

# Grace Episcopal Church

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost July 31, 2022 The Holy Eucharist: Rite II - 10:30 a.m.

> INSERT FOR INSTRUCTED EUCHARIST

**P**RELUDE



### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

*Lector* A reading from the Book of Ecclesiastes.

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me -- and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

- The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God.

# **PSALM 138** (responsively by whole verse)

- <sup>1</sup> Hear this, all you peoples; hearken, all you who dwell in the world, you of high degree and low, rich and poor together.
- <sup>2</sup> My mouth shall speak of wisdom, and my heart shall meditate on understanding.
- <sup>3</sup> I will incline my ear to a proverb and set forth my riddle upon the harp.
- <sup>4</sup> Why should I be afraid in evil days, when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,
- <sup>5</sup> The wickedness of those who put their trust in their goods, and boast of their great riches?
- <sup>6</sup> We can never ransom ourselves, or deliver to God the price of our life;

- <sup>7</sup> For the ransom of our life is so great, that we should never have enough to pay it,
- <sup>8</sup> In order to live for ever and ever, and never see the grave.
- <sup>9</sup> For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid they perish and leave their wealth to those who come after them.
- <sup>10</sup> Their graves shall be their homes for ever, their dwelling places from generation to generation, though they call the lands after their own names.
- <sup>11</sup> Even though honored, they cannot live for ever; they are like the beasts that perish.

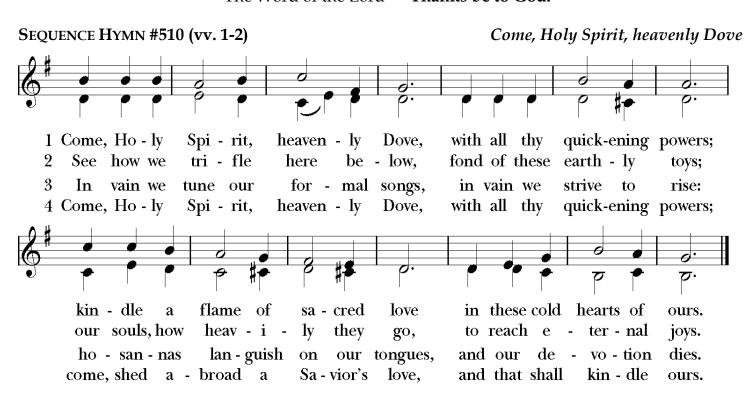
THE EPISTLE Colossians 3:1-11

*Lector* A reading from the letter to the Colossians.

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things-- anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

- The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God.



THE GOSPEL Luke 12:13-21

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, `What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, `I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, `Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, `You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

-- The Gospel of the Lord People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**SEQUENCE HYMN #510 (vv. 3-4)** 

Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We pray for all who are traveling, especially **Cameron** Klass, **Andrew** Duncan, **Josey** Parker, and **Jack** Tincher and those with special needs:

Mark Adkins, Chris Alexander, Cora Alexander, Amanda Amon, Ella Asebes, Alice Brandon & family, Baylee Brown, Emily Duquette Byers, Andrea Cain, Lynne Cleckley, Terry and Crystal Clendenin, Morgan Curia, Tracy Davis, Barbara Dixon, Anita Ewbank, Renee Ewbank, Marc Frye, Jenny Gallen and family, Shana Garland, Jane Grimes, George Hanna, Rob Hare, Kristen Harris, Nancy Hinkle, Chris Hodges, Jon Huff, Eddie Lane, Lindsay Layfield, Cara Lee, Lynn Mack, Carol May, Kate McKenzie, Nicholas Melomo, Roan Mitchell, Dan & Fran Moore, O'Lema Morgan, Gilliam Nicholson, Page Onorato, Melissa Owens, Lynn Parsley, Emily Pate, Bill Phillipps, Doris Reece, Anne Rives, Libby Robert, Jacklyn Rojas, Lucas Sanabria, Tommy Shaw, Suzy Sheets, Talmadge Silversides, Amy Burkhart Smith, Dan Griff Smith, Martha Ellen Smith, Louise Snyder, Jackie Touchton, Laura Turlington, Kathy Watson, Flynn Williams, Mary and Jay Williams, and Charlotte Young.

## **OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY**

*Ode to Joy -* L. Beethoven

## Pianist, Tucker Sheets

Tucker Sheets is a rising 3rd grader at Southwood School. He attends Grace Church with his family and enjoys the music program. Tucker has been a piano student for a little more than 6 months. Other than piano, his other interests are farming with Papaw, taking care of his own 8 chickens, and baseball. It is a delight to have him participate in the service today.

### **DISMISSAL HYMN #594**

God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power; crown thine ancient Church's story; bring her bud to glorious flower. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise: grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the living of these days.

God of grace and God of glory

Cure thy children's warring madness, bend our pride to thy control; shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore; let the gift of thy salvation be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore.

#### **POSTLUDE**

The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God by Lynn Meeks and Max Leonard in loving memory of Doug Meeks and Myra Leonard.