

Grace & Holy Trinity Church

an Episcopal parish on Monroe Park



All Saints' Sunday

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November 2, 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 12:00 p.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 time of 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: **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. 194

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And with thy spirit.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O Almighty God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord: Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys which thou hast prepared for those who unfeignedly love thee; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

You may be seated for the readings.

First Reading

Daniel 7:1–3,15–18

Lector A reading from the book of Daniel.

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another. As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter:

"As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom for ever—for ever and ever."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 149

Book of Common Prayer p. 807

Read responsively by whole verse.

Cantate Domino

Lector 1 Hallelujah!

Sing to the Lord a new song; *
sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.

**All 2 Let Israel rejoice in his Maker; *
let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.**

3 Let them praise his Name in the dance; *
let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.

**4 For the LORD takes pleasure in his people *
and adorns the poor with victory.**

5 Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; *
let them be joyful on their beds.

**6 Let the praises of God be in their throat *
and a two-edged sword in their hand;**

7 To wreak vengeance on the nations *
and punishment on the peoples;

**8 To bind their kings in chains *
and their nobles with links of iron;**

9 To inflict on them the judgment decreed; *
this is glory for all his faithful people.
Hallelujah!

Second Reading

Ephesians 1:11–23

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

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory. I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God

of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

The Gospel

Luke 6:20–31

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

All Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. "Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets." "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. "Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets. "But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon

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

Silence for reflection.

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Book of Common Prayer p. 292

Celebrant Let us stand, and affirm our common faith in the renewal of baptismal vows.

The Prayers of the People

Book of Common Prayer p. 328

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*

Necrology

We remember those who have died since last All Saints' Day, especially those connected to Grace & Holy Trinity Church.

Caitlin “V” Bomar
William Hill Brown
Martha Foster
Michael Harper
George Karos
Betty Ann Johns Markham
Mary McDowell
Mary Watt New
William Franze Nunnally
Cesar Paz
Erica Roberts
Harriet Rowe
Kenneth Shreve
Roxanne Stinnett
David Payne Sutor
Richard Telfian
Crandall Thompson

All Saints' Blessing

Celebrant May God give you grace to follow his saints in faith and hope and love; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Eucharistic Prayer A

Book of Common Prayer p. 361

The Lord's Prayer

Book of Common Prayer p. 336

The Breaking of the Bread

Book of Common Prayer p. 337

Communion Instructions

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 say "Amen" when the Chalice is offered: their "Amen" is their verbal acknowledgment of the grace of the sacrament, the full grace of which 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

Celebrant 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

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.

We invite everyone to a reception hosted by the Hospitality Committee in the Parish Hall following 10:30 a.m. worship for our Stewardship Commitment Sunday.

Flowers at the Altar

This Sunday's Altar flowers are in memory of those who have died since last year's All Saints' Day and 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 & Concelebrant*

The Rev. Marissa Sotos, *Concelebrant*

Andrew Peacock, *Lector*

The Season after Pentecost: Music

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 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.

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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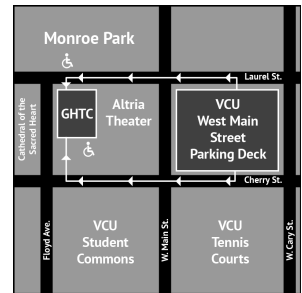
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3. Park in any available space in the deck.
4. After visiting Grace & Holy Trinity, exit the parking deck in your vehicle and scan your parking ticket into the machine at the parking gate arm.
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