



Grace

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | MAY 17, 2026 | 10:00 AM SERVICE

"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."

~John 17:6-8

Welcome to Grace Church

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
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
Ordination Celebration | 11:00am | 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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PRELUDE

Please stand

PROCESSIONAL

HAIL THE DAY THAT SEES HIM RISE

Hail the day that sees Him rise, Alleluia!
To His throne above the skies! Alleluia!
Christ, the Lamb for sinners given, Alleluia!
Enters now the highest heaven! Alleluia!

There for Him high triumph waits; Alleluia!
Lift your heads, eternal gates! Alleluia!
He has conquered death and sin; Alleluia!
Take the King of Glory in! Alleluia!

See! the heaven its Lord receives, Alleluia!
Yet He loves the Earth He leaves; Alleluia!
Thou returning to His throne, Alleluia!
Still, He calls the world His own, Alleluia!

See! He lifts His hands above; Alleluia!
See! He shows the prints of love; Alleluia!
Hark! His gracious lips bestow, Alleluia!
Blessings on His Church below. Alleluia!

Celebrant

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People

The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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.

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

SONG OF PRAISE

GLORIA

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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 COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

Please Be Seated

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 LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

ACTS 1:6-14

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THE FIRST READING

The First Reading is usually 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.

Reader

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."

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 PSALM

PSALM 68:1-10, 33-36

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

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.

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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.

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

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

Reader

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.

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

GRADUAL HYMN

BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is love,
Whoever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands,
My name is written on His heart;
I know that while in heav'n He stands,
No tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair,
And tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there,
Who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died
My sinful soul is counted free,
For God the Just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me,
To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb,
My perfect, spotless Righteousness,
The great unchangeable "I AM",
The King of glory and of grace.
One with Himself, I cannot die,
My soul is purchased by His blood;
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ, my Savior and my God,
With Christ, my Savior and my God.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE GOSPEL

JOHN 17:1-11

Deacon

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

People

Glory to You, Lord Christ.

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.

"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 you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

FR. JOSH REED

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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.

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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 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

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.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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 Sean, our Presiding Bishop; and Justin, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

People

For all who serve God in his Church.

Reader

For those who are unable to be present and who join in our worship from home;

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation;
And for all those we name from our hearts.

You may add your own petitions

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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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.

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

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.**

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.

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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.

THE COMMISSION

See my hands, and look at my feet.
It's okay if it's hard to believe.
I have faith you will do greater things.
It's my time to go, but before I leave.

Refrain:

Go tell the world about me.
I was dead, but now I live.
I've gotta go now for a little while,
But goodbye is not the end.

Don't forget the things that I taught you.
I've conquered death, and I hold the keys.
Where I go, you will go too, someday.
But there's much to do here before you leave.

Refrain

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.

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.



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!

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End of the journey, the end of the road.
My spirit is with you wherever you go.
You have a purpose, and I have a plan.
I'll make you this promise,
I'll come back again, but until then:

Go tell the world about me.
I was dead, but now I live.
I've gotta go now for a little while,
But goodbye is not the end.

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...

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

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."

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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.

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.

Celebrant

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People

Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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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

COME HOLY GHOST, OUR SOULS INSPIRE

HYMN 504

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire
and lighten with celestial fire;
thou the anointing Spirit art,
who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.

Thy blessed unction from above
is comfort, life, and fire of love;
enable with perpetual light
the dullness of our blinded sight.

Anoint and cheer our soiled face
with the abundance of thy grace.
Keep far our foes, give peace at home:
where thou art guide, no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son, and thee,
of both, to be but One.
That through the ages all along,
this may be our endless song:
Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

HOLY FOREVER

A thousand generations falling down in worship
To sing the song of ages to the Lamb
And all who've gone before us
And all who will believe
Will sing the song of ages to the Lamb

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EUCCHARIST 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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(Jesus) Your name is the highest
Your name is the greatest
Your name stands above them all
All thrones and dominions
All powers and positions
Your name stands above them all

And the angels cry Holy
All creation cries Holy
You are lifted high Holy
Holy forever

If you've been forgiven and if you've been redeemed
Sing the song forever to the Lamb
If you walk in freedom and if you bear His name
Sing the song forever to the Lamb
We'll sing the song forever and amen

And the angels cry Holy
All creation cries Holy
You are lifted high Holy
Holy forever
Hear Your people sing Holy
To the King of Kings Holy
You will always be Holy
Holy forever

I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

HYMN 335

I am the bread of life.
They who come to me shall not hunger;
they who believe in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me unless the Father draw them.

Refrain:

And I will raise them up,
and I will raise them up,
and I will raise them up on the last day.

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The bread that I will give
is my flesh for the life of the world,
and they who eat of this bread,
they shall live for ever, they shall live for ever.

Refrain

Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man
and drink of his blood,
you shall not have life within you.
you shall not have life within you.

Refrain

I am the resurrection, I am the life.
They who believe in me
even if they die, they shall live for ever.

Refrain

Yes, Lord, we believe
that you are the Christ,
the Son of God,
who has come
into the world.

Refrain

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.

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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 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

CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS

HYMN 494

Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own;
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him
Who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of Life,
Who triumphed o'er the grave,
And rose victorious in the strife
for those He came to save;
His glories now we sing
Who died, and rose on high,
Who died, eternal life to bring,
And lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of Lords,
Who over all doth reign,
Who once on earth, the incarnate Word,
For ransomed sinners slain,
Now lives in realms of light,
Where saints with angels sing
Their songs before Him day and night,
Their God, Redeemer, King.

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Crown Him the Lord of heaven,
Enthroned in worlds above;
Crown Him the King, to whom is given,
The wondrous name of Love.
Crown Him with many crowns,
As thrones before Him fall,
Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns,
For He is King of all.

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 Grace Church in thanksgiving for Fr. Carlos's ordination to the Sacred Order of the Priesthood on May 16, 2026.

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.

PERSONAL NOTES

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CONFIRMATION CLASSES

OPEN TABLE | MAY 20 - JUNE 17 | 6:00PM - 7:30PM

Join us for our upcoming Confirmation Classes, held in an Open Table style where we gather for dinner, conversation, and meaningful learning together. Classes will meet weekly from May 20 through June 17, from 6:00–7:30pm, beginning each evening with a shared meal.

Open Table Kids will be available for those who need childcare—our nursery will be open for ages 0–3, and children ages 4–12 will enjoy fun Movie Nights during class time.

RSVP now with the QR code
or call the Church Office (352) 622-7881



PENTECOST SUNDAY - MAY 24 - WEAR RED!

The word **Pentecost** means “the fiftieth day.” In the Old Testament, it referred to the Feast of Weeks, a celebration of the harvest and first fruits, observed fifty days after Passover. In the New Testament, Pentecost marks the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles (Acts 2:1), following Jesus’ death, resurrection, and ascension. This moment is understood as the fulfillment of Christ’s promise to send the Holy Spirit, giving life and power to the Church.

Pentecost is celebrated as the seventh Sunday after Easter and is one of the principal feasts of the Church year. It reminds us that the Church is the Body of Christ, brought together and sustained by the Holy Spirit, and sent out into the world to share the Gospel.

The traditional color for Pentecost is red, symbolizing the presence and power of the Holy Spirit. Clergy will wear red vestments, and all are invited to join in this meaningful tradition by wearing red as well. Together, we celebrate the gift of the Spirit and the life of the Church!

Resource: <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/glossary/pentecost>



SUMMER SERVICE PROJECTS

JUNE 12 JULY 10 JULY 31
JUNE 19 JULY 17
JUNE 26 JULY 24



☀️ Sunshine Service Squad ☀️

Kids and parents, come serve together in our community this summer! Families will volunteer side by side each week, making a difference together. Scan the QR code weekly for service opportunities and registration details.

Kick off the summer with us on Thursday, June 12th at the Discovery Center of Ocala (701 NE Sanchez Ave)! Families will enjoy a 2-hour visit window plus the free Wonder Lab activity featuring ✂️ “Cut-n-Paste Collage” ✂️

There is no cost to attend – we can’t wait to celebrate summer with our church family!

JUNE 13, 2026 | 2:00 PM

FATHER’S AND FRIARS

TRAPPIST BEER TASTING & FOOD
ONLY 30 SEATS AVAILABLE!
SCAN THE QR CODE TO RESERVE YOUR SEAT OR CALL THE
OFFICE (352) 622-7881



ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

COMING EVENTS

MAY

- 27 Noon Service
Confirmation Class: 6pm
- 28 Vestry Meeting: 5:30pm
- 30 Glitter Girls Sequin Sewing Spree

JUNE

- 3 Noon Service
Confirmation Class: 6pm
- 4 Choir Rehearsal: 7:00pm
- 9 Bible Study: Zoom, 12:00pm
- 10 Noon Service
Confirmation Class: 6pm
- 12 Sunshine Service Squad
- 13 Fathers & Friars
- 14 DOK Business Meeting
- 17 Noon Service
- 18 Choir Rehearsal: 7:00pm

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY 05/24/26

Nursery:
Ligia Acosta, Sharon Romano

WonderKids:
Mollie Miranda, GERALYN
Murphy

Storymakers:
Catie Hourigan, Erin van
Santen

Connect:
Tina Phillips

LOOKING FOR OUR 2026 GRADUATES

We are looking for our class of 2026 graduates from high school or college. We would like to honor our graduates at the 10:00 am service on Sunday, May 31st. Please contact the church office either by phone at (352) 622-7881 or email Meagan at meagan@graceocala.org with the graduate's name.

BAPTISMS

Baptisms are scheduled for Pentecost Sunday, May 24. If you would like to be baptized or have children to be baptized, please contact the church office at (352) 622-7881 or email Meagan at meagan@graceocala.org so we can schedule your Baptism Prep Class.

GLITTER GIRLS SEQUIN SEWING SPREE

The Glitter Girls will meet again on Saturday, May 30, from 12-2pm in Grace Hall. We have new materials and patterns for beautiful Christmas stockings for you to pick up and try. Bring your ideas and work in progress. Come sit and sew or just stop by to check us out and see what is new. If you can't make a Saturday meeting but would like to participate in this fun Grace tradition, please contact Carolyn Ayres at 352-286-8536 or mcdayres@gmail.com to arrange a time convenient for you to get started. It is not too late.

All are welcome. Come join the fun and fellowship as we sparkle on!



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Next Week's Bible Readings

Acts 2:1-21
Psalm 104:25-35, 37
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13
John 7:37-39

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND EVENTS

IN THE COMING WEEK

Sunday, May 17 - Office Closed

- 8:00am: Rite One Service, Church, Livestream
- 9:00am: Coffee Hour, Parish House
- 9:00am: Nursery (0-3), Nursery
- 9:15am: 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: Ordination Celebration, Parish House

Monday, May 18

- 12:00 Noon: Bulletin Deadline

Tuesday, May 19

- 12:00pm: Gospel Bible Study, Zoom

Wednesday, May 20

- 12:05pm: Midweek Service, Church
- 6:00pm: Confirmation Class, Grace Hall

Thursday, May 21

- 7:00pm: Choir Rehearsal

Friday, May 22 - Office Closed

Saturday, May 23 - Office Closed

Sunday, May 24 - Pentecost Sunday - Office Closed

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

BIRTHDAYS

MAY

- 15 Gary Simons
Diana Ananthan
- 16 Owen Cunjie
- 17 Mary Thomas
Tim Barbour
- 18 Glee White
- 19 Stephen Ayres
- 20 Jimmy Collins
Michael Ashley
- 27 Michael Owen
Lane Hop
- 28 John Vander Kamp
- 29 Deb Pratt

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, Fr. Josh or Fr. Carlos please contact Meagan Thompson at 352-622-7881 or meagan@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: Rector
The Rev. Josh Reed: Associate Rector
The Rev. Carlos Cabrera: Deacon
The Rev. Susan Moorehead: Deacon
Adam Pryor: Worship Coordinator
Catie Hourigan: Children's Ministry Coordinator

VESTRY

Sanjit Nirmalanandhan - Senior Warden/Treasurer Michael Owen - Junior Warden
Cheryl Arnold Michael Ashley Chandler Sandy Todd Craig Kristin Dean
John Dozier Amy Robertson Leslie Jones

MUSICIANS

Adam Pryor Sharon Mai Jessica Mongerio David Freudenburg
Cheryl Arnold Audrey Flechas Kirsten Clauss Liz Jarrett

SERVERS

Ushers: Barbarajean Garcia, Greg Harrell
Reader, First Reading/Psalm: Dave Rubin
Reader, Second Reading/PoP: Mary Stewart
Acolytes: Gail van Deusen, Claire Hetzel, Joseph Hetzel, Estella van Santen, Moses van Santen
Chalice Minister: David Freudenburg
Prayer Team: Geralyn Murphy, Robin Cesarone
Altar Guild: Lise Kent, James Purdue, Jeannie Pitrowski, Lynda Peek
Flower Guild: Carolyn Ayres, Lynda Peek, Lynn Nobles, Heather Hetzel, Molly Hetzel,
Erin van Santen, Estella van Santen
VPOD: Michael Owen

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

Nursery: Ligia Acosta & Sharon Romano
Wonderkids: Mollie Miranda & Alizon Morales
Storymakers: Catie Hourigan & Nina Johnston
Connect: Clare Redrick

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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