



Grace Episcopal Church

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Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 22, 2025 – 10:30 am

Choral Eucharist, Rite II



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Our Mission Statement

To Love, Proclaim, and Serve God

through life-giving liturgical worship + joyful community + empowering others

Contacting Grace

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HOME COMMUNION

Home Communion is available upon request for parishioners who desire this service by Eucharistic Visitors every Sunday. Home Communion will be in one form, Bread only. To request Home Communion, parishioners are asked to contact the Parish Office by telephone at 703-549-1980 no later than 12 pm on the Wednesday prior to the Sunday on which they would like to receive Home Communion.

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

CHORAL EUCHARIST, RITE II

Children 3 months until 3 years are welcome in the nursery. Please ask an usher to direct you.

PRELUDE

Come, Holy Spirit

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

The people stand.


HYMN 372

Praise to the living God!

Leoni


THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant



Bless-ed be God: Father, Son, and Ho-ly Spi-rit.

People



And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ev-er. A-men.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP, p. 355

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Children ages 3 years – 3rd grade follow the Crucifer to Children's Chapel.

GLORIA S-280

Powell



1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and



peace to his peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven-ly



King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we



give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry. 3. Lord Je-sus



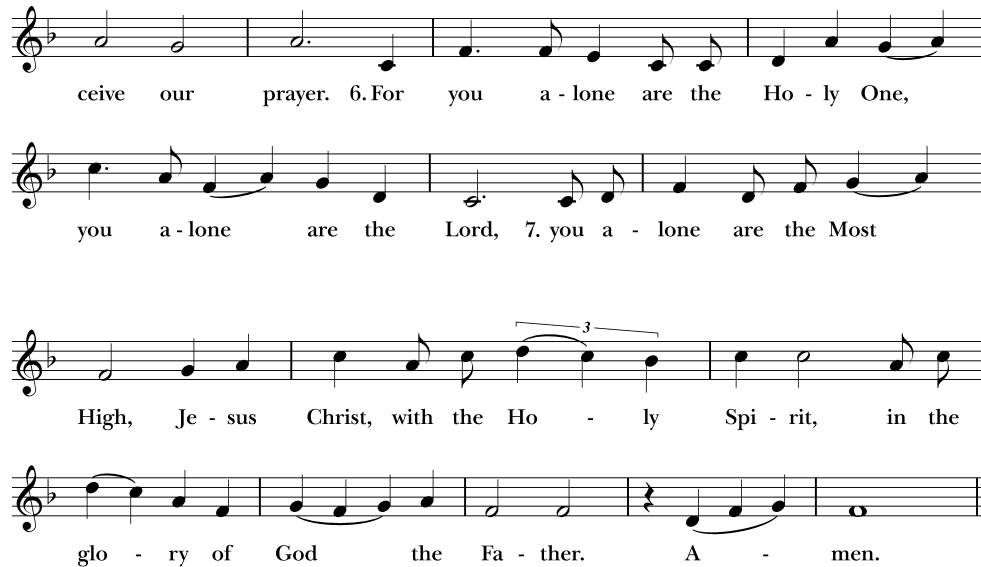
Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy



on us; 5. you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-



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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 65:1-9

Lector A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask,
to be found by those who did not seek me.
I said, "Here I am, here I am,"
to a nation that did not call on my name.
I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people,
who walk in a way that is not good,
following their own devices;
a people who provoke me
to my face continually,
sacrificing in gardens
and offering incense on bricks;
who sit inside tombs,
and spend the night in secret places;
who eat swine's flesh,
with broth of abominable things in their vessels;
who say, "Keep to yourself,
do not come near me, for I am too holy for you."

These are a smoke in my nostrils,
 a fire that burns all day long.
 See, it is written before me:
 I will not keep silent, but I will repay;
 I will indeed repay into their laps
 their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together,
 says the Lord;
 because they offered incense on the mountains
 and reviled me on the hills,
 I will measure into their laps
 full payment for their actions.
 Thus says the Lord:
 As the wine is found in the cluster,
 and they say, "Do not destroy it,
 for there is a blessing in it,"
 so I will do for my servants' sake,
 and not destroy them all.
 I will bring forth descendants from Jacob,
 and from Judah inheritors of my mountains;
 my chosen shall inherit it,
 and my servants shall settle there.

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

PSALM 8

Simplified Chant, S-411

Sung by all.

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)



18 Be not far away, O | Lord; *
 you are my strength; hasten to | help me.

19 Save me from the | sword, *
 my life from the power of the | dog.

20 Save me from the lion's | mouth, *
 my wretched body from the horns of wild | bulls.

21 I will declare your Name to my | brethren; *
 in the midst of the congregation I will | praise you.

22 Praise the Lord, you that | fear him; *
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;
all you of Jacob's line, give | glory.

23 For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither does he hide his face | from them; *
but when they cry to him he | hears them.

24 My praise is of him in the great as-|sembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who | worship him.

25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the Lord shall | praise him: *
"May your heart live for | ever!"

26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the | Lord, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow be-|fore him.

27 For kingship belongs to the | Lord; *
he rules over the | nations.

THE SECOND LESSON

Galatians 3:23-29

Lector A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Galatians.

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand.

Hymn 295

Sing praise to our Creator

Christus, der ist mein Leben

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 8:26-39

Priest The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" ~ for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission.

Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated.

SERMON

Mother Emma Brice

Silence is kept.

THE NICENE CREED

BCP, p. 358

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Leader and People pray responsively

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop, Sean; and our Bishops Mark, Gayle, and Mark; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray especially for our Journey to Adulthood Pilgrims: Perrin, Tyson, Ryan, Ellen, Celia, Drew, Cole, Simon, Breen, Todd, Justin, Heather, and Anne. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed, especially Jeanne-Marie Murphy, friend of parishioner Sheryll Dodd and Albert Miller, brother-in-law of parishioner Vance Allen. Pray for those who have died.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

Celebrant

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

BCP, p. 360

Silence may be kept.

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

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

THE PEACE

BCP, p. 332

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The people are seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

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Refrain: There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole,
there is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.

Sometimes I feel discouraged and think my work's in vain,
but then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again. *Refrain*

If you cannot sing like angels, if you cannot preach like Paul,
you can tell the love of Jesus and say, "He died for all." *Refrain.*

The people stand and sing the hymn.

HYMN LEVAS II #195

I've been 'Buked

Traditional

1. I've been 'buked an' I've been scorned,
2. Dere is trou - ble all o - ver dis worl',
3. Ain' gwine lay my 'li - gion down,

1. I've been 'buked an' I've been scorned, chil - dren;
2. Dere is trou - ble all o - ver dis worl', chil - dren;
3. Ain' gwine lay my 'li - gion down, chil - dren;

1. I've been 'buked an' I've been scorned,
2. Dere is trou - ble all o - ver dis worl',
3. Ain' gwine lay my 'li - gion down,

1. I've been talked a - bout sho's you' born.
2. Dere is trou - ble all o - ver dis worl'.
3. Ain' gwine lay my 'li - gion down.

Words: Traditional. Music: Negro Spiritual; arr. Carl Haywood (b. 1949), from *The Haywood Collection of Negro Spirituals*. Arr. Copyright © 1992 Carl Haywood.



Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

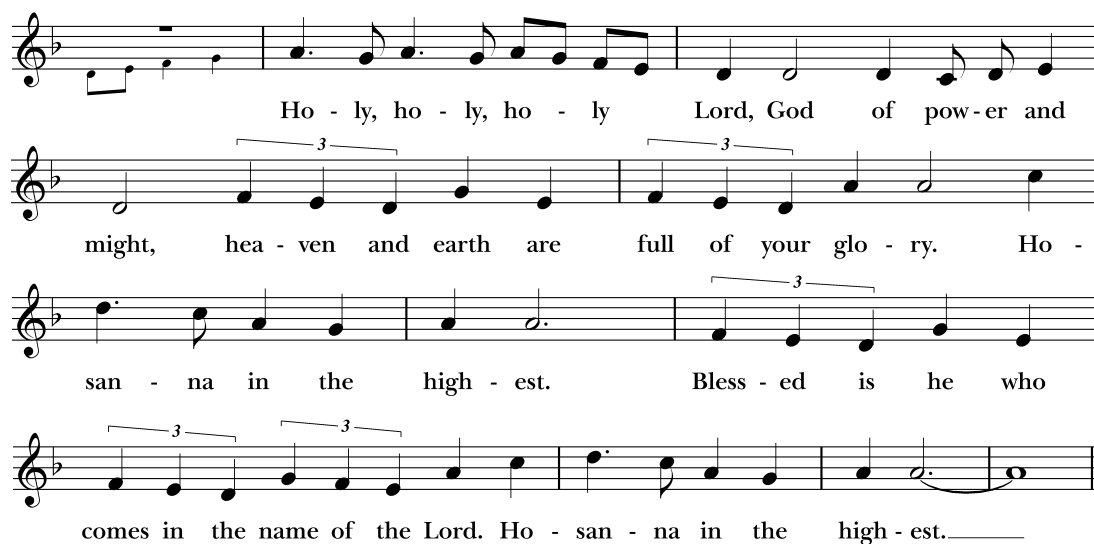
People
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus and Benedictus

Hymnal S-129



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and

might, hea - ven 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._____

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Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

William H. Plant

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hal-lowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in Heav-en.
Give us this day our dai-ly bread, And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who tres-pass a- gainst us.
And lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, but de-liv-er us from e-vil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glo-ry,
For ev-er and ev-er, A - men.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Hymnal S-163

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sins of the world: have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you



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THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

BCP, p. 338

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the eucharist.

Please come forward at the direction of the ushers.

*A full communion is made with the bread alone, but if you choose to receive the wine,
you may either drink from the cup, or you may offer your wafer to the person holding the chalice,
who will dip the bread in the wine for you.*

*If you prefer a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest. Gluten free wafers are available; simply ask the priest.
If you do not wish to receive communion at the altar, let an usher know, and communion can be brought to you in your pews.*

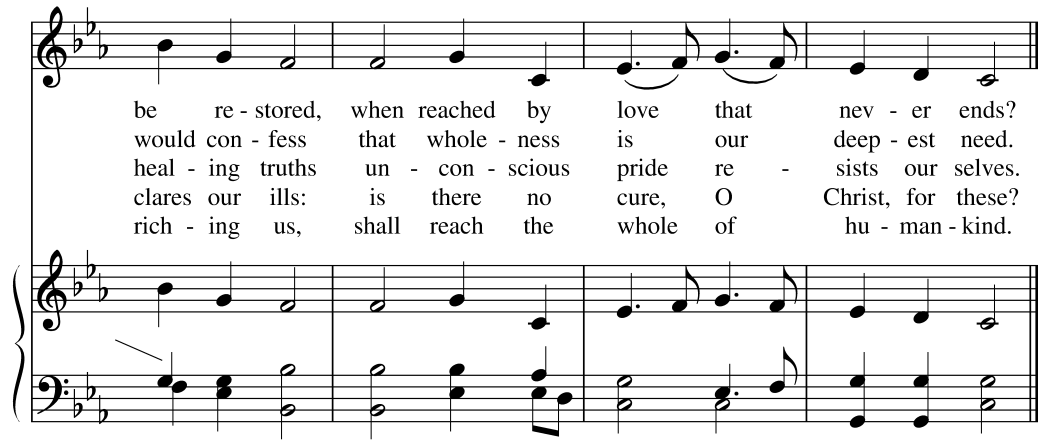
HYMN WLP 772

O Christ, the healer, we have come

Kedron

1. O Christ, the heal - er, we have come to pray for
2. From ev - ery ail - ment flesh en - dures our bod - ies
3. How strong, O Lord, are our de - sires, how weak our
4. In con - flicts that de - stroy our health we rec - og -
5. Grant that we all, made in one faith, in your com -

health, to plead for friends. How can we fail to
clam - or to be freed; yet in our hearts we
know - ledge of our - selves! Re - lease in us those
nize the world's dis - ease; our com - mon life de -
mu - ni - ty may find the whole - ness that, en -



Words: Fred Pratt Green (b. 1903). Music: *Kedron*, melody att. Elkanah Kelsay Dare (1782-1826); harm. *The Southern Harmony*, 1835; adapt. *Hymnal* 1982.

THE SENDING FORTH OF LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we share in one bread, one cup.**

The people stand.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.

Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen**

All stand and sing the hymn.

CLOSING HYMN 411

O bless the Lord, my soul!

St. Thomas (Williams)

THE DISMISSAL

BCP, p. 366

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia.**

VOLUNTARY

Miles Lane

Healey Wilan (1880-1968)

Celebrant

Father Santiago Rodriguez

Assisting & Preacher

Mother Emma Brice

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Intercessor

June Huber

Accompanist

Arthur Roach

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Elenor Reed, Cindy MacIntyre

ANNOUNCEMENTS AS OF JUNE 22, 2025

The weekly announcement deadline is Monday at 12 pm. Announcements arriving after that time will be held for the following week. Please limit announcements to 75 words. Announcements will be edited for content and length. Email requests to announcements@gracealex.org.

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and by
Beth Yancey & Dennis Padilla in thanksgiving for Libby Padilla's graduation from college.

If you would like to dedicate Altar Flowers for an upcoming Sunday, scan the QR code to the right.



ANNOUNCEMENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

***** Headings for New Announcements Added This Week are Shaded. *****

SUMMER CHOIR

From Sunday June 22 until the last Sunday in August, there will be the summer choir. If you would like to sing one or more of those Sundays, come to the choir room (St. Cecilia Room) at 9:30 AM on Sunday to learn the day's anthem and psalm (Simplified Anglican Chant). During the summer, the choir does not vest. If you don't have the time to commit to choir during the program year, this is a perfect opportunity for you to have fun singing with no strings attached.

THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN FEAST DAY EUCHARIST, TUESDAY, JUNE 24 AT 7:30 A.M.

We invite you to celebrate the Nativity of Saint John Feast Day Eucharist in the Malm Narthex on Tuesday, June 24 at 7:30 am. This service lasts about 30 minutes and provides an opportunity for prayer and reflection. Eucharist is followed with breakfast at IHOP for anyone who wants to join.

ALEXANDRIA PRIDE EUCHARIST – JUNE 28 @ NOON

Join us at Christ Church (118 N Washington St.) for a joyful & affirming Eucharist during Alexandria's Pride Festival. Episcopal churches across Alexandria are coming together to celebrate the beauty and diversity of the LGBTQ+ community. We're thrilled to welcome the Rev. Will Dickinson, Transition Minister for the Diocese of Virginia, as our preacher. All are invited to stay for the Alexandria Pride Festival at Market Square from 3:00–5:00 pm. The Episcopal churches will host two booths, and we would love your help or simply for you to stop by. If you're interested in helping with tabling, please contact Father Santiago (Santiago.rodriquez@gracealex.org) or Mother Emma (emma.brice@gracealex.org).

TOWER DOOR INTERCOM & ACCESS SYSTEM INSTALL RESCHEDULED FOR WEEK OF 6/30.

Our vendor has rescheduled the intercom and access system installation at our main tower glass doors for the week of June 30. If you are involved in a ministry that requires access to the church building outside of regular office hours, please contact the lead for your ministry so we can ensure you receive a new access code after installation. New codes will be emailed to parishioners with access needs next week.

CELEBRATE PRIDE MONTH WITH OUR LGBTQ+ AFFIRMING READING LIST

In celebration of Pride Month, your Grace clergy have curated a Pride Reading List featuring affirming LGBTQ+ Christian theology - including thoughtful selections for adults and children alike. You can access the reading list on our website. We believe that learning from the experiences of others opens our hearts and minds, helping us grow into a more welcoming, inclusive, and affirming community. At Grace, belonging is one of our core values. Everyone belongs at Grace. No exceptions.



ANNOUNCEMENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK (CONTINUED)

SERMON SERIES: FINDING STABILITY IN A CHANGING WORLD

Over the course of four Sundays this summer (July 6, 13, 20, and 27), our clergy will reflect in their sermons on the theme of stability. How do we stay grounded in a changing world? How does stability allow for transformation?

- July 6: Stability and Purpose
- July 13: Stability and Identity
- July 20: Stability and Relationships
- July 27: Stability and God

AUGUST / SEPTEMBER GRACE NOTES SUBMISSION DEADLINE IS JULY 6

Our Grace Notes magazine is published every other month. If you would like to submit an article for inclusion in the August/September issue, the submission deadline is Sunday, July 6. Email your article to the Grace Notes team at grace.notes@gracealex.org no later than July 6 for consideration. Please note, if you include a photograph of identifiable persons, please seek their permission in advance for inclusion. All submissions are subject to content, grammar, and style edits by the Grace Notes team. Need some inspiration? Consider writing an article for Grace Quirks (fun and funny things that we feel are unique to our parish), Why I Came/Stayed at Grace, Books or Movies That Moved Me, What Makes Me/Us Happiest, Blast from the Past (please include photos), or Where Do I See God in My World?

SUMMER OF STORIES WITH FATHER SANTIAGO – JULY 14 AT 7 P.M.

This summer, immerse yourself in *James* by Percival Everett. We'll meet on Monday, July 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the Auditorium for a lively book discussion. Don't miss out on these exciting events - mark your calendars for a summer of great stories and delightful company. Invite a friend or family member.

IMPORTANT UPDATE FOR SHRINE MONT – SEPTEMBER 5 – 7

Make sure to mark your calendars in preparation for the fun and renewal of Grace's weekend at Shrine Mont! We'll share more details in the coming weeks. Our online registration form on Breeze can be completed regardless of payment type! Registration payment will be accepted online through Tithely or by check. Rates for Shrine Mont reflect two nights and include food and lodging. The rates for 2025 are \$285 for an Adult Single, \$225 for an Adult Double, \$115 for children age 8-13, \$90 for children ages 4-7 (children under the age of 3 attend for free), and \$75 for Saturday only.



(Registration in English)



(Registro en español)



(Saturday Only Registration)

*** Please register soon!** To meet Shrine Mont policies, we need to submit our semi-final count by early July. If you already plan to attend, you can help us get an accurate count by registering this month, and because the processes are separate, you can register now and pay later.

HAITI MICAH ANNUAL CAMPAIGN

The Grace Church annual Haiti Micah Project campaign has kicked off and will continue through Labor Day. This important mission provides feeding and education programs to children in Mirebalais. The need is significant due to the current unrest in the city and across the country. An annual sponsorship for one child is \$415 (\$35 per month) however, a donation of any amount will make a difference. To donate, please write a check to Grace Church referencing the 'Haiti Micah Project' in the memo line or select 'Haiti Micah Project' to designate your contribution in Tithely or Breeze. Contact Jen Pease at jennifer.pease@gracealex.org for questions about giving through Grace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK (CONTINUED)

SHRINE MONT GUIDES WANTED

Are you a savvy Shrine Mont attendee who could help someone find the labyrinth or describe what exactly the Scottish Heritage Night is? In an effort to help first-time attendees feel more welcome and informed, we're looking for a few volunteers to serve as Shrine Mont guides. All it entails is being available, wearing a special name tag, and possibly being paired up with a new attendee to help briefly orient them to the camp. This year's registration form asks if you'd like to be a guide or if you need a guide, so just mark the appropriate box if you're willing to help. Email shrinemont2025@gracealex.org with questions.

COFFEE HOUR SUPPORT

Requesting volunteers to host, provide food donations, and help with cleanup after coffee hour. If you and your family enjoy having snacks during coffee hour, please consider signing up. To volunteer use your phone's camera to scan the QR code and if you don't own one a hard copy signup sheet is in Merrow Hall. With your gift of volunteering our coffee hours will continue to be a success!



EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY (EfM) IN NORTHERN VIRGINIA

Through study, prayer, worship, and reflection, EfM seminar groups journey together through scripture, church history, and theology. EfM is delivered through small seminar groups and meet for 36 weeks over a year. There are multiple groups in Northern Virginia creating spiritual, trusted communities where we have deep conversations about things that matter – always looking for ways God is active in our lives. To find a group, scan the QR code on the right and contact the group's mentor. Or, contact Beth Cavey, Trainer in Residence for Mentor Empowerment at EfM, to inquire about forming your own group eacavey@sewanee.edu.



LAZARUS EMERGENCY FINANCIAL MINISTRY NEEDS GREETERS

The Lazarus Emergency Financial Ministry of Christ Church is now at Fairlington Presbyterian Church at 3846 King Street on Thursday afternoons. We need volunteers to serve as greeters from 2:30 to 4:30, to let guests in to wait in the parlor, offer coffee, tea, water and snacks, and be with them while they wait to be seen by a counselor. Volunteers can sign up for shifts as their schedule allows. Please contact Liz Denson ldenson@ccalex.org if you are interested or want to learn more.

DADS FELLOWSHIP GROUP – EVERY OTHER TUESDAY AT 7:00 PM

Come join a welcoming group of men trying to make sense of it all. Facing similar, yet distinct, challenges of parenting, aging, and navigating the world creates a great opportunity for conversation and connection. We plan to meet informally every couple of weeks and invite you to join! Contact noahwoodiwiss@gmail.com to be added to the update emails.

BIRTHDAYS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 22	John Boris
Tuesday, June 24	Jonathan Doelp
Wednesday, June 25	Fabian Alwarenga, Brynn Miller, Judith Willard
Thursday, June 26	Edward Arthur
Friday, June 27	Jean Hawes, Issac Reyes
Saturday, June 28	Chinggis Amarburen, Paul Bellantoni, Rebecca Funes
Sunday, June 29	Nanna Hillsman, Erin White



Parishioner birthdays are listed weekly based on records from Breeze, our church database. For birthdays missing or listed on an incorrect date, please contact the church office to update your record. **Thank you!**

EVENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT / INFO*
Sunday 6/22	7:30 am Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Livestreamed)	Malm Narthex	
	8:45 am La Santa Eucaristía	Malm Narthex	
	9:00 am Little Church, Rite II	Amphitheater	
	10:30 am Summer Church Choral Eucharist/Rt II	Auditorium	
	5:00 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Malm Narthex	
Monday 6/23	Food Pantry Bagging – 3:30 – 5:30 pm	1 st floor Lobby	Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org
Tuesday 6/24	Nativity of Saint John Feast Day Eucharist- 7:30 am	Malm Narthex	
	Food Pantry Distribution – 6:30 pm	1 st floor Lobby	Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org
Wednesday, 6/25	Food Pantry (Unloading of Delivery) – 2 – 4 pm	Malm Narthex	Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org
	Evening Prayer – 5:30 pm	Zoom	Lucy-Lee Reed – 703.842.3121
	Bible Study – 7:30 pm	Zoom	Stephen.Lovell@gracealex.org
	Alcoholics Anonymous – 8 pm	MH Auditorium	
	Alanon – 8 pm	St. Luke Room	
Thursday, 6/26	12:00 pm Midweek Eucharist	Malm Narthex	
	Food Pantry Bagging – 3:30 – 5:30 pm	1 st floor Lobby	Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org
Friday, 6/27	Food Pantry Bagging – 3 – 5 pm	1 st floor Lobby	Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org
	Food Pantry Distribution – 6:30 pm		
Saturday, 6/28	Altar Guild Set Up – 9 am	Narthex, Sacristy	
	Alexandria Episcopal Pride Eucharist	Christ Church	Santiago.rodriguez@gracealex.org
	Alexandria Pride Fair	Alex. City Hall	Santiago.rodriguez@gracealex.org
	Bible Study – 10 am	Zoom	cmfaddencrosby@gmail.com

PRAYER @ GRACE THIS WEEK

We continue praying for all those in need of healing of mind, body, or spirit. We also pray for wisdom and strength for our communities, our elected officials, and our leaders as they make difficult and important decisions. As we join in common prayer this weekend, let us remember those who are in any need or trouble.

- **Parishioners:** Lisa, Tina, Hector, Wendy, Amorita, Debbie, Kelly, Ed, Charles, Colin, Jennifer, Lisa, David & Joanie, Jan, Jean, Linda, John & Anne, Wendy, Richard, Wendy, Lynn.
- **Parishioners and others in assisted living:** Margaret, Nancy, Sally, Clare, Elesa, Marilyn, Cynthia, Reg, Don, Susan, James, Peck, Vylma, Bette.
- **Family & friends:** Klaus, Nancy, Michael, Cyndy, Sharon, Santos, Don, Ashby, Troy, Dick, Cathie, Cameron, Patti & Joe, Amy, Bill, Theresa, Rob, Sherry, Pearl, Heather, Jack, Eileen, Frank, Charlotte, Lucy, Sarah, Katherine, Deanna, Allen, Leslie, Fielding, Lit & Mary Carol, Barbara, Anita.
- **Members of our staff:** Alain, Amorita, Mother Anne, Betsy, Mother Emma, Jane, Kevin, Kris, Mary, Madeline, Pedro, Father Santiago.
- **Grace School:** Students & their families; for the staff, especially Amanda, head of school.
- **Outreach & Justice Partners:** ALIVE; Casa Chirilagua; Christ Church Refugee and Lazarus Ministries; Community Lodgings; Cristosal, El Salvador; Haiti Micah Project; Health Tanzania; Meade Memorial Lunch Program; Tenants and Workers; V.O.I.C.E.; Kathleen and Eddie Arthur Hearts of Love Fund.
- **Those who have died:** Jeanne-Marie Murphy, friend of parishioner Sherryl Dodd; Albert Miller, brother-in-law of parishioner Vance Allen; those who have died from illnesses and natural disasters; all those killed in acts of terror, violence, and war around the world.
- **Those serving our country in the Armed Forces and State Department overseas:** LCDR Claire S. Eudy, USN; SSgt Chip Fowler, USAF; Erika Olander; for healing for US troops wounded as casualties of war; and for physical and mental well-being of all veterans.
- **Others who are overseas serving the Church or our nation or studying:** Chris & Melissa Reed, Virginia Robinson.
- **Traveling:** Ruth Corlett; John and Anne Boris, Kemp Williams.
- **Diocese of Virginia Prayer Cycle:** St. Peter's, Arlington.
- **Anglican Prayer Cycle:** Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola; Diocese of Nakuru, Anglican Church of Kenya; Diocese of Namirembe, Church of the Province of Uganda; Diocese of Nampula, Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola; Diocese of Nandyal, Church of South India (United).

You can fill out a [Prayer Request Form](#) on our Website or email your request to prayers@gracealex.org