

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | SEPTEMBER 1, 2024 | 10:00 AM SERVICE

"You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition." ~ Mark 7:8

#### WELCOME!

Welcome, we are so glad you are joining us for worship this morning!

#### TODAY'S SERVICES AND EVENTS

Rite One Service | 8:00am Coffee Hour | 9:00am | Parish House WonderKids | 9:45am | Sunshine Room Nursery | 9:45am | Nursery StoryMakers | 9:45am | Wonder Room Rite Two Service |10:00am Coffee Hour | 11:15am | Parish House

#### WHO ARE WE?

In our reverent worship space, we warmly welcome people who are at all stages of faith, from those who are curious to explore the big questions of life, faith and meaning, to those who are growing and maturing in their faith. Our sermons convey the truth of the gospel and offer practical applications to everyday life. Our desire is to grow in knowledge and love God, and infuse His grace and truth into everything we do. Grace Episcopal Church is traditional and liturgical, and we care for our visitors by clearly explaining the heart and history behind our form of worship. We have found a family here, and we want this church to feel like a family for you, too.

#### **OUR BELIEF & PRACTICES**

The Episcopal Church has been called the "bridge church," for we are Protestants who also honor our traditional Catholic heritage as well as contemporary worship. In addition to the Bible, our worship is led by the Book of Common Prayer, which has formed our historical thought and practice in its several editions since 1549. We are deeply sacramental, believing in the Baptism of children and that the Holy Eucharist (Communion) is the central act of worship. All baptized Christians may receive communion.

#### WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Rite One Service: Traditional Service without music at 8:00 am Sunday mornings Rite Two Service: Contemporary Service with music at 10:00 am Sunday mornings. Nursery is open. Midweek Service: Healing and Prayer Service at 12:05 pm on Wednesdays

#### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Your children are very welcome here! If you have babies or children, we have a nursery across the street in the Church Office building for children ages 0 -3 years. We offer our WonderKids program for children ages 4 - 12 where we use the Jesus Storybook Bible curriculum. We also offer Connect Youth sessions throughout the year for ages 10 - 15.

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## PRELUDE

## PROCESSIONAL

Please stand

## 10,000 REASONS (BLESS THE LORD)

#### Refrain:

Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; Worship His holy name. Sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning, It's time to sing Your song again. Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me, Let me be singing when the evening comes.

Refrain

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger. Your name is great and Your heart is kind. For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing; Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

Refrain

And on that day, when my strength is failing, The end draws near, and my time has come; Still, my soul will sing Your praise unending Ten thousand years, and then forevermore!

Refrain

## THE RECOGNITION OF THE FLAG

Our fathers' God, to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing; Long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light; Protect us by thy might, great God our King. Amen.

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#### PROCESSION

We start our services with a procession of ministers and servers who have chosen to serve God and his people in their act of corporate worship. The procession is led by the cross, reminding those serving and those worshiping that our lives have been set apart by the sacrifice of Christ, on our behalf, for the glory of God.

# THE RECOGNITION OF THE FLAG

Today we recognize the flag in honor of the American Labor Movement and our dedication to the social and economic achievements of American workers.

HYMN 717 V.4

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#### THE WORD OF GOD

You are invited to voluntarily make the sign of the cross on your body - to cross yourself as a means to tell God again, and remind yourself, that you belong to him. You can do this at any time it seems meaningful to you. Often we sign ourselves when the names of the Trinity are used, in reference to the resurrection of the dead, and when saying "blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord."

#### COLLECT OF PURITY

We start almost every Episcopal service with this prayer. It is succinct and powerful as it explores the depths of our hearts and our need before God. What better way to start a worship service than to tell God we are here for him, every aspect of our being, and want to become more like him because of our worship. Celebrant

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

People

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

## **COLLECT OF PURITY**

#### 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.* 

## SONG OF PRAISE

## GLORIA

Refrain: Glory to God in the highest, And peace to His people on earth. Glory to God in the highest, And peace to His people on earth.

Lord God, Heavenly King, Almighty God and Father, We worship you, we give thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Refrain

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God You take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us; You are seated at the right hand of the Father, receive our prayer.

Refrain

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Refrain

Amen.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; 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

## THE FIRST READING

# SONG OF SOLOMON 2:8-13

### Reader

The voice of my beloved! Look, he comes, leaping upon the mountains, bounding over the hills. My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag. Look, there he stands behind our wall. gazing in at the windows, looking through the lattice. My beloved speaks and says to me: "Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away; for now the winter is past, the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come,

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#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

This prayer is a moment to catch the theme of the service today. If you grasp it, your participation in worship will be enhanced, and you'll see God connecting the pieces of the gospel with your life.

#### THE FIRST READING

The First Reading is always an Old Testament passage. The OT forms a foundation for the New Testament and gives us many examples how God has led his people, displaying his essence and character.

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and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land. The fig tree puts forth its figs, and the vines are in blossom; they give forth fragrance. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away."

Reader The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

## **THE PSALM**

## PSALM 45:1-2, 7-10

#### Reader

The psalm for today is from Psalm 45, which we will read responsively at the half verse:

My heart is stirring with a noble song; let me recite what I have fashioned for the king; \* *my tongue shall be the pen of a skilled writer.* 

You are the fairest of men; \* grace flows from your lips, because God has blessed you for ever.

Your throne, O God, endures for ever and ever, \* a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of your kingdom; you love righteousness and hate iniquity.

Therefore God, your God, has anointed you \* with the oil of gladness above your fellows.

All your garments are fragrant with myrrh, aloes, and cassia, \* *and the music of strings from ivory palaces makes you glad.* 

Kings' daughters stand among the ladies of the court; \* on your right hand is the queen, adorned with the gold of Ophir.

#### THE PSALM

We read a psalm responsively each service as an expression of our emotions before the Lord. The Psalms contain all of our common emotions that derive from our day to day experiences. Read it recognizing that being honest before God, and each other, has great godly benefit. Reader

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. *People* 

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

## THE SECOND READING

## **JAMES 1:17-27**

### Reader

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act-they will be blessed in their doing.

If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

### Reader

The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

Please stand

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## **GRADUAL HYMN**

## **GIVE US CLEAN HANDS**

We bow our hearts, we bend our knees; Oh Spirit, come make us humble. We turn our eyes from evil things; Oh Lord, we cast down our idols.

Give us clean hands, give us pure hearts; Let us not lift our souls to another. Give us clean hands, give us pure hearts; Let us not lift our souls to another. And oh God, let us be a generation that seeks, That seeks Your face, oh God of Jacob; And oh God, let us be a generation that seeks, That seeks Your face, oh God of Jacob.

## **THE GOSPEL**

## MARK 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Deacon

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

## Deacon

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

### GOSPEL READING

Jesus is the Word of God made flesh, who made his dwelling among us. Reading his spoken words from the center of the congregation proclaims that grace and truth come through Jesus Christ.

When we make a little cross on our head, mouth and chest we are reminding ourselves that Jesus' gospel reforms our thinking, cleanses our speech and conforms our hearts to his truth and love.

'This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.' You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition."

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile." For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

Deacon

The Gospel of the Lord.

#### People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

## SERMON

## FR. BRIAN STANKICH

# THE NICENE CREED

### Celebrant

Let us stand together and affirm our faith with the words of 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

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#### THE SERMON

God's Word is living and active, and cuts to the heart. That's why we read it, proclaim it, listen to it, meditate upon it, and take the time to make it understood.

#### THE NICENE CREED

If you are looking to unite around one set of beliefs for the Christian life, this would be it. It is broad enough to capture the essentials of our faith and narrow enough to be a definitive statement of biblical truth.

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#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We pray these established prayers to ensure that we cover important aspects of our lives and the world with corporate prayer. Listen to each prayer carefully, saying the words silently, so that your spoken Amen will ring true in your heart and be added to the prayers of the saints. 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.

Please kneel or be seated as able

# THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Reader

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Reader

For all the people in their daily life and work;

People

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Reader

For all schools, colleges, and universities and especially those in Marion County.

People

For those who teach and those who learn.

Reader

For this community, the nation, and the world;

People

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Reader

For the just and proper use of your creation;

People

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

# Reader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy. Reader For the peace and unity of the Church of God; People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth. Reader For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; and Justin and Dabney, our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers; People For all who serve God in his Church. Reader For those who are sick and for those who are suffering especially: Suzanne Bryant, Nate Gilman, Chip Merchant, Sheri Sullivan and Jeb Strom. And for all those we name from our hearts. You may add your own petitions You may add your own petitions Reader Hear us, Lord; People For your mercy is great. Reader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. You may add your own thanksgivings Reader We will exalt you, O God, our King; People

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

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#### CONFESSION

We recognize our sins before God as a church body, recognizing our humanity and our weekly, daily, momentary need for the Lord and the cleansing blood of Christ. You will notice after some months of confession and absolution that you start to feel clean throughout the week, as if you've been washed and renewed. The 16th-century reformers thought the proper way to approach God was via confession.

#### ABSOLUTION

Having heard the Word of God proclaimed, which has led us to confess our sins, it is now time to receive some assurance that God has forgiven the sins of those who have put their trust in Jesus Christ. It is Christ's power that forgives, embodied by the pronouncement of the priest, that makes tangible the truth that God has removed the barrier between him and us.

#### THE PEACE

Exchanging the peace is an ancient custom of God's people. We do it after Confession and Absolution which means we can give the same forgiveness to others that we have received from God. A demonstration that we have renewed relationships in Christ, it also prepares us to together receive Communion as the Body of Christ.

#### Reader

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

You may add your own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

#### People

Who put their trust in you.

## THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

#### People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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. *Amen.* 

## THE PEACE

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

Please be seated

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

# OFFERTORY

#### Celebrant

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

## **GOD IS ON THE THRONE**

God is on the throne He reigns forevermore Just think about it Just think about it

Why should I worry? Why should I fear? Why should I run When Jesus is here? I'm safe in His arms Safe in His heart And nothing can take me away from His love

#### Refrain:

God is on the throne He reigns forevermore Just think about it Just think about it God is always good He loves like a father should Just think about it Just think about it

When I am anxious, when I'm afraid I find the strength when I call on His Name I'm safe in His arms, safe in His heart And nothing can take me away

He's the King of power, King of kings He is the Lord over everything

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#### OFFERTORY

What will you give to God? The money he gave to you? The time he has allotted for you today? The abilities with which you were born? Your next breath? Combine your offering with those around you, and see what God can do with and through our church.



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#### COMMUNION

By taking Communion we obey the Lord's words to his disciples to remember his goodness to us and to proclaim that he is coming again. Jesus turns a simple earthy action - eating bread and drinking wine - into a magnificent celebration for his people. In Communion, Jesus is with us, and we are with each other. Sounds like a party! To Him be the glory, the honor and praise Forever and ever, amen always

Refrain

Hallelujah, He reigns Hallelujah, He saves Hallelujah, always He's never gonna let me down

Refrain

Please Stand

## THE DOXOLOGY

**HYMN 380, VERSE 3** 

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## 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 him 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. The celebrant offers a preface and concludes saying...

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

DUBAY

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of Your Glory. Lord, we sing Your praise.

Hosanna in the highest Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Lord, we sing Your praise.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Lord, we sing Your praise.

Please kneel as able

## Celebrant

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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." LITURGICAL GUIDE

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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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

### People

We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory.

## Celebrant

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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. **Amen.** 

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

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

#### PRAYER TEAM

Praying with a friend or minister during Communion is a powerful way to experience the presence of Christ. Our clergy and prayer warriors invite you to ask for a breakthrough in your life. The Lord awaits the requests and prayers of his people.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

When you pray this prayer, the one Jesus taught his disciples, and that all Christians everywhere pray, reflect on the words, recognizing you are actually talking to your Heavenly Father. Pray it afresh, as if for the first time.

### Celebrant

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

## People

## Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant

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.

## CORPORATE SONGS DURING COMMUNION

## **REMEMBERANCE (THE COMMUNION SONG)**

Oh how could it be That my God would welcome me Into this mystery? Say, "Take this bread, take this wine," Now the simple made divine For any to receive.

#### Refrain:

By Your mercy we come to Your table. By Your grace You are making us faithful. Lord, we remember You And remembrance leads us to worship. And as we worship You, Our worship leads to communion. We respond to Your invitation; We remember You.

See His body, His blood, Know that He has overcome Ev'ry trial we will face. And none too lost to be saved, None too broken or ashamed, All are welcome in this place.

Refrain

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#### EUCHARIST INSTRUCTIONS

Please follow these instructions when you go up to receive communion:

1. The ushers will dismiss each row, one at a time.

2. Walk up the center aisle.

3. When it is your turn to receive the Eucharist, kneel down or stand at the altar rail and extend your hands together, palm up. The priest will place a wafer into your hand.

4. The Chalice Minister will then come to you. You have two options; (1) drink from the chalice or (2) have your wafer intincted with wine. If you choose option 2, leave your wafer in hand so that Chalice Minister can place it back in the palm of your hand to consume. You may consume at the rail.

5. Return to your seat by the side aisle closest to you.

If you cannot come to the rail to receive notify an usher to have communion brought to you in the pew.

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Dying, You destroyed our death. Rising, You restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory. Lord Jesus, come in glory. Lord Jesus, come in glory. Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Refrain

## **OPEN SPACE**

Pull me in closer, Close to your heart. May I be a pure reflection of all you are. Love that is patient, Love that is kind, And love that keeps no offenses or wrongs in my mind.

Make me like Jesus. Make me like Jesus.

#### Refrain:

My heart is an open space for you to come and have your way. I'm open, I'm open. My heart is an open space for you to come and have your way. I'm open, I'm open.

You're faithful to find me Right where I am. Though even in my wondering you call me friend. And mercy receives me and lifts me to my feet, And I'm caught up in the wonder and mystery I'll know when Jesus, I'll know when Jesus.

Do whatever you wanna do. And say whatever you wanna say. And move whatever you wanna move. And change whatever you wanna change.

#### Refrain

What are you saying? Where are you going? My heart is open wide, and my eyes are open wide. What are you saying? Where are you going? My heart is open wide, and my eyes are open wide.

## REFINER

If the altar's where You meet us Take me there take me there If what You need is just an offering It's right here my life is here And I'll be a living sacrifice for You

You're a fire the refiner I wanna be consumed

Refrain: I wanna be tried by fire Purified You take whatever You desire Lord here's my life

If Your glory wants to come here Let it fall we want it all Your fire is consuming Fill this place set it ablaze And I'll be a living sacrifice for You

#### Refrain

Clean my hands purify my heart I wanna burn for You only for You Take my life as a sacrifice I wanna burn for You only for You

Refrain

Please kneel as able

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#### THE BLESSING

When you bless someone, you give them life-changing words. The priestly blessing will impact your day with heaven's power. Be sure to receive it with an open heart.

## THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

### People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE BLESSING

## Celebrant

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: and may the blessing of God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen.* 

Please stand

# RECESSIONAL

# SERVANT SONG

Won't you let me be your servant? Let me be as Christ to you. Pray that I might have the grace To let you be my servant, too.

We are pilgrims on a journey. We are travelers on the road. We are here to help each other Walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you In the night time of your fear. I will hold my hand out to you; Speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping. When you laugh, I'll laugh with you.

I will share your joy and sorrow Till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven, We shall find such harmony Born of all we've known together Of Christ's love and agony.

Won't you let me be your servant? Let me be as Christ to you. Pray that I might have the grace To let you be my servant, too.

## THE DISMISSAL

#### Deacon

Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

# **ALTAR FLOWERS**

The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God by Pae Barberie in thanksgiving for His many blessings.

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#### THE DISMISSAL

As if we haven't gotten the message yet from the rest of the service, the Deacon urges us to take our love for God and each other into the rest of the world. This can only happen if we walk through the red doors in the power of the Holy Spirit. Praise the Lord.

# Announcements and Events

#### COMING EVENTS

#### <u>September</u>

9 Women's Bible Study 12 ECW Luncheon 15 Coffee Hour 20 International Taste Tour 22 Coffee Hour 26 Vestry Meeting 29 Coffee Hour

#### <u>October</u>

6 Newcomers Celebration 13 Coffee Hour+ 8am: Coffee Hour Breakfast 10am: Coffee Hour Brunch 20 Coffee Hour 24 Vestry Meeting 25 Pumpkins & Praise Night 27 Coffee Hour

# INTERNATIONAL TASTE TOUR

Join us on Friday, September 20, at 5:00 PM for the International Taste Tour! Bring a dish that represents your heritage! There will be a sign up sheet this Sunday after each service to let us know which dish you are bringing. Don't miss this exciting celebration of global cuisine! Please register for this event with the QR Code!



# **EPISCOGATORS DINNER**

Have you ever considered participating in an outreach program? Whether you have or not, I would like to invite you to join us for our next trip. Seeing God's work in many different people and atmospheres is rewarding. We typically feed the "Episcogators" several times a semester. Our next visit will be on September 8. If you want to help or join us as we travel to Gainesville, contact, Lynn Nobles, at (352)895-5887 or patricia.nobles12@gmail.com.

# **ECW SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON**

You're invited to lunch! Who: All ladies of Grace Episcopal Church What: Monthly luncheon gathering Why: Connect with sisters in Christ Where: Parish House When: Thursday, September 12 at 11:30am Bring: A covered dish to share

# **OFFICE CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY**

The office will be closed tomorrow, Monday, September 2 in honor of Labor Day. We will reopen Tuesday, September 3 at 9:00am.

#### Next Week's Bible Readings

Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23 Psalm 125 James 2:1-10, 14-17 Mark 7:24-37

# IN THE COMING WEEK

Sunday, September 1 - Office Closed 8:00am: Rite One Service, Church, Livestream 9:00am: Coffee Hour, Parish House 9:45am: Wonder Kids (4-6), Sunshine Room 9:45am: StoryMakers (7-9), Wonder Room 10:00am: Rite Two Service, Church, Livestream 11:30am: Coffee Hour, Parish House

Monday, September 2 - Office Closed 12:00 Noon: Bulletin Deadline

Wednesday, September 4 12:05pm: Midweek Service, Church

Friday, September 6 - Office Closed

Saturday, September 7 - Office Closed

Sunday, September 8 - Office Closed 8:00am: Rite One Service, Church, Livestream 9:00am: Coffee Hour+, Parish House 9:45am: Wonder Kids (4-6), Sunshine Room 9:45am: StoryMakers (7-9), Wonder Room 10:00am: Connect (10-13), Grace Hall 10:00am: Rite Two Service, Church, Livestream 11:30am: Coffee Hour+, Parish House

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## <u>BIRTHDAYS</u>

#### <u>August</u>

- 25 Katie Miller
- 26 Caitlin Reed
- 27 Joan Stark
- 28 Constance Beck
- 29 Cameron Dyals

#### <u>September</u>

- 2 Deborah Soukup
- 3 Bobby Stark

If you would like to make a prayer request for either the weekly prayer list or the DOK private prayer list please email Deacon Susan at prayers@graceocala.org. And include which list you are requesting.

If you would like to meet with Fr. Frans or Fr. Brian please contact Catie Hourigan at 352-622-7881 or catie@graceocala.org

If you would like to meet or talk to our Children's Minister, Catie Hourigan, you can contact the church office at 352-622-7881; or by email at catie@graceocala.org

### - Grace Church Leadership -

#### HEAD

Jesus Christ

**BISHOP** The Right Rev. Dr. Justin S. Holcomb

#### WORSHIP TEAM

The Rev. Frans van Santen: Priest-In-Charge The Rev. Brian Stankich: Associate Rector The Rev. Mary Delancey: Deacon The Rev. Susan Moorehead: Deacon Josh Reed: Director of Ministry Adam Pryor: Worship Coordinator Catie Hourigan: Children's Ministry Coordinator Dave Rubin: Verger

#### VESTRY

Greg Harrell - Senior Warden Michael Owen - Junior Warden Wayne Taylor - Treasurer Carman Smith Michael Ashley Lise Kent Amy Robertson Sanjit Nirmalanandhan Leslie Jones Stephen Ayres

#### MUSICIANS

Adam Pryor Sharon Mai Jessica Mongerio Jason Batosic Cheryl Arnold Audrey Flechas David Freudenburg

#### TODAY'S SERVERS

Ushers: Wayne & Diane Taylor Reader, First Reading/Psalm: Matt Merchant, Liam Sanchez Reader, Second Reading/POP: Lynda Peek Acolytes: Gail van Deusen, Michael Ashley, Ryan Ashley Chalice Minister: Meg Spurlock Prayer Team: Carolyn Eckhart, Marilyn Sibons Altar Guild: Lise Kent, Lynda Peek, James Perdue, Jeannie Piotrowski Flower Guild: Carolyn Ayres, Lynda Peek, Lynn Nobles, Heather Hetzel, Molly Hetzel VPOD: Lise Kent

> Weekly Services on Our Campus Sunday 8:00am—Rite I Sunday 10:00am—Rite II with music Wednesday 12:05pm—Midweek at Grace

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