

GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 14, 2022



PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING

HYMNAL 365

OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY

Deacon Blessed be God: Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And 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

Deacon The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Deacon Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
People **Amen.**

Please be seated.

**Welcome to Grace,
we're glad you are here!**

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 optional.
- Communion: Bread only

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTE	Max Cendrowski
ALTAR GUILD	Carmen Lescure Virginia Danner
CANTOR	Charlie Cizek
FELLOWSHIP	Mindie Killmayer
GREET/USHER	Kathy Brown Mindie Killmayer
LECTOR	Teri Smith-Jones
LIVESTREAM	Carmen Lescure
TELLER	Pat Hallett Chuck Szuberla

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST LESSON

JEREMIAH 23:23-29

Lector A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

Am I a God near by, says the Lord, and not a God far off? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the Lord. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back-- those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the Lord. Is not my word like fire, says the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE RESPONSE

PSALM 82

Read responsively by the whole verse

- 1 God takes his stand in the council of heaven; *
he gives judgment in the midst of the gods:
- 2 **"How long will you judge unjustly, ***
and show favor to the wicked?
- 3 Save the weak and the orphan; *
defend the humble and needy;
- 4 **Rescue the weak and the poor; ***
deliver them from the power of the wicked.
- 5 They do not know, neither do they understand; they go about in darkness; *
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.
- 6 **Now I say to you, 'You are gods, ***
and all of you children of the Most High;
- 7 Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, *
and fall like any prince."
- 8 **Arise, O God, and rule the earth, ***
for you shall take all nations for your own.

Lector A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets-- who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented-- of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

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

SEQUENCE HYMN

AWAKE, MY SOUL, STRETCH EVERY NERVE

HYMNAL 546

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

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

THE HOMILY

THE REV. KATHLEEN SMITH-JONES

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, FORM III

Deacon Gracious God, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
People **That we all may be one.**

Deacon Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
People **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Deacon We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
People **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Deacon We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
People **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Deacon Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
People **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Deacon Give to the departed eternal rest.
People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Deacon Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions, silently or aloud.

Deacon Hear our prayers, Holy God. Breathe your Spirit over us and all the earth, that barriers would crumble and divisions cease. Make us more fully your co-healers of the broken world. Unite us with all people in bonds of love, that the whole earth and all its peoples may be at peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION

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

Silence may be kept.

People **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 PRAYER FOR ABSOLUTION

Deacon May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

People **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Deacon 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

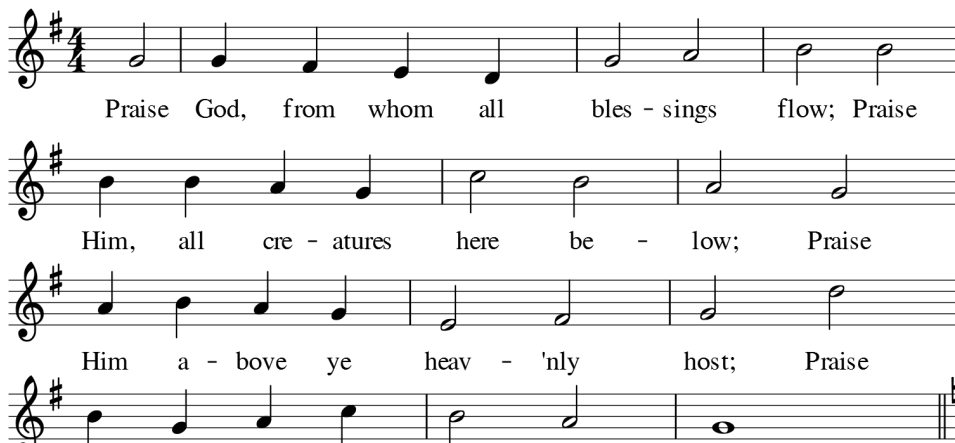
ALL GLORY BE TO GOD ON HIGH

HYMNAL 421

PRESENTATION HYMN

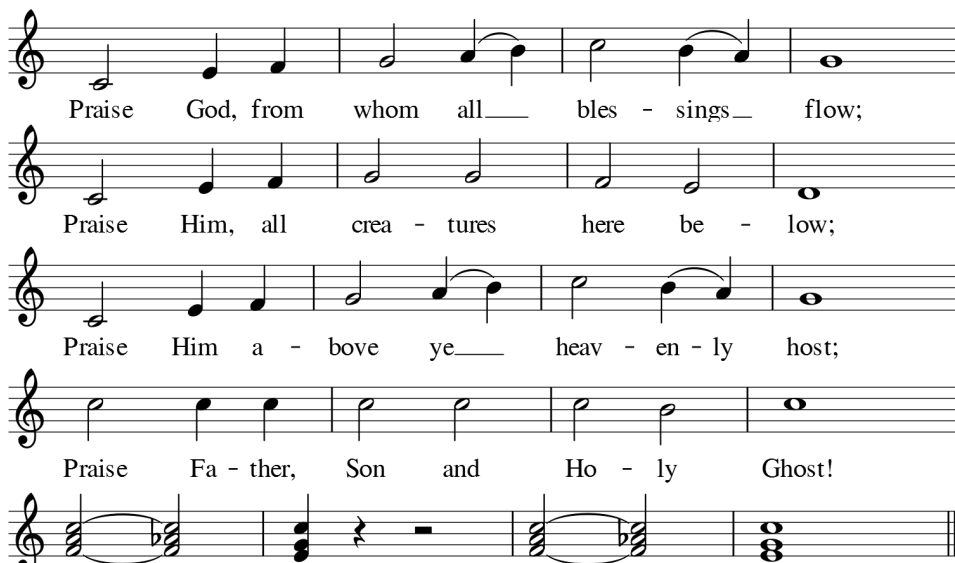
THE DOXOLOGY (*Sung to Two Tunes*)

Please stand if you are able.



Praise God, from whom all bles - sings flow; Praise
Him, all cre - atures here be - low; Praise
Him a - bove ye heav - 'nly host; Praise
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!

(Second Tune, sung after the organ interlude)



Praise God, from whom all bles - sings flow;
Praise Him, all crea - tures here be - low;
Praise Him a - bove ye heav - en - ly host;
Praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost!
A - men! A - men!

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

COMMUNION FROM THE RESERVED SACRAMENT

Deacon The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Deacon Let us Pray.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the universe. You create the fruit of the vine and bring forth bread from the earth. You give us the bread of life and you refresh us with the cup of salvation in the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

As we share the bread and wine, grant us the grace to receive these holy mysteries in faith and thanksgiving for Jesus' great sacrifice for us and for all people, so that he may evermore dwell in us and we in him.

People **Amen**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Deacon 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Deacon 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.



*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.*



COMMUNION HYMN

I WANT TO WALK AS A CHILD OF THE LIGHT

HYMNAL 490

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Deacon Let us Pray.

People **God 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 BENEDICTION

Deacon The Lord bless us and keep us.

People **Amen.**

Deacon The Lord make his face to shine upon us and be gracious to us.

People **Amen.**

Deacon The Lord lift up his countenance upon us and give us peace.

People **Amen.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN

MY FAITH LOOKS UP TO THEE

HYMNAL 691

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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 Trinity, Elkridge; All Hallows, Davidsonville; All Saints', Sunderland; and for the Rev.'s Thomas J. Hudson, Janet K. Kuria, Ann M. Ritonia, and Edie Holton.

In our Parish prayer cycle, we pray for Julia Byrd & Kara DeBord.

The Flowers on The Altar are given to the Glory of God by Carmen Lescure, in celebration of Carmen and Mark's 40th wedding anniversary.

OUR COMMUNITY

The Homebound: Teeny Phillips, Marvin Metzgar.

Those With Recent Needs: Art & Dawn Reid, Dawn's Mom Sandy, Tammy Trimmer; John Ell; Marilyn Rich; Marvin Metzgar; 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

NEXT SUNDAY: HYMN SING!

Next Sunday August 21, we will be having a Hymn Sing for our worship service. We will be singing beloved hymns and hearing the stories and inspiration behind them. And as a bonus....no sermon! Invite a friend to join you at church for this special Sunday!

RESEARCH STUDY ON LGBTQ+ INCLUSION IN THE CHURCH

Dickinson College in Carlisle, PA is conducting a research study to learn about LGBTQ+ people who have found a home in an inclusive, LGBTQ+ affirming congregation such as Grace. This study will focus on the positive aspects of life in a church community, as most research on this topic has examined LGBTQ+ people who have LEFT churches due to BAD experiences. Adults (18 years or older) who identify as LGBTQ+ and attend an open, welcoming, and affirming church or spiritual community are invited to participate. Compensation is provided. If you're interested, see the latest edition of "This Week at Grace" for the link to the online survey. If you don't receive our weekly email, you can also access it at Facebook.com/GraceBrunswick or GraceBrunswick.org/newsletter.html.

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" drop-down. 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

8/17	Wed	7:00 pm	AA "Double Dippers" Meeting	Undercroft
8/21	Sun	11:00am	Hymn Sing	Church
8/22	Mon	11:00am	Book Discussion: Love Over Fear	Zoom
		7:00pm	Book Discussion: Love Over Fear	Zoom
8/31	Wed	7:00pm	International Overdose Awareness Day Service	Church

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