

# Grace & Holy Trinity Church

*an Episcopal parish on Monroe Park*



## Proper 7 (Year C)

### Holy Eucharist, Rite One

June 22, 2025 | 8:00 a.m.

## Welcome

**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. 178*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**All** And with thy spirit.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O Lord, we beseech thee, make us to have a perpetual fear and love of thy holy Name, for thou never failest to help and govern those whom thou hast set upon the sure foundation of thy loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## First Reading

1 Kings 19:1–4, 8–15a

*Lector* A reading from the First Book of Kings.

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my

life, for I am no better than my ancestors." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there.

Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus."

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

**All** Thanks be to God.

## Psalm 42

*Book of Common Prayer* p. 643

*Read responsively by whole verse.*

*Quemadmodum*

*Lector* 1 As the deer longs for the water-brooks, \*  
so longs my soul for you, O God.

**All** 2 **My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the living God; \***  
**when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?**

3 My tears have been my food day and night, \*  
while all day long they say to me,  
"Where now is your God?"

4 **I pour out my soul when I think on these things; \***  
**how I went with the multitude and led them into the**  
**house of God,**

5 With the voice of praise and thanksgiving, \*  
among those who keep holy-day.

6 **Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? \***  
**and why are you so disquieted within me?**

- 7 Put your trust in God; \*  
for I will yet give thanks to him,  
who is the help of my countenance, and my God.
- 8 **My soul is heavy within me; \***  
**therefore I will remember you from the land of Jordan,**  
**and from the peak of Mizar among the heights of Hermon.**
- 9 One deep calls to another in the noise of your cataracts; \*  
all your rapids and floods have gone over me.
- 10 **The LORD grants his loving-kindness in the daytime; \***  
**in the night season his song is with me,**  
**a prayer to the God of my life.**
- 11 I will say to the God of my strength,  
"Why have you forgotten me? \*  
and why do I go so heavily while the enemy  
oppresses me?"
- 12 **While my bones are being broken, \***  
**my enemies mock me to my face;**
- 13 All day long they mock me \*  
and say to me, "Where now is your God?"
- 14 **Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? \***  
**and why are you so disquieted within me?**
- 15 Put your trust in God; \*  
for I will yet give thanks to him,  
who is the help of my countenance, and my God.

## Second Reading

Galatians 3:23–29

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

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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

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

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

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" - for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## The Sermon

The Rev. Brent A. Melton, *Priest-in-Charge*

## The Nicene Creed

*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** 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

*Book of Common 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. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

### Flowers at the Altar

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



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### Today's Worship Participants

The Rev. Brent A. Melton, *Preacher & Celebrant*

The Rev. Steve Pace, *Deacon*

Kay Gray, *Lector*

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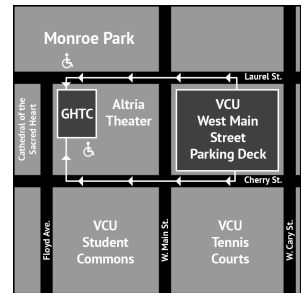
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