



# CHRIST AND GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*It is our custom to observe a prayerful silence before the service begins. During the service, please feel free to stand or kneel as you are able.*

*Welcome to Christ and Grace. During this time of changing worship guidelines, you are no longer required to wear a mask if you have been fully vaccinated. You will see some worshipers and leaders wearing masks as a personal choice. As a community of faith responding to God's commandment to love one another, we honor everyone's choice.*

*During the hymns we will continue to remain seated. The congregation will not sing, but will enjoy the music as we meditate on the words.*

*We appreciate your patience in ensuring the safety of all.*

## ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST August 8, 2021

**10:00 AM HOLY COMMUNION RITE II – live streamed**

### The Word of God

**Prelude: Ofertoire** Jean-François Dandrieu

**Opening Acclamation** *standing*

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be his Kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

**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.**

**Hymn 48** *O day of radiant gladness sitting* Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein

*1 O day of radiant gladness, O day of joy and light,  
O balm of care and sadness, most beautiful, most bright;  
this day the high and lowly, through ages joined in tune,  
sing "Holy, holy, holy" to the great God Triune.*

*2 This day at the creation the light first had its birth;  
this day for our salvation Christ rose from depths of earth;  
this day our Lord, victorious the Spirit sent from heaven,  
and thus this day most glorious a triple light was given.*

*3 This day, God's people meeting, his Holy Scripture hear;  
his living presence greeting, through Bread and Wine made near.  
We journey on, believing, renewed with heavenly might,  
from grace more grace receiving on this blest day of light.*

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*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

### The Collect of the Day

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**First Reading: Psalm 34:1-8** *sitting (see readings on last page)*

**Gospel:** *standing*

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

**John 6:35, 41-51**

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

### The Sermon

Robin Teasley

**Hymn 371** *Thou, whose almighty word sitting* Moscow

*1 Thou, whose almighty word chaos and darkness heard,  
and took their flight;  
hear us, we humbly pray, and, where the Gospel day  
sheds not its glorious ray, let there be light!*

*2 Thou who didst come to bring on thy redeeming wing  
healing and sight,  
health to the sick in mind, sight to the in-ly blind,  
now to all humankind, let there be light!*

*3 Spirit of truth and love, life-giving holy Dove,  
speed forth thy flight!  
Move on the waters' face bearing the gifts of grace,  
and, in earth's darkest place, let there be light!*

**The Nicene Creed** *standing*

**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 IV** *standing or kneeling*

*Reader* Let us pray for the Church and for the world. In the pauses between the prayers I invite you to offer your own prayers, either silently or aloud.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. In our Parish Cycle of Prayer we remember: Amy Norris, the Osogu family and Bill Owen.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We especially pray for James Christiansen, Thomas Clark, Shannon Farthing, Melba Felty, Kathy Hackett, Rod Hale, Heydon Lewis, Shelley Richardson, Mark Sheffield, Mary Villeponteaux, David and Wyatt.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. The arrangement at the altar is given to the glory of God and in memory of Buckles Churn, by Kathy Ferguson and family.

Lord, in your mercy

**Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.*

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *(pause)*  
**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy 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** *standing*

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

**Greeting and Announcements**

**Offertory Sentence**

**The Holy Communion**

**Offertory**

**The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer C** *standing*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **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.**

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.  
**Glory to you for ever and ever.**

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

**By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

**Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

**By his blood, he reconciled us.**

**By his wounds, we are healed.**

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The Celebrant continues*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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.”

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Sarah, Rebekah, Leah and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal.

Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

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

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

**Communion Hymn 341** *For the bread which you have broken* Omni die

**Prayer of Thanksgiving** *standing*

Let us pray.

**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.**

**Blessing & Dismissal**

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

**Postlude:** *Marque*

Jean-François Dandrieu

*If you would like to receive reserved sacrament, please contact the church office or Rev. Robin.*

Lay Reader: Sean Little

Audio/Visual: Jonathan Shockley

Ushers: Jim Donnelly, Marwee Walsh

**WELCOME VISITORS:** We extend a warm welcome to our visitors today. If you would like to know more about our church, visit our website where you will also find links to our YouTube channels. You may also email us and we will be in touch. We are glad you are here.

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*Our mission: Offering Hope, Healing and Hospitality*

**Psalm 34:1-8**

*Benedicam Dominum*

- 1 I will bless the LORD at all times; \*  
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
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let the humble hear and rejoice.
- 3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; \*  
let us exalt his Name together.
- 4 I sought the LORD, and he answered me \*  
and delivered me out of all my terror.
- 5 Look upon him and be radiant, \*  
and let not your faces be ashamed.
- 6 I called in my affliction and the LORD heard me \*  
and saved me from all my troubles.
- 7 The angel of the LORD encompasses those who fear him, \*  
and he will deliver them.
- 8 Taste and see that the LORD is good; \*  
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**John 6:35, 41-51**

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