



**GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
**The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**July 25, 2021**  
**Morning Prayer, Rite 2**

Book of Common Prayer

**PRELUDE**

*Liebster Jesu wir sind hier - J. S. Bach*

**GREETING AND OPENING SENTENCE**

Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me,  
and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling. ~*Psalm 43:3*

**CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION**

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*The Officiant says to the people.*

So now let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor

*Silence may be kept.*

*Officiant and People together,*

**Most merciful God,**

**we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us;**

**that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,**

**to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy upon us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

*Officiant:* Lord open our lips.

*People:* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

**GLORIA (All)** 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. Alleluia.

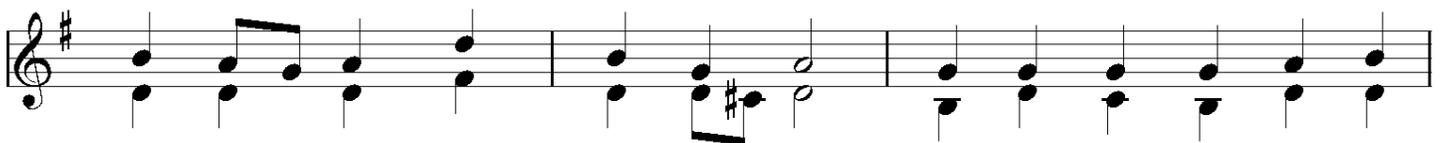
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**VENITE** *In unison*

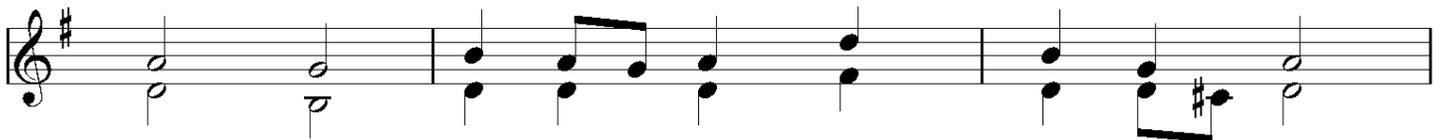
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**HYMN #440** (*Masks must be worn while singing this hymn*)

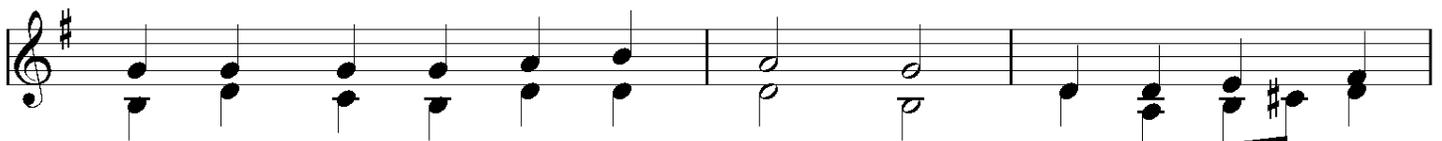
*Blessed Jesus, at thy word*



1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at thy word we are gath - ered all to  
2 All our know - ledge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est dark - ness  
3 Gra - cious Lord, thy - self im - part! Light of Light, from God pro -



hear thee; let our hearts and souls be stirred  
shroud - ed, till thy Spi - rit breaks our night  
ceed - ing, o - pen thou our ears and heart,



now to seek and love and fear thee; by thy teach - ings  
with the beams of truth un - cloud - ed; thou a - lone to  
help us by thy Spi - rit's plead - ing. Hear the cry thy



pure and ho - ly, drawn from earth to love thee sole - ly.  
God canst win us; thou must work all good with - in us.  
Church up - rais - es; hear, and bless our prayers and prais - es.

<sup>1</sup> The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God."  
All are corrupt and commit abominable acts;  
there is none who does any good.

<sup>2</sup> **The LORD looks down from heaven upon us all,  
to see if there is any who is wise,  
if there is one who seeks after God.**

<sup>3</sup> Every one has proved faithless;  
all alike have turned bad;  
there is none who does good; no, not one.

<sup>4</sup> **Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers  
who eat up my people like bread  
and do not call upon the LORD?**

<sup>5</sup> See how they tremble with fear,  
because God is in the company of the righteous.

<sup>6</sup> **Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted,  
but the LORD is their refuge.**

<sup>7</sup> **Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion!  
when the LORD restores the fortunes of his people,  
Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad**

**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. Alleluia.**

**A READING FROM EPHESIANS 3:14-21**

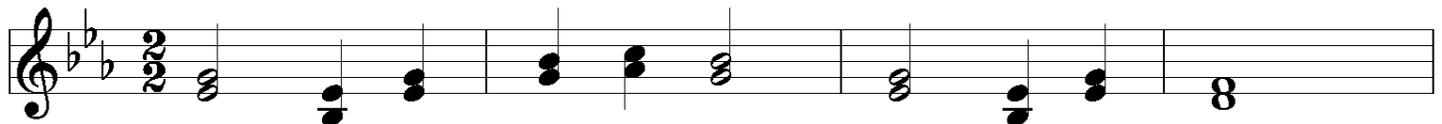
I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

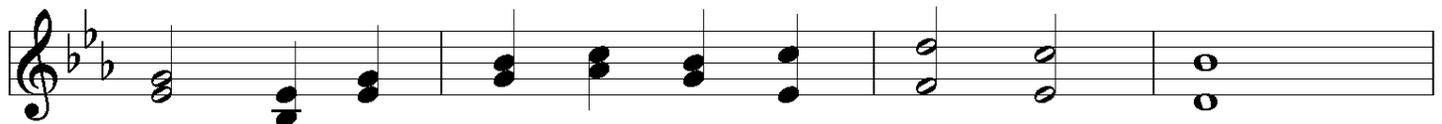
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.  
 For behold, darkness covers the land; deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.  
 But over you the Lord will rise, and his glory will appear upon you.  
 Nations will stream to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawning.  
 Your gates will always be open; by day or night they will never be shut.  
 They will call you, The City of the Lord, The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.  
 Violence will no more be heard in your land, ruin or destruction within your borders.  
 You will call your walls, Salvation, and all your portals, Praise.  
 The sun will no more be your light by day;  
 by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.  
 The Lord will be your everlasting light, and your God will be your glory.  
 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.

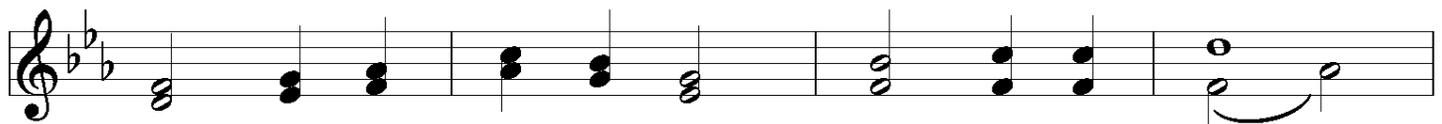
HYMN (Masks must be worn while singing this hymn)

*Break thou the bread of life, Dear Lord*

1. Break thou the bread of life, Dear Lord, to me,  
 2. Bless thou the truth, dear Lord, To me, to me,  
 3. Teach me to live, dear Lord, On - ly for thee,



1. As thou didst break the loaves Be - side the sea;  
 2. As thou didst bless the bread By Gal - i - lee;  
 3. As thy dis - ci - ples lived in Gal - i - lee;



1. Be - yond the sa - cred page I seek thee, Lord;  
 2. Then shall all bond - age cease, All fet - ters fall,  
 3. Then, all my strug - gles o'er, Then, vic - t'ry won,



1. My spir - it pants for thee, O liv - ing word!  
 2. And I shall find my peace, My all in all.  
 3. I shall be - hold thee, Lord, The liv - ing one.

## A READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF JOHN 6:1-21

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## CANTICLE 15 ~ *The Song of Mary*

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**My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior;  
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.  
From this day all generations will call me blessed:  
the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.  
He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation.  
He has shown the strength of his arm, he has scattered the proud in their conceit.  
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly.  
He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty.  
He has come to the help of his servant Israel, for he has remembered his promise of mercy,  
The promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children for ever.  
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.**

REFLECTION AND A TIME OF SILENCE – *A bell will sound three times.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE APOSTLE'S CREED

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I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER *traditional*

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### SUFFRAGES "B"

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V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;  
R. **Govern and uphold them, now and always.**

V. Day by day we bless you;  
R. **We praise your Name for ever.**

V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;  
R. **Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.**

V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;  
R. **For we put our trust in you.**

V. In you, Lord, is our hope;  
R. **And we shall never hope in vain.**

### THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

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O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### A PRAYER FOR TRAVELERS

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O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O gracious God, we remember before you today your servant and apostle James, first among the Twelve to suffer martyrdom for the Name of Jesus Christ; and we pray that you will pour out upon the leaders of your Church that spirit of self-denying service by which alone they may have true authority among your people; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE PRAY FOR ALL OF WHO HAVE BEEN IMPACTED BY THE COVID-19 VIRUS -- THOSE WHO ARE SICK, THOSE WHO'VE DIED, AND THOSE WHO MOURN. *Silence*

AS WE PRAY FOR THE FOLKS ON OUR PRAYER LIST ...

for all who are traveling, especially **Josey Parker** and **Cameron Klass** ...

and those with special needs:

**Robin** Sink, **Mark** Adkins, **Chris** Alexander, **Cora** Alexander, **Amanda** Amon, **Ella** Asebes, **Scott** Biesecker, **Alice** Brandon & family, **Baylee** Brown, **Gayle** Burke, **Andrea** Cain, **Stella** Cappel, **Russell** Cinque, **Lynne** Cleckley, **Becky** Clodfelter, **Richard** Cooper, **Morgan** Curia, **Barbara** Dixon, **Johanna** Dresser, **Suzanne** Eller, **Anita** Ewbank, **Mark** Frye, **Aubrie** Gallen, **Shana** Garland, **Marlon** Gaskins, **Susan** Gibson, **Holly** Gray, **Jan** Greer, **Jane** Grimes, **George** Hanna, **Rob** Hare, **Kristen** Harris, **Elizabeth** Harvey, **Nancy** Hinkle, **Chris and Mike** Hodges, **Jon** Huff, **Nancy** Hutchins, **Lindsay** Layfield, **Cara** Lee, **Lynn** Mack, **Carol** May, **Kate** McKenzie, **Nicholas** Melomo, **Molly** Michael, **Roan** Mitchell, **Dan & Fran** Moore, **O'Lema** Morgan, **Page** Onorato, **Lynn** Parsley, **Gabby** Plott, **Jacklyn** Rojas, **Suzy** Sheets, **Talmadge** Silversides, **Amy** Burkhart Smith, **Dan Griff** Smith, **Martha Ellen** Smith, **Louise** Snyder, **Clarice & Henry** Surratt, **Robin** Tilley, **Jackie** Touchton, **Toni** Underwood, **Kathy** Watson, **Frances** Welch, **Courtney** Weller, **Susan** Whetmore, **Flynn** Williams, **Mary** Williams, and **Charlotte** Young.

✦ *At this time, you may offer your prayers in the comments bar on Facebook so that we may pray with you through the week.*

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time  
with one accord to make our common supplication to you;  
and you have promised through your well-beloved Son  
that when two or three are gathered together in his Name  
you will be in the midst of them:

Fulfill now, O Lord,  
our desires and petitions as may be best for us;  
granting us in this world knowledge of your truth,  
and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

**DISMISSAL** Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Do not fear, for I am with you, do not be afraid, for I am your God;  
I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand. **Amen.**  
*~Isaiah 41:10*

**POSTLUDE**

*Trumpet Voluntary -G. Young*

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