# Grace & Holy Trinity Church

an Episcopal parish on Monroe Park



# Proper 10 (Year C)

# Holy Eucharist, Rite Two

July 13, 2025 | 10:30 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 Prelude marks the beginning of our worship and is intended as a time of reflection.

 Prelude
 "Adagio" Organ Sonata No. 1 in F Minor | Felix Mendelssohn

Luke Brennan, Organist

Processional Hymn"Singing Songs of Expectation" The Hymnal 1982 #527Please stand as you are able and sing.

# **Opening Acclamation**

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

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

# The Collect for Purity

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.

# Children's Chapel Dismissal

 Celebrant
 Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not stop them, for it is to such as these

 that the kingdom of heaven belongs."
 – Matthew 19:14

The children are invited to gather for Children's Chapel in the chapel located in the back of the church.

# Trisagion

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

# All Have mercy upon us.

# The Collect of the Day

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.AllAnd also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power

Book of Common Prayer p. 231

Book of Common Prayer p. 355

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faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### First Reading

Amos 7:7–17

# *Lector* A reading from the Book of Amos.

This is what the Lord God showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword." Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land." And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom." Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.' "Now therefore hear the word of the LORD. You say, 'Do not prophesy against Israel, and do not preach against the house of Isaac.' Therefore thus says the LORD: 'Your wife shall become a prostitute in the city, and your sons and your daughters shall fall by the sword, and your land shall be parceled out by line; you yourself shall die in an unclean land, and Israel shall surely go into exile away from its land."

# LectorThe Word of the Lord.AllThanks be to God.

#### Psalm 82

Read responsively by whole verse.

- Lector 1 God takes his stand in the council of heaven; \* he gives judgment in the midst of the gods:
- All 2 "How long will you judge unjustly, \* and show favor to the wicked?
  - 3 Save the weak and the orphan; \* defend the humble and needy;
  - 4 Rescue the weak and the poor; \* deliver them from the power of the wicked.

Book of Common Prayer p. 705 Deus stetit

- 5 They do not know, neither do they understand; they go about in darkness; \* all the foundations of the earth are shaken.
- 6 Now I say to you, 'You are gods, \* and all of you children of the Most High;
- 7 Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, \* and fall like any prince.'''
- 8 Arise, O God, and rule the earth, \* for you shall take all nations for your own.

# Second Reading

Colossians 1:1–14

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

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

LectorThe Word of the Lord.AllThanks be to God.

# Gradual Hymn

"In Christ There Is No East or West" The Hymnal 1982 #529

Please stand as you are able and sing.

# The Gospel

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

# All Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

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

Book of Common Prayer p. 358

Celebrant 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

Please remain standing as you are able.

**Form VI** | Book of Common Prayer p. 392

*Celebrant* In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Lector* For all people in their daily life and work;

All For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

- *Lector* For this community, the nation, and the world;
- All For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.
- *Lector* For the just and proper use of your creation;
- *All* For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Lector For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
All For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.
Lector For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
All For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.
Lector For Sean our Presiding Bishop; Mark, Gayle, and Mark, our Bishops, Brent and Marissa, our Priests, and Steve, our Deacon;

All For all who serve God in his Church.

*Lector* For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence | The People may add their own petitions.

# The Parish Prayer List

*Deacon* Hear us, Lord;

# All For your mercy is great.

Deacon We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence | The People may add their own thanksgivings.

Deacon We will exalt you, O God our King;

# All And praise your Name for ever and ever.

*Deacon* We pray for all who have died, [especially\_\_\_\_], that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence | The People may add their own petitions.

*Deacon* Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

All Who put their trust in you.

Celebrant We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

The Confession of Sin & Absolution

All Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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*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

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.AllAnd also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

# The Holy Communion

# **Offertory Sentence**

 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 Hymn	"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"   The Hymnal 1982 #657
All sing.	

# Doxology

The Hymnal 1982 #380 (v. 3)

Book of Common Prayer p. 376

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 A**

*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 him thanks and praise.

*Celebrant* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. *A Proper Preface is said here*.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



#### Sanctus & Benedictus

# Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

#### Book of Common Prayer p. 362

*Celebrant* Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

#### All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

*Celebrant* We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN**.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray, in the language of your heart.

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

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.* 

All Therefore let us keep the feast.

*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 Altar Stations only. Communion by intinction is available by the server with the gold vessel, located at the baptismal font 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 baptismal font to the left. 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 Hymn 1

"I Come with Joy" The Hymnal 1982 #304

Communion Hymn 2

"Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless" The Hymnal 1982 #343

# **Post-Communion Prayer**

# *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, 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** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" | The Hymnal 1982 #390 Please stand as you are able and sing.

The Dismissal

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

- Presider 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

"Variation 10" Ten Variations on "Lobe den Herren," Hommage a Pachelbel Christa Rakich

Luke Brennan, Organist

# Flowers at the Altar

This Sunday's Altar flowers are given to the glory of God. If you would like to remember or honor a loved one by giving altar flowers, scan the OR Code, call the office, or visit ghtc.org/flowers for information.



# **Today's Worship Participants**

The Rev. Brent A. Melton, Preacher & Co-Celebrant The Rev. Marissa Sotos, Co-Celebrant The Rev. Steve Pace, Deacon Luke Brennan, Assistant Choirmaster & Organist Burwell Horne, Charlotte Horne, Acolytes Vicky Bleick, Elizabeth Baker, Aanu Adewesi, Olivia Andres, Altar Guild Kristin Carlson Green, Alexander M. Macaulay, Lectors

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