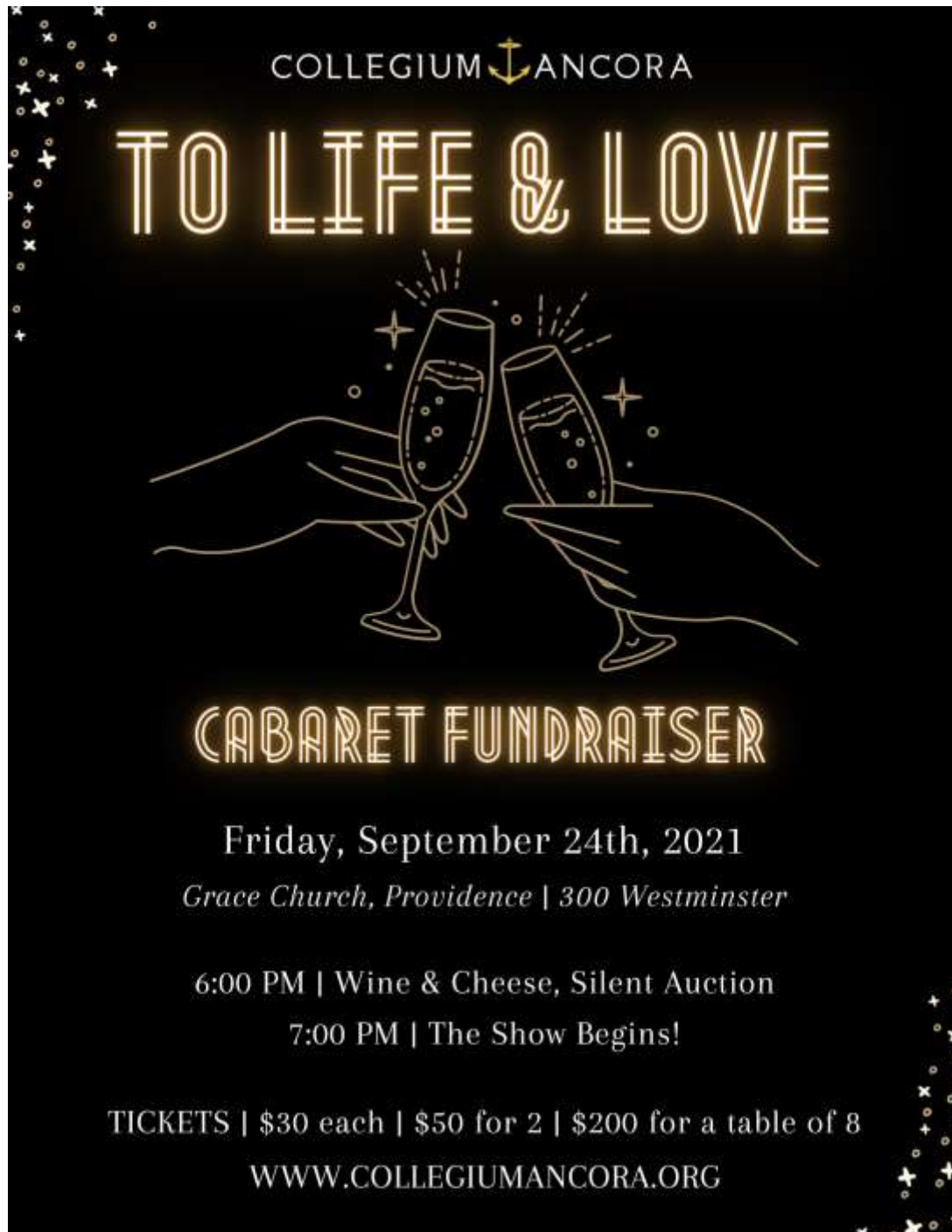
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UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICE AT ECC: On Sunday, September 12th we will have our 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist service at the Episcopal Camp and Conference Centre in Pascoag, Rhode Island. Since we'll be outdoors, wearing masks won't be required. Seating is available under the covered pavilion, and shade is available outside the pavilion, but it would be advisable to bring a sun hat and water bottle. The service will end by 11:00 AM, and anyone wishing to picnic afterwards is invited to bring their own food and drink and stay and recreate. No need to sign up in advance. If you would prefer to worship at Grace, the 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist service will be at the church as usual.


GET YOUR TICKETS NOW! Collegium Ancora will present the annual Cabaret fund-raiser on Friday, September 24th at 6:00 PM. "To Life and Love" will feature songs from the Broadway stage and the Great American Songbook, as well as contemporary cabaret songs. Wine and

Cheese will be served at 6 PM, along with a Silent Auction, and the show begins at 7:00 PM. Tickets are \$30 each; or \$50 for 2 (savings of \$10); or a table of 8 for \$200 (savings of \$40). Visit www.collegiumancora.org for more information, email vedwards@gracepvd.org to request tickets.



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TO LIFE & LOVE



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