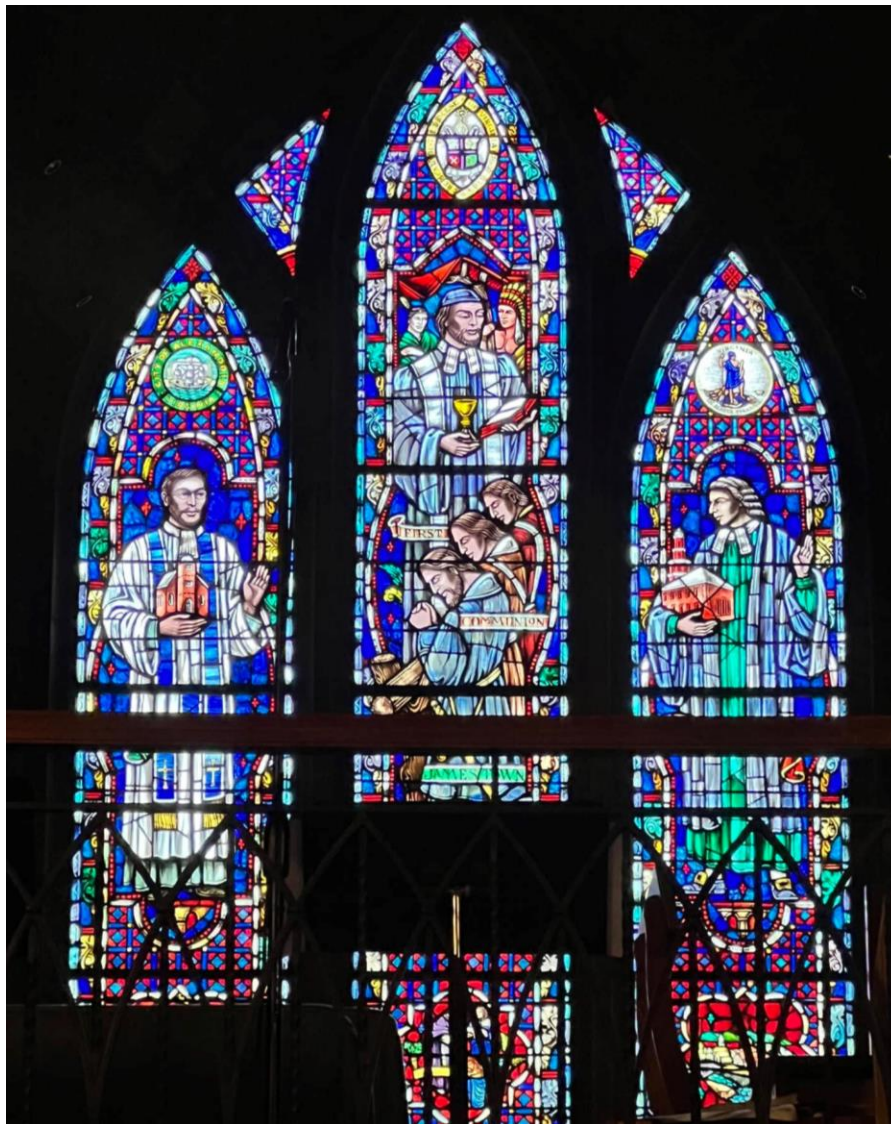




# Welcome to Grace Episcopal Church

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost  
June 23, 2024 – 10:30 am  
Choral Eucharist, Rite II



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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](mailto: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.

Office hours during the summer (June 17<sup>th</sup> – August 30<sup>th</sup>): Monday – Thursday 9 am – 2 pm, Closed on Fridays.

*Clergy are not in on Fridays during the summer.*

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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.

FIFTH 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

Adagio from *Symphony no. 5*

Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

*The people stand.*

HYMN 379

God is Love, let heaven adore him

Abbot's Leigh

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 – 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 -  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - men.

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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

Job 38:1-11

*Lector* A reading from the Book of Job.

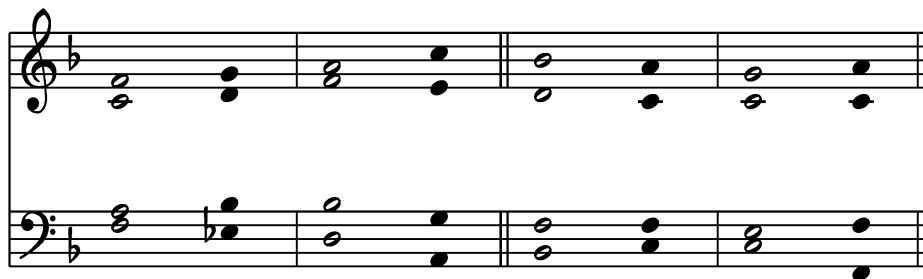
The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind: "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

"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? "Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?— when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band, and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors, and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped?'"

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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

Robert Knox Kennedy  
(b. 1945)



Give thanks to the Lord, for he is | good, \*  
and his mercy endures for | ever.

Let all those whom the Lord has redeemed | proclaim \*  
that he redeemed them from the hand of the | foe.

He gathered them out of the | lands; \*  
from the east and from the west,  
from the north and from the | south.

Some went down to the sea in | ships \*  
and plied their trade in deep | waters;

They beheld the works of the | Lord \*  
and his wonders in the | deep.

Then he spoke, and a stormy wind a | rose, \*  
which tossed high the waves of the | sea.

They mounted up to the heavens and fell back to the | depths; \*  
their hearts melted because of their | peril.

They reeled and staggered like | drunkards \*  
and were at their | wits' end.

Then they cried to the Lord in their | trouble, \*  
and he delivered them from their dis | tress.

He stilled the storm to a | whisper \*  
and quieted the waves of the | sea.

Then were they glad because of the | calm, \*  
and he brought them to the harbor they were | bound for.

Let them give thanks to the Lord for his | mercy \*  
and the wonders he does for his | children.

(2<sup>nd</sup> half) Let them exalt him in the congregation of the | people \*  
and praise him in the council of the | elders.

*Lector* A reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

As we work together with Christ, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see~ we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return~ I speak as to children~ open wide your hearts also.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

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

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

HYMN 579

Almighty Father, strong to save

Melita

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 4:35-41

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

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

When evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*The people are seated.*

SERMON

Mother Candace Sandfort

*Silence is kept.*

NICENE CREED

BCP, p. 326

**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 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 Church and mercifully accept the prayers we offer before you. Give us discernment, wisdom, and confidence in your timing. Guide the members of our Vestry, as they labor to be faithful in seeking your will. We pray for the life of our parish, that we may continue to be strengthened in our mission to *Love, Proclaim, and Serve God*. Bless us with mutual trust and respect, courage and foresight as you shepherd us in this journey. Grace us with continuous direction and inspire us toward genuine self-reflection. All this we ask as we walk in your ways to the glory of your name. **Amen.**

*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

*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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OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Have You Heard God's Voice?

*Frederick Chatfield (b. 1950)*

*Have you heard God's voice; has your heart been stirred?*

*Are you still prepared to follow?*

*Have you made a choice to remain and serve,  
though the way be rough and narrow?*

*Will you use your voice; will you not sit down  
when the multitudes are silent?*

*Will you make a choice to stand your ground  
when the crowds are turning violent?*

*Will you walk the path that will cost you much  
and embrace God's love and sorrow?*

*Will you trust in One who entrusts to you  
the disciples of tomorrow?*

*Will you watch the news with the eyes of faith  
and believe it could be different?*

*Will you share your views using words of grace?  
Will you leave a thoughtful imprint?*

*In your city streets will you be God's heart?  
Will you listen to the voiceless?*

*Will you stop and eat, and when friendships start,  
will you share your faith with the faithless?*

*We will walk the path that will cost us much  
and embrace God's love and sorrow?*

*Will you trust in One who entrusts to you  
the disciples of tomorrow.*



The people stand and sing the hymn

HYMN 535

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim

Paderborn

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:

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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*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-owed 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.

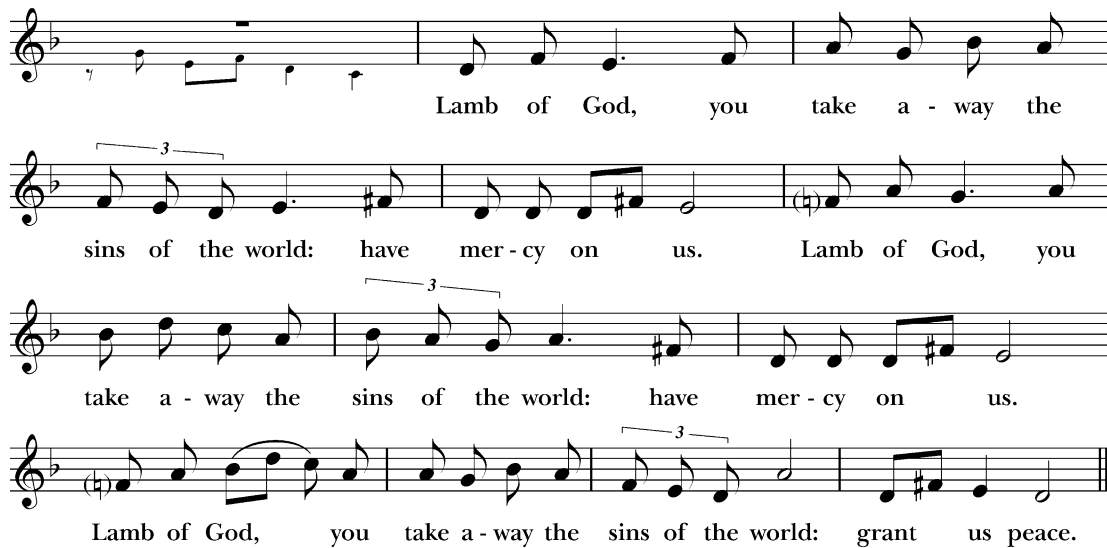


For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glo-ry,  
For ev-er and ev-er, A - men.

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

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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 LEVAS II 80

Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

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.**

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 559

Lead us, heavenly Father

*Dulce carmen*

THE DISMISSAL

BCP, p. 366

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

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

VOLUNTARY

Finale from *Symphony no. 2*

*Charles-Marie Widor*

*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**

**Charles-Marie Widor (1844–1937)** was a French composer, organist, and teacher. His legacy is closely tied to the organ, and he is best known for his ten organ symphonies. Widor held significant positions at Saint-Sulpice in Paris and the Paris Conservatory, where he influenced generations of musicians.

The *Adagio* is the fourth movement from *Symphony No. 5* in F minor by the French composer Charles-Marie Widor. This lush and tender movement is part of a five-movement work. The movement that follows, colloquially known as Widor’s Toccata, is perhaps the most widely performed piece for organ.

**Frederick Chatfield (b. 1950)**, a published composer, served as Director of Music and Organist of Christ United Methodist Church in Kettering, Ohio, a position he held for thirty years (1986-2016). Fred Chatfield has arranged this haunting tune and lyrics by Jacqui Jones into an anthem “Have You Heard God’s Voice?” for our time. The text talks about following the way of Christ, but it also speaks to a broader audience in these days of turmoil.

The Finale of Charles-Marie Widor’s *Symphony No. 2* is a powerful and energetic conclusion to the six-movement work. Marked by its fast tempo and driving rhythms, the Finale is triumphant and majestic. Widor utilizes the full resources of the organ, with forceful chords and bright fanfares showcasing the instrument’s power and grandeur.

**SERVING @ GRACE TODAY**

*Celebrant*

Mother Jenny Montgomery

*Preacher*

Mother Candace Sandfort

*Lector*

Mary Hix

*Intercessor*

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Alison Campbell, Stephen Lovell

*Altar Guild Crew Leaders*

Alison Campbell, Kemp Williams

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AS OF JUNE 23, 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](mailto: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

### TODAY, JUNE 23<sup>RD</sup> - ALL PARISH CONVERSATION WITH MOTHER JENNY AND MARY HIX

On Sunday, June 23 from Noon-12:45 pm, we will gather in the Auditorium following 10:30 am worship for another check-in conversation. Mother Jenny will talk about opportunities for healing and reconciliation over the summer and Mary Hix will give a progress report on the work of the vestry during this time of discernment. Time will be allocated for questions. Hope you can join us.

### INTERGENERATIONAL SERVICE PROJECT – SUNDAY, JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup>, 9:40 – 10:20 AM

Come early on Sunday, June 30th to collaborate across all ages on a service project. We will be drawing pictures and writing notes to local senior residents, and many hands make light work! To volunteer to help set up and break down this service project, please contact Mother Emma ([emma.brice@gracealex.org](mailto:emma.brice@gracealex.org)).

### JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> EUCHARIST, 10:00 AM

Join us for a celebration of Independence Day with our July 4th Eucharist at 10:00 am in the nave. Bring your family and friends as we gather in unity, gratitude, and prayer for our nation. A simple livestream will also be available.

### SUMMER OF STORIES WITH FATHER SANTIAGO

If you're looking for a thrilling adventure with captivating characters, our upcoming session of the Summer of Stories is perfect for you. Dive into the captivating world of *The Lincoln Highway* by Amor Towles, the renowned author of *A Gentleman in Moscow*. Mark your calendars for Monday, July 15th, at 7:00 pm in the St. Mark's Room. Engage in a lively discussion about the book while enjoying your own dinner and indulging in complimentary drinks and dessert. Feel free to bring along a friend or family member. See you there!

### JOIN THE FUN AT OUR FOOD PANTRY: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Are you looking for a rewarding way to make a difference in our community? Come and be a part of something special at our food pantry! We're on the lookout for enthusiastic volunteers who are excited to connect with and support our neighbors during food pantry distribution. You'll have the chance to meet and help amazing people in our neighborhood, providing essential support to those in need. Spanish speakers and youth volunteers, your skills are in high demand! For more information and to get involved, reach out to Kristine Hesse at [kristine.hesse@gracealex.org](mailto:kristine.hesse@gracealex.org) or Jen Pease at [jennifer.pease@gracealex.org](mailto:jennifer.pease@gracealex.org). Join us and make a tangible impact in our community!

### SAVE THE DATE: PARISH CLEAN-UP DAY SATURDAY, AUGUST 17<sup>TH</sup>, 9:00 AM - NOON

Please join us for a Parish Clean-Up Day on Saturday, August 17th, from 9:00 am to noon. Parish crews will be giving Grace's grounds a thorough cleaning - both indoors and outdoors. There's a task perfect for everyone! Help us make our facility shine for all to enjoy. Plenty of coffee and snacks will be provided. To sign up to help, please contact Father Santiago or Junior Warden Eric Waskowicz at [ericwaskowicz@gmail.com](mailto:ericwaskowicz@gmail.com).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

### FATHER SANTIAGO AT GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Father Santiago will attend General Convention 81 in Louisville, KY from June 21–28. General Convention is the governing body of The Episcopal Church, and it convenes every three years as a bicameral legislature comprising the House of Deputies and the House of Bishops, with deputies and bishops representing each diocese. We invite you to join us in prayer for General Convention as it undertakes the important tasks of electing a new Presiding Bishop and a new President of the House of Deputies, and setting forth the work of the Church: Good and Gracious God, bless with your grace and presence the bishops, clergy, and laity assembled in your name at General Convention 81. Grant them an appreciative memory for our tradition, gratitude for the work you have given us to do, and a strong, clear vision of the Church of the future. Amen.

### SUMMER TRAVELS AND CHURCH VISITS

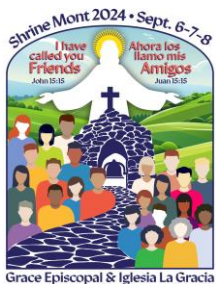
Summer is here, and it's time to start vacationing! If you plan on traveling this summer and visit churches while you are away - Episcopal or otherwise - Father Santiago would love to hear about your experiences. Share what you enjoyed about visiting these churches and, if possible, bring back a bulletin. This will help us learn how other communities are inviting, welcoming, and connecting people to God and one another. We are praying for safe and relaxing travels for you and yours. Enjoy your summer adventures!

### SING IN THE SUMMER CHOIR!

From Sunday June 2<sup>nd</sup> 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). No need to worry about vesting. 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.

### WELCOME TO SUMMER AND RELAXED COFFEE HOURS!

Our Sunday after 10:30 service coffee hours are a welcome opportunity to visit, catch up, and get to know fellow parishioners. Beverages will be served, and volunteers are needed to set those up before church and help clean up after visiting ends. Servings of various sweet/savory treats will be "pot luck." If you have something to share, please bring it ready to serve. Volunteers can sign up in Merrow Hall starting on June 9. The first couple of weeks members of Fellowship will do a short (10 minutes!!) how-to for anyone interested. Questions or offers to help?? Email or text Lynn Rohrs 405-269-3885 [Weaverlynn47@gmail.com](mailto:Weaverlynn47@gmail.com).



### IT'S TIME TO REGISTER FOR SHRINE MONT!

Mark your calendars for Shrine Mont 2024: September 6th – 8th! Registration is open. New this year- our online registration form on Breeze can be completed regardless of payment type! Registration payment will be accepted online through Breeze and Tithe.ly or by check. Rates for Shrine Mont reflect two nights and include food and lodging. The rates for 2024 are \$277 for an Adult Single, \$221 for an Adult Double, \$115 for children age 8-13, and \$90 for children age 4-7 (children under age 3 attend for free). Scan the QR code to register! We hope to see everyone at Shrine Mont this year!



### HAITI MICAH PROJECT ANNUAL CAMPAIGN!

The Grace Church annual Haiti Micah Project Campaign kicked off in May in honor of Mother's Day (5/12) and will continue through Labor Day (9/12). This important mission provides feeding and education programs to children in Mirebalais. The need is significant due to the current unrest and resulting hardship. An annual sponsorship for one child is \$415 (\$35 per month). A donation of any amount will make a difference. To donate, please write a check to Grace Church referencing "Haiti Micah Project" in the memo line, or select "Haiti Micah Project" to designate your contribution in Tithe.ly or Breeze. Contact Jen Pease at [Jennifer.pease@gracealex.org](mailto:Jennifer.pease@gracealex.org) for questions about giving through Grace and visit <https://haiti-micah.org> for more information on this important mission.

## BIRTHDAYS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

Tuesday, June 25	Fabian Alvarenga, Jonathan Doelp, Brynn Miller, Judith Willard
Wednesday, June 26	Edward Arthur
Thursday, June 27	Jean Hawes, Isaac Reyes
Friday, June 28	Paul Bellantoni, Rebecca Funes
Saturday, June 29	Margaret Hillsman, Erin White
Sunday, June 30	Sara Dubsy, Carlos Mejia-Gonzalez



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, Susan, Charles, Cleveland, Colin, Jennifer, Barbara, Peck, Duke, Lisa, Vylma, Val & Claire, June.
- **Parishioners and others in assisted living:** Margaret, Nancy, Sally, Clare, Audrey, Charlie, Elesa, Mary Ann, Marilyn, Cynthia, Reg, Don, James.
- **Family & friends:** Barbara, Becky, Maggie, Joel, Anthony, Mark, Klaus, Charles, Roger, Nancy, Madison, Jack, Michael, Dave & Mimi, Sharon, Peter, Cindy, Anne, Scott, Jean, Eileen & Dylan, Virginia, Christine, Lisa, Elena, Al, Connie, Don, Leslie, Elizabeth, Ada, Cooper, Marge, Elizabeth, Bert, Clare, Betsy, Chuck, Mike, Jim, Patrick, Ashby, Troy, Jean, Ada, Gen, Santos, Dick, Danny.
- **Members of our staff:** Mother Jenny, Father Santiago, Mother Emma, Alain, Mary, Kevin, Madeline, Addie, Pedro, Amorita, Betsy, Jane.
- **Grace School:** Students & their families; for the staff, especially Patti, head of school.
- **Outreach & Justice Partners:** ALIVE; Carpenter's Shelter; 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; Noah Woodiwiss; 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:** Julie Mills Cizek; Chris & Melissa Reed.
- **Diocese of Virginia Prayer Cycle:** Bishop E. Mark Stevenson; Bishop Gayle E. Harris; Diocesan staff; and all those participating in The Episcopal Church's General Convention.
- **Anglican Prayer Cycle:** The Church of England; The Diocese of George - The Anglican Church of Southern Africa; The Diocese of Georgia - The Episcopal Church; The Diocese of Gippsland - The Anglican Church of Australia; The Diocese of Gitega - The Anglican Church of Burundi; The Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway - The Scottish Episcopal Church; The Diocese of Gloucester - The Church of England.

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

## EVENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT / INFO*
Sunday, 6/23	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	
	9:30 Summer Choir Rehearsal	St. Cecilia Room	<a href="mailto:Alain.Truche@gracealex.org">Alain.Truche@gracealex.org</a>
	10:30 am Choral Eucharist, Rite II	Nave / Livestream	
	All Parish Conversation, <i>following the 10:30 service</i>	MH Auditorium	
	5:00 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite I	Nave	
Monday 6/24	Food Pantry Bagging - 4:30 - 6:30 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> floor Lobby Area	<a href="mailto:Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org">Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org</a>
Tuesday, 6/25	Food Pantry Distribution - 6:30 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> floor Lobby Area	<a href="mailto:Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org">Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org</a>
Wednesday, 6/26	Food Pantry (Unloading of Delivery) - 2 - 4 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> floor Lobby Area	<a href="mailto:Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org">Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org</a>
	Evening Prayer - 5:30 pm	Zoom	Lucy-Lee Reed - 703.842.3121
	Bible Study - 7:30 pm	Zoom	<a href="mailto:Stephen.Lovell@gracealex.org">Stephen.Lovell@gracealex.org</a>
	Alcoholics Anonymous - 8 pm	MH Auditorium	
	Alanon - 8 pm	St. Luke Room	
Thursday, 6/27	Food Pantry Bagging - 4:30 - 6:30 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> floor Lobby Area	<a href="mailto:Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org">Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org</a>
Friday, 6/28	Food Pantry Bagging - 3 - 5 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> floor Lobby Area	<a href="mailto:Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org">Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org</a>
	Food Pantry Distribution - 6:30 pm		
Saturday, 6/29	Altar Guild Set Up - 9 am	Narthex, Sacristy	
	Bible Study - 10 am	Zoom	<a href="mailto:Chrissie.crosby@gracealex.org">Chrissie.crosby@gracealex.org</a>
	Food Pantry Bagging - 1 - 3 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> floor Lobby Area	<a href="mailto:Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org">Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org</a>