

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 25, 2019

9:00 AM Rite II BCP 355

Prelude: Coro Georg Fredrich Handel

Please stand

Hymn:8 Morning has broken

The Opening Acclamation

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

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.**

Gloria in Excelsis

BCP 365

Collect

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory 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 WORD OF GOD

Please be seated

The First Lesson

Isaiah 58:9b-14

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil ,if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted ,then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong: and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in. If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable ;if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 103:1-8

- 1 Bless the LORD, O my soul, ***and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.**
- 2 Bless the LORD, O my soul, ***and forget not all his benefits.**
- 3 He forgives all your sins ***and heals all your infirmities;**
- 4 He redeems your life from the grave ***and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;**
- 5 He satisfies you with good things, ***and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.**
- 6 The LORD executes righteousness ***and judgment for all who are oppressed.**
- 7 He made his ways known to Moses ***and his works to the children of Israel.**
- 8 The LORD is full of compassion and mercy, *** slow to anger and of great kindness.**

The Epistle

Hebrews 12:18-29

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken - that is, created things-- so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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Please stand

Sequence Hymn: 685 Rock of ages, cleft for me

The Holy Gospel

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Luke 13:10-17

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You Lord Christ.

Sermon The Rev.Dr. Chip Graves

Please stand

The Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the People Form III

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The Confession

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The Peace

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Please be seated

Announcements

The Offertory

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Hymn 567 Thine arm, O Lord in days of old

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer A

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*Celebrant: **The lord be with you***

People: And also with you.

*Celebrant: **Lift up your hearts.***

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

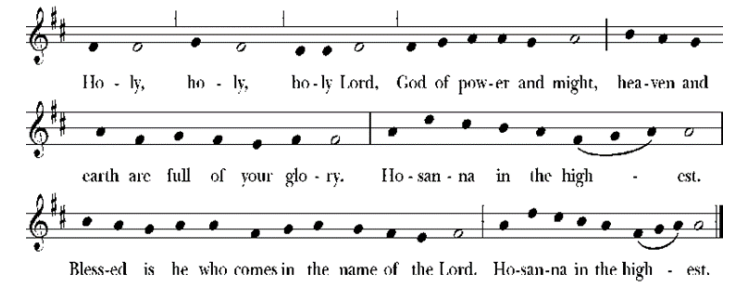
*Celebrant: **Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.***

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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Sanctus and Benedictus

David Hurd



The Lord's Prayer

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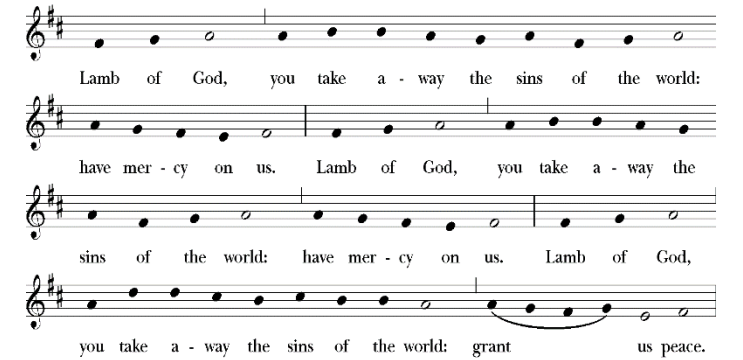
At the Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia.

Agnus Dei

David Hurd



The Invitation

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Voluntary: Scenes from Childhood Schumann

Hymn: 304 I come with joy to meet my Lord

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

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Sending forth of the Eucharistic Visitors:

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

Blessing

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be a light to the world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn: 521 Put forth, O God thy Spirit's might

Dismissal

Postlude: Rigaudon

Andre Campra

Ministers of the Liturgy

Celebrant: Rev. Dr. Chip Graves

Organist: Peter Roberts

Eucharistic Visitors: Audrey Taylor, Cynthia Cole

Lectors: 9:00 AM Jean Wilson, Linda Heusser

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Intercessor: Carolyn Rogers
Altar Minister: Jean Chambers
Acolytes: 9:00 AM Anna Kristina O'Hanlon,
Vika O'Hanlon, Jordan Acevedo
Ushers: 9:00 AM Jo- Ann B. Boylan Gloria Chang,
Giovanni Green, Michael Heffner, Andrea Spencer
Vestry Greeter: Michael Heffner

Grace Church Prayer List: We hold the following people in prayer: Bernice Burton, Gloria Chang, Cynthia Cole, Inez Dale, Jimmy Delaney, Carol DiGilio, Vincent Doria, Bill Dunphy, Cathy Dunphy, Sandra Esannason, Laura Fields, Lydia Green, Sylvia Howard, Jackie Jansky, Ivy John, Evgeniy Kaufman, Nellie King, Manoris Long, Paxton Louis, Dorothy Lynch, Janice Moore, Cecilia Paegler, Selena Perry, Gladstone Reid, Leroy Reid, Renee Reid, Uriel Reid, Charlotte Roberson, Al Sargent, Marilyn Seimia, Norman Stanton, Susan Stanton, Natasha Vodyanitskaya, Marthe Watkins, Ray Williams
Bethel: Verna Brown
Cedar Manor, Ossining: Robert Auld
Serving in the Armed Forces: Kenny Duffy, Denny J. Edmondson, Christopher P. Halstead, David Packer, Sgt. Christopher Vigliotti, Gunnery Sgt. Les Yearwood
Please contact Sandy McAllister if you would like to place someone's name on our prayer list

Birthdays

Aug. 25th Nathaniel Graves, Rosa Preston,
Gerrard Salmon
Aug. 28th Gabrielle Parkinson
Aug. 29th Augustina Kumar
Aug. 31st Kaylee Owens

Anniversaries

Aug. 25th Rosa & Marc Preston

THIS WEEK AT GRACE

Sunday, August 25th
9 AM The Holy Eucharist
12:30 PM Santa Eucaristía Misa
Tuesday, August 27th
12:05 PM Eucharist in Chapel
Thursday, August 29th
12:05 PM Eucharist in Chapel
7:30 PM La Gracia Bible Study- Church
Saturday, August 31st.
3PM to 9PM Site Rental – Parish Hall

If you are visiting with us for the first time, we welcome you to Grace Church!

Our liturgy is found in the Book of Common Prayer.
Our communion is open to all baptized Christians.
Please take the time to fill out one of our visitor cards which the ushers have available.

Your presence is a blessing to us; may our worship together be a blessing to you.

*"The flowers on the Altar today are given by
Delores Scott-Brathwaite
In loving memory of her husband,
The Rev. Canon Percy A. Brathwaite,
celebrating his first anniversary with Our Lord."*

Any person or group of parishioners interested in underwriting a worship service at Grace Church, please contact Fr. Chip for more information.

Monthly Gratitude – The Vestry

This month we raise up and give a special thanks to our parish officers and vestry. Our vestry members, led by our wardens, Joe Gallo and Michael Heffner, lead in many areas throughout the parish. Please go up to one of our listed officers and vestry members and say, Thank you.

Fr. Chip
Joseph C. Gallo, Senior Warden
Michael Heffner, Junior Warden
Hillary Fleming, Treasurer
Sorraya Sampson Elliott, Clerk
Irene Alves, Daisy Calderon, Matilde Lazcano,
Eileen McClean, Trisha McGuinness,
Charlotte Roberson

A Message from The Stewardship Committee

This Sunday, August 25th, we'll continue to hand out pledge statements after the 9AM and 12:30 PM services. Please note, pledge statements are a summary of what you have contributed as of July 31st." Please contact Cynthia Brown at E: cyndysbrown@gmail.com or C:914 325 6781 if you have not received your statement.

LOOKING AHEAD

Volunteers & Donations Are Needed for Labor Day at Grace's Kitchen on Monday, September 2nd

If you have an hour or two, between 8:30 AM & 11:30 AM to help set-up serving or clean up, we will be happy to see you. Contributions of fresh fruit, salads, desserts, snacks and monetary contributions are always needed and welcome. The signup sheet is on the bulletin board near the parish hall. Contact: Karen Southwick, George O'Hanlon, James Heffner, Erika Santos

Sunday, September 8th – Welcome Back Worship services resume at 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12:30 PM La Gracia

Choir Returns, Fx3 Back to School Book-Bag Blessing, Nursery Care begins at 10am service, Sunday School registration in the parish hall.

Back-to-School Book-Bag Blessing...Sunday September 8th at the 10:00 a.m. Service
Grace Church's Families, Faith, & Fellowship (Fx3) Group invites students (of all ages!) and teachers

to participate. To participate, please assemble outside of the Sacristy at 9:50 a.m. with your book bag. Questions Contact Amy Owens (mizzamy@gmail.com)

Adult Education Series: Episcopal 101 & Labyrinth prayer at 6:30pm in the parish hall.

Fr. Chip is holding an adult education series over **three consecutive Monday evenings at 7:00 PM (September 9, 16 and 23) in the library.** The series is entitled "Episcopal 101" and will include a quick review of the basic tenets of the Episcopal faith to include history, worship, faith, etc. The class is for young adults and mature adults. The class can also be used for Confirmation, allowing the attendee to be Confirmed by a local bishop in the next year.

It is highly recommended that all participants purchase this book on Amazon.com or www.churchpublishing.org/myfaithmylife Please don't let the title fool you, it's not just for teens. This book is considered one of the best Episcopal Confirmation resources within the Episcopal Church. Please register for this class through Maria Campos at mcampos@gracechurchwhiteplains.org.

God's Word for Today's World

Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) Wed. Sept. 11th (<https://www.bsfiinternational.org/>) is a global community of men, women and children who seek to know God as He has revealed Himself, in His Word – the Bible. In BSF, through personal study, combined with weekly group discussion, recorded live lecture and insightful notes, you will have the opportunity to discover who GOD says that He is and the relevance that His truths have in your life.

This year, we will do a study called "Acts and the Letters of the Apostles" where our lessons will do a deep dive into the books of Acts, Hebrews, 1 Corinthians, 1 Peter, 1&2 Thessalonians and James. **A new BSF Satellite Discussion Group will meet, right here, at Grace Episcopal Church, on Wednesday evenings from 7:15pm-8:45pm. We start on Wednesday, September 11th.** Please contact nycdw590@gmail.com to register or for additional information.

Sunday, September 15th ECW Meeting at 11:45 AM in the library

Wednesday, September 18th Downtown Music at Grace Concert 12:10 PM

Sunday, September 22nd Planned Giving Forum at 11:30 AM in the library

Sunday, September 29th "Conversations of Grace" during coffee hour.

Monday, September 30th 6:30 PM Evening Service at St. Barts. All parishioners are invited to attend.

GENERAL INFORMATION

I want to request our church parishioners to please welcome our visitors and let us share the love of God together. Fr. Chip



The Right Reverend Andrew ML. Dietsche, Bishop
The Right Reverend Allen Kunho Shin, Bishop Suffragan
The Right Reverend Mary Glasspool, Assistant Bishop
The Reverend Dr. Chip Graves, Rector
The Reverend Adolfo Moronta, Associate Priest
Peter Roberts, Director of Music of Grace Church
Juan Carlos Abreu, Director of Music of La Gracia
Donna Louis, Youth Ministry Coordinator
Maria Campos, Administrator
Taurino Juárez, Sexton

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VESTRY

Joseph C. Gallo, Senior Warden
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Hillary Fleming, Treasurer
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Class of 2019: Trisha McGuinness
Charlotte Roberson

Class of 2020: Daisy Calderon, Hillary Fleming,
Michael Heffner

Class of 2021: Irene Alves, Sorraya Sampson Elliott,
Matilde Lazcano, Eileen McClean

**Grace Church is a diverse congregation committed to a common life sustained by worship. We bear witness to God's love in Christ through our life together and our service to the wider community.
All are welcome**

