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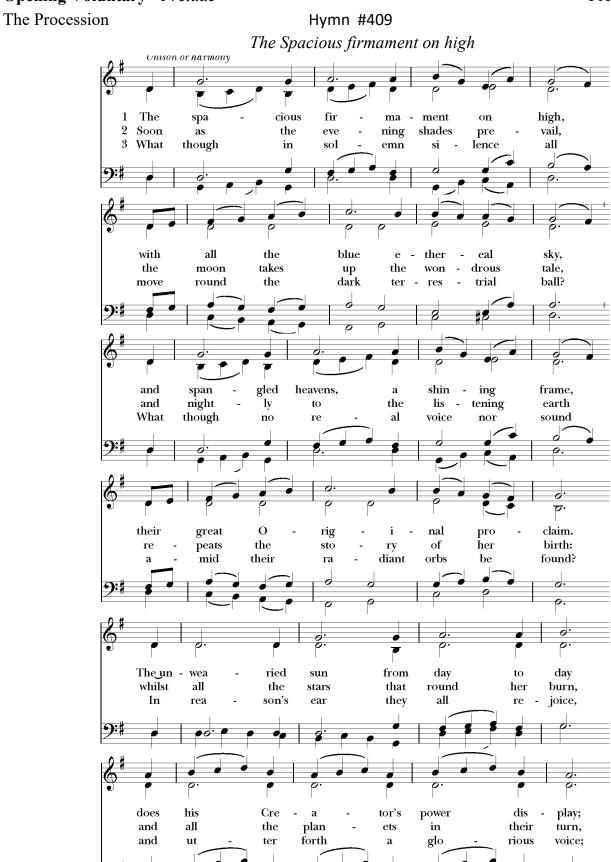
GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

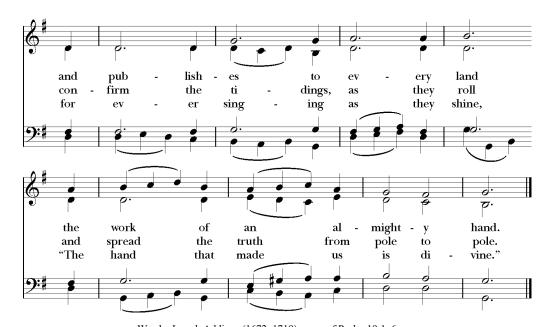
15 September 2024 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

Welcome to Grace!

Opening Voluntary - *Prelude*

Frederic Chopin



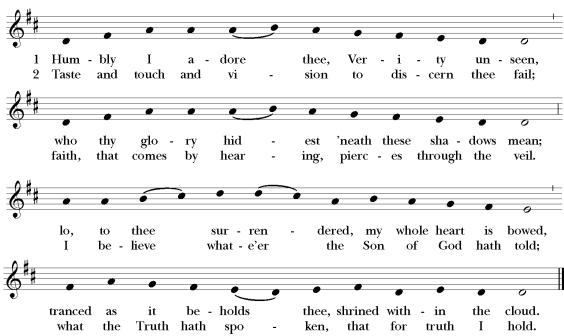


Words: Joseph Addison (1672–1719); para. of Psalm 19:1–6 Music: Creation, Franz Joseph Haydn (1732–1809); adapt. Dulcimer, or New York Collection of Sacred Music, 1950, alt.

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The Word of God

Song of Praise #314



Words: Att. Thomas Aquinas (1225?–1274); sts. 1–3, tr. *Hymnal 1940*; st. 4, tr. *Hymnal 1982* Music: *Adoro devote*, French church melody, Mode 5, *Processionale*, 1697; acc. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867–1944), alt.

The Collect

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

The First Lesson

Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher,

that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word.

Morning by morning he wakens-wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.

The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward.

I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;

I did not hide my face

from insult and spitting.

The Lord God helps me;

therefore I have not been disgraced;

therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries?

Let them confront me.

It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

The Psalm

Psalm 116:1-8

Dilexi, quoniam

- 1 I love the LORD, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, * because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.
- 2 The cords of death entangled me; the grip of the grave took hold of me; *

I came to grief and sorrow.

3 Then I called upon the Name of the LORD: *
"O LORD, I pray you, save my life."

4 Gracious is the LORD and righteous; * our God is full of compassion.

5 The LORD watches over the innocent; *

I was brought very low, and he helped me.

6 Turn again to your rest, O my soul, * for the LORD has treated you well.

7 For you have rescued my life from death, *
 my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling.
 8 I will walk in the presence of the LORD *

in the land of the living.

The Second Lesson

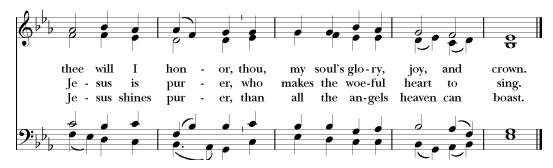
James 3:1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue -- a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

Gospel Hymn #383





Words: German composite; tr. pub. New York, 1850, alt. Music: *St. Elizabeth*, melody from *Schlesische Volkslieder*, 1842; harm. Thomas Tertius Noble (1867–1953)

The Holy Gospel

Mark 8:27-38

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

The Sermon The Rev. Mike Flanagan

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Prayers of the People I - page 383
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The Peace
Announcements

Blessing of the Prayer Shawls, Scarves and Blankets

May God's grace be upon these creations...

warming, comforting, enfolding and embracing.

May these mantles be a safe haven...

a sacred place of security and well being...

sustaining and embracing in good times as well as difficult ones.

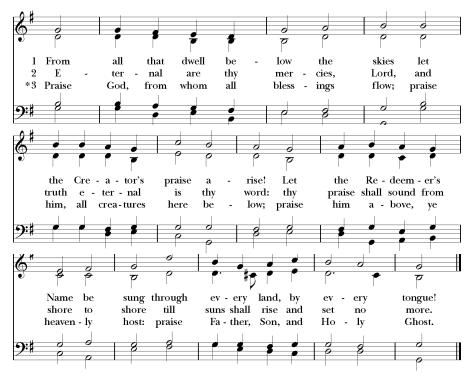
May the ones who receive these creations

be cradled in hope, kept in joy, graced with peace, and wrapped in love.

Offertory - Here I Am, Lord

Dan Schutte

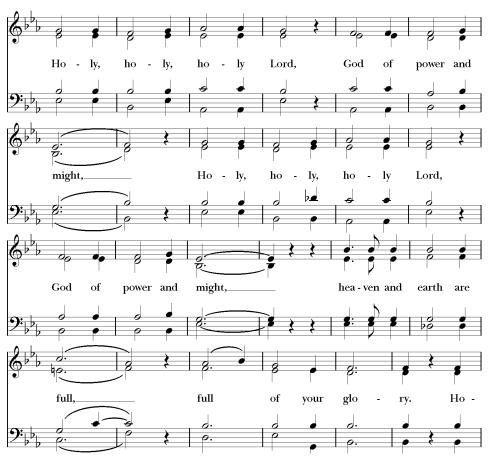
From all that dwell below the skies

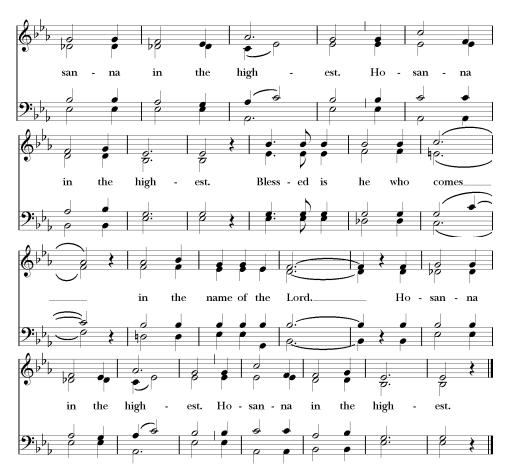


Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), para, of Psalm 117. St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711) Music: Old 100th, melody from Pseaumes Octante trois de David, 1551, alt, ; harm, after Louis Bourgeois (1510-1561)

The Holy Communion

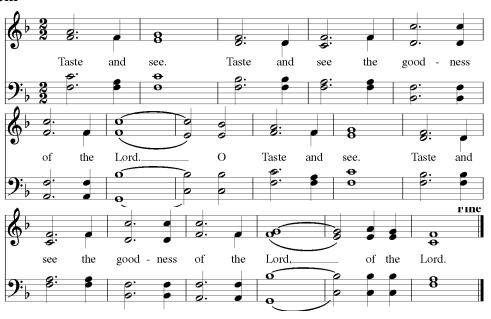
Eucharistic Prayer A - page 361 **Sanctus S-130**





Title: The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: Sanctus Music: From Deutsche Messe, Franz Peter Schubert (1797–1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

Fraction Anthem



Words: Psalm 34

Music: James E. Moore Jr.

Communion Hymn #343

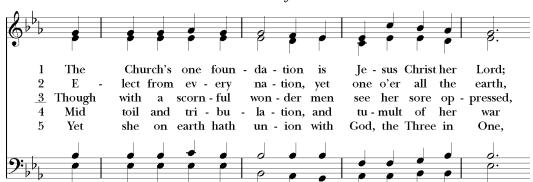
The shepherd of souls

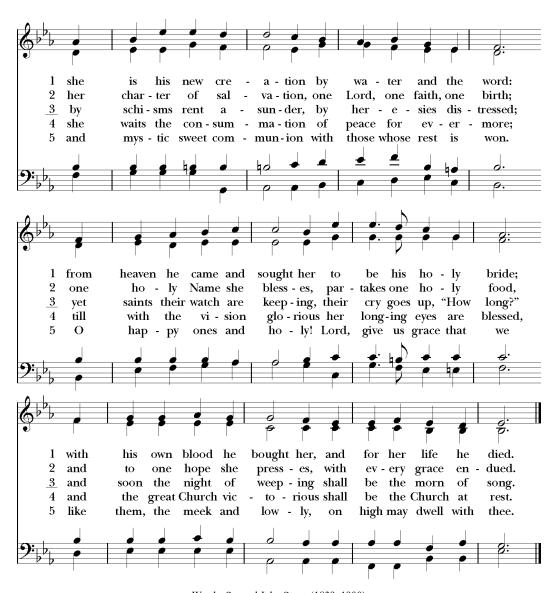


Words: James Montgomery (1771–1845), alt. Music: St. Agnes, melody John Bacchus Dykes (1823–1876); harm. Richard Proulx (b. 1937), after John Bacchus Dykes (1823–1876)

Post Communion Prayer - page 366







Words: Samuel John Stone (1839–1900) Music: *Aurelia*, Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1818–1876)

The Sending Forth - page 366 Closing Voluntary -

Grace Notes

- Annual Giving Report \$2,089 (Deficit)
- Flowers are given by Pat and David Bradham to the Glory of God in Thankfulness for the Grace Church Pastoral Care Committee.
- We are In Need of adults to assist with children's church. If you are interested, please contact Sharon George at slgeorge864@gmail.com
- Fiber Friends and Fellowship: Join us as we knit, crochet, chat and get to know one another. Bring any portable project of handcrafting. We meet Tuesdays at 11 a.m.
- Let's keep the Blessing Box/Little Food Pantry filled!!! A list of suggested items can be found on the bulletin board and in the cloister.
- Coffee Hour just after the 10:30 Service, in the Parish Hall..... Join US, Everyone is Welcome!
- The Order of the **Daughter of the Kings** (DOK) is anticipating establishing a chapter here at Grace Episcopal. If you are currently a member or have been a member, please contact Debbie Hand at (316) 617-2409 or Brenda Richardson at (912) 332-3695. If you are interested in learning more about DOK, please let Debbie or Brenda know.
- South Main Chapel and Mercy Center is in need of Men's and Women's socks and underwear.
 Donations may be left in the cloister or by the church office
- Farther Jack's Time Away: Because Fr. Jack waited so long to take his sabbatical (due to the world going crazy for a few years), he accumulated an unusual amount of leave time. He still has five weeks of leave to take by the end of the year and is trying hard to do so. Thanks for your understanding.

- **EYC** will tonight at 5 p.m.
- NOW IS YOUR CHANCE! Interested in marriage, or baptism or confirmation or studying the faith? The next class of **Episcopal Christianity** join us at **9:15 AM** in the parish library on the following dates. Sept. 29, Oct. 6, 13 and 27.
- Vestry Meeting: Monday, September 16th at 6 p.m.
- Wednesday Night Dinner: Wednesday, September 18th at 6 p.m.
- **Grief Support:** Thursday, September 19th at 10 a.m. Lunch to Follow.
- The Grace Men's social group will be doing something different at 6 p.m. on the third Thursday in September, the 19th, gathering at Magnetic South Brewery on North Main in Anderson. This is reported to be family friendly, beverages other than beer available and their pizza is applauded. So don't bring your favorite beverage this time and no RSVP requested. Hope to see you there.
- Homeless for the Homeless, Build a Box City: September 20th 21st 5 p.m. 7 a.m.
- EYC Family Night at Big Air: Saturday, September 21st 5 p.m.
- Save The Date: We invite you to celebrate the 20 yr wedding anniversary for Brett and Rebecca Dixon with a Renewal of Vows ceremony here at Grace on Saturday, Sept. 28th at 5p.m., and a reception to follow in the Parish Hall. Please text RSVP by today Sept.15 to (864) 617-4364.
- The EDUSC Deputation to the 81st General Convention of the Episcopal Church invites you to participate in a forum to learn about the work of the convention. Forum 2 is Saturday, September 28th at 10 a.m. at St. Michael and All Angels in Columbia.
- Save the date Grace's 26th annual BBQ will take place at the Farmers Market from 5:00 to 8:00 on October 26th, with proceeds going to Family Promise. This is a wonderful way to support each other and our community. We will need your help. There are many ways you can assist in making this happen. Danny will have tickets for you to take and sell, and sign-up sheets will be in the cloister in early September. Did we mention it's great food and tons of fun! If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Danny Ehlert (864) 276-2579 or Carol Miller (303) 507-8816.
- WWW meets Tuesdays 6:30 8 p.m.

Those Who Serve

Vestry-in-Charge: Janet Rippy **Second Counter:** Mike Magaha

Lector: Nick Sacco
Lector: Kate Wilford
Intercessor: Jane Williams
Chalice 2: Cory Trotter
Eucharist Visitor: Cory Trotter

1st Crucifer: David Burden Server/Gospel Bearer: Brett Dixon

Torch Bearers: Lucy Peebles, Brianna Swinford Ushers: Nathanael Burden, Christopher Wilford

Linen Guild: Dixie Harris **Altar Guild:** Janet Rippy

Interim Organist/Choirmaster: Bill Scott
Organist Emeritus: Bill Scott

Those with birthdays this week

Norm Avinger
Nancy Devine
Cari Baker
Teagan Roberts
Pete Crosby
Royce Brown
Zoe Willis
Lawrence McMillan
Julien LeBrun
Nathanael Burden
Sprett Dixon
Joey Oppermann
Betty Gurrad

Jane Williams

Linda Hoffman

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