

# Grace & Holy Trinity Church

*an Episcopal parish on Monroe Park*



## Proper 9 (Year C)

### Holy Eucharist, Rite One

July 6, 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. 179*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**All** And with thy spirit.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, who hast taught us to keep all thy commandments by loving thee and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of thy Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to thee with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## First Reading

2 Kings 5:1–14

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

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the LORD had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy." So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel

had said. And the king of Aram said, "Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel."

He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, "When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy." When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean?'" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 30**

*Book of Common Prayer p. 621*

*Read responsively by whole verse.*

*Exaltabo te, Domine*

*Lector* 1 I will exalt you, O LORD,  
because you have lifted me up \*  
and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

**All 2 O LORD my God, I cried out to you, \***  
**and you restored me to health.**

3 You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead; \*  
you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

4 **Sing to the LORD, you servants of his; \***  
**give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.**

- 5 For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, \*  
his favor for a lifetime.
- 6 **Weeping may spend the night, \***  
**but joy comes in the morning.**
- 7 While I felt secure, I said,  
"I shall never be disturbed. \*  
You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as  
the mountains."
- 8 **Then you hid your face, \***  
**and I was filled with fear.**
- 9 I cried to you, O LORD; \*  
I pleaded with the Lord, saying,
- 10 **"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? \***  
**will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?**
- 11 Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me; \*  
O LORD, be my helper."
- 12 **You have turned my wailing into dancing; \***  
**you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.**
- 13 Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; \*  
O LORD my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

## Second Reading

Galatians 6:7–16

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

Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised-- only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule-- peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

*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.**

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'

"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**The Sermon**

The Rev. Jack Sutor

**The Nicene Creed**

*Book of Common Prayer* p. 326

*Celebrant* 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.

**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.

### 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. Jack Sutor *Preacher & Co-Celebrant*

The Rev. Marissa Sotos, *Co-Celebrant*

The Rev. Steve Pace, *Deacon*

Kay Gray, *Lector*

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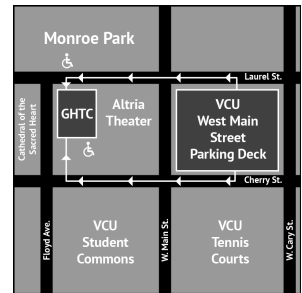
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