



# *Grace*

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | SEPTEMBER 14, 2025 | 10:00 AM SERVICE

*"I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service,"*

*~ 1 Timothy 1:12*

# 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  
Coffee Hour | 9:00am | Parish House  
Nursery | 9:00am | Nursery  
New Testament Bible Study | 9:15am | Grace Hall  
WonderKids | 9:45am | Sunshine Room  
StoryMakers | 9:45am | Wonder Room  
Connect | 9:45am | Grace Hall  
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 of 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 4-6 where we use the Jesus Storybook Bible curriculum. Our Story Makers classroom is for ages 7-9. And we also offer Connect Youth for ages 10-13.

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# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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## PRELUDE

*Please stand*

## PROCESSIONAL

### COME PEOPLE OF THE RISEN KING

Come, people of the Risen King,  
Who delight to bring Him praise;  
Come all and tune your hearts to sing  
To the Morning Star of grace.  
From the shifting shadows of the earth  
We will lift our eyes to Him,  
Where steady arms of mercy reach  
To gather children in.

*Refrain:*

Rejoice, Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!  
One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!

Come, those whose joy is morning sun,  
And those weeping through the night;  
Come, those who tell of battles won,  
And those struggling in the fight.  
For His perfect love will never change,  
And His mercies never cease,  
But follow us through all our days  
With the certain hope of peace.

*Refrain*

Come, young and old from every land -  
Men and women of the faith;  
Come, those with full or empty hands -  
Find the riches of His grace.  
Over all the world, His people sing -  
Shore to shore we hear them call  
The Truth that cries through every age:  
“Our God is all in all

*Refrain*

## LITURGICAL GUIDE

### 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 worshipping that our lives have been set apart by the sacrifice of Christ, on our behalf, for the glory of God.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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## LITURGICAL GUIDE

### 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."*

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

**S280**

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 you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
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.  
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, Amen.



# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

**People**

***And also with you.***

Celebrant

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. **Amen.**

*Please Be Seated*

## THE FIRST READING

## JEREMIAH 4:11-12, 22-28

Reader

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.

## LITURGICAL GUIDE

### 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.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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### 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.*

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.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

**People**

***Thanks be to God.***

### THE PSALM

### PSALM 14

Reader

The Psalm for today is Psalm 14, which we will read responsively at the half verse:

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.***

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.***

Every one has proved faithless;  
all alike have turned bad; \*  
***there is none who does good; no, not one.***

Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers \*  
***who eat up my people like bread  
and do not call upon the LORD?***

See how they tremble with fear, \*  
***because God is in the company of the righteous.***

Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, \*  
***but the LORD is their refuge.***

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## LITURGICAL GUIDE

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.*

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

## 1 TIMOTHY 1:12-17

Reader

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.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

**People**

*Thanks be to God.*

*Please Stand*

## GRADUAL HYMN

## SANCTUARY

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true;  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for You.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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### 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.*

### 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 GOSPEL

**LUKE 15:1-10**

Deacon

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

**People**

***Glory to You, Lord Christ.***

Deacon

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.***

## SERMON

**FR. FRANS VAN SANTEN**

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## 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 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

We pray to you, O Lord.

**People**

*Lord, have mercy.*

Reader

Rejoicing in the fellowship of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

**People**

*To you, O Lord our God.*

## LITURGICAL GUIDE

### 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.*

### 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.*

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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## LITURGICAL GUIDE

### 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.

## THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Deacon

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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.***

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

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

# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

## RECKLESS LOVE

Before I spoke a word You were singing over me  
You have been so so good to me  
Before I took a breath You breathed Your life in me  
You have been so so kind to me

*Refrain:*

O the overwhelming never-ending reckless  
Love of God  
O it chases me down fights 'til I'm found  
Leaves the ninety-nine  
I couldn't earn it I don't deserve it  
Still You give Yourself away  
O the overwhelming never-ending reckless  
Love of God yeah

When I was Your foe still Your love fought for me  
You have been so so good to me  
When I felt no worth You paid it all for me  
You have been so so kind to me

*Refrain*

There's no shadow You won't light up  
Mountain You won't climb up  
Coming after me  
There's no wall You won't kick down  
Lie You won't tear down  
Coming after me

*Refrain*

*Please Stand*

## THE DOXOLOGY

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.

## LITURGICAL GUIDE

### 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 of-  
fering with those around you,  
and see what God can do with  
and through our church.*



## HYMN 380, VERSE 3

# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

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## LITURGICAL GUIDE

### 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!*

## 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

**S130**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,  
God of power and might.  
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,  
God of power and might.  
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Hosanna in the highest.

*Please kneel as able*



# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

## LITURGICAL GUIDE

### Celebrant

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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."

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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

### People

***Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.***

### Celebrant

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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 forever. **Amen.**

# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

## LITURGICAL GUIDE

### 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.*

### 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.*

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.***

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

### THE KING OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS

HYMN 645

**The King of love my shepherd is,  
whose goodness faileth never;  
I nothing lack if I am his,  
and he is mine for ever.**

**Where streams of living water flow,  
my ransomed soul he leadeth,  
and where the verdant pastures grow,  
with food celestial feedeth.**

**Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,  
but yet in love he sought me,  
and on his shoulder gently laid,  
and home, rejoicing, brought me.**

# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

In death's dark vale I fear no ill  
with thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight;  
thy unction grace bestoweth;  
and oh, what transport of delight  
from thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days  
thy goodness faileth never:  
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise  
within thy house for ever.

## PSALM 23 (SURELY GOODNESS)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
In green pastures He makes me lie down.  
He restores my soul and leads me on  
For His name, for His great name.

*Refrain:*

Surely goodness, surely mercy  
Right beside me all my days.  
And I will dwell in Your house forever  
And bless Your holy name.

You prepare a table right before me  
In the presence of my enemies.  
Though the arrow flies and the terror of night  
Is at my door, I'll trust You, Lord.

*Refrain*

And even though I walk through the valley  
Of the shadow of death I will fear no evil.  
And even though I walk through the valley  
Of the shadow of death You are on my side, oh.

*Refrain*

## LITURGICAL GUIDE

### 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.*

### HOLY GOD, WE PRAISE THY NAME

HYMN 366

Holy God, we praise thy name!  
Lord of all, we bow before thee!  
All on Earth thy sceptre claim,  
All in Heav'n above adore thee;  
Infinite thy vast domain,  
Everlasting is thy reign.

Hark! the loud celestial hymn  
Angel choirs above are raising!  
Cherubim and seraphim,  
In unceasing chorus praising,  
Fill the heavens with sweet accord;  
Holy, holy, holy, Lord!

Lo! the apostolic train  
Join thy sacred name to hallow!  
Prophets swell the loud refrain,  
And the white-robed martyrs follow,  
And from morn to set of sun,  
Through the Church the song goes on.

Holy Father, holy Son,  
Holy Spirit, Three we name thee,  
Though in essence only one,  
Undivided God we claim thee;  
And adoring bend the knee,  
While we own the mystery.

Thou art King of glory, Christ!  
Son of God, yet born of Mary;  
For us sinners sacrificed,  
And to death a tributary;  
First to break the bars of death,  
Thou hast opened Heaven to faith.

*Please kneel as able*

## 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

## GOD OF GRACE

God of grace and God of glory,  
on your people pour your power;  
crown your ancient church's story,  
bring its bud to glorious flower.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
for the facing of this hour,  
for the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us  
scorn the Christ, assail his ways!  
From the fears that long have bound us  
free our hearts to faith and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage  
for the living of these days,  
for the living of these days.

## 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 LITURGY OF THE TABLE

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## LITURGICAL GUIDE

### 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.*

Cure your children's warring madness;  
bend our pride to your control;  
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,  
rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
lest we miss your kingdom's goal,  
lest we miss your kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation  
to the evils we deplore;  
let the gift of your salvation  
be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
serving you whom we adore,  
serving you whom we adore.

### 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 Rick and Peggy Bourne in loving memory of Peggy's parents,  
Bob and Margy Lamberson.

# *PERSONAL NOTES*

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# VISITOR INFORMATION FORM

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## *Welcome to Grace Episcopal Church* *Visitor Information Card*

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

Have \_\_\_\_ children school age  
or younger (please circle)

\_\_\_\_ New in community

Ages: 0-3 K-3 4-8 9-12

\_\_\_\_ Would like clergy to call

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

Weekly Newsletter? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

How may we contact you? \_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_ Text \_\_\_\_ Email

## THE MARRIAGE COURSE

Do you want to invest in building a better, stronger marriage? Join us and register for the Marriage Course! This course is designed for couples who are married or are thinking of getting married in the near future. It is based on Christian principles but crafted for couples with or without a Christian faith.

The Marriage Course runs over five sessions, and each session begins with sharing dinner as a couple, followed by a fun, insightful video covering topics that are relevant for every couple like The Art of Communication or Resolving Conflict.

You will:

- Learn practical tools to deepen your connection and keep the spark alive.
- Gain insights from interviews with leading psychologists and authors, as well as learning from your hosts, Fr. Frans and Erin van Santen.
- Enjoy private, intimate conversations as a couple giving you the space to engage openly and honestly throughout each session.

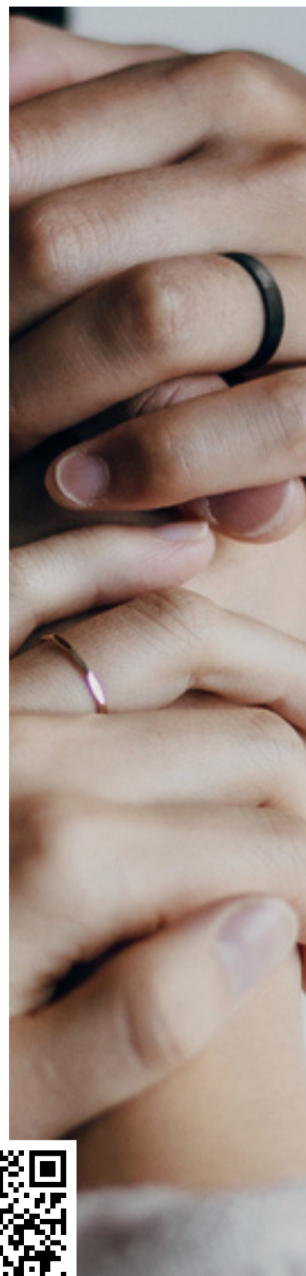
**When:** Wednesday nights from 6:00PM to 8:00PM, starting September 24 - October 22.

**Where:** Parish House, 503 SE Broadway Street, Ocala FL 34471

**Costs:** \$50 per couple or family

**We are providing dinner as well as a Children's Program at the Church Office, ages 0-13.**

Register now with the QR Code or at [www.graceocala.org/opentable](http://www.graceocala.org/opentable)



# OPEN TABLE KIDS



Parents joining the Marriage Course—great news! While you're diving into your sessions, your kids get their own awesome 5-week adventure through the Lord's Prayer. Together, we'll discover how to talk with God in simple, fun, and exciting ways!

Dinner included + lots of fun with friends!

We've got a place for everyone:

- Nursery (ages 0–3)
- Class 1 (ages 4–7)
- Class 2 (ages 8–13)

**When:** Wednesday nights from 6:00PM to 8:00PM, starting September 24 - October 22.

**Drop-Off:** Parish House, 505 SE Broadway ST

**Pick-Up:** Church Office, 510 SE Broadway ST

**Costs:** \$50 per couple or family



Register now by scanning the QR code or at: [www.graceocala.org/opentable](http://www.graceocala.org/opentable)

## RECIPES NEEDED FOR GRACE COOKBOOK!

Share Your Favorite Recipes!

Be part of the Grace Cookbook – Coming Soon!

We're collecting recipes for the upcoming Grace Cookbook, and we want yours! Whether it's a cherished family favorite, a holiday tradition, or your go-to weeknight meal – we want to hear the story behind it. Because every recipe tells a story.

Submission Deadline: September 30

The cookbook will be available for purchase at this year's Bazaar!

Submit as many recipes as you'd like  
Don't forget to include why this recipe is  
meaningful to you!

To submit your recipe please email  
Peggy Bourne at [Peggy@graceocala.org](mailto:Peggy@graceocala.org)

Scan the QR code below to access the recipe  
template and submit your entry!





# CULTURES & CUISINE

**SEPTEMBER 20 | 5:30 PM | PARISH HOUSE**

It's that time again—Culture and Cuisine is right around the corner, and we need your help!

The event will be held on Saturday, September 20th, and we are looking for cooks to share their favorite dishes.

This year we will be highlighting four regions:

Italian

Greek

Indian

Mexican/Latin American



If you would like to bring a dish, please sign up on the sheet located outside the church.

All are invited to come and enjoy this wonderful evening of food and fellowship.

To RSVP to attend, please scan the QR code provided or call the church office (352) 622-7881.

# VISION SUNDAY

**SEPTEMBER 21 | 9:00 & 11:15 | PARISH HOUSE**

Please mark your calendar for Vision Sunday on September 21 st . After both the 8AM and the 10AM service, Fr. Frans and Josh will present Grace Episcopal Church's Vision: who we are and where we are going. The Vestry and Church Staff have been working together on this for quite a while, and it will be a joy to present it to you. If you wonder what we are in one sentence, here is what we penned down: "A living testament to God's grace since 1853."

Vision Sunday will also give you an idea of the following:

- The Open Table (a new concept for Wednesday evenings)
- Plans for a future office building
- The Residency
- Impact of growth on our church community

We are looking forward to share all this with you.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

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## COMING EVENTS

### **SEPTEMBER**

- 24 The Marriage Course  
Open Table Kids
- 25 Vestry Meeting
- 28 Coffee Hour

### **OCTOBER**

- 1 The Marriage Course  
Open Table Kids
- 4 Fr. Frans Organ Concert
- 5 Coffee Hour+  
DOK Meeting
- 8 The Marriage Course  
Open Table Kids
- 12 Coffee Hour
- 15 The Marriage Course  
Open Table Kids
- 16 TBRI Training with  
The Pearl Project
- 19 Pumpkin Carving &  
Corn Boil
- 22 The Marriage Course  
Open Table Kids
- 23 Vestry Meeting
- 26 Coffee Hour

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### **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY 9/21/25**

Nursery:  
Ligia Acosta & Alizon Morales

WonderKids:  
Mollie Miranda & Sami Burns

Storymakers:  
Anissa Cunjie & GERALYN  
MURPHY

Connect:  
Catie Hourigan & Liz Jarrett

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

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1  
Psalm 79:1-9  
1 Timothy 2:1-7  
Luke 16:1-13

## **ORGAN CONCERT WITH FR. FRANS!**

Mark your calendars for Friday, October 4 at 6:30pm. Fr. Frans will be offering an evening of organ music here at Grace. All are invited to attend—bring your family and friends! Donations received will go directly to support our mission partners in Malawi.

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## **THE 78<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GRACE BAZAAR IS COMING!**

The ECW Holiday Bazaar will be held this year on November 7 and 8! There will be a Sip and Shop event on Friday, November 7 from 5 – 7 pm and the Bazaar will take place Saturday, November 8 from 9 am – 2 pm. Please put these dates on your calendar now and plan to attend.

All Gracers are encouraged to help with this event. Last year we were able to raise \$10,000 for charities serving women and children in our community. With your help we hope to make this year even bigger! We need all types of hand-crafted items, jewelry you no longer wear, good quality gently used holiday items you no longer need, baked goods, home-made soups and food items and recipes.

We are assembling a Grace Cookbook this year as a featured Bazaar item and we would love to include a recipe from each of you. Please send your best or favorite recipe to Peggy Bourne at [Peggy@graceocala.org](mailto:Peggy@graceocala.org). You may also bring them to church or drop them off or mail to the church office. Please include with your recipe a brief comment about where the recipe originated and why it is a favorite in your family. The deadline for sending recipes is September 30.

Please watch for more information about the Bazaar in the coming weeks. If you have questions or need additional information about donations please contact Carolyn Ayres at (352) 286-8536 or [mcdayres@gmail.com](mailto:mcdayres@gmail.com).



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YouTube  
Grace Episcopal Church Ocala



[www.graceocala.org](http://www.graceocala.org)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

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## IN THE COMING WEEK

**Sunday, September 14 - Office Closed**

8:00am: Rite One Service, Church, Livestream  
9:00am: Coffee Hour, Parish House  
9:00am: Nursery (0-3), Nursery  
9:15am: Josh's Bible Study, Grace Hall  
9:45am: Wonder Kids (4-6), Sunshine Room  
9:45am: StoryMakers (7-9), Wonder Room  
9:45am: Connect (10-13), Grace Hall  
10:00am: Rite Two Service, Church, Livestream  
11:00am: Coffee Hour, Parish House

**Monday, September 15**

12:00 Noon: Bulletin Deadline

**Tuesday, September 16**

12:00pm: Fr. Frans Bible Study, Zoom

**Wednesday, September 17**

12:05pm: Midweek Service, Church

**Thursday, September 18**

**Friday, September 19 - Office Closed**

**Saturday, September 20 - Office Closed**

5:30pm: Cultures & Cuisine, Parish House

**Sunday, September 21 - Vision Sunday - Office Closed**

8:00am: Rite One Service, Church, Livestream  
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## BIRTHDAYS

### SEPTEMBER

9	Richard Kent Juliana Henningsen
10	Erik Rauba Avery Ausley
12	Barbara McGhee
13	Erin Dotson Jeanne Henningsen
14	David Stiles
15	Reynaldo Gordon
16	Shari Ausley
17	George Moorehead Donald McBath
18	Pam Hane
19	Joseph Hetzel
20	Cherry Stephens

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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](mailto:prayers@graceocala.org). And include which list you are requesting.

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

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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. Dr. Justin S. Holcomb

**WORSHIP TEAM**

The Rev. Frans van Santen: Rector  
The Rev. Susan Moorehead: Deacon  
Josh Reed: Director of Ministry  
Adam Pryor: Worship Coordinator  
Catie Hourigan: Children's Ministry Coordinator

**VESTRY**

Greg Harrell - Senior Warden Michael Owen - Junior Warden Sanjit Nirmalanandhan - Treasurer  
Cheryl Arnold Michael Ashley Stephen Ayres Todd Craig Kristin Dean  
Lise Kent Amy Robertson

**MUSICIANS**

Adam Pryor Sharon Mai Jessica Mongerio Jason Bartosic  
Cheryl Arnold Audrey Flechas Jamille Brewster

**SERVERS**

**Ushers:** Russ McCann, Noreen Baker  
**Reader, First Reading/Psalm:** Jim Henningsen  
**Reader, Second Reading/PoP:** Dave Rubin  
**Acolytes:** Michael Ashley, Gail van Deusen, Clara Owen  
**Chalice Ministers:** James Perdue  
**Prayer Team:** Marilyn Sibons, Carolyn Eckhart  
**Altar Guild:** Pae Barberie, Tammy Flanagan, Marilyn Corsiglia, Lynn Nobles, Amy Robertson  
**Flower Guild:** Carolyn Ayres, Lynda Peek, Lynn Nobles, Heather Hetzel,  
Molly Hetzel, Erin van Santen, Estella van Santen  
**VPOD:** Stephen Ayres

**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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