

GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 11, 2022



PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

HYMNAL 400

ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING (*verses 1, 3, 4, 7*)

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.

O God, because without you
we are not able to please you,
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things
direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ 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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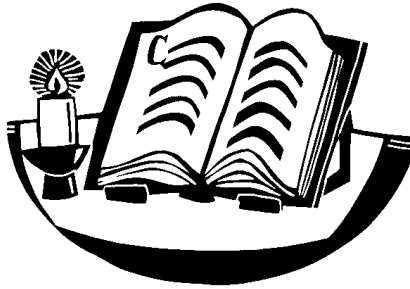
CURRENT COVID PRECAUTIONS

Masks are 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.



THE LESSONS

THE FIRST LESSON

JEREMIAH 4:11-12, 22-28

Lector A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah..

At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert toward my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse-- a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgment against them.

"For my people are foolish, they do not know me; they are stupid children, they have no understanding. They are skilled in doing evil, but do not know how to do good."

I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light. I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro. I looked, and lo, there was no one at all, and all the birds of the air had fled. I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert, and all its cities were laid in ruins before the Lord, before his fierce anger.

For thus says the Lord: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end. Because of this the earth shall mourn, and the heavens above grow black; for I have spoken, I have purposed; I have not relented nor will I turn back.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE RESPONSE

PSALM 14

Read responsively by the whole verse

- 1 The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." *
All are corrupt and commit abominable acts; there is none who does any good.
- 2 **The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all, *
to see if there is any who is wise, if there is one who seeks after God.**
- 3 Every one has proved faithless; all alike have turned bad; *
there is none who does good; no, not one.
- 4 **Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers *
who eat up my people like bread and do not call upon the Lord?**
- 5 See how they tremble with fear, *
because God is in the company of the righteous.
- 6 **Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, *
but the Lord is their refuge.**
- 7 Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion! *
when the Lord restores the fortunes of his people, Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad.

THE SECOND LESSON

1 TIMOTHY 1:12-17

Lector A reading from the first letter to Timothy.

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners-- of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

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.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

LUKE 15:1-10

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

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Deacon Blessed God, whose love calls the whole creation into covenant with you,
and who puts in our hands responsibility for the care of the earth and its creatures:
we pray for all to whom you have given life and being, saying,
“Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.”

For the well-being of the earth; for its resources of water, air, light, and soil,
that they may be tended for the good of all creatures, we pray:

People **Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.**

Deacon For the waters of the earth; for their careful use and conservation,
that we may have the will and the ability to keep them clean and pure, we pray:

People **Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.**

Deacon For the mineral and energy resources of the planet, that we may learn sustainable
consumption and sound care of the environment from which they come, we pray:

People **Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.**

Deacon For the animals of the earth, wild and domestic, large and very small,
that they may know the harmony of relationship that sustains all life, we pray:

People **Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.**

Deacon For the creatures of the earth who do us harm and those whose place in your creation
we do not understand or welcome, that we may see them as beloved creatures of God,
we pray:

People **Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.**

Deacon For all who shape public policies affecting the planet and its creatures
that they may consider wisely the well-being of all who come after us, we pray:

People **Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.**

Deacon For all those engaged in conservation, in agriculture and ranching, in
aquaculture and fishing, in mining and industry, and in forestry and timber-harvesting,
that the health, fruitfulness, and beauty of the natural world may be sustained
alongside human activity, we pray:

People **Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.**

Deacon For the creatures and the human beings of your world who are ill, or in danger,
pain, or special need, and for all who suffer from the unjust, violent,
or wasteful use of the earth's resources or their devastation by war,
that all may one day live in communities of justice and peace, we pray:

People **Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.**

Deacon For the gifts of science and technology and for those who practice these skills,
that they may be wise, visionary, and compassionate in their work, we pray:

People **Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.**

Deacon For the creatures and the people of the earth whose lives and deaths
have contributed to the fruitful abundance of this planet, we pray:

People **Merciful God, keep your planet and people in peace.**

Deacon Gracious God: Grant that your people may have in them the same mind
that was in Christ Jesus, and guide us into harmony of relationship
through loving-kindness and the wise use of all that you have given;
for you are drawing all things into communion with you and with each other
by the power of the Holy Spirit.

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

PRESENTATION HYMN

ALL PEOPLE THAT ON EARTH DO DWELL

HYMNAL 377

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. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.



*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 ANTHEM
FOR EVERYONE BORN

Brian Mann, Shirley Erena Murray

*And God Will Delight When We Are Creators
Of Justice And Joy, Compassion And Peace:
Yes, God Will Delight When We Are Creators
Of Justice, Justice And Joy.*

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

PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY

HYMNAL 390

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE



What we choose changes us.
Who we love transforms us.

How we create remakes us.

Where we live reshapes us.

So in all our choosing, O God, make us wise;

in all our loving, O Christ, make us bold;

in all our creating, O Spirit, give us courage;

in all our living may we become whole.



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. Andrew's, Clear Spring; St. James Chapel, Hagerstown; St. Anne's, Smithsburg; and for the Rev.'s Linda K. Boyd, Robert J. Boulter, Grey S. Maggiano, and Matthew R. Hanisian.

In our Parish prayer cycle, we pray for Charlie Cizek and Jon Blank.

The Flowers on the Altar are given to the Glory of God by Charles Holder
In celebration of the birthday of Dr. Trudie Holder by her family.

OUR COMMUNITY

The Homebound: Teeny Phillips, Marvin Metzgar.

Those With Recent Needs: Abby & Tom Kahn; The Cendrowski Family; 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

CHOIR REHEARSALS Choir returns this fall! The choir returns on Sunday, September 11. The first rehearsal back together will be **Wednesday, September 7 at 6:00pm in the chancel**. As we adapt to the "new normal" we will only be having rehearsals once a month and as needed for special services and holidays. New members are always welcome, chat with Charlie or Eric for more info!

HEALING SERVICE RETURNS Our Service of Healing--Extravagant Love will start again **this Tuesday, September 13**, and will be held the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 5:00-5:30 in the nave. All who seek health and wholeness in body, mind, spirit, and relationships freely offered by the compassionate, loving, healing Christ are invited. We will take time to pray and to heal, to rejoice and mourn, to sing and be silent. Please contact Deacon Kathleen at deacon@gracebrunswick if you need more information. Masks are optional at this time.

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

9/14	Wed	7:00 pm	AA "Double Dippers" Meeting	<i>Undercroft</i>
9/25	Mon	11:00am	Book Discussion: Love Over Fear	<i>Zoom</i>
		7:00pm	Book Discussion: Love Over Fear	<i>Zoom</i>
10/2	Sun	11:00am	Feast of St. Francis / Blessing of the Animals	<i>Church</i>
10/23	Sun		Centennial Celebration: 100 years in our Current Church Building	<i>Church</i>

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