



(Masks must be worn during this service)

GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH
The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
August 15, 2021
Morning Prayer, Rite 2

No gathering can be completely safe. Unvaccinated people remain susceptible to contracting COVID-19. Singing can increase transmission from infected individuals.

Book of Common Prayer

PRELUDE

Morning Song - Wm. France

GREETING AND OPENING SENTENCE

So he commanded the clouds above and opened the doors of heaven.
He rained down manna upon them to eat and gave them grain from heaven. ~Psalm 78:23-24

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.**

INVITATORY AND PSALTER

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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.**

ANTIPHON

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: **Come let us adore him.**

VENITE

In unison

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HYMN #304 (vv. 1-3)
(Masks must be worn while singing this hymn)

I come with joy to meet my Lord

PSALM 111 *Responsively by whole verse*

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¹ Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

**² Great are the deeds of the LORD!
they are studied by all who delight in them.**

³ His work is full of majesty and splendor,
and his righteousness endures for ever.

**⁴ He makes his marvelous works to be
remembered;
the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.**

⁵ He gives food to those who fear him;
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

**⁶ He has shown his people the power of his
works in giving them the lands of the nations.**

⁷ The works of his hands are faithfulness and
justice; all his commandments are sure.

**⁸ They stand fast for ever and ever,
because they are done in truth and equity.**

⁹ He sent redemption to his people;
he commanded his covenant for ever;
holy and awesome is his Name.

**¹⁰ The fear of the LORD is the beginning of
wisdom; those who act accordingly have a
good understanding;
his praise endures 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. Alleluia.**

A READING FROM EPHESIANS 5:15-20

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

CANTICLE 8 ~ *The Song of Moses* *In unison*

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HYMN #488 *(Masks must be worn while singing this hymn)*

Be thou my vision

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL OF JOHN 6:51-58

Jesus said, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink."

Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

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

CANTICLE 16~ *The Song of Zechariah* *In unison* **Pg. 92-93**

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE APOSTLE'S CREED *In unison* **Pg. 96**

THE LORD'S PRAYER *traditional* *In unison* **Pg. 97**

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THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY *In unison* **Pg. 232**

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR OUR STUDENTS *In unison*

Lord, thank you for the unique gifts of every child as they transition into a new school year. Fill each student with fresh enthusiasm and a heart that is excited to learn and grow. Cover them with your enduring love, give them confidence and grace, and equip them with the ability to persevere through trials. Bless their teachers with wisdom, understanding, and a heart to serve, as they embark on the journey together! Amen.

A BLESSING FOR BACKPACKS *In unison*

God of knowledge and wisdom, bless all students young and old, as they begin a new school year. Help them to discover and develop the gifts you have given. As they grow in knowledge, help them to also grow in kindness and compassion, learning respect for themselves and others. We ask your blessing on parents and all those who care for students. Strengthen them to surround our students with encouragement, support, and love. Remind us that wherever we go, you are always with us. Fill us with the joy of learning so that we may be better equipped to be your servants. Amen.

A COLLECT FOR THE RENEWAL OF LIFE *In unison* **Pg. 99**

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; 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 Burkhardt 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.*

ORGAN MEDITATION

Interlude - D. Wood

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING *In unison*

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

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
~Romans 15:13

POSTLUDE

Engleberg (All Praise to Thee, for Thou O King Divine) - C. V. Stanford

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