Grace & Holy Trinity Church

an Episcopal parish on Monroe Park





First Sunday after Pentecost Trinity Sunday (Year C) Holy Eucharist, Rite One

June 15, 2025 | 8:00 a.m.

Welcome to Grace & Holy Trinity. 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 from the Connect Table and place it in the offering plate during the service. 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. 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.

The Word of God

The beginning of our worship is intended as a reflection.

Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer p. 323

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. 323

Celebrant Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid:

All Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Trisagion

Book of Common Prayer p. 324

Celebrant Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,

All Have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

Book of Common Prayer p. 176

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast given unto us thy servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity: We beseech thee that thou wouldest keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see thee in thy one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit livest and reignest, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading Proverbs 8:1–4, 22–31

Lector A reading from the Book of Proverbs.

Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice? On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out: "To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live. The Lord created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago. Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. Before the

mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth-when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world's first bits of soil. When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, then I was beside him, like a master worker; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 8 *Read responsively by whole verse.*

Book of Common Prayer p. 592

Domine, Dominus noster

Lector 1 O Lord our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

- All 2 Out of the mouths of infants and children * your majesty is praised above the heavens.
 - 3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, * to quell the enemy and the avenger.
 - 4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, * the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
 - 5 What is man that you should be mindful of him? * the son of man that you should seek him out?
 - 6 You have made him but little lower than the angels; * you adorn him with glory and honor;
 - 7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands; * you put all things under his feet:
 - 8 All sheep and oxen, *
 even the wild beasts of the field,
 - 9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, * and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
 - 10 O Lord our Governor, *

how exalted is your Name in all the world!

Second Reading Romans 5:1–5

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

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character,

and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

The Gospel John 16:12–15

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

All Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said to the disciples, "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise be to thee, O Christ.

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Ms. Madeleine Preston, Director of Formation

The Nicene Creed

The Sermon

Book of Common Prayer p. 326

Celebrant In 325, 1,700 years ago, 300 bishops from around the world gathered in Nicaea (modern day 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.

The Prayers of the People

Book of Common Prayer p. 328

Parish Prayer List

The Confession of Sin & Absolution

Book of Common Prayer p. 330

The Peace

Book of Common Prayer p. 332

Welcome & 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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In receiving the offertory plates we say...

All things come of thee O Lord and of thine own have we given thee. - 1 Chronicles 29:14

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer II

Book of Common Prayer p. 340

The Lord's Prayer p. 336

The Breaking of the Bread

Book of Common Prayer p. 337

Communion Instructions for 8:00 a.m. Services

Communicants will drink from the Chalice at the Altar in the chapel. 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 by the Chalice Bearer: their "Amen" is their verbal acknowledgment of the grace of the sacrament. The full grace of the sacrament is communicated through the Bread.

Post-Communion Prayer

Book of Common Prayer p. 339

Please stand as you are able.

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing

All The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

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. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

All Thanks be to God.

Flowers at the Altar

This Sunday's flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God.



If you would like to remember or honor a loved one by giving the altar flowers, please scan the QR Code, visit **ghtc.org/flowers**, or call the Parish Office at (804) 359-5628 and a staff member will help you fill out the form. Altar flowers can be given in memory of, for recognition, birthdays, anniversaries, or special occasions. The cost is \$100, and there is an optional fee of \$10 to help us offset processing fees and the cost of flowers. You may mail a check or handle the cost online at **ghtc.org/give**.

Today's Worship Participants

The Rev. Brent A. Melton, *Celebrant*Ms. Madeleine Preston, *Preacher*The Rev. Steve Pace, *Deacon*Andrew Peacock, *Lector*

The Season after Pentecost

The season that follows Pentecost Sunday continues through the summer and fall months. This is the longest church season, as many as 28 Sundays depending on the date of Easter Day. This season falls in an Ordinary Time and green is the preferred color. In this is a time Christians should reflect on the meaning of Christ's resurrection in our ordinary life. Each month we will include a new "Teaching Blurb" for your learning.

Clergy Vestments and Daily Dress

The white robe we wear is called an Alb coming from "tunica alba" or white tunic. The stole worn over the alb is a reminder of being tacked to Jesus Christ's yoke. Deacons put the stole to the side in order to get it out of the way while serving. Before the Table Liturgy the celebrating priest puts on a Chasuble, which means "little house". The stole and chasuble colors typically match the liturgical season on the church. Clergy daily dress is usually a white collar and black shirt similar to the work of the judiciary. This dress is a sign of clergy work, our uniform. However nothing in the Book of Common Prayer tells what we are supposed to wear.

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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.
- 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.

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