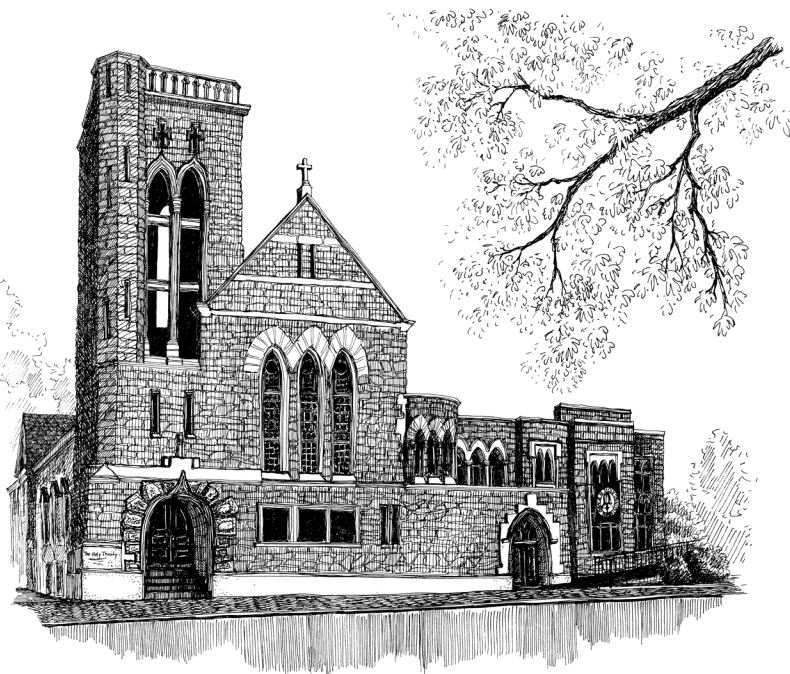


Grace & Holy Trinity Church

an Episcopal parish on Monroe Park



HOLY COMMUNION, RITE I



*Grace and Holy Trinity
Episcopal Church*

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Sunday, September 10, 2023 • 8:00 AM
Year A: Fifteenth 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. We also provide **childrens bulletins** 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

OPENING ACCLAMATION BCP p. 323

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY BCP p. 323

THE KYRIE BCP p. 324

GLORIA BCP p. 324

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY BCP p. 325

Presider The Lord be with you.

All **And with thy spirit.**

Presider Let us pray.

GRANT us, O Lord, we pray thee, to trust in thee with all our heart; seeing that, as thou dost always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so thou dost not forsake those who make their boast of thy mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

FIRST READING Ezekiel 33:7-11

Lector A reading from the Prophet Ezekiel.

YOU, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, "O wicked ones, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: "Our trans-

gressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?” Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 119:33-40

Legem pone

BCP p. 766

Read responsively by whole verse.

Lector Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes,
and I shall keep it to the end.

All **Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law;
I shall keep it with all my heart.**

Make me go in the path of your commandments,
for that is my desire.

**Incline my heart to your decrees
and not to unjust gain.**

Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless;
give me life in your ways.

**Fulfill your promise to your servant,
which you make to those who fear you.**

Turn away the reproach which I dread,
because your judgments are good.

**Behold, I long for your commandments;
in your righteousness preserve my life.**

FIRST READING

Romans 13:8-14

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

OWE no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

CANTICLE 4: THE SONG OF ZACHARIAH

Benedictus Dominus Deus BCP p. 50

All stand and say in unison.

Luke 1:68 -79

**Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,
for he hath visited and redeemed his people;
And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us
in the house of his servant David,
As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets,
which have been since the world began:
That we should be saved from our enemies,
and from the hand of all that hate us;**

To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers,
and to remember his holy covenant;
To perform the oath which he sware to our forefather Abraham,
that he would give us,
That we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies
might serve him without fear,
In holiness and righteousness before him,
all the days of our life.
And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest,
for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord
to prepare his ways;
To give knowledge of salvation unto his people
for the remission of their sins,
Through the tender mercy of our God,
whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us;
To give light to them that sit in darkness
and in the shadow of death,
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

**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 18:15-20

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

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

JESUS said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three

witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

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.

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

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for *Incarnation-Mineral, St. Bartholomew's-Richmond, Sr. Francis'-Manakin-Sabot.*

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

COMPLIMENTARY SUNDAY PARKING

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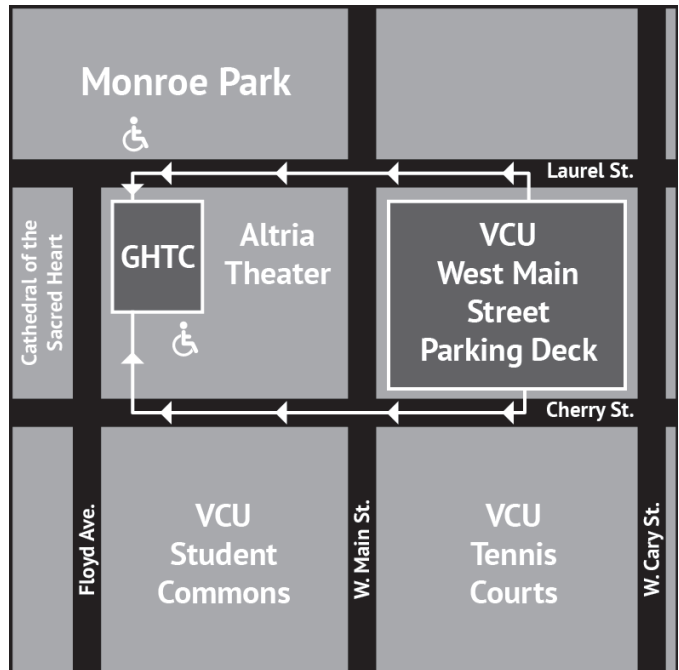
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2. At the parking gate arm, press the button to receive a ticket.
3. Park in any available space in the deck.
4. After visiting Grace & Holy Trinity, exit the parking deck in your vehicle and scan your parking ticket into the machine at the parking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