

GRACE



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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

The Procession

Hymn #409

The Spacious firmament on high

Unison or harmony

The musical score is written for three voices (Soprano, Alto, and Tenor) and piano accompaniment. It consists of eight systems of music. Each system has a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are as follows:

1 The spa - cious fir - ma - ment on high,
2 Soon as the eve - ning shades pre - veil,
3 What though in sol - emn si - lence all

with all the blue e - ther - eal sky,
the moon takes up dark the won - drous tale,
move round the dark ter - res - trial ball?

and span - gled heavens, a shin - ing frame,
and night - ly to the lis - tening earth sound
What though no re - al voice nor sound

their great O - rig - i - nal pro - claim.
re - peats the sto - ry of her birth:
a - mid their ra - diant orbs be found?

The un - wea - ried sun stars from day to day
whilst all the stars that round her burn,
In rea - son's ear they all re - joice,

does his Cre - a - tor's power dis - play;
and all the plan - ets in their turn,
and ut - ter forth a glo - rious voice;

and pub - lish - es to ev - ery land
 con - firm the ti - dings, as they roll
 for ev - er sing - ing as they shine,

the work of an al - might - y hand.
 and spread the truth from pole to pole.
 "The hand that made us is di - vine."

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

1 Hum - bly I a - dore thee, Ver - i - ty un - seen,
 2 Taste and touch and vi - sion to dis - cern thee fail;

who thy glo - ry hid - est 'neath these sha - dows mean;
 faith, that comes by hear - ing, pierc - es through the veil.

lo, to thee sur - ren - dered, my whole heart is bowed,
 I be - lieve what - e'er the Son of God hath told;

tranced as it be - holds thee, shrined with - in the cloud.
 what the Truth hath spo - ken, that for truth I hold.

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

Fairest Lord Jesus

1 Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Ru - ler of all na - ture, O thou of
2 Fair are the mea - dows, fair - er still the wood - lands, robed in the
3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair - er still the moon - light, and all the

God and man the Son; thee will I cher - ish,
bloom - ing garb of spring: Je - sus is fair - er,
twink - ling, star - ry host: Je - sus shines bright - er,

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features a treble and bass staff for each system. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff. The first system contains three verses of lyrics. The second system contains the concluding lines of the hymn. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a clear bass line.

thee will I hon - or, thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.
 Je - sus is pur - er, who makes the woe - ful heart to sing.
 Je - sus shines pur - er, than all the an - gels heaven can boast.

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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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

Hymn 380

From all that dwell below the skies

1 From all that dwell below the skies let
 2 E - ter - nal are thy mer - cies, Lord, and
 *3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise
 the Cre - a - tor's praise a - rise! Let the Re - deem - er's
 truth e - ter - nal is thy word: thy praise shall sound from
 him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
 Name be sung through ev - ery land, by ev - ery tongue!
 shore to shore till suns shall rise and set no more.
 heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

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**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
 might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
 God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are
 full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

Taste and see. Taste and see the good - ness
of the Lord. O Taste and see. Taste and
see the good - ness of the Lord. of the Lord.

Words: Psalm 34

Music: James E. Moore Jr.

Communion Hymn #343

The shepherd of souls

1 Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen
 2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy
 3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not
 4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine thy Bo - dy

pil - grim flock with man - na in the
 word of grace, in strength of which we
 then de - part; Sa - vior, a - bid with
 and thy Blood, that liv - ing bread, that

wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.
 trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.
 us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.
 heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

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)

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The Procession

Hymn #525

The Church's one foundation

1 The Church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord;
 2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der men see her sore op - pressed,
 4 Mid toil and tri - bu - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war
 5 Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God, the Three in One,

1 she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word:
 2 her char - ter of sal - va - tion, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
 3 by schi - sms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed;
 4 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for ev - er - more;
 5 and mys - tic sweet com - mun - ion with those whose rest is won.

1 from heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
 2 one ho - ly Name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
 3 yet saints their watch are keep - ing, their cry goes up, "How long?"
 4 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blessed,
 5 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we

1 with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
 2 and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en - dued.
 3 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.
 4 and the great Church vic - to - rious shall be the Church at rest.
 5 like them, the meek and low - ly, on high may dwell with thee.

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

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Zoe Willis

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