



Welcome to Grace Episcopal Church

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

October 20, 2024 – 10:30 am

Choral Eucharist, Rite II



Today we celebrate Episcopal Schools Sunday by celebrating our own Grace Episcopal School.

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WELCOME TO GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

We are pleased to welcome you to Grace Church. If you are joining us for the first time, please send us a message at welcome@gracealex.org, so we can get to know you. We can also add you to our mailing list by request. We're glad to have you join with us in worshipping God in the beauty of holiness, something which is central to our identity at Grace. We hope you will join with us in sharing the love of God with this world that needs healing. Assisted listening devices are available for use during worship. Please see an usher if you'd like to use one.



Please silence your cell phones during worship.

Our Mission Statement

To Love, Proclaim, and Serve God

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

Contacting Grace

Please feel free to contact our staff.

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Mother Abbott has concluded her time as Bridge Rector but will be with us on Sundays, October 20th & 27th

IN NEED OF PASTORAL CARE?

Clergy and staff are available for pastoral care. Please call the church office at (703) 549-1980 if you're ill or need pastoral care. For emergencies after hours, please call the **After-hours Emergency Number: (703) 261-9079**, and the priest on call will assist you.

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.

TWENTY-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

We are marching in the light of God
Sung by Grace School Students

Siyahamba

The people stand.

HYMN 477

All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine

Engelberg

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 Mother Emma to Children’s Chapel, and they will return at the Peace.

SONG OF PRAISE S-236

John Rutter

1. Glo - ry to you, Lord

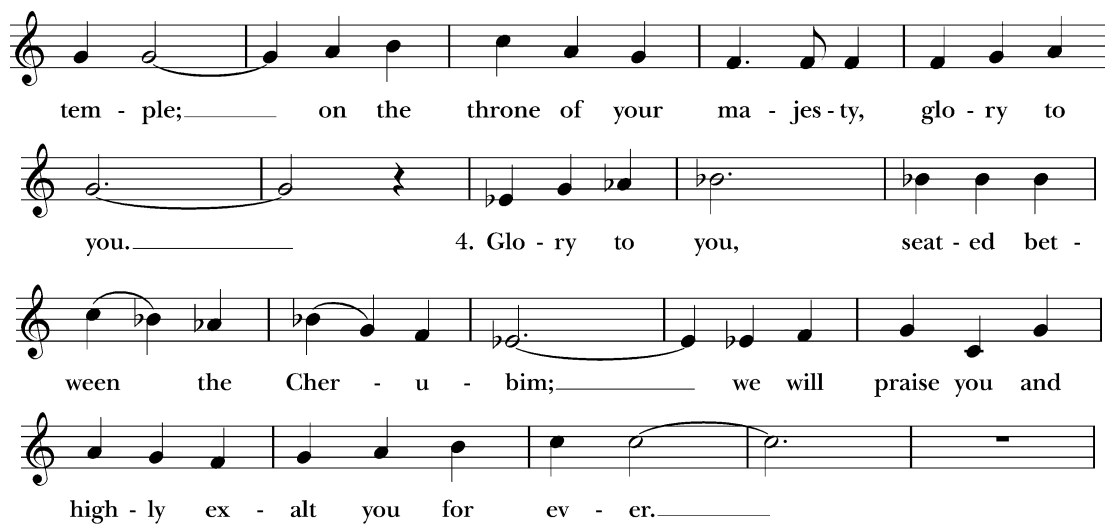
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glo - ry to you. 2. Glo - ry to you

for the ra - di-ance of your ho - ly Name; we will

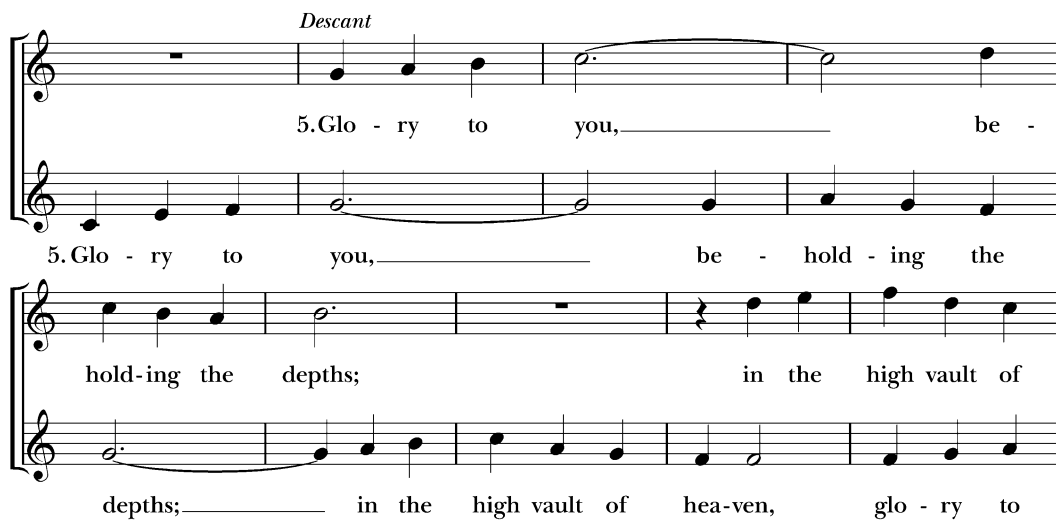
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3. Glo - ry to you in the splen - dor of your

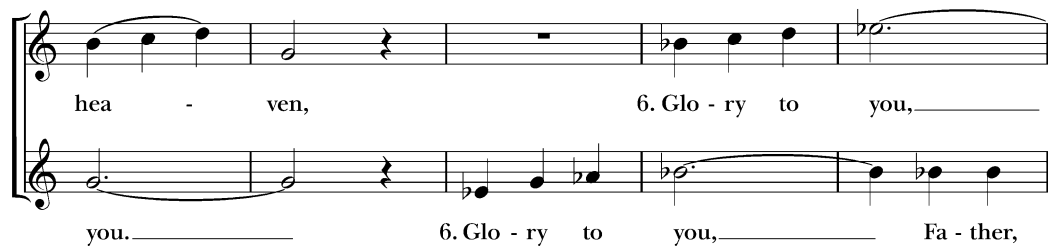


tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to
 you. 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -
 ween the Cher - u - bim; we will praise you and
 high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

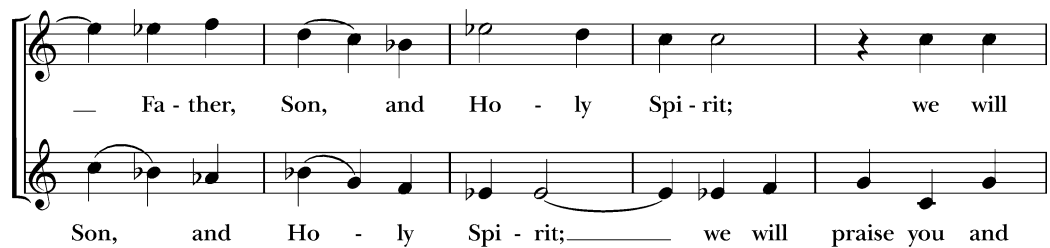
Descant



5. Glo - ry to you, be -
 5. Glo - ry to you, be - hold - ing the
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 depths; in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to



hea - ven, 6. Glo - ry to you,
 you. 6. Glo - ry to you, Fa - ther,



Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will
 Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will praise you and



high - ly ex - alt you Glo - ry to you!
 high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; 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

Job 38:1-7, 34-41

Lector A reading from the Book of Job.

The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind: "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me. "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy? "Can you lift up your voice to the clouds, so that a flood of waters may cover you? Can you send forth lightnings, so that they may go and say to you, 'Here we are'? Who has put wisdom in the inward parts, or given understanding to the mind? Who has the wisdom to number the clouds? Or who can tilt the waterskins of the heavens, when the dust runs into a mass and the clods cling together? "Can you hunt the prey for the lion, or satisfy the appetite of the young lions, when they crouch in their dens, or lie in wait in their covert? Who provides for the raven its prey, when its young ones cry to God, and wander about for lack of food?"

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 104:1-9, 25, 27B

Anglican Chant by William Crotch

Sung by the Choir

- 1 Bless the Lord, O my soul; *
O Lord my God, how excellent is your greatness!
you are clothed with majesty and splendor.
- 2 You wrap yourself with light as with a cloak *
and spread out the heavens like a curtain.
- 3 You lay the beams of your chambers in the waters above; *
you make the clouds your chariot;
you ride on the wings of the wind.
- 4 You make the winds your messengers *
and flames of fire your servants.
- 5 You have set the earth upon its foundations, *
so that it never shall move at any time.
- 6 You covered it with the Deep as with a mantle; *
the waters stood higher than the mountains.
- 7 At your rebuke they fled; *
at the voice of your thunder they hastened away.

8 They went up into the hills and down to the valleys beneath, *
to the places you had appointed for them.

9 You set the limits that they should not pass; *
they shall not again cover the earth.

25 O Lord, how manifold are your works! *
in wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.

37b Hallelujah!

THE SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 5:1-10

Lector A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand for the Gospel Procession and sing the hymn.

HYMN 455

O Love of God, how strong and true

Dunedin

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 10:35-45

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

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

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The people are seated.

Silence is kept.

BCP, p. 326

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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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Form II; BCP, p. 385

In the course of silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop, Michael, our Presiding Bishop-Elect, Sean, our Bishops, Mark and Gayle; 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 that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed. 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 God, look graciously upon the people of Grace, and mercifully receive the prayers we offer before you. As we prepare to welcome Mother Anne, grant us wisdom and confidence in your steadfast presence. We give thanks for the members of our vestry, who have labored faithfully in seeking your will. We pray for the life of our parish, that we may be continually strengthened in our mission to Love, Proclaim, and Serve God. Bless us with mutual trust, respect, courage, and foresight as you shepherd us on this journey. Guide us with your constant direction and inspire us in all we do. All this we ask as we walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. **Amen.**

PRAYER FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE

BCP, p. 823

All

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart and especially the hearts of the people of this land, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

BCP, p. 360

The people kneel. Silence may be kept.

Celebrant

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All

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

We invite you to give to the work of the church electronically via Tithe.ly by scanning this QR code.



All things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all.

Each little flower that opens,
Each little bird that sings,
He made their glowing colours,
He made their tiny wings.

All things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all

The purple-headed mountain,
The river running by,
The sunset and the morning,
That brightens up the sky;

The cold wind in the winter,
The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden,
He made them every one;

All things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all

He gave us eyes to see them,
And lips that we might tell
How great is God Almighty,
Who has made all things well.

All things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful,
The Lord God made them all.

The people stand and sing the hymn

HYMN 376

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee

Hymn to Joy

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

BCP, p. 361

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 by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: From *A Community Mass*; Richard Proulx (b. 1937). Copyright © 1971, 1977 GIA Publications, Inc.

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues.

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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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.*

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

William H. Plant

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hal-losed 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-155

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is
 sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

BCP, p. 364

Celebrant 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 to the altar rail 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, please let an usher know, and communion can be brought to you in your pew.

HYMN 602

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love

Chereponi

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 or kneel.

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.

GRACE SCHOOL PRAYER

Dear Father in heaven, we thank you for all the goodness you send to us; our homes, health, food, families, and school. We give thanks for time to rest and play. Help us to act with kindness and goodness to others. Give us your guidance in all that we do. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

All stand and sing the hymn.

CLOSING HYMN 583

O holy city, seen of John

Morning Song

THE DISMISSAL

BCP, p. 366

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

Fugue in F Major

Dieterich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

At the end of liturgy today, one of the priests will be available at the Lady Altar for prayers for healing. Please allow quiet and privacy for those seeking prayer.

Music Notes

John Rutter (b. 1945) is an acclaimed English composer, conductor, and arranger known primarily for his sacred choral works, including Christmas carols, anthems, and long-form pieces such as his Gloria, Requiem, and Mass of the Children. His arrangement of the classic text All things bright and beautiful usually sung to the English folk tune ROYAL OAK, is set to his original tune that features syncopations throughout

The text of All things bright and beautiful is likewise Irish, perhaps the best-known of a number of children's hymns written by Cecil Frances Alexander, who was born in Derry in 1818.

SERVING @ GRACE TODAY

<i>Celebrant</i>	Mother Abbott Bailey
<i>Preacher</i>	Father Santiago Rodriguez
<i>Assisting & Children's Chapel</i>	Mother Emma Brice
<i>Intercessor</i>	Khacki Berry
<i>Lay Eucharistic Minister</i>	Mindy Van Wart
<i>Guest Organist</i>	Jane Bourdow
<i>Ushers</i>	John Hall, Diana Jarrett, Scott Knudsen, Cindy MacIntyre
<i>Live Stream Crew</i>	Geoffrey Whitlock, Vance Allen
<i>Altar Guild Crew Leaders</i>	John Barker, Chad Eckles

ANNOUNCEMENTS AS OF OCTOBER 20, 2024

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.

Email requests to announcements@gracealex.org.

The Altar Flowers for today are given to the glory of God.

Interested in dedicating Altar Flowers for a particular Sunday in loving memory of someone or in thanksgiving? Scan the QR Code on the right with your smart phone to access the form.



NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

WELCOME GRACE SCHOOL FAMILIES!

Today we celebrate the ongoing partnership between Grace Church and Grace School at the 10:30 am service. We give thanks to God for the opportunity to come together as one big Grace family. We also give a special thanks to Mrs. Hungerford, Mrs. Brittingham, Mrs. Mon, Mother Emma, and all the students for making this joyful morning possible! Following the 10:30am service, please join us for a special coffee hour with cake in the auditorium!

ELECTION DAY PRAYERS – NOVEMBER 5TH

Grace Episcopal Church will be open for prayer and meditation on Election Day, November 5th. The Nave will be open for private prayer and reflection from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. We invite you to join us for Morning Prayer at 9:00 am, a Noonday Service of Prayer at 12:00 pm, both in the Nave, and Evening Prayer on zoom at 6:00 pm. You are welcome to light a candle and spend time in silence during this day of prayer for our country.

INVESTITURE OF NEW PRESIDING BISHOP – NOVEMBER 2ND

Join us for a historic and joyful celebration on November 2, 2024, as the Episcopal Church officially welcomes Presiding Bishop-elect Sean Rowe as our 28th Presiding Bishop! This special investiture service will be smaller and focused on reducing our carbon footprint while encouraging churchwide virtual participation. The event will kick off with an exciting “roll call” of dioceses at 9:30 am, followed by the service at 11:00 am. You can watch the livestream at episcopalchurch.org or on The Episcopal Church’s Facebook page facebook.com/episcopalian.

J2A YOUTH FOR HIRE

Fall is upon us, and with it comes various projects to do around the house and in the yard. If you have things on your to-do list that you would like some help with, please consider using our J2A “Youth-for-Hire” program. Our team of chore service specialists are ready to assist with whatever you need, whether it be raking (or other yard work), cleaning, moving, etc. Available dates (all Saturdays) are 10/26, 11/2, 11/9, 11/16 and 12/7. Other days may be available upon request. Prices are \$20 per hour per “youth” (adult chaperone included free of charge) and all funds raised will go toward the J2A Pilgrimage trip to Quebec and Montreal planned for Summer, 2025. To schedule, please call/text Greg Ruff at (571) 437-5664 or send email to theruffs@verizon.net.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR J2A COFFEE HOUR ON NOVEMBER 17

J2A will host a special coffee hour following the 10:30 Eucharist on November 17 to help raise funds for its 2025 Quebec pilgrimage. We invite you to purchase and partake in our French-themed brewed beverages, hot chocolate, and pastries to support our pilgrims. In addition, we again will offer the opportunity to “buy a mile” of the 600-mile journey from Alexandria to Quebec, and we will have special QR codes stationed in the auditorium containing links to do so. Watch the bulletins and weekly parish emails for further details as the date nears.

ANNOUNCEMENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK (CONTINUED)

ADULT FORUM FALL SCHEDULE

Adult forum is offered Sundays 9:40 - 10:15 in the St. Mark room (2nd floor) or virtually via Zoom link sent in the Sunday morning email. Tea and coffee are available just outside the St. Mark Room from 9:30. All are welcome at any forum; no commitment required.

October 20: **Grace at Work: Service is My Business**, by Donna Hall and Elizabeth Legere

October 27: **Grace at Work: Healing**, by Henry and Priscilla Ziegler

November 3: **Grace at Work: Welcoming the Stranger**, by Jennifer Ibanez Whitlock and Fr. Santiago Rodriguez

November 10: **Grace at Work: 43 Years as a Scientist**, by Bill Eckel

November 17: **Grace at Work: Healing Therapy**, by Hannah Sternberg and Mindy Van Wart

November 24: **Creation Care: Next Steps at Grace**, by Eric Waskowicz

December 1: **Intergenerational Event (Advent Wreaths) in Merrow Hall - No separate Adult Forum**

A NOTE FROM MARY HIX, SENIOR WARDEN

It has been a year of profound commitment by all of the clergy, for which I am exceedingly grateful. Mother Abbott's full-time ministry at Grace ended on October 15, 2024. This date marked the end of her tenure as Bridge Rector, and she has graciously agreed to be available for Sunday worship on October 20 & 27, 2024.

ALIVE WALK-A-THON TODAY, OCTOBER 20TH!



ALIVE! (Alexandrians Involved Ecumenically) is the oldest and largest private safety net in the city and a long-time outreach partner of Grace Church. Support their work to fight hunger and provide assistance to the needy by participating in their annual walk-a-thon on Sunday, October 20th. It starts at 2:00 at the First Christian Church, 2723 King Street. Register there on the 20th or in advance at www.alive-inc.org/stepalive; actually walking is optional.

YOUTH NIGHT: PUMPKIN CARVING - OCTOBER 20TH

Join us for a night of Halloween-themed fun as we carve some epic pumpkins on October 20th. Junior High (grades 6-8) will gather from 5:30-7:30pm and Senior High (grades 9-12) will gather from 7-9pm. Please RSVP via Sign-Up Genius or emailing Mother Emma so that we know how many pumpkins to buy!



MONDAY NIGHT PROGRAMMING IS UNDERWAY!

At Grace, we're excited to walk alongside you on your faith journey! On Monday nights, dive into one of our two inspiring formation tracks: Join Mother Emma in the St. Luke's Room for an empowering Women and Girls' Bible Study, or explore the richness of the Eucharist with Father Santiago in the St. Mark's Room at the Inquirers' Class. Whether you're curious, seeking, or just looking to deepen your faith, you're welcome to jump into any or all of our upcoming sessions: October 21, November 4, 11, and 18. There's a spot just for you - let's grow together!



TRUNK OR TREAT - OCTOBER 27TH, 3-5PM

On Sunday, October 27th, please join Grace Episcopal Church and Emmanuel Church in the Grace Episcopal Church parking lot from 3:00-5:00 p.m. for a Trunk-or-Treat Event for all! This event is open to the entire community to celebrate Halloween. Please sign-up to volunteer to host a car or bring crafts and/or prizes. We do need cars in order to host this event. Please pull out your imaginations, your creativity and your costumes for this fun community-based event for all! We would love to see you there. To enter your car, please register via the linked in the QR code.

RENEWAL OF MINISTRY SERVICE ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 28TH AT 7 PM

Bishop Mark Stevenson will join us Monday, October 28th at 7 PM for a special service marking the mutual ministry and renewal of the pastoral relationship between Mother Anne Turner as rector and the people of Grace. Nursery care will be provided. More details will be forthcoming.

ANNOUNCEMENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK (CONTINUED)

CHORAL EVENSONG FOR THE FEAST OF ALL SOULS- NOVEMBER 3RD AT 5 PM

On Sunday, November 3rd, the 5:00 pm service will be a Choral Evensong for the Feast of All Souls, with organ prelude beginning 20 minutes before the service starts. We will also remember all those who have died, especially those who have died in the past year. The service will include a reading of the names of the dead. If you have a name that you would like to have read aloud, please email the name to announcements@gracealex.org by October 28th to make sure it is included. Light reception to follow. All are welcome at the service.

CARL FISHER INURNMENT SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16 AT NOON

The inurnment for Carl Fisher, former parishioner, in the Grace Church Columbarium has been rescheduled for Saturday, November 16th at noon. The service will take place in the nave followed by the inurnment in the columbarium. All are invited to attend the service.

IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL PUMPKIN PATCH

Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill on Seminary Road will be hosting its 31st annual Pumpkin Patch for the entire month of October. 100% of patch profits support over 25 local, national, and international charities, including our own Grace Church Food Pantry. The pumpkin patch is open weekdays 12 noon to 6 pm and weekends/holidays 10 am to 6 pm. For more information, scan the QR code.



SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES IN THE AFTERMATH OF HURRICANE HELENE

Episcopal Relief & Development is working with faith-based and community organizations in Florida, Georgia, Tennessee, South Carolina, and North Carolina affected by Hurricane Helene. The organization continues to support these partners through all phases of recovery. Please pray for those impacted and consider donating to the Hurricane Relief Fund to aid both immediate and long-term recovery efforts. For more information and to donate scan the QR code, or visit the ERD website.



GIVING TO GRACE

Grace Church sent out Third Quarter 2024 Giving Statements by email and hard-copy request on October 9th. Those who have previously requested a mailed statement from the finance team do not need to request one again and should allow additional time for USPS delivery. Remember, all gifts must be postmarked or received at Grace by December 31, 2024 to be eligible for your 2024 tax deduction. Anything received after that will be counted in 2025. Please contact giving@gracealex.org with any questions about giving so we can help address your concern. Thank you for your continuing support for Grace Church and all of our ministries!

BIRTHDAYS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 20	Tricia Bamford, David Koegel, Amber Lopez
Tuesday, October 22	Jay Legere
Wednesday, October 23	Wendy Cummings
Friday, October 25	Joanna Rivas, Paul Rugaber, Matthew Whelpley
Saturday, October 26	Colin Rushing
Sunday, October 27	Paul Hanley, Bill Malone



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!**

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:** Virginia, Michael, Lisa, Lina, Mario, Tina, Hector, Wendy, Conway, Amorita, Caz & family, Debbie, Amber, Kelly, Elle, John, Carl, Jeannie, Sigrid, Ed, Larry, Susie, Otto, Anne, Charles, Cleveland, Colin, Jennifer, Barbara, Duke, Lisa, June, Igor, Brad & June, Daivd & Joanie.
- **Parishioners and others in assisted living:** Margaret, Nancy, Sally, Clare, Elesa, Mary Ann, Cynthia, Reg, Don, Susan, James, Peck, Vylma, Bette.
- **Family & friends:** Barbara, Maggie, Joel, Anthony, Mark, Klaus, Charles, Nancy, Madison, Jack, Michael, Dave & Mimi, Sharon, Peter, Cyndy, Anne, Scott, Jean, Eileen & Dylan, Virginia, Christine, Elena, Al, Connie, Don, Leslie, Elizabeth, Ada, Don, Cooper, Marge, Elizabeth, Bert, Clare, Betsy, Chuck, Mike, Jim, Renee, Patrick, Ashby, Troy, Ada, Gen, Dick, Danny, Lew, Cathie, Cameron, Ellen, Patti & Joe, Claudia, Amy, Sam, Paul.
- **Members of our staff:** Mother Abbott, Father Santiago, Mother Emma, Alain, Mary, Kevin, Madeline, Addie, Pedro, Amorita, Betsy, Jane.
- **Grace School:** Students & their families; for the staff, especially Amanda, interim head of school.
- **Outreach & Justice Partners:** ALIVE; Casa Chirilagua; Christ Church Refugee and Lazarus Ministries; Community Lodgings; Cristosal, El Salvador; Haiti Micah Project; Meade Memorial Lunch Program; Tanzania Mission; Tenants and Workers; V.O.I.C.E.; Kathleen and Eddie Arthur Hearts of Love Fund.
- **Those who have died:** Those who have died from illnesses and natural disasters; and 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; Owen Malone & Miles Malone.
- **Diocese of Virginia Prayer Cycle:** Bishop E. Mark Stevenson; Bishop Gayle E. Harris; Diocesan staff; Christ Church, Winchester; St. Aidan's, Alexandria.
- **Anglican Prayer Cycle:** Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda; The Diocese of Kansas - The Episcopal Church; The Diocese of Western Kansas - The Episcopal Church; The Diocese of Kanyakumari - The Church of South India (United); The Diocese of Kapsabet - The Anglican Church of Kenya; The Diocese of Karachi - The Church of Pakistan (United); The Diocese of Karamoja - The Church of the Province of Uganda.

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

EVENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT / INFO*
Sunday, 10/20	7:30 am Holy Eucharist in English, Rite I	Nave	
	8:45 am Santa Eucaristía <i>en español</i>	Nave	
	9:00 am Little Church, Rite II	Amphitheater	
	9:40 - 10:15 Sunday School and Adult Forum	Various Locations	
	10:30 am Choral Eucharist, Rite II	Nave / Livestream	
	5:00 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Nave	
	Youth Night		Emma.brice@gracealex.org
Monday 10/21	Food Pantry Bagging - 3:30 - 5:30 pm	1 st floor Lobby	Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org
	Inquirers Class - 7pm	St. Mark Room	
	Women/girl's Bible Study - 7pm	St. Luke Room	
October, 10/22	Food Pantry Distribution - 6:30 pm	1 st floor Lobby	Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org
Wednesday, 10/23	Food Pantry (Unloading of Delivery) - 2 - 4 pm	1 st floor Lobby	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, 10/24	Holy Eucharist Rite II, noon	Nave	
	Food Pantry Bagging - 3:30 - 5:30 pm	1 st floor Lobby	Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org
	Bell Ensemble Rehearsal - 6 pm	Malm Narthex	alain.truche@gracealex.org
	Adult Choir Rehearsal - 7 pm	St. Cecilia Room	alain.truche@gracealex.org
Friday, 10/25	Food Pantry Bagging - 3 - 5 pm	1 st floor Lobby	Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org
	Food Pantry Distribution - 6:30 pm		
Saturday, 10/26	Altar Guild Set Up - 9 am	Narthex, Sacristy	
	Bible Study - 10 am		cmfaddencrosby@gmail.com
	Food Pantry Bagging - 1 - 3 pm	1 st floor Lobby	Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org