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GRACE CHURCH

7 June 2026

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II
Second Sunday After Pentecost

Welcome to Grace!

Opening Voluntary - *Where There is Love*

arr. Bill Scott

The Procession

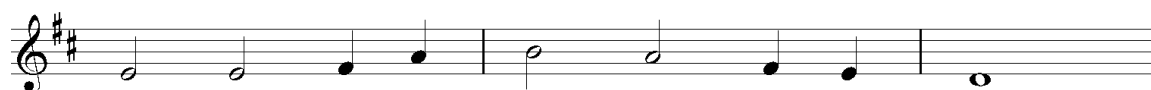
Hymn #686
Come, Thou Fount



1 Come, thou fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my
2 Here I find my great - est trea - sure; hith - er,
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly



heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mer - cy nev - er
by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good
I'm con - strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a



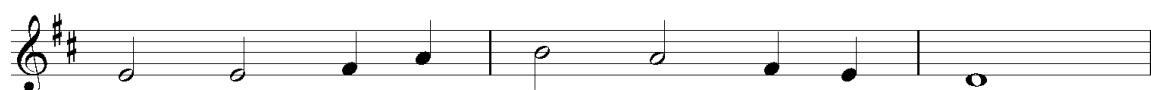
ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee:



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by
Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger wan - dering
prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to



flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me
from the fold of God; he, to res - cue me from
leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and



on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Words: Robert Robinson (1735-1790), alt.

Music: Nettleton, melody from *A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II*, 1813; harm. Gerre Hancock (b. 1934)

The Liturgy begins on page 355

The Word of God

A Song of Praise

Hymn #8

Morning has Broken

Unison or harmony

1 Morn-ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing,
2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from hea - ven,
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing

black-bird has spo - ken like the first bird. _____
like the first dew - fall on the first grass. _____
born of the one light E - den saw play! _____

Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the morn - ing!
Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet gar - den,
Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - ery morn - ing,

Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word! _____
sprung in com - plete - ness where his feet pass. _____
God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day! _____

Words: Eleanor Farjeon (1881–1965), alt.

Music: *Bunessan*, Gaelic melody; harm. Alec Wyton (b. 1921)

The Collect

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson

Genesis 12:1-9

Now the LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother’s son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the LORD appeared to Abram, and said, “To your offspring I will give this land.” So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the LORD and invoked the name of the LORD. And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

The Psalms

Psalm 33:1-12 (*read responsively by half verse*)

Exultate, justi

- 1 Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous; *
it is good for the just to sing praises.
- 2 Praise the LORD with the harp; *
play to him upon the psaltery and lyre.
- 3 Sing for him a new song; *
sound a fanfare with all your skill upon the trumpet.
- 4 For the word of the LORD is right, *
and all his works are sure.
- 5 He loves righteousness and justice; *
the loving-kindness of the LORD fills the whole earth.
- 6 By the word of the LORD were the heavens made, *
by the breath of his mouth all the heavenly hosts.
- 7 He gathers up the waters of the ocean as in a water-skin *
and stores up the depths of the sea.
- 8 Let all the earth fear the LORD; *
let all who dwell in the world stand in awe of him.
- 9 For he spoke, and it came to pass; *
he commanded, and it stood fast.
- 10 The LORD brings the will of the nations to naught; *
he thwarts the designs of the peoples.
- 11 But the LORD's will stands fast for ever, *
and the designs of his heart from age to age.
- 12 Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD! *
happy the people he has chosen to be his own!

The Second Lesson

Romans 4:13-25

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Gospel Hymn LEVAS #136

I have Decided to Follow Jesus

1. I have de - cid - ed to fol - low Je - sus,
2. Though no one join me, still I will fol - low,
3. The world be - hind me, the cross be - fore me,

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The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The melody is written in a simple, folk-like style. The lyrics are: "No turn - ing back, no turn - ing back!" with a smaller line below the first phrase that says "(no turn - ing back,)". The music features a mix of eighth and quarter notes, with some rests and a final cadence.

Words: Ascribed to an Indian Prince; as sung in Garo, Assam

Music: Indian Folk Melody; arr. Norman Johnson

The Holy Gospel

Priest: *The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.*

People: *Glory to you, Lord Christ*

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me."

And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

Priest: *The Gospel of the Lord.*

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed - page 358

Prayers of the People Form II - page 385

Confession of Sin and Absolution - page 360

The Peace

Announcements (*Please notify the rector beforehand*)

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 - *The Solid Rock of Ages*
Hymn

arr. Bill Scott

We Give Thee but Thine Own

1. We give Thee but Thine own, What - e'er the gift may be;
2. May we Thy boun - ties thus As stew - ards true re - ceive,
3. The cap - tive to re - lease, To God the lost to bring,
4. And we be - lieve Thy Word, Tho' dim our faith may be;

All that we have is Thine a - lone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.
And glad - ly, as Thou bless - est us, To Thee our first - fruits give.
To teach the way of life and peace, It is a Christ - like thing.
What - e'er for Thine we do, O Lord, We do it un - to Thee.

The Holy Communion

Eucharistic Prayer A - page 361
Sanctus WLP 858

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

The Great Amen LEVAS #233

A - men, A - men,

A - men, A - men, A - men.

Words: Traditional Music: Negro Spiritual; ar. Horace Clarence Boyer (b. 1935)

Fraction Anthem LEVAS #154

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: Eleanor Farjeon (1881-1965), alt.

Music: *Bunessan*, Gaelic melody; harm. Alec Wyton (b. 1921)

Communion Hymns #336

Come with us

1 Come with us, O bless - ed Je - sus, with us ev - er -
*2 Come with us, O might - y Sa - vior, God from God, and
*3 Come with us, O King of glo - ry, by an - gel - ic
more to be; and though leav - ing now thine
Light from Light; thou art God, thy glo - ry
voiced; in our hearts as in thy
al - tar, let us nev - er - more leave thee.
veil - ing, so that we may bear the sight.
hea - ven, be en - rap - tured an - thems raised.

Be thou one with us for ev - er, in our life thy
 Now we go to seek and serve thee, through our work as
 Let the might - y cho - rus ev - er sing its glad ex -

love di - vine our own flesh and blood has
 through our prayer; grant us light to see and
 ul - tant songs; let its hymn be heard for

tak - en, and to us thou giv - est thine.
 know thee, in thy peo - ple ev - ery - where.
 ev - er— peace for which cre - a - tion longs.

Words: John Henry Hopkins, Jr. (1861-1945) and Charles P. Price (b. 1920) Music: *Werde munter*, Johann Schop (d. 1665?); arr. and harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Hymn #343

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 - bide 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)

Post Communion Prayer - page 366
The Blessing of the People
The Procession

Hymn #493
O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my dear Re - deem - er's praise,
 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim
 3 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease;
 4 He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive,
 5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;

1 the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!
 2 and spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.
 3 'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
 4 the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - jice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.
 5 ye blind, be - hold, your Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

6 Glory to God and praise and love
 be now and ever given
 by saints below and saints above,
 the Church in earth and heaven.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.

Music: *Azmon*, Carl Gotthilf Gläser (1784-1829); adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

The Sending Forth - page 366
Closing Voluntary - *Lead on, O King Eternal*

Grace Notes

- **Welcome Visitors:** Please take a moment to fill out the visitor card located in the pew and place it in the offering plate. We are glad you chose to worship with us today.
- **WWW** is asking for YOUR help in our efforts to collect diapers, wipes, and feminine hygiene products support the Anderson County Diaper Bank. Donations may be placed in the cloister. We are grateful to **Louise Knisley** for coordinating collection and delivery on our behalf.
- **Daughters of the King:** If you are interested in learning more about Daughters of the King, we will begin a class on **Saturday, June 13th at 10 a.m.** in the Library. We will have tea and nibbles for our first meeting. It will run for 8 weeks. For more information contact Debbie Hand at handrab@yahoo.com or Barbara Renaud at barbrenaud@yahoo.com.
- **Grace Life** is forming a committee to help with church events and creative new ways to enrich parish life. All are welcome to join. If interested contact Cyndi Dougherty (631) 766-3619 text, email cyndi-doug458@gmail.com, or see her.
- **Guy's Gathering at Grace** will meet at Grace on **Thursday, June 18th at 6 p.m.**
- **June Prayer Class:** Sundays **June 7, 14, and 21st at 9:15 a.m.** in Fr. Jack's study. We will be discussing the modern classic *Help Thanks Wow* by Anne Lamott. Bring a copy, read chapter 1 for the first week.
- **Summer Food For Kids** will begin on **May 22nd**. We meet at **12pm** to deliver meals and books to children in neighborhoods around the church. We welcome any donations of books for children and teenagers! If you are interested or have any questions, please talk to Sharon.
- The **Volan and Potter wedding** will be **Saturday, June 13th at 4 p.m.** at Grace.
- **Veterans Drive:** St. Catherine's Guild and Guys Gathering at Grace will begin collecting items for the Richard Campbell Veterans Home Drive **Sunday, May 24th**. Those items may be placed in the tote in the labeled tote in the cloister. See may newsletter for a list of items.
- **Eucharistic Visitor Training:** Arch Deacon Mary Jeffers will hold a eucharistic visitor training on **June 14th at 2 p.m.** at St. Michael's. If you are interested in attending this training, please let the front office know.
- The **Grace Ladies' Prayer Group** will only meet **Wednesday, June 10th** for the summer, We will meet at 10 a.m. in the Grace Library.
- On behalf of **Saturday Servants**, we would like to thank everyone for your support for the month of May. Because of your giving spirit, we were able to distribute over 200 sandwiches each Saturday. You made our endeavor successful. Wishing you all God's blessings and peace!
- **Playground Days:** Join us **June 8th, 10th, 17th, and 29th** on the playground at Grace from **10 a.m.– noon** for snacks, popsicles, and summer fun. All families are welcome.
- **Vestry** will meet **Monday, June 15th at 6 p.m.**

• THE GRACE CODE



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SAVE THE DATE

Episcopal Christianity Class: Sundays in July and August at 9:15 a.m. in Fr. Jack's study, for those who would like to be baptized on All Saints Sunday, or confirmed, or who want to study the faith and talk about interesting things.

VBS: we are gearing up for VBS! **Every Wednesday night in July** beginning on July 8, we will have VBS **from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.**, and the whole church is invited! If you are interested in serving in any capacity at VBS this year, please make sure you talk to Sharon so we can make sure you are Safe Church certified.

SAVE THE DATE: Grace Annual BBQ is **October 10, 2026.**

Weekly Gatherings

Fiber, Friends, and Fellowship: Starting May 5th FFF will begin meeting every Tuesday from 12 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Bridge Card Group: Wednesday from 3-5 p.m. in the library.

Those who serve

Vestry-in-Charge: Jodie Webb

Second Counter: Bill Scott

Lector: Sara Cheek

Lector: Michael Cerps

Intercessor: Cindy Hopkins

Chalice 1: David Burden

Chalice 2: Debbie Hand

1st Crucifer: Christopher Wilford

Server/Gospel Bearer: David Burden

Ushers: Brett Dixon, Maxwell Jeffers

Linen Guild: Barbara Renaud

Altar Guild: Pam Herold, Bess Boyer

Organist/Choirmaster: Bill Scott

Organist Emeritus: Bill Scott

Celebrant: The Rev. Jack Hardaway

Those with birthdays this week

Sydney Baker
Jesse Ehlert
George Burgess
Norma Strang
Bob Prince
Andy Prince
Mac McGaw
Jane Hughes

Baptismal Newbirth Day

23 April

27 March

21 October
01 April

Those with Baptismal Newbirth Days this week

Heiko Erlenkeuser 10 June
Hanna Erlenkeuser 12 June

Altar Flowers

Flowers are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of Elizabeth Faith Lytton,
by Ronnie and Cindy Hopkins and Ashley Lytton Burdette.

Expectant Parents

Donovan and Erin Colman
Joey and Asheton Benson

Stewardship Report

As of 4/30/2026

YTD 2026 Revenue \$159,743

YTD 2026 Expenses \$159,331

YTD 2026 Surplus \$412

Vestry Members

Kirri Kinley - 2024-2026
Mike Magaha - 2024-2026
Debbie Hand, Sr. Warden - 2024-2026
Henry Todd - 2025-2026
Jodie Webb, Jr. Warden - 2025-2027
Bill Scott - 2025-2027
Cyndi Dougherty - 2025-2027
Heiko Erlenkeuser - 2025-2027
Buddy Bilbrey - 2026-2028
Jamie Ward, Clerk - 2026-2028
JoCarol Titmas - 2026-2028
Tracey Lidlow - 2026-2028

Delegates to the Convention

Janet Rippy
Debbie Hand
Bill Scott
Jamie Ward
Jodie Webb 1st alternate
Carol Miller 2nd alternate
JoCarol Titmas 3rd alternate

Grace Church Endowment

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