

# Grace

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | MAY 21, 2023 | 8:00 AM SERVICE

*“Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ’s sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.”*

*~ 1 Peter 4:12-14*

# Welcome to Grace Church

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## WELCOME!

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

## TODAY'S SERVICES AND EVENTS

Rite One Service | 8:00am

WonderKids | 9:45am | Wonder Room

Nursery | 9:45am | Nursery

Rite Two Service | 10:00am

Connect Youth | 10:00am | Grace Hall

Coffee Hour | 11:15am | Parish House

Baptism Prep Class | 12:00pm | Zoom

## 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 9-14.

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# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## THE PROCESSION

*Please stand*

Celebrant

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**People**

*The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.*

## COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## THE KYRIE ELEISON

Celebrant

Lord have mercy upon us.

**People**

*Christ have mercy upon us.*

Celebrant

Lord have mercy upon us.

## THE GLORIA

*Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace,  
good will towards men.*

*We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee,  
we glorify thee,*

*we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,*

*O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.*

*O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ;*

*O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,*

*that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.*

*Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.*

*Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,  
have mercy upon us.*

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### PROCESSION

*The liturgy of the Eucharist is best understood as a journey or procession. It is our entrance into the presence of Christ, and this presence allows us to see the ultimate reality of life, the way God sees it. In the procession, we are called to come together in one place, to be more than what we were: a new community with a new life.*

*Making the sign of the cross is a tangible way to mark ourselves as Christ's. Crossing yourself is an act of sanctification, a physical reminder that you are set apart as holy for Christ. Because it is often done at the mention of the Trinity ("Father, Son, and Holy Spirit"), the sign of the cross is also a physical reminder of belief in the Triune God. Many find it a helpful expression of their faith, although it is not mandatory.*

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### COLLECT OF THE DAY

*This prayer is centered on the readings of the day. As we prepare to receive the food of God's Word, our Celebrant (lead pastor) prays this prayer to focus our hearts and minds on God's Word.*

***For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord;  
thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.***

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

**People**

***And with thy spirit.***

Celebrant

Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven: We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless, but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place whither our Savior Christ is gone before; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

*Please be seated*

### THE FIRST READING

Reader

**ACTS 1:6-14**

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

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Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

**People**

*Thanks be to God.*

## THE RESPONSE

## PSALM 68:1-10, 33-36

Reader

The psalm for today is Psalm 68, which we will read responsively at the half verse:

Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; \*  
*let those who hate him flee before him.*

Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away; \*  
*as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.*

But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; \*  
*let them also be merry and joyful.*

Sing to God, sing praises to his Name;  
exalt him who rides upon the heavens; \*  
*YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!*

Father of orphans, defender of widows, \*  
*God in his holy habitation!*

God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom; \*  
*but the rebels shall live in dry places.*

## THE PSALM

*The Psalms represent experiences of men and women, written down as poetic prayers. By reading them, we encounter God, others, and ourselves in life's joys and sorrows, tragedies, and triumphs.*

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O God, when you went forth before your people, \*  
*when you marched through the wilderness,*

The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain,  
at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, \*  
*at the presence of God, the God of Israel.*

You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; \*  
*you refreshed the land when it was weary.*

Your people found their home in it; \*  
*in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.*

Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; \*  
*sing praises to the Lord.*

He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; \*  
*he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.*

Ascribe power to God; \*  
*his majesty is over Israel;*  
*his strength is in the skies.*

How wonderful is God in his holy places! \*  
*the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people!*  
*Blessed be God!*

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

Reader

**1 PETER 4:12-14; 5:6-11**

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is

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revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

**People**

*Thanks be to God.*

*Please stand*

## THE GOSPEL

## JOHN 17:1-11

Deacon

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

**People**

*Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

Deacon

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

### GOSPEL READING

*As God's Word comes down the aisle to literally "dwell among us," we stand for this Gospel reading to show the particular importance we place on the words and actions of Jesus.*

*The "little" sign of the cross is used at the beginning of the reading of the Gospel, when the Deacon says: "The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ." It is the marking of small crosses, using the thumb, on the forehead, mouth, and heart. It's meant to signify the sanctification of our thoughts, speech, and affections for God.*

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### THE SERMON

*The exposition of God's Word helps us reflect on God's will for our lives, and the ways we can respond to His call for redemption in our current world. We have provided space near the end of this bulletin or in the side panels for taking notes.*

### THE NICENE CREED

*The creed reminds us of the core of Christianity. It contains the raw elements that every follower of Christ believes. As we recite this together our unity as the Body of Christ is strengthened.*

"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

Deacon

The Gospel of the Lord.

**People**

***Praise to thee, O Christ.***

### SERMON

**FR. FRANS VAN SANTEN**

### THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant

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

***I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;***

***And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.***



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*And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe in one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

*Please kneel as able*

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Reader

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

*The reader leads the people in a series of prayers to which the people respond.*

Reader

Lord, in thy mercy

**People**

*Hear our prayer.*

Reader

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

## THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

**People**

*Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*We pray for others and ourselves. Through these guided prayers, we begin to see the world as God sees it.*

## CONFESSION

*Confession and repentance go hand in hand. Confession of sin is a large element of our corporate worship because we recognize how much we need forgiveness.*

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### ABSOLUTION

*The celebrant, absolving our sins, is acting as a representative of our heavenly Father, who "is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love." Psalm 145:8*

### THE PEACE

*Our entire church family embodies the peace of Christ in one another's lives. This holy moment is a sharing of the fellowship we claim in Christ's church.*

### OFFERTORY

*In giving our gifts of time, talent and treasure, we pray that God, the maker of all things, would take our offering and turn it into something greater.*

*Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Celebrant

Almighty God our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Celebrant

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him...

### THE PEACE

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People**

***And with thy spirit.***

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE HOLY COMMUNION

### THE OFFERTORY

*The people are invited to offer their gifts to God.*

Celebrant

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

*Please stand*

Celebrant

All things come of thee, O Lord.

**People**

***Of thine own have we given thee.***

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## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

**People**

***And with thy spirit.***

Celebrant

Lift up your hearts.

**People**

***We lift them up unto the Lord.***

Celebrant

Let us give thanks unto our Lord, God.

**People**

***It is meet and right so to do.***

Celebrant

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

*The Celebrant offers a Preface, and concludes saying,*

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

***Celebrant and People***

***Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.***

*Please kneel as able*

Celebrant

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

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### COMMUNION

*In communion we share one bread and one cup to be bound together with those with whom the cup and bread are shared, to express one's faith, and to reaffirm one's commitment to God and the community. All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive communion.*

### REAL PRESENCE

*"He was the Word that spake it, he took bread and brake it, and what that Word did make it, I do believe and take it."*

*Hymn 322, John Donne*

*The elements of the Eucharist of bread and wine are not mere signs or symbols. Christ's body and blood really become present and are really given. They are present so that, in receiving them, believers may be united in communion with Christ the Lord.*

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For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

### EPICLESIS

*At this moment, the priest invokes the active presence of the Holy Spirit in the Eucharistic prayer so that the bread and wine may become the body and blood of Christ. The term is based on the Greek word that means "to call upon," "to invoke."*

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy

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grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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.*

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*We pray the prayer Jesus taught, together with one voice. As a family we acknowledge our needs, our lackings, our desires and God's solution.*

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**People**

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

Celebrant

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

**People**

*Have mercy upon us.*

Celebrant

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

**People**

*Have mercy upon us.*

Celebrant

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

**People**

*Grant us thy peace.*

## PRAYER TEAM

*During communion, you have the opportunity to receive prayer. We have a prayer team in the back of the church who are delighted to lift you up in prayer. Simply walk up to them and share your request.*

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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.

## THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

### People

*We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.*

### 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.

## THE SILENT PRAYER BEFORE RECEIVING COMMUNION

*Be present, O Jesus, our great High Priest, as you were present with your disciples, and be known to us in the breaking of bread; who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.*

## THE SILENT PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING COMMUNION

*O Lord Jesus Christ, who in a wonderful Sacrament has left us a memorial of your passion: Grant us, so to venerate the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood, that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of your redemption; who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.*

*Please kneel as able*

## THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

### Celebrant

Let us pray.

### People

*Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of*

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*the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.*

## THE BLESSING

Celebrant

The blessing of God Almighty the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

## 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!***

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## ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God by Hank and Sharyn Pliska in thanksgiving for their 40th anniversary.

*“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, kindness, goodness, faithfulness.” - Galatians 5:22*

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### THE BLESSING

*This Pronouncement is a blessing from God to His people. This is not a prayer to God, but a blessing from God. Be encouraged! As we leave this family gathering, God is going with us into the world.*

### THE DISMISSAL

*The Deacon reminds us that as followers of Christ we are empowered to go into the world, now that we have worshipped God and been filled with the Holy Spirit. And with God in us, we are to go and serve.*

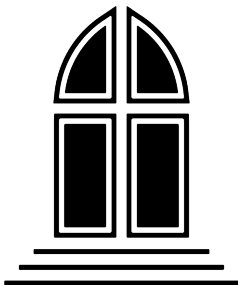
# *PERSONAL NOTES*

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# GRACE CONTACT INFORMATION FORM

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## Welcome to Grace Episcopal Church

Please fill out this card and place in the offering plate or mail it back to us. We look forward to getting to know you.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about Grace Church (Check all that apply)

Friend/Family     Internet Search     Social Media

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Your age group: (please circle)    18-34    35-59    60-up

First time visitor

New in community

Would like clergy to call

Would like an appointment with clergy

Have  children school age or younger (please circle)

Ages: 0-3    K-3    4-8    9-12

Would you like to be signed-up for our Grace To You

Weekly Newsletter?     Yes     No

How may we contact you?     Phone     Text     Email

# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

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## COMING EVENTS

### MAY

29 Office Closed

### JUNE

4 Honoring our Graduates  
10 Consecration of Bishop-Elect Dr. Justin S. Holcomb  
22 Vestry Meeting  
29 ABC of Dementia Workshop

### JULY

4 Office Closed  
9 Fr. Adam Young Preaches  
27 Vestry Meeting

## **COFFEE HOUR**

We will be having a Coffee Hour after the 10:00am Service today, May 21, please join us over in Parish House to fellowship and say our goodbyes to Sharyn and Hank Pliska.

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## **BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER**

Don't forget to return your baby bottles by next Sunday, May 28th so they can be blessed and on their way to the Women's Pregnancy Center.

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## **WEAR RED FOR PENTECOST**

Don't forget to wear red for Pentecost next Sunday, May 28!

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## **ST. MARY'S BUS TO CONSECRATION**

St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Belleview has chartered a bus to drive to the consecration on Saturday, June 10th. If you would like to go, the cost is \$25.00 per person plus a tip for the bus driver. Please call St. Mary's at (352) 347-6422 if you want to ride on the bus.

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## **LOOKING FOR OUR 2023 GRADUATES**

We are looking for our class of 2023 graduates from high school or college. We would like to honor our graduates at the 10:00 am service on Sunday, June 4. Please contact the church office either by phone at (352) 622-7881 or email Catie at [catie@graceocala.org](mailto:catie@graceocala.org) with the graduate's name.

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## **Next Week's Bible Readings**

First Reading:

Acts 2:1-21

Psalm 104:25-35, 37

Second Reading:

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

Gospel: John 20:19-23

## **CHOIR SURVEY**

Would you be a part of our choir if we were to have one again? Being a part of a musical team is such a joy and we would love for you to have that experience.



Please scan this QR code and fill out the short survey if you are interested in having a choir again.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

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## IN THE COMING WEEK

**Sunday, May 21 Office Closed**

- 8:00am: Rite One Service, Church, Livestream
- 9:45am: Wonder Kids, Wonder Room
- 10:00am: Rite Two Service, Church, Livestream
- 10:00am: Connect Youth, Grace Hall
- 11:15am: Coffee Hour, Parish House
- 12:00pm: Baptism Prep Class, Zoom
- 2:00pm: Boundaries Course, Grace Hall

**Monday, May 22**

- 12:00 Noon: Bulletin Deadline

**Wednesday, May 24**

- 12:00 Noon: Wednesday Prayer Service, Church
- 7:00pm: Worship Team Rehearsal, Church

**Thursday, May 25**

- 12:00pm: Fr. Jonathan's Bible Study, Zoom
- 7:00pm: Vestry Meeting, Grace Hall

**Friday, May 26 Office Closed**

**Saturday, May 27 Office Closed**

**Sunday, May 28 Pentecost Sunday - Office Closed**

- 8:00am: Rite One Service, Church, Livestream
- 9:45am: Wonder Kids, Wonder Room
- 10:00am: Rite Two Service, Church, Livestream
- 2:00pm: Boundaries Course, Grace Hall

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## DO YOU FOLLOW OUR SOCIAL MEDIA?



Instagram: [grace\\_church\\_ocala](#)



Facebook: Grace Episcopal Church Ocala, FL  
Group Page: People of Grace



YouTube: Grace Episcopal Church Ocala



Website: [graceocala.org](#)

## BIRTHDAYS

### MAY

- 14 Albert Parra
- 15 Gary Simons  
Diana Ananthan
- 16 Owen Cunjie
- 17 Mary Thomas
- 18 Sharyn Pliska  
Andrew McCourt  
Glee White
- 19 Stephen Ayres
- 20 Jimmy Collins  
Michael Ashley
- 27 Michael Owen

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If you would like to meet with  
Fr. Jonathan or  
Fr. Frans please contact  
Rosemary Grooms or  
Catie Hourigan  
at 352-622-7881 or  
[rosemary@graceocala.org](mailto:rosemary@graceocala.org)  
[catie@graceocala.org](mailto: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](mailto:catie@graceocala.org)

## **- Grace Church Leadership -**

### **HEAD**

Jesus Christ

### **BISHOP**

The Right Rev. Gregory O. Brewer

### **WORSHIP TEAM**

The Rev. Jonathan French: Rector

The Rev. Frans van Santen: Associate Rector

The Rev. Mary Delancey: Deacon

The Rev. Susan Moorehead: Deacon

Adam Pryor: Worship Coordinator

Catie Hourigan: Children's Ministry Coordinator

Dave Rubin: Verger

### **VESTRY**

Leslie Jones- Senior Warden Stephen Ayres - Junior Warden Carman Smith- Treasurer

Heather Hetzel Drick Heitman Lise Kent

Greg Harrell Sharyn Pliska

### **Today's Servers**

**Usher:** Carman Smith

**Reader:** Tammy Flanagan

**Prayer Team:** Patti Gilman, Ruth Kraan

**Altar Guild:** Lise Kent, Carman Smith, Lynda Peek,

Jeannie Piotrowski, James Perdue

**Flower Guild:** Carolyn Ayres, Lynda Peek, Lynn Nobles, Maurica French

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### **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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