

Grace & Holy Trinity Church

an Episcopal parish on Monroe Park



Day of Pentecost

Year A

Holy Eucharist, Rite Two

Sunday, May 24, 2026 | 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 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 Prelude marks the beginning of our worship and is intended as a time of reflection.

Prelude

“Eternal Father, Strong to Save” | Charles Callahan

Dr. Elizabeth Melcher Davis, *Organist*

Processional Hymn

“Hail Thee, Festival Day!” | *The Hymnal 1982* #225

Please stand as you are able and sing.

Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer p. 355

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Collect for Purity

Book of Common Prayer p. 355

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 at the back of the church and will return at the Peace.

Gloria

“Glory to God” | *The Hymnal 1982* S 278

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
might - y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we




praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you




take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



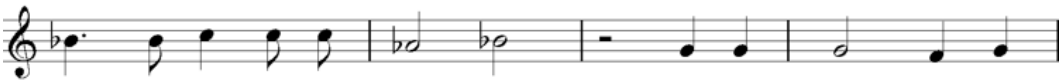
5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



ceive our prayer. 6. For



you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the



Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of



God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

Book of Common Prayer p. 227

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

You may be seated for the readings.

First Reading

Numbers 11:24–30

Lay Reader A reading from the Book of Numbers.

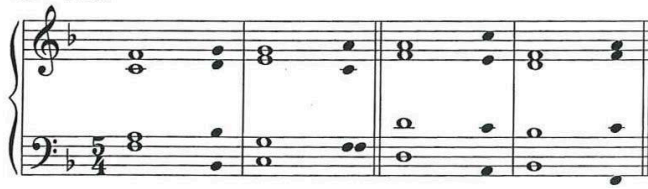
Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again. Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" But Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!" And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp.

Lay Reader The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able and sing.

Benedic, anima mea



- All** 25 O LORD, how manifold are your works! *
 in wisdom you have made them all;
 the earth is full of your creatures.
- 26 Yonder is the great and wide sea
 with its living things too many to number, *
 creatures both small and great.
- 27 There move the ships,
 and there is that Leviathan, *
 which you have made for the sport of it.
- 28 All of them look to you *
 to give them their food in due season.
- 29 You give it to them; they gather it; *
 you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- 30 You hide your face, and they are terrified; *
 you take away their breath,
 and they die and return to their dust.
- 31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; *
 and so you renew the face of the earth.
- 32 May the glory of the LORD endure for ever; *
 may the LORD rejoice in all his works.
- 33 He looks at the earth and it trembles; *
 he touches the mountains and they smoke.
- 34 I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; *
 I will praise my God while I have my being.
- 35 May these words of mine please him; *
 I will rejoice in the LORD.
- 37 Bless the LORD, O my soul. *
 Hallelujah!

Lay Reader A reading from the Book of Acts.

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.” All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.” But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ‘In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’”

Lay Reader The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn

“Eternal Father, Strong to Save” *The Hymnal 1982* #608

Please stand as you are able and sing.

The Gospel

John 20:19–23

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

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

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Marissa Sotos, *Assistant Priest*

Silence for reflection.

The Nicene Creed

Book of Common Prayer p. 358

Celebrant Let us stand, and affirm our common faith in the 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

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

Please remain standing as you are able.

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

Lay Reader For all people in their daily life and work;

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

Lay Reader For this community, the nation, and the world;

All For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Lay Reader For the just and proper use of your creation;

All For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Lay Reader 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.

Lay Reader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

All For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Lay Reader For *Sean* our Presiding Bishop; *Mark, Gayle*, and *Mark*, our Bishops; *Brent, Marissa*, and *Jenny* our Priests; and *Steve*, our Deacon;

All For all who serve God in his Church.

Lay Reader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence | *The People may add their own petitions.*

The Parish Prayer List

Celebrant Hear us, Lord;

All For your mercy is great.

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

Silence | *The People may add their own thanksgivings.*

Celebrant We will exalt you, O God our King;

All And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Celebrant 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.*

Celebrant 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.

Silence for reflection.

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.**

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

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

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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Offertory Anthem

“Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether” | Harold W. Friedell

Parish Choir

Draw us in the Spirit’s tether;
For when humbly, in thy name,
Two or three are met together,
Thou art in the midst of them:
Alleluya! Alleluya! Touch we now thy garment’s hem.

As the brethren used to gather in the name of Christ to sup,
Then with thanks to God the Father,
Break the bread and bless the cup,
Alleluya! Alleluya! So knit thou our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living,
Make as sacraments of thee,
That by caring, helping, giving,
We may be true disciples be.
Alleluya! Alleluya! We will serve thee faithfully.
We will serve thee faithfully.

Doxology

The Hymnal 1982 #380 (v. 3)

**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 God 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

The Hymnal 1982 S 128

**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... "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.**

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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 Breaking of the Bread

Book of Common Prayer p. 364

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

Fraction Anthem

“Christ our Passover” | *The Hymnal* 1982 S 154

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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 or by intinction (dipping) is available from the altar stations. If you choose to intinct, after you receive the wafer, simply pinch the wafer between your thumb and index finger and hold it up near your face. This will signal for the intinction cup to be brought to you. You will dip the wafer yourself and then receive. Communion by Common Cup is also available at the station at the back of the Church by the chapel double doors. 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.

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 and indicate this by crossing your arms across your chest.

Communion Hymn 1

“Come Down, O Love Divine” *The Hymnal 1982* #516

Communion Hymn 2

“Come, Gracious Spirit” *The Hymnal 1982* #512

Post-Communion Prayer

Book of Common Prayer p. 365

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

“Gracious Spirit, Give Your Servants Joy” | *Wonder, Love, and Praise* #782

Please stand as you are able and sing.

1. Gra - cious Spir - it, give your ser - vants joy to set sin's
2. Word made flesh, who gave up glo - ry to be - come our
3. Lov - ing God, who birthed cre - a - tion from the noth - ing -
4. Tri - une God, e - ter - nal Be - ing, nev - er end - ing,

cap - tives free, hope to heal the bro - ken - heart - ed,
great high priest, tak - ing on our hu - man na - ture
ness of space, kin - dling life where all was emp - ty,
un - be - gun, bound - less grace and per - fect jus - tice,

peace to share love's li - ber - ty. Through us bring your balm of
to re - deem the last and least: let your cour - age and com -
turn - ing cha - os in - to grace: when we feel con - fused and
right - eous and for - giv - ing One: so en - fold us in you

glad - ness to the wound - ed and op - pressed; help us claim and
pas - sion shape and guide our min - is - tries; as our Sav - ior
fruit - less, dawn up - on our rest - less night; give us faith's im -
mer - cy that our wills and yours u - nite; through us may the



show God's fa - vor as a peo - ple called and blessed.
 and our Shep - herd, lead us to the truth that frees.
 ag - i - na - tion, hope's re - new - ing, love's de - light.
 world be - hold you, find your love, your truth, your light.

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. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Postlude

“Poco Vivace” *Kleine Präludien und Intermezzi* | Hermann Schröder

Luke Brennan, *Organist*

Flowers at the Altar

This Sunday's Altar flowers are given to the glory of God, and in memory of Grace W. Broaddus. If you would like to remember or honor a loved one by giving altar flowers, scan the QR Code, call the office, or visit ghc.org/flowers for information.



Today's Worship Leaders

The Rev. Marissa Sotos, *Concelebrant & Preacher*

The Rev. Brent A. Melton, *Concelebrant*

The Rev. Steve Pace, *Deacon*

Dr. Elizabeth Melcher Davis, *Choirmaster & Organist*

Luke Brennan, *Assistant Choirmaster & Organist*

Seamus Gregory & Jane Gregory,, *Acolytes*

Karin Walker, Liz Bisset, Sandie Hale & Cathy Saunders, *Altar Guild*

Chase Peak, Leslie Winn & Catherine Perrin, *Chalice Bearers*

Abigail Stinnett & Bill Broaddus, *Lay Readers*

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The Season after Pentecost (Green)

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 is a time Christians should reflect on the meaning of Christ's resurrection in our ordinary life. Clergy vestments and daily dress. The white robe we wear is called an **Alb** coming from "tunica alba" or white tunic. The stole worn over the alb is a reminder of being tacked to Jesus Christ's yoke. Deacons put the stole to the side in order to get it out of the way while serving. Before the Table Liturgy the celebrating priest puts on a **Chasuble**, which means "little house." The stole and chasuble colors typically match the liturgical season on the church. Clergy daily dress is usually a white collar and black shirt similar to the work of the judiciary. This dress is a sign of clergy work, our uniform. However nothing in the Book of Common Prayer tells what we are supposed to wear.

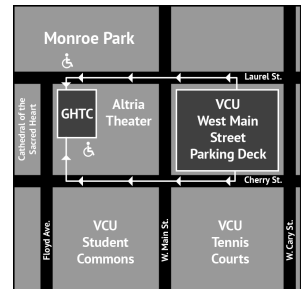
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