GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JULY 17, 2022



Today we welcome Daniel Jacoby, Assistant Director of ERICA – Baltimore. ERICA is the Episcopal Refugee and Immigrant Center Alliance. Their mission:

Compelled by faith, compassion, and a yearning for justice, the Episcopal Refugee and Immigrant Center Alliance (ERICA) honors and ministers to the dignity and humanity of those fleeing oppression, persecution, and poverty in other countries. We undertake this mission as an outreach program of the Cathedral of the Incarnation in Baltimore, Maryland, envisioning a City and State of genuine welcome and respect for all. We pledge to:

- Provide immediate and practical assistance to refugees, asylum seekers and other vulnerable immigrants.
- Provide direct services such as emergency financial assistance and one-on-one problem solving related to housing and access to social services, healthcare and legal representation.
- Facilitate family reunification and the journey to citizenship through grants and zero interest loans to restore wholeness, establish stability and ensure a promising future.
- Connect volunteers and civic leaders with newcomers and the issues affecting their efforts to create new lives in our country.
- Empower the immigrant community to break down systemic barriers through advocacy, networks and agency-building workshops.
- Partner with other civic, community, and faith groups to leverage our respective expertise in furtherance of racial and immigrant justice.

All of ERICA's services are free. We carry out our mission in the spirit of Christian hospitality and with a commitment to listen, share and respect. Our programs are non-religious in nature and are offered free of charge without regard to nationality, religion, ethnicity, gender identity or sexual orientation.

Learn more about ERICA and become more involved by going to www.erica-baltimore.org .



If you have any questions, our ushers, greeters and members are here to help, don't hesitate to ask!

Restrooms are located through the door to the left of the pulpit at the top and bottom of the stairs. There is also a handicap lift in the narthex (front entrance) if you need assistance getting to the lower level.

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CURRENT COVID PRECAUTIONS

Masks are now optional at Grace Church.

We will continue to observe common-sense precautions to mitigate the possible spread of COVID-19.

We will also continue to receive only bread at communion.

As always, we ask that anyone who is experiencing any symptoms of illness to please stay home and take good care of yourself.

Prelude

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

GLORIOUS THINGS OF THEE ARE SPOKEN

OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY

CelebrantBlessed be God: Father, ♥ Son, and Holy Spirit.PeopleAnd blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen

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.

THE GLORIA

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

HYMNAL S280

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, thank you for making us members of your family--"children of God" and "heirs of heaven." Help us to extend the boundaries of our parish family to those who are without family, home and country. Stir us to make and live out our commitment to welcoming the stranger into our midst. Help us to love those welcomed, to share our lives and to witness to them of your love for all of us in the person of your Son, Jesus Christ, our risen Savior and Lord. In his name we ask this. **Amen.**

People An

Please be seated.

HYMNAL 523



THE LESSONS

THE FIRST LESSON

GENESIS 18:1-10A

Lector A reading from the book of Genesis.

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on-- since you have come to your servant."

So they said, "Do as you have said."

And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes."

Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?"

And he said, "There, in the tent."

Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

LectorThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

PSALM 15

THE RESPONSE

Read responsively by the whole verse

- 1 Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? * who may abide upon your holy hill?
- 2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, * who speaks the truth from his heart.
- 3 There is no guile upon his tongue; he does no evil to his friend; * he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.
- 4 In his sight the wicked is rejected, * but he honors those who fear the Lord.
- 5 He has sworn to do no wrong * and does not take back his word.
- 6 He does not give his money in hope of gain, * nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.
- 7 Whoever does these things * shall never be overthrown.

THE SECOND LESSON

COLOSSIANS 1:15-28

Lector A reading from St. Paul's letter to the Colossians.

Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-- all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him-- provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. I became its servant

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according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

LectorThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Please stand if you are able for the hymn and the proclamation of the gospel.

SEQUENCE HYMN GOD THE OMNIPOTENT!

THE HOLY GOSPEL

DeaconThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus and his disciples went on their way, Jesus entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me."

But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

DeaconThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

THE HOMILY

DANIEL JACOBY Assistant Director Episcopal Refugee and Immigrant Center Alliance

HYMNAL 569

LUKE 10:38-42

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

When prompted, please stand if you are able.

You, O God, are supreme and holy. You create our world and give us life. Your purpose overarches everything we do. You have always been with us. You are God.

You, O God, are infinitely generous, good beyond all measure.
You came to us before we came to you.
You have revealed and proved your love for us in Jesus Christ, who lived and died and rose again.
You are with us now.
You are God.

You, O God, are Holy Spirit. You empower us to be your gospel in the world. You reconcile and heal; you overcome death. You are our God. We worship you.

Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

- *Deacon* Almighty God, we give thanks for all your goodness. We bless you for the love that sustains us from day to day. We praise you for the gift of your son, our Savior, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. We thank you for the Holy Spirit, the Comforter; for your holy Church, for the means of grace, for the lives of all faithful and good people and for the hope of the life to come. Remind us ever to treasure in our heart all that our Lord has done for us. Enable us, O God, to show our thankfulness by lives that are wholly given to your service. Lord, in your mercy:
- *People* Hear our prayer.
- Deacon Help us to look with compassion upon the people of this world who live with injustice, terror, hunger, disease and death as constant companions. Lord, in your mercy:People Hear our prayer.

Deacon As your Son came to earth not to be served, but to serve I love, stir us by this love to serve the homeless, to open hearts and hands to the stranger, the lonely, the broken in mind and spirit, who come to these shores from foreign lands. Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

Deacon Preserve our nation that, rejoicing in and recognizing your many blessings, we may offer peace, comfort and protection to the troubled, the weak and the wary. Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

Deacon Above all, direct us to witness to and share your love and the eternal salvation purchased and won for all through the suffering, death and resurrection of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

- *Deacon* Cause us to recognize that we are all one family and grant us grace to show forth in our lives what we profess with our lips. Fill us with compassion for those in distress and take away the arrogance and lack of concern frequently in our hearts. Open our eyes to the many opportunities for giving help and instilling hope and rouse us into loving action. Lord, in your mercy:
- *People* Hear our prayer.

Deacon Rejoicing in the fellowship of the saints, we commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ, our Lord.

People Amen.

Celebrant God, no one is stranger to you and no one is ever far from your loving care. In your kindness watch over migrants, refugees and asylum seekers, those separated from their loved ones, those who are lost, and those who have been exiled from their homes. Bring them safely to the place where they long to be, and help us always to show your kindness to strangers and those in need. We ask this through Christ our Lord, who too was a refugee and migrant who travelled to another land searching for a home.

People Amen.

THE CONFESSION

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may be kept.*

PeopleMost 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.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord, in a safety conscious manner, such as waving or peace signs.

Please be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY HYMN

COME DOWN, O LOVE DIVINE

PRESENTATION HYMN

THE DOXOLOGY (Sung to Two Tunes)

Please stand if you are able.



First tune: Old 100th, Public Domain; Second Tune: New Doxology, Public Domain. Arranged by David L.M. Gunning, Jr.

HYMNAL 516

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING | EUCHARISTIC PRAYER OF THE IMMIGRANT

from EpiscopalCommonPrayer.org

*Celebrant*The Lord be with you.*People*And also with you.

CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe 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 truly right and just that we should always praise and thank you, Lord God, because you created the heavens with your infinite love, and tenderly gave us this Earth as a generous gift, to be our cradle, our home and our grave. You adorned the Earth with plains and mountain ranges, with volcanoes and flowing rivers, caressing islands, leafy forests, and desolate deserts.

But we fell into sin and turned our back to you. We took possession of what was not ours to take, as we turned against one another and made of the paradise you freely gave us an underworld of pain and misery. Millions of your sons and daughters were forced to seek their hope in a strange land.

But you did not abandon those who abandoned you. You forgave us as a Father forgives a child and you waited as a Mother awaits with attention and love. In the fullness of time you sent us your own Son who emigrated from the heavens to the earth, and He who was in communion with you became united with us.

Therefore we praise you joining our voices with the Angels and Archangels, our ancestors, and all the saints who sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS DEUTSCHE MESSE

HYMNAL S130

The people remain standing or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues:

Your Son Jesus Christ was born of Mary, she brought our brother into this world as an immigrant from the heavens; he is a model for all immigrants, worked the wood with his rough hands, and became poor with us to make us rich in your grace. He journeyed the dusty roads to make known your Word, to proclaim pardon and amnesty, and to proclaim to the poor the Good News of their liberation.

The night in which he washed his friends' feet, the same night in which they betrayed him and gave him over to be tortured, our Lord and Companion Jesus Christ took bread into his holy hands, raised his eyes to the heavens, said the blessing over the bread, broke it, and shared it with his friends saying these holy words: "Take and eat all of you, because this is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup into his holy hands, he raised his eyes to you, Father in heaven, said the blessing over it, and gave it to his friends proclaiming these holy words: "Drink from this cup all of you, because this is the cup of blood shed for you and for the whole human family for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it do it for the remembrance of me."

Celebrant Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

PeopleChrist has died to give us life.
Christ is resurrected to make us free.
Christ will come again to restore his Kingdom.

The Celebrant continues

Blessed God, in this memorial of amnesty and pardon that you have bestowed upon us, we celebrate the wonder of your love and we offer to you this bread and wine: shower your Holy Spirit over them, so that they will be for us the body and the blood of your Son, our companion, the food and refreshment of your pilgrim people.

Flood us with your blessings so that we may be artisans of your justice and instruments of your peace in this broken world. Gather us in unity of faith, hope and love for your Church scattered throughout the globe. We pray for our bishops and other ministers, lay and ordained: That they may be faithful messengers of your Word, and agents of your liberation. Have compassion on those who suffer in solitude and neglect.

Save the victims of hunger, oppression, persecution, injustice, the terror of war, and torture in prisons. Make us all participants in the hope of glory, and bring us one day into the joy of your eternal Kingdom to sing eternal praises of your Holy Name.

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

People Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

People 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ*People* We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

FRACTION ANTHEM

BE KNOWN TO US, LORD JESUS



The cantor or choir sing the verses

- 1. The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the body of Christ.
- 2. One body are we, alleluia, for though many, we share one bread.

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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

May all who share these gifts be found in Christ and may Christ be found in you.

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All are welcome to come forward and receive the Body of Christ. Simply come forward, and when it is your turn extend your arms, resting one hand on top of the other. If you would rather not receive, you can still come forward to receive a blessing. Just cross your arms across your chest and the clergy will bless you.

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COMMUNION HYMN WHAT WONDROUS LOVE IS THIS

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant Let us Pray.

PeopleGod of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant ♣ God's Blessing be with you, Christ's peace be with you, the Spirit's outpouring be with you, now and always.

People Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

GOD OF GRACE AND GOD OF GLORY

THE DISMISSAL

DeaconGo in peace to love and serve the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

HYMNAL 594

HYMNAL 439

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

THE CHURCH

For the clergy: ++Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury; ++Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church; +Eugene Taylor Sutton and +Robert Ilhoff, Bishops of the Diocese of Maryland; Edie+ Holton, our Priest; Kathleen+ Smith-Jones, our Deacon, and Al Horton, postulant to the Vocational Diaconate.

In the Diocesan prayer cycle, we pray for St. John's, Havre de Grace; St. Mary's, Abingdon; Church of the Resurrection, Copley Parish; St. John's, Kingsville; and for the Rev's Charles S. Mercer, Steven L. McCarty, Meki To'Alepai, and Caroline R. Stewart.

In our Parish prayer cycle, we pray for Brett Brenner and Brian Reid.

The Flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God by Kathy Brown, in celebration of Dave & Kathy's 37th Wedding Anniversary.

OUR COMMUNITY

The Homebound: Teeny Phillips, Marvin Metzgar.

Those With Recent Needs: Tammy Trimmer; John Ell; Marilyn Rich; Marvin Metzgar; Fr. Charles and Trudie Holder; The Smith-Jones Family; Teenie Phillips; Arthur LaRue and Family; Zoe Huck; Claudia; The Dean Family; William; Barry Slocum.

Those With Ongoing Needs: Kate Jauch; Virginia Danner; Eddie Danner; Jason Harris; Fred Zupka & Family; Chuck Szuberla; Barry Stocks; Lisa Cox & Harriet Carr; Betty Ramsay; Steve Foust; Susan Kimble; Meghan Davidson & Family; Charlotte Barnhouse; Abby & Tom Kahn; Susan Mann; David & Mary Alice Thoma; Catherine Thompson; Felicia Watkins-Kimble.

THE WORLD

For elected leaders in this country and around the world, especially President Joseph Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris; Governors Larry Hogan (*MD*) and Glenn Youngkin (*VA*); and Mayors Nathan Brown (*Brunswick*) and Nate Fontaine (*Lovettsville*). For victims of hunger, human trafficking, substance abuse and natural disasters in the United States and throughout the world.

We pray for the people of Ukraine.

We pray for the victims, family, and communities that have suffered from senseless violence.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BEACON SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Can you believe that it's time to begin planning for the September 2022-2023 school year!? To help with the school supply drive for this coming year, BEACON is reaching out to Grace Church for their support by donating the following items:

- Large glue sticks (super fat ones that PreK and K use)
- Pens (blue and black)

Donations are due by Sunday, July 31. A box for your donations has been placed in the narthex for your convenience. Thank you for helping our students to begin a new school year with the tools needed for learning.

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION SPONSORSHIP

This year, we celebrate the centennial of our current "Grace Church" building, built in 1922. We'll throw a grand party to celebrate on **Sunday October 23**, **2022**! Current & former parishioners, former clergy, representatives from the Diocese, community members and local dignitaries will be our guests for the day.

Please consider giving a monetary gift to help defray the costs associated with this magnificent day. No amount is too small! You can make your donation by check to Grace Church with "Centennial Celebration" in the memo line or use FaithStreet by going to GraceBrunswick.org and clicking the "Donate" button on the homepage. Select "Centennial Celebration" from the ."Select a Fund" dropdown.

All donors will be recognized in the special Centennial Celebration program. Let us know how you'd like your donation to be remembered by going to http://tinyurl.com/GraceCentennialSponsor

COMING UP AT GRACE

7/20	Wed	7:00 pm	AA "Double Dippers" Meeting	Undercroft
7/31	Sun		Last Day to Bring Beacon School Supply Donations	Narthex
8/21	Sun	11:00am	Hymn Sing	Church
8/31	Wed	7:00pm	International Overdose Awareness Day Service	Church
9/4	Sun		Parish Picnic	
10/2	Sun	11:00am	Feast of St. Francis / Blessing of the Animals	Church
10/23	Sun		Centennial Celebration: 100 years in our Current Church Building	Church

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