

Grace & Holy Trinity Church

an Episcopal parish on Monroe Park



The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany (Year C)

Holy Communion, Rite Two
with the Greater Richmond Children's Choir

February 23, 2025 | 10:30 a.m.

Welcome

Welcome to Grace & Holy Trinity. Ever aspiring to be more like Christ, we strive to be a warm and welcoming Episcopal parish, ever mindful of the needs of others, **and inclusive to all, including the LGBTQIA+ community.** We hope you will find a community 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. **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 & Youth Sunday School is located on the second floor and grouped into classrooms for each Pre-K - 1st grade, 2nd - 4th grade, 5th - 8th grade. A wonderful **nursery** staff is available from 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. should you wish to drop off your young children (up to age 3) during worship. If young children get restless, it is OK to stay in church and you are welcome to use our library, too. **Changing tables** are located in the family restroom in the choir room. A greeter can direct you. Information about **Complimentary Sunday Parking** can be found on the back of this bulletin or either of the two Connect Tables.

The Word of God

The Prelude marks the beginning of our worship and is intended as a time of reflection.

Prelude

“Prière à Notre-Dame” *Suite Gothique* | Léon Boëllmann

Dr. Elizabeth Melcher Davis, *Organist*

Processional Hymn

Please stand as you are able and sing.

“Praise to the Lord!”

The Hymnal 1982 #390

Descant

4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
2 Praise to the Lord; o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly
3 Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de -
4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with
a - tion; O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
reign - - eth; borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his
fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall
dore him! All that hath life and breath come now with

prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his
health and sal - va - tion: join the great throng, psal - ter - y,
saints he sus - tain - eth. Hast thou not seen how all thou
ev - er at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.
or - gan, and song, sound - ing in glad ad - o - ra - - tion.
need - est hath been grant - ed in what he or - dain - - eth?
might - y can do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.
peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

Words: Joachim Neander (1650-1680); tr. *Hymnal 1940*, alt.
Music: *Lobe den Herren*, melody from *Erneuerten Gesangbuch*, 1665;
harm. *The Chorale Book for England*, 1863; desc. Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971)

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Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer p. 355

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

All And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Book of Common Prayer p. 355

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

“O Taste and See” | Thomas Pavlechko

Greater Richmond Children’s Choir

O taste and see that the Lord is good;
happy are they who take refuge God.
Fear the Lord, you saints of the Lord,
for those who fear the Lord lack nothing.
The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous,
and God's ears are open to their cry.
The Lord is near to the brokenhearted
and saves those whose spirits are crushed.

The Collect of the Day

Book of Common Prayer p. 215

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O Lord, you have taught us that without love whatever we do is worth nothing; Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts your greatest gift, which is love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue, without which whoever lives is accounted dead before you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Genesis 45:3-11,15

Lector A reading from the Book of Genesis.

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who

sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, "Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there--since there are five more years of famine to come--so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty."

And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

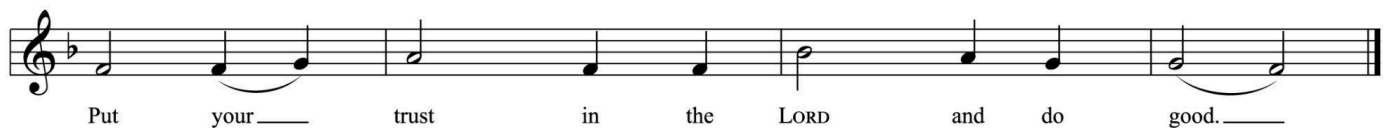
Lector The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 37:1-12, 41-42

A HymnTune Psalter | Carl P. Daw, Jr. & Kevin R. Hackett

Please stand as you are able and sing. Choir sings refrain; All sing refrain; Choir sings verses; All sing refrain.



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- 1 Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; *
do not be jealous of those who do wrong.
- 2 For they shall soon wither like the grass, *
and like the green grass fade away. **[Refrain]**
- 3 Put your trust in the LORD and do good; *
dwell in the land and feed on its riches.
- 4 Take delight in the LORD, *
and he shall give you your heart's desire.
- 5 Commit your way to the LORD and put your trust in him, *
and he will bring it to pass.
- 6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the light *
and your just dealing as the noonday. **[Refrain]**
- 7 Be still before the LORD *
and wait patiently for him.
- 8 Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, *
the one who succeeds in evil schemes.
- 9 Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; *
do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.

- 10 For evildoers shall be cut off, *
 but those who wait upon the LORD shall possess the land. *[Refrain]*
- 11 In a little while the wicked shall be no more; *
 you shall search out their place, but they will not be there.
- 12 But the lowly shall possess the land; *
 they will delight in abundance of peace. *[Refrain]*
- 41 But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the LORD; *
 he is their stronghold in time of trouble.
- 42 The LORD will help them and rescue them; *
 he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them,
 because they seek refuge in him. *[Refrain]*

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

Lector A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

Please stand as you are able and sing.

The Hymnal 1982 #657

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cell - ing, joy of heaven, to
2 Come, al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy
3 Fi - nish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - way bless - ing,
ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

The Gospel

Luke 6:27-38

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

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

Jesus said, "I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Brent Melton

The Nicene Creed

Book of Common Prayer p. 358

Celebrant In 325, 1,700 years ago, 300 bishops from around the world gathered in Nicaea (modern Turkey). They debated and defined the three parts of the Trinity. Thus a statement of faith was created. Let us stand, and affirm our common faith in these words of the Nicene Creed.

All **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.

The Prayers of the People

Form II | *Book of Common Prayer* p. 385

Celebrant After each bidding, you may offer your own prayers, silently or aloud.

Lector We ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop(s) Mark, Gayle, and Bud; for our clergy Brent, Jon, and Steve; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.
 Pray for the Church. *Silence*

We ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.
 Pray for justice and peace. *Silence*

We ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble. *Silence*

We ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him. *Silence*

We ask your prayers for the departed, pray for those who have died. *Silence*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day. *Silence*

Celebrant O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Silence may be kept. Please remain standing as you are able.

The Confession of Sin & Absolution

Book of Common Prayer p. 360

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All 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.

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

Book of Common Prayer p. 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

A Commissioning for the Belize Mission Team

Celebrant God calls us into the world to accept the cost and joy of sharing in discipleship. Susan Hankins, Mary Cay Kollmansperger, Beth McLelland, Julie Wade, Valerie Haskins, and Jamie McLaughlin for the sake of God's wholeness, we pray that your mission to Belize leads you to places where people seek to obtain your health service ministries. May your mission trip bring health to the eyes and mouths of the people you serve.

Mission

Team We go with your prayers for the purpose to serve.

All May God bless you on this Belize Mission to serve God's people.

Celebrant Then let us pray, O Eternal God, Enlighten with your grace this Mission Team, guide their service, that in all things they may promote the mission of your Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

In the Name of God and of this congregation, I commission your Team, in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Book of Common Prayer p. 376

Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

– *Ephesians 5:2*



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Offertory Anthem

Greater Richmond Children's Choir

“Sisi ni moja” | Jacob Narverud

We all laugh
We all cry
We all feel hunger
We all feel pain
We all love (hey-ah, hey-ah)
We all hate (oh hey-ah, hey-ah, hey-ah)
We all hope (oh hey-ah, hey-ah)
And we all dream (hey-ah, hey-ah)
We are one world, one people (hey-ya, hey-ya,
hey-ya, hey-ya)
And we all breathe the same (hey-ya, hey-ya,
hey-ya, hey-ya)
A tribe of many languages
A group of many heartaches
Fighting for peace among the land
Hey-ah, hey-ah, sisi ni mojah (oh hey-ah, hey-ah)
We are one

We all want
We all need
We all seek passion
We all seek joy
We all bruise (we all bruise)
We all scar (we all scar)
We all fail (we all fail)
But learn to thrive
We are one world, one people (hey-ya, hey-ya,
hey-ya, hey-ya)
And we all breathe the same (hey-ya, hey-ya,
hey-ya, hey-ya)
In the darkness of the night and in the glory of the
morning
We walk along the path and find our way
Hey-ah, hey-ah, sisi ni mojah (oh hey-ah, hey-ah)
Hey-ah, hey-ah
Now we stand here together
And lift our hearts in song
To the rhythm of this moment in our lives
Hey-ah, hey-ah, sisi ni mojah
Hey-ya, hey-ya
We are one

Doxology

The Hymnal 1982 #380 (v. 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.**

Eucharistic Prayer C

Book of Common Prayer p. 369

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

All Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

All By your will they were created and have their being.

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

All Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

All By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

Celebrant And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus & Benedictus

The Hymnal 1982 S 128

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Setting: William Mathias (b. 1934)

You may remain standing or kneeling as you prefer.

Celebrant And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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.**”

Celebrant Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,
All **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Celebrant Lord God of our Mothers and Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

All **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Celebrant Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

All **Amen.**

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, (in the language of your heart.)

The Lord's Prayer

Book of Common Prayer p. 364

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.

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,
santificado sea tu Nombre,
venga tu reino,
hágase tu voluntad,
en la tierra como en el cielo.
Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.
Perdona nuestras ofensas,
como también nosotros perdonamos
a los que nos ofenden.
No nos dejes caer en tentación
y líbranos del mal.
Porque tuyo es el reino,
tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria,
ahora y por siempre. Amén.

The Breaking of the Bread

Book of Common Prayer p. 364

Fraction Anthem

“Christ our Passover”

All sing.

The Hymnal 1982 S 154

The musical score is written for a single voice part in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia." The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a mix of quarter and eighth notes.

Setting: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950)

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.

Communion Instructions for 10:30 a.m. Services

Communion from the Common Cup is available from the Main Altar only. Communion by intinction is available at the lectern station and for those who are seated in the pews. If you prefer to receive the sacrament while seated in the congregation, **please raise your bulletin and the Eucharistic Ministers will bring the sacrament to you.** For a **gluten-free wafer**, please bring a blue gluten-free card from the pew rack to the altar rail. If you do not wish to receive Communion, you may come forward for a blessing.

- Communicants will drink from the Chalice at the Altar in the church. Alternatively, communicants who receive the Bread may refrain from drinking from the Chalice; those who refrain from drinking from the Chalice are encouraged to cross their arms and to say “Amen” when the Chalice is offered. The full grace of the sacrament is communicated through the Bread.
- **Intinction** will be offered only at the base of the chancel steps beneath the lectern. The Priest will intinct the Bread into the Common Cup, while the Chalice Bearer assists them. We will use a larger size wafer to facilitate intinction. After receiving, exit to the left to make your way back to your pew. **The same intinction method will be observed in the pews.**

Communion Music

Greater Richmond Children’s Choir

“Love One Another” | John L. Bell

Love one another for love is of God.
Those who live in love live in God,
and God lives in them.

(Refrain)

Those who show love are children of God;
Father and mother is God to each of them.
God showed his love in the face of his Son.
Christ lives in us so that we might live through him.
Love has no place for the menace of fear;
Fear is abandoned where perfect love is found.
Love has its purpose in God's holy will;
We learn to love from the one who loved us first.

Communion Music

Greater Richmond Children’s Choir

“Baraka Na Wewe” | Victor C. Johnson

Baraka na wewe
Napenda furaha
Napenda matumaini
Napenda amani
Napenda upendo

Blessings to you.
We wish you joy.
We wish you hope.
We wish you peace.
We wish you love.

Commissioning of Vestry Officers and Members of the 2025 Vestry

Celebrant I present to you Chase, Suzanne, Susan, Thomas, Jane, Judith, Maurice, Marshall, Brad, Nick, and Kathy as Members of the Vestry for Grace & Holy Trinity Church. I present these Vestry Officers: Chuck as Senior Warden, Lisa as Junior Warden, Mike as Treasurer, and Mason as Register. The Lord gives wisdom; from God's mouth comes knowledge and understanding; God stores up sound wisdom for the upright; God is a shield to those who walk in integrity.

Will you diligently share your gifts to benefit God's mission here?

Vestry

Members We will with God's help.

Celebrant Members of Grace & Holy Trinity Church, will you support these persons in their ministry of governing our church?

All We will with God's help.

Celebrant Then let us pray, O Eternal God, the foundation of all wisdom and the source of all courage: Enlighten with your grace the Vestry of this congregation, and so rule their minds, and guide their counsels, that in all things they may seek your glory and promote the mission of your Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

In the Name of God and of this congregation I commission you Members of the 2025 Vestry. Serve God well and faithfully. **Amen.**

Post-Communion Prayer

Book of Common Prayer p. 365

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant Let us pray.

All 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 surpasses all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, of and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn

Please stand as you are able and sing.

“When Morning Gilds the Skies”

The Hymnal 1982 #427

1 When morn - ing gilds the skies, my heart, a - wak - ing, cries,
2 When mirth for mu - sic longs, this is my song of songs:
3 No love - lier an - ti - phon in all high heaven is known
4 Ye na - tions of man - kind, in this your con - cord find:
5 Sing, suns and stars of space, sing, ye that see his face,

1 may Je - sus Christ be praised! When eve - ning sha - dows fall,
2 may Je - sus Christ be praised! God's ho - ly house of prayer
3 than, Je - sus Christ be praised! There to the e - ter - nal Word
4 may Je - sus Christ be praised! Let all the earth a - round
5 sing, Je - sus Christ be praised! God's whole cre - a - tion o'er,

1 this rings my cur - few call, may Je - sus Christ be praised!
2 hath none that can com - pare with: Je - sus Christ be praised!
3 the e - ter - nal psalm is heard: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
4 ring joy - ous with the sound: may Je - sus Christ be praised!
5 both now and ev - er - more shall Je - sus Christ be praised!

German, ca. 1800; tr. Robert Seymour Bridges (1844-1930), alt.

The Dismissal

Book of Common Prayer p. 339 & Henri-Frédéric Amiel

Celebrant Friends, life is short and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us so be swift to love, make haste to be kind and go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Postlude

“Praise to the Lord” | Johann Gottfried Walther

Stanley M. Baker, *Organist*

We thank the Greater Richmond Children's Choir for assisting in this morning's worship service through their musical gifts.

Greater Richmond Children's Choir Bio

The Greater Richmond Children's Choir (GRCC), now in its 28th season, provides youth aged eight through 18 with exceptional choral training and performance opportunities. Led by Artistic Director Crystal Jonkman, GRCC is well known for its diversity and excellence, performing across four continents and in dozens of languages. GRCC offers scholarships to ensure accessibility for all. GRCC is honored to call GHTC its rehearsal home. More information about the choir may be found online at grcchoir.org.

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Today's Worship Participants

The Rev. Brent Melton, *Preacher*

The Rev. Jon Scarffe, *Celebrant*

The Rev. Steve Pace, *Deacon*

Dr. Elizabeth Melcher Davis, *Choirmaster & Organist*

Stanley M. Baker, *Assistant Choirmaster & Organist*

Marcia Hailey, Chase Peak, Leslie Winn, *Chalice Bearers*

Bruce Birdsey, Marcia Hailey, *Lectors*

Lisa Dawson, Dougie Erikson, Mary Sabra Monroe, Lu Treadwell, Nancy Trego, *Altar Guild*

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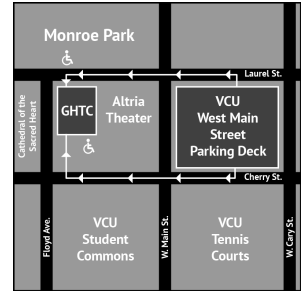
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