Grace & Holy Trinity Church

an Episcopal parish on Monroe Park





Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost Proper 18, Year C

Holy Baptism & Eucharist, Rite Two

September 7, 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

"Andante Sostenuto" Symphonie Gothique, Op. 70 | Charles-Marie Widor

Dr. Elizabeth Melcher Davis, Organist

Processional Hymn

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" The Hymnal 1982 #423

Please stand as you are able and sing.

Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer p. 299

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

All And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;

All There is one hope in God's call to us;

Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

All One God and Father of all;

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.

The Collect of the Day

Book of Common Prayer p. 233

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

You may be seated for the readings.

First Reading Jeremiah 18:1–11

Lector A reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: "Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words." So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him. Then the word of the Lord came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the Lord: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 139:1-11

The Hymnal 1982 S 410 | Robert Knox Kennedy

Please stand as you are able and sing.

Domine, probasti

Cross symbol (†) indicates a repeat of the second half of the chant.



- All 1 Lord, you have searched me out and known me; * you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.
 - 2 You trace my journeys and my <u>resting-places</u> * and are acquainted with all my <u>ways</u>.
 - 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my <u>lips</u>, * but you, O Lord, know it altogether.
 - 4 You press upon me behind and before * and lay your hand upon me. (continues on next page)

- 5 Such knowledge is too <u>wonderful for me;</u> * it is so high that I cannot at<u>tain to it</u>.
- 6 Where can I go then from your <u>Spirit</u>? * where can I flee from your <u>presence</u>?
- 7 If I climb up to heaven, you are there; *
 if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.
- 8 If I take the wings of the morning * and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
- 9 Even there your hand will <u>lead me</u> * and your right hand hold me <u>fast</u>.
- 10 If I say, "Surely the darkness will <u>cover me</u>, * and the light around me turn to <u>night</u>,"
- 11 Darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the <u>day;</u> *
 - † darkness and light to you are both alike.

Second Reading Philemon 1–21

Lector A reading from Paul's letter to Philemon.

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,

To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have

him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother–especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

"God Is Love" The Hymnal 1982 #379

Please stand as you are able and sing.

The Gospel Luke 14:25–33

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

All Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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

Blessing of the Baptism Bowl

Celebrant We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.

All In joyful obedience to your Son, we come again and again to his fellowship with those who join us in this church following our own baptism promises.

Book of Common Prayer p. 306

Celebrant In the Name of God and of this congregation, I bless this baptismal bowl to hold holy water in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Silence for reflection.

Question

<u>Answer</u>

I do.

The Presentation & Examination

Book of Common Prayer p. 301

Celebrant Parents & Godparents	The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented. We present <i>Warwick Miller Davenport</i> to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.
Celebrant Parents &	Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life? We will, with God's help.
Godparents Celebrant Parents & Godparents	Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ? We will, with God's help.
Question <u>Answer</u>	Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God? I renounce them.
Question <u>Answer</u>	Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God? I renounce them.
Question <u>Answer</u>	Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God? I renounce them.
Question <u>Answer</u>	Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior? I do.

Do you put your whole trust in Christ's grace and love?

Question Do you promise to follow and obey Jesus Christ as your Lord?

Answer I do.

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Warwick in his life in

Christ?

All We will.

The Baptismal Covenant

Book of Common Prayer p. 303

Celebrant Standing, let us join with Warwick who is committing himself to Christ and renew our own

baptismal covenant.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

All I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the

Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will

come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

All I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the

forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the

prayers?

All I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the

Lord?

All I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

All I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

All I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human

being?

All I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Church and the World

The names of those with recent illness in the parish prayer list, prayers for our communities, and for peace in the world.

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers for the Candidates

Book of Common Prayer p. 305

Celebrant Let us now pray for Warwick who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open his heart to your grace and truth.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit. Leader

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Keep *him* in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach *him* to love others in the power of the Spirit.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send *him* into the world in witness to your love.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the

power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and

for ever. Amen.

Thanksgiving over the Water

Book of Common Prayer p. 306

Celebrant The Lord be with you. All And also with you.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. All It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the

> beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by

the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Baptism

Book of Common Prayer p. 307

Celebrant Warwick, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

The Chrism

Book of Common Prayer p. 308

Celebrant Warwick, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.

All Amen.

Prayers over the Newly Baptized

Book of Common Prayer p. 308

Celebrant Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this *your servant* the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain *him*, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give *him* an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works.

All Amen.

The Peace

Welcoming the Newly Baptized

Book of Common Prayer p. 308

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.

All We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

Book of Common Prayer p. 360

All And also with you.

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

Parish Choir

"O How Amiable" Ralph Vaughan Williams

O how amiable are thy dwellings: thou Lord of hosts!

My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord.

My heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God,

And the swallow a nest where she may lay her young:

Even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

They will be alway praising thee.

The glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us:

Prosper thou the work of our hands upon us.

O prosper thou our handiwork.

O God our help in ages past,

Our hope for years to come,

Our shelter from the stormy blast,

And our eternal home.

Doxology

The Hymnal 1982 #380 (v. 3)

Please stand as you are able.

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

Book of Common Prayer p. 361

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.
- Celebrant 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

The Hymnal 1982 S 128

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... "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... 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 our 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.

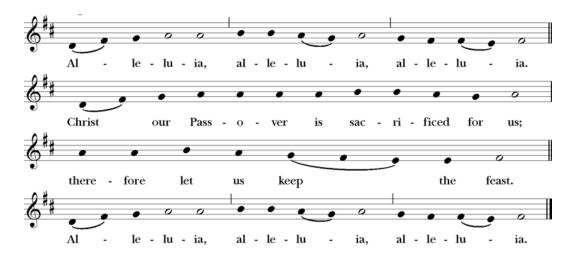
No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos del mal.

Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

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

Fraction Anthem

"Christ our Passover" The Hymnal 1982 S 154



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

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. 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, using 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

"For the Bread Which You Have Broken" The Hymnal 1982 #341

Communion Hymn 2

"Let Thy Blood in Mercy Poured" The Hymnal 1982 #313

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Etern

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

"Lift High the Cross" | The Hymnal 1982 #473

Please stand as you are able and sing.

The Dismissal

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

Deacon 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

"Festival Toccata" | Percy Fletcher

Luke Brennan, Organist

Welcome back to the Parish Choir which is returning this morning after a well-deserved summer break. We are grateful for their musical gifts which enhance our worship services. Special thanks to Luke Brennan, Assistant Choirmaster & Organist, and to the Summer Choir for their excellent musical leadership during the summer.

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 QR Code, call the office, or visit **ghtc.org/flowers** for information.



Today's Worship Leaders

The Rev. Brent A. Melton, Preacher, Co-Celebrant & Deacon
The Rev. Marissa Sotos, Co-Celebrant
Dr. Elizabeth Melcher Davis, Choirmaster & Organist
Luke Brennan, Assistant Choirmaster & Organist
Vake Martin, Gil Martin, Mac Martin, Burwell Horne, Charlotte Horne, Acolytes
Barbara Davenport, Kay Gray, Cary Lee Henderson, Jean Jumet, Altar Guild
Brad Davenport, Mason New, Lectors

The Season after Pentecost: Music

Music has been a part of the liturgy (worship service) from the very beginning. Liturgy by definition was "sung." Chanting/singing was considered the highest form of worship and was the norm through the Middle Ages. We began to lose chanting in the local parish churches in the Reformation. It was revived by the 19th Century and now is common, especially during the Psalm. We remember what Ephesians 5:19–20 says, "... as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."

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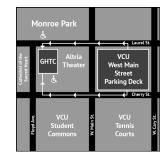


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A Litany for Blessing Backpacks

Adapted by Wendy Claire Barrie

Celebrant For this new beginning, for new books and new ideas,

All God of Wisdom, We give you thanks.

Celebrant For the gift of making mistakes and trying again,

All God of Wisdom, We give you thanks.

Celebrant Help us to remember that asking the right questions is often as important as giving the right

answers.

All God of Wisdom, Hear our prayer.

Celebrant God, our teacher, we ask you to bless these, your children with and their backpacks to be a sign to them that they have everything they need to learn and grow this year in their school. May they be guided by your love. All this we ask in the name of Jesus, who as a child in the temple showed his longing to learn about you, and as an adult taught by story and example your great love for us. Amen.

The Directional Signage of our Ministry Partners

Show us, O Lord, where wisdom is to be found, and point people to various places of understanding. We thank you for our Ministry and Mission Partnerships in Red Door, Circles RVA, St. Andrew's School, The Pace Center, Greater Richmond Children's Choir, and Belize Mission Ministry. As we seek the Lord may this Directional Signage of our Ministry and Mission Partners display and welcome others into these ministries through the power of God. In the Name of God and of this congregation, I bless these directional signs in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Our Front Porch Red Rocking Chairs

God of all wisdom and knowledge, give your blessing and guidance to all who sit in these chairs by your Church. Help us to be models of hospitality to all who pass by. Make us examples from what we have been taught to exhibit our love of you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. In the Name of God and of this congregation, I bless these chairs in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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