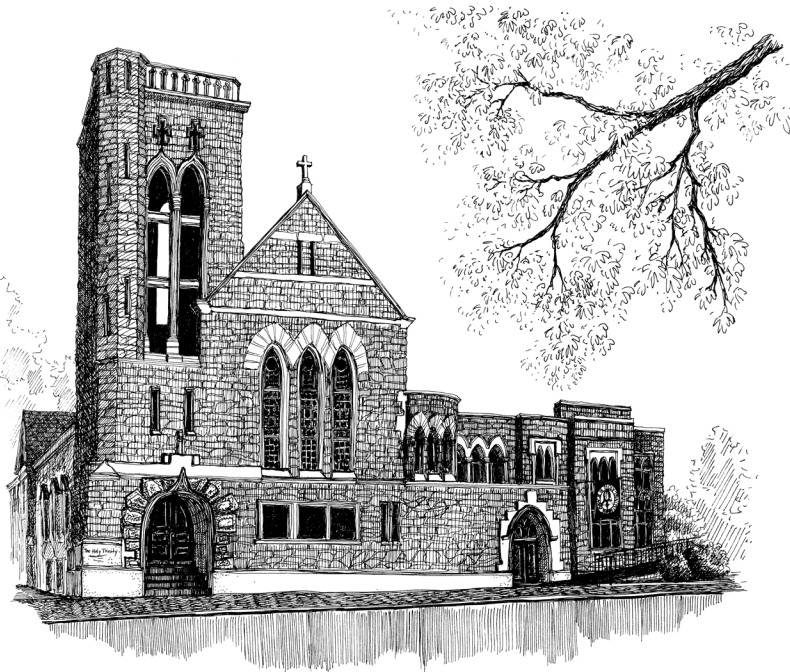


# Grace & Holy Trinity Church

*an Episcopal parish on Monroe Park*



## HOLY COMMUNION, RITE I



*Grace and Holy Trinity  
Episcopal Church*

*Alfred Owen 1996*

**Sunday, August 20, 2023 • 8:00 AM**  
**Year A: Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**

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**W**ELCOME TO **GRACE & HOLY TRINITY**. Ever aspiring to be more like Christ, we are a warm and welcoming Episcopal parish, inclusive to all, and mindful of the needs of others. We hope you will find a family here with us, whether you are a college student, Richmond newcomer, out-of-towner, or a long-time resident looking for a new church home. We open our arms and our hearts to you! **If you are visiting**, please fill out the **CONNECT CARD** in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate during the service. Sign up for the **Weekly News** with the Connect Card or at [ghtc.org/news](http://ghtc.org/news). **CHILDREN AND YOUTH** activities are located in the second floor classrooms in the Parish House. A wonderful **nursery** staff is available from 8:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. should you wish to drop off your infant during worship. **Children's Chapel** is at 10:30 a.m. for PreK3 to fifth grade. Our teachers will usher your children into the main church about midway through the service. We also provide **activity bags** for children wishing to stay with their parents. If young children get restless, you are welcome to use our library. **Changing tables** are located in the family restroom near the choir room. A greeter can direct you. Information about **Complimentary Sunday Parking** can be found in the back of this bulletin or on the Connect Table in the hallway across from the library.

### **TODAY'S PARTICIPANTS**

The Rev. Paul Evans, *Presider*

### **FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR**

This Sunday's flowers at the altar were given to the Glory of God. If you would like to remember or honor a loved one by giving the altar flowers, please contact Judy Bowman at (804) 359-5628 x14, with dates and specific requests. The cost is \$100. You may mail a check or handle the cost online at [ghtc.org/give](http://ghtc.org/give).



to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord,  
and to be his servants,

all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it,  
and hold fast my covenant--

these I will bring to my holy mountain,  
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;

their burnt offerings and their sacrifices  
will be accepted on my altar;

for my house shall be called a house of prayer  
for all peoples.

Thus says the Lord God,  
who gathers the outcasts of Israel,

I will gather others to them  
besides those already gathered.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

## **PSALM 67**

*Deus misereatur*

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*Read responsively by whole verse.*

*Lector* May God be merciful to us and bless us,  
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.

*All* **Let your ways be known upon earth,  
your saving health among all nations.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.

**Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,  
for you judge the peoples with equity  
and guide all the nations upon earth.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.

**The earth has brought forth her increase;  
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.**

May God give us his blessing,  
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

**SECOND READING**

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

*Lector* A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans.

**I**ASK, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*All* **Thanks be to God.**

**CANTICLE NO. 1: A SONG OF CREATION (SECTIONS I, III, IV)**

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*Benedicite, omnia opera Domini*

*Song of the Three Young Men, 35-65*

**O all ye works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord;  
praise him and magnify him for ever.**

**O ye angels of the Lord, bless ye the Lord;  
praise him and magnify him for ever.**

**O let the earth bless the Lord;**

**O ye mountains and hills, bless ye the Lord;**

**O all ye green things upon the earth, bless ye the Lord;  
praise him and magnify him for ever.**

**O ye wells, bless ye the Lord;**

**O ye seas and floods, bless ye the Lord;**

**O ye whales and all that move in the waters, bless ye the Lord;  
praise him and magnify him for ever.**

**O all ye fowls of the air, bless ye the Lord;**

**O all ye beasts and cattle, bless ye the Lord;**

**O ye children of men, bless ye the Lord;  
praise him and magnify him for ever.**

**O ye people of God, bless ye the Lord;**

**O ye priests of the Lord, bless ye the Lord;**

**O ye servants of the Lord, bless ye the Lord;  
praise him and magnify him for ever.**

**O ye spirits and souls of the righteous, bless ye the Lord;**

**O ye holy and humble men of heart, bless ye the Lord.**

**Let us bless the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit;  
praise him and magnify him for ever.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:**

**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

## THE GOSPEL

Matthew 15:10-20, 21-28

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to  
Saint Matthew.

**All**        **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

JESUS called the crowd to him and said to them, “Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.” Then the disciples approached and said to him, “Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?” He answered, “Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.” But Peter said to him, “Explain this parable to us.” Then he said, “Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.”

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed instantly.

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.

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



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## PARISH PRAYER LIST

**We pray for** Caitlin Bomar and family, Annie Campbell, Wendy Funk, Jaxon Griffin, Tina Halsted, Cathy Ireland, *Annmarie Illicete*, Duane Nettles, Candy Osdene, Stefan, Michelle, Olivia, Mason, Ray Slabaugh, *Carolyn & Andy Stone*, Bill Thomas, Monty Thomson and *for the victims and families affected by the Maui wildfires.*

**For those who desire to be parents and for those expecting a child.**

**For all the blessings of this life.**

**For those who have died, especially** Aurelia Brown and Emma Oppenheimer.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for** *The Church of England.*

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for** *Continuing Care Communities within the Diocese and their residents.*

**For our outreach ministries and partners, Red Door Ministry serving those who are food insecure; Circles RVA and those working towards financial stability; the people of Belize; and the staff and families of St. Andrew's School.**

**For racial reconciliation and healing, and peace in the world.**

**For the United States of America, the Commonwealth of Virginia, the City of Richmond and surrounding counties, and Virginia Commonwealth University.**

**For those serving overseas in the military or diplomatic service.**

Names may only be added to the Prayer List with the explicit consent of the recipient. All names in italics were added in this past week. In order to keep the Prayer List current and to facilitate the intentionality and mindfulness with which we pray, we keep printed names for three months or less. If you would like for someone to remain on the list for more (or less) time, please call the office at 804-359-5628 or email Lauren Frazier at [lfrazier@ghtc.org](mailto:lfrazier@ghtc.org)

# COMPLIMENTARY SUNDAY PARKING (VCU W. MAIN STREET PARKING DECK)



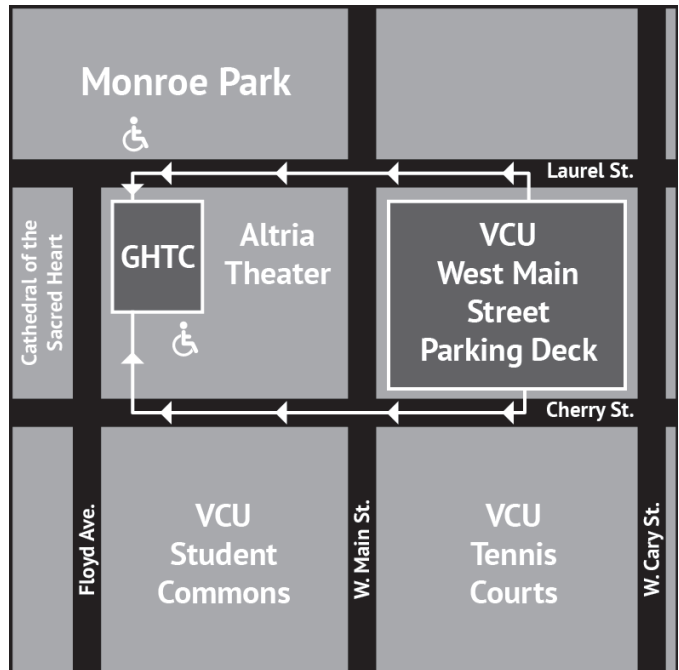
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## VCU W. MAIN STREET PARKING DECK INSTRUCTIONS

1. Enter the parking deck from N. Laurel Street or N. Cherry Street.
2. At the parking gate arm, press the button to receive a ticket.
3. Park in any available space in the deck.
4. After visiting Grace & Holy Trinity, exit the parking deck in your vehicle and scan your parking ticket into the machine at the parking gate arm.
5. When the machine asks for payment, hold the QR code to the scanner.
6. The machine will scan the code, accept it as payment, and the parking gate arm will raise in order for you to exit.



*\*If you need assistance, press the “i” button at the gate and someone will assist remotely.*

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