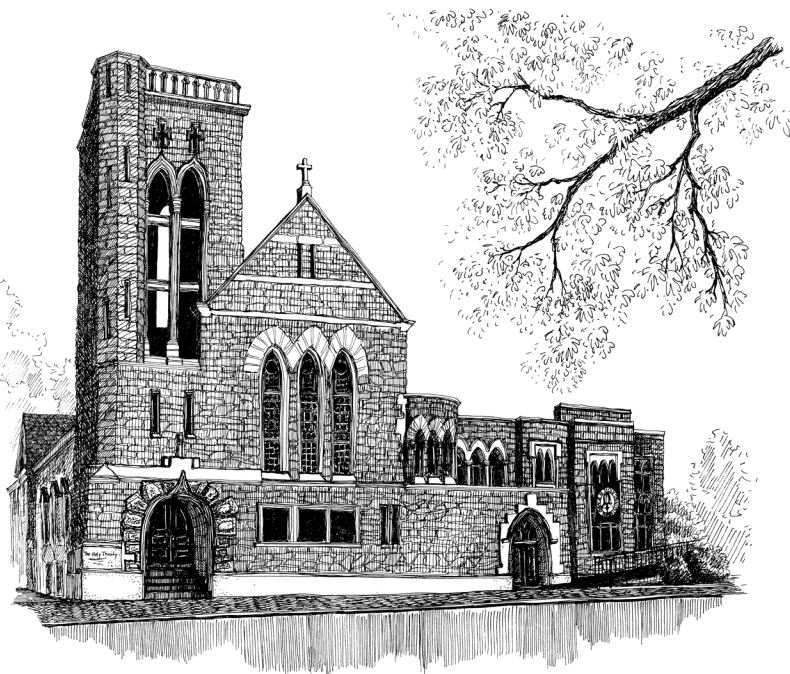


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an Episcopal parish on Monroe Park



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*Grace and Holy Trinity
Episcopal Church*

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Sunday, September 3, 2023 • 8:00 AM
Year A: Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME 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. **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.

The Word of God

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY BCP p. 325

Presider The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

LORD of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of thy Name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

FIRST READING Jeremiah 15:15-21

Lector A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah.

O LORD, you know;
remember me and visit me,
and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors.
In your forbearance do not take me away;
know that on your account I suffer insult.
Your words were found, and I ate them,

and your words became to me a joy
and the delight of my heart;
for I am called by your name,
O LORD, God of hosts.
I did not sit in the company of merrymakers,
nor did I rejoice;
under the weight of your hand I sat alone,
for you had filled me with indignation.
Why is my pain unceasing,
my wound incurable, refusing to be healed?
Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook,
like waters that fail.
Therefore, thus says the LORD:
If you turn back, I will take you back,
and you shall stand before me.
If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless,
you shall serve as my mouth.
It is they who will turn to you,
not you who will turn to them.
And I will make you to this people
a fortified wall of bronze;
they will fight against you,
but they shall not prevail over you,
for I am with you
to save you and deliver you,
says the LORD.
I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked,
and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Read responsively by whole verse.

Lector Give judgment for me, O Lord,
for I have lived with integrity;
I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.

All **Test me, O Lord, and try me;
examine my heart and my mind.**

For your love is before my eyes;
I have walked faithfully with you.

**I have not sat with the worthless,
nor do I consort with the deceitful.**

I have hated the company of evildoers;
I will not sit down with the wicked.

**I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord,
that I may go in procession round your altar,**

Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving
and recounting all your wonderful deeds.

**Lord, I love the house in which you dwell
and the place where your glory abides.**

SECOND READING

Romans 12:9-21

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

LET love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

CANTICLE NO. 3: THE SONG OF MARY

Magnificat

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Luke 1:46-55

**My soul doth magnify the Lord,
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.
For he hath regarded
the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold from henceforth
all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me,
and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him
throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm;
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat,
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things,**

**and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel,
as he promised to our forefathers,
Abraham and his seed 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 16:21-28

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

All Glory be to thee, O Lord.

JESUS began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?"

"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

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, 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 the Province of the Indian Ocean.*

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for *Altar and Flower Guilds and Choirs.*

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@ghhc.org

COMPLIMENTARY SUNDAY PARKING

(VCU W. MAIN STREET PARKING DECK)



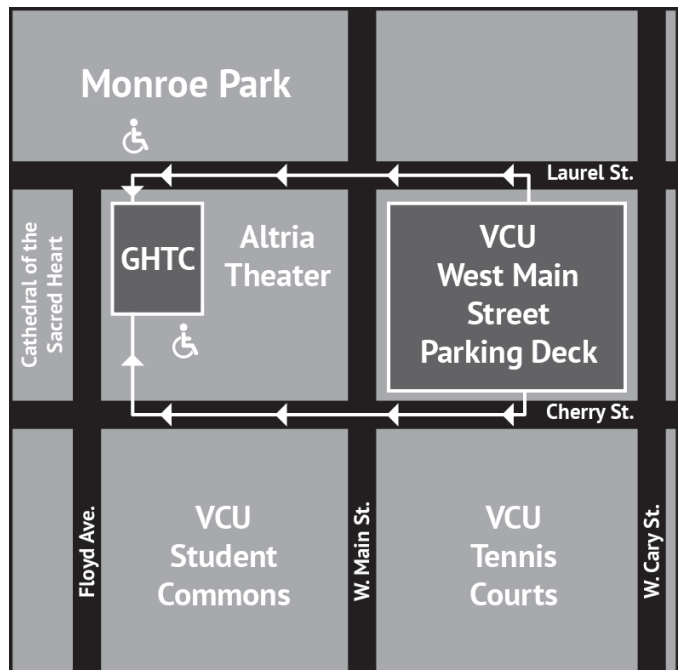
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2. At the parking gate arm, press the button to receive a ticket.
3. Park in any available space in the deck.
4. After visiting Grace & Holy Trinity, exit the parking deck in your vehicle and scan your parking ticket into the machine at the parking gate arm.
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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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