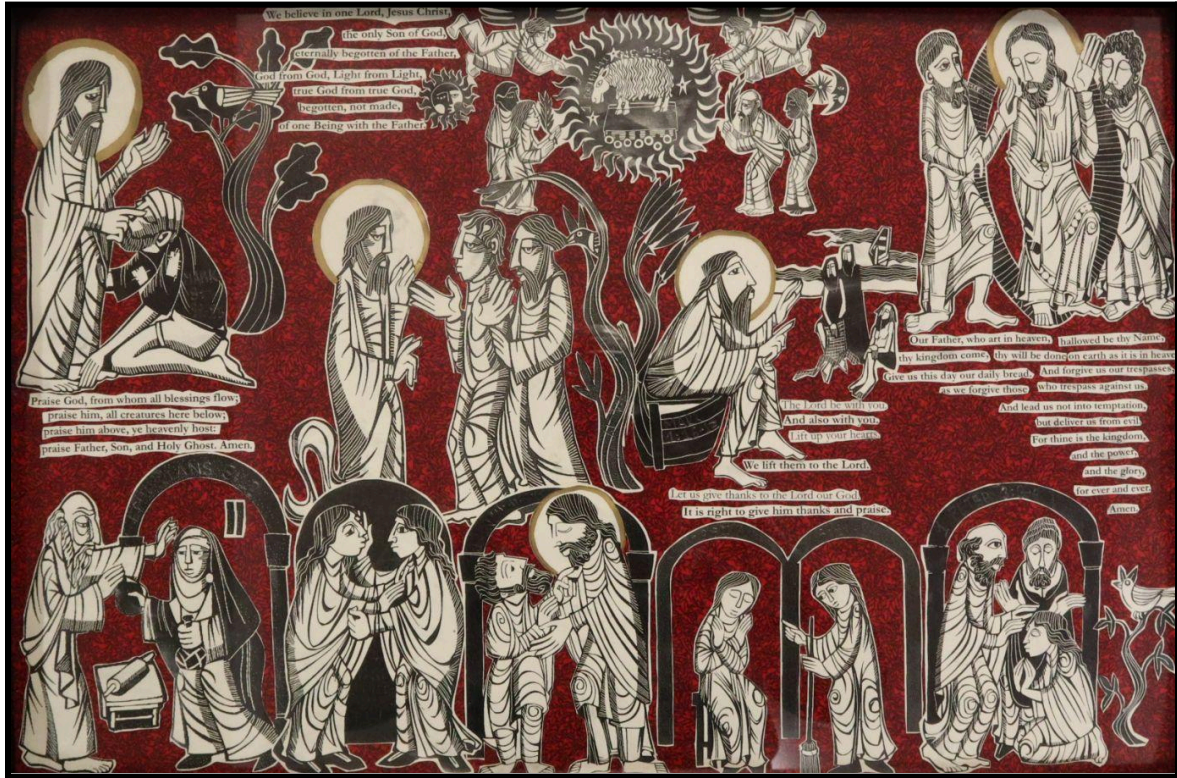


Grace & Holy Trinity Church

an Episcopal parish on Monroe Park



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Compline Service

Thursday, October 22, 2026 | 7:00 p.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. **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 Prelude marks the beginning of our worship and is intended as a time of reflection.

Prelude

“Prière à Notre-Dame” *Suite Gothique*, Op. 25 | Léon Boëllmann

Dr. Elizabeth Melcher Davis, *Organist*

Opening Sentences

The Hymnal 1982 S 321

Parish Choir



The Lord Almighty grant us a peace - ful night and a

All



per - fect end. A - men.

Parish Choir



All

Our help is in the name of the Lord; The maker of heaven and earth.

Confession of Sin

Book of Common Prayer p. 127

Officiant Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

All Almighty God, our heavenly Father: We have sinned against you, through our own fault, in thought, and word, and deed, and in what we have left undone. For the sake of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us all our offenses; and grant that we may serve you in newness of life, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Officiant May the Almighty God grant us forgiveness of all our sins, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Opening Acclamation

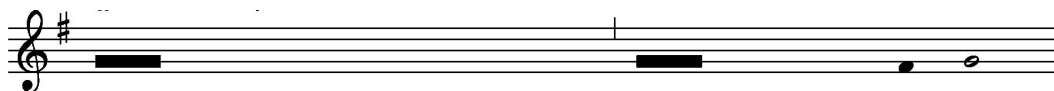
The Hymnal 1982 S 321

Parish Choir



O God, make speed to save us, O Lord, make haste to help us.

All



Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spi - rit:



as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. A - men.

Psalm 31

Robert Knox Kennedy

In te, Domine, speravi

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



All

- 1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge;
let me never be put to shame; *
deliver me in your righteousness.
- 2 Incline your ear to me; *
make haste to deliver me.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,
for you are my crag and my stronghold; *
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.
- 4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, *
for you are my tower of strength.
- † 5 Into your hands I commend my spirit, *
for you have redeemed me,
O LORD, O God of truth.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit; *
As it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be for ever. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Matthew 11:28–30 (NRSVUE) | *Book of Common Prayer* p. 131

Lay Reader Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn

“Bless the Lord”

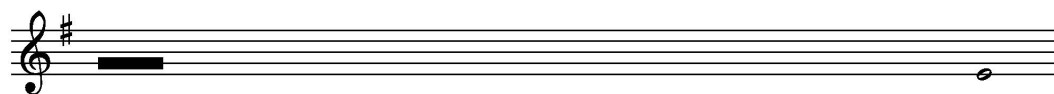
Please stand as you are able and sing three times.

The musical score is for the hymn "Bless the Lord" and is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It begins with a tempo marking of quarter note = 76 and a dynamic of *p* (piano). The score is arranged for voice and piano. The first system of music contains the lyrics "Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name." The second system contains the lyrics "Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life." The piano accompaniment features a simple, steady harmonic support with chords and moving lines in both hands. Chord symbols are provided above the vocal line: Dm, G, Dm, Bb, C, F, A in the first system, and Dm, G, Dm, Bb, C, Dm in the second system. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Versicles

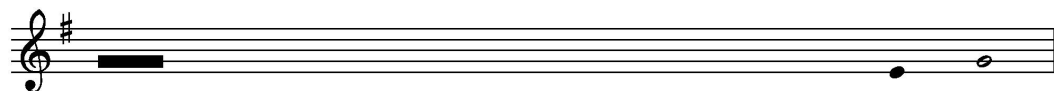
The Hymnal 1982 S 332

Parish Choir (V)



V. Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spi - rit;

All (R)



R. For you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.

The Hymnal 1982 S 333

Parish Choir (V)



V. Keep us, O Lord, as the apple of your eye;

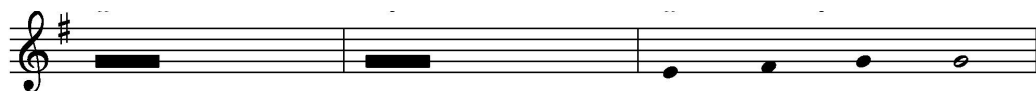
All (R)



R. Hide us under the shadow of your wings.

Parish Choir

All



Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Welcome

The Lord's Prayer

Book of Common Prayer p. 133

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.

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.

Book of Common Prayer p. 133

Officiant Lord, hear our prayer;
All And let our cry come to you.

Officiant Let us pray.

The Collects

Book of Common Prayer p. 133

Officiant Be our light in the darkness, O Lord, and in your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. **Amen.**

Silence may be kept.

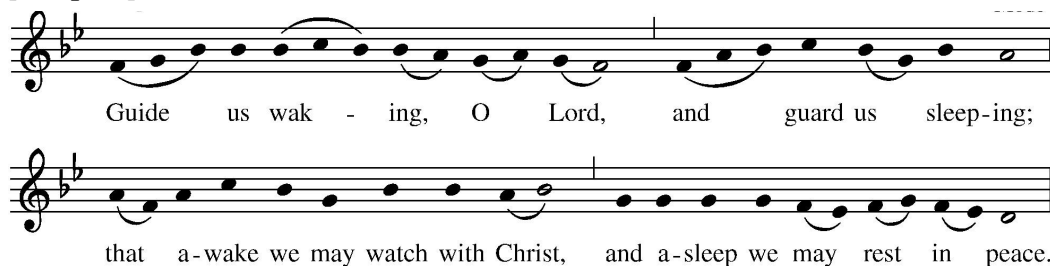
The Song of Simeon

The Hymnal 1982 S 336

Cantor sings verses; All sing antiphon.

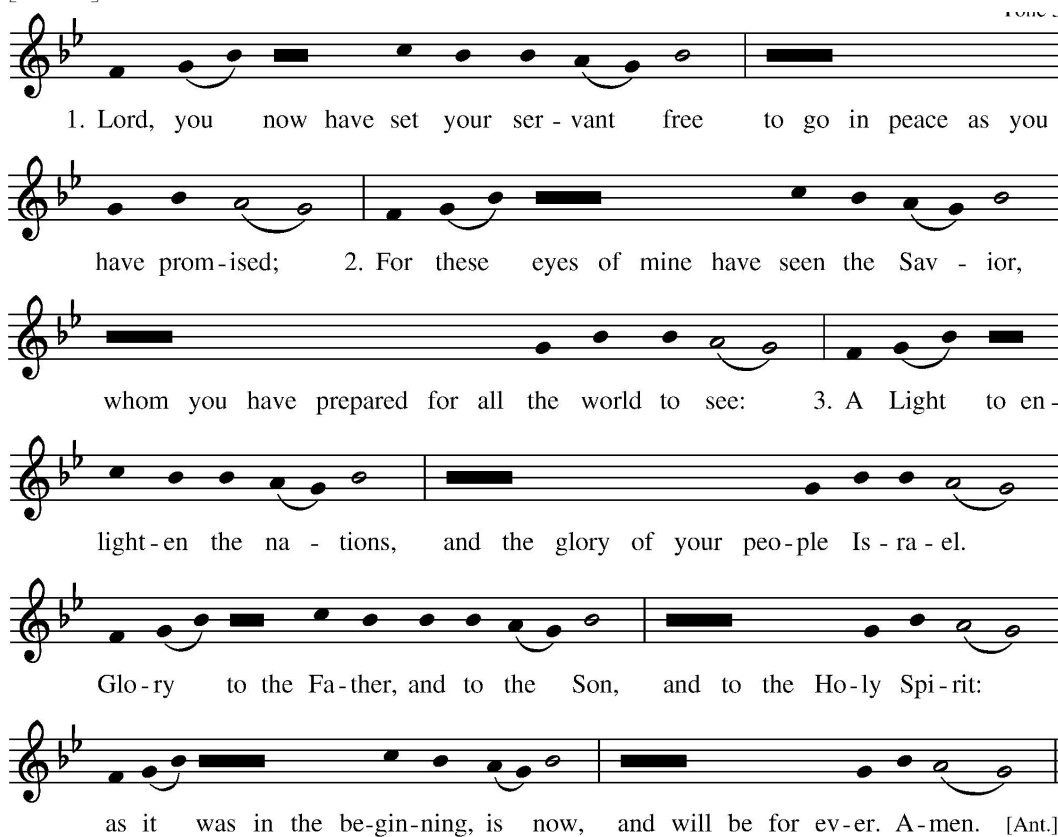
Brendan Landes, *Cantor*

[Antiphon] All



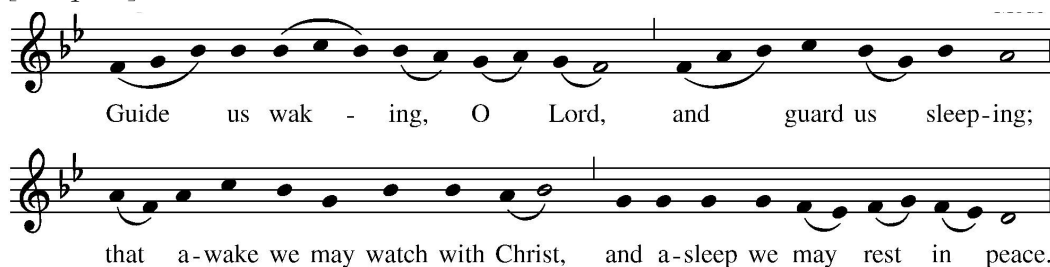
Guide us wak - ing, O Lord, and guard us sleep-ing;
that a-wake we may watch with Christ, and a-sleep we may rest in peace.

[Verses] Cantor



1. Lord, you now have set your ser - vant free to go in peace as you
have prom-ised; 2. For these eyes of mine have seen the Sav - ior,
whom you have prepared for all the world to see: 3. A Light to en-
light-en the na - tions, and the glory of your peo-ple Is - ra - el.
Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spi-rit:
as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now, and will be for ev-er. A-men. [Ant.]

[Antiphon] All



Guide us wak - ing, O Lord, and guard us sleep-ing;
that a-wake we may watch with Christ, and a-sleep we may rest in peace.

Concluding Versicle & Blessing

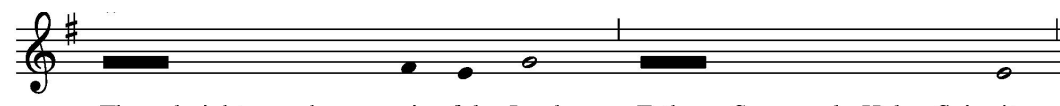
The Hymnal 1982 S 337

Parish Choir **All**



Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Parish Choir



The almighty and mer-ci - ful Lord, Father, Son, and Holy Spi - rit,

All



bless us and keep us. A - men.

Today's Worship Leaders

The Rev. Brent A. Melton, *Officiant*

The Rev. Marissa Sotos, *Clergy*

Dr. Elizabeth Melcher Davis, *Choirmaster & Organist*

Spencer Koger, *Assistant Choirmaster & Organist*

Brendan Landes, *Cantor*

Pastoral Care Phone Number

A Pastoral Care Line is active for parishioners experiencing a pastoral emergency when the church office is closed. The on-call number is **(804) 322-3758**. Voice and text messages can be left at this number. A pastoral care team member will respond soon.

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. 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 of 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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Upcoming Events

Sunday 10/25	9:30 a.m.	Adult Forum: Community & Faith in Colonial North America led by Cary Blankenship (<i>First Floor Classroom</i>)
Sunday 10/25	10:30 a.m.	Children & Youth Sunday* (Livestream Available <i>Church</i>) *8:00 a.m. worship is regularly scheduled. Reminder: Swap Meet RVA takes place in Monroe Park and may cause traffic delays or road closures.
Sunday 10/25	11:45 a.m.	Grace & HolyWeen! (<i>Parish Hall</i>)
Tuesday 10/27	12:30 p.m.	VCU Convocation (Free Admission <i>Church</i>)
Saturday 10/31	10:00 a.m.	Holy Strollers Halloween Walk to the Fan District (<i>Meet at GHTC Parking Lot</i>)
Saturday 10/31	10:00 a.m.	Men's Group (<i>Ellwood Thompson's Cafe, 4 N. Thompson Street, Richmond, VA 23221</i>)
Sunday 11/01	9:30 a.m.	Formation Spotlight: Godly Play (<i>First Floor Classroom</i>)
Sunday 11/01	11:45 a.m.	All Saints' Day Reception (<i>Parish Hall</i>)
Friday 11/06	5:00 p.m.	Parents' Night Out (Pick-Up at 9:30 p.m. <i>Bar Solita, 123 W. Broad Street, Richmond, VA 23220</i>)
Sunday 11/08	9:00 a.m.	Mission Parish Ministry Fair* (<i>Parish Hall</i>) *Also available after worship.
Sunday 11/08	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist with VCU's Vox Concordia Treble Choir & Vocal Chamber Ensemble (Livestream Available <i>Church</i>)
Sunday 11/08	4:00 p.m.	Choral Evensong for Veterans Day & Day of Remembrance (Livestream Available <i>Church</i>)
Monday 11/09	5:30 p.m.	Spirited Sisters (<i>Toast, New American Gastropub at The Village, 7007 Three Chopt Road, Richmond, VA 23226</i>)
Sunday 11/15	4:00 p.m.	Parish Oyster Roast (<i>Sauer Family Home</i>)
Saturday 11/21	5:00 p.m.	Front Porch Forum Dinner (Dinner Begins at 5:30 p.m. <i>Parish Hall</i>)
Saturday 11/21	5:00 p.m.	Youth Bowling Event (<i>Bowlero Richmond, 8037 Shradar Road, Richmond, VA 23294</i>)

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