

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
ROGATION SUNDAY
Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Year C
May 18, 2025, 10AM

# Welcome!

We are happy to worship with you, and honored to have you with us! Our liturgy comes from the Book of Common Prayer (the red book) and also uses texts from Enriching Our Worship, a collection of supplemental resources approved for use in The Episcopal Church.

Everything you will need for this service can be found in this bulletin and also the blue *Hymnal* in the pew rack.

### **ENTRANCE RITE**

Prelude "Kingsfold" James Biery

organ

The people stand.

PROCESSIONAL "O Jesus Crowned with All Renown" Hymnal 292

(Kingsfold)

OPENING ACCLAMATION BCP, p. 355

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Presider prays the Collect, after which all respond Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE "Tree Song" Ken Medema

School and Chapel Choirs

Children, age 4 through grade 5, are invited to join Miss Kathryn for Sunday School in Nieman Hall. They will return to the sanctuary at Communion.

Nursery care is available for children through age 4.

The people remain standing.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY BCP, p. 225

Presider The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

The Presider prays the Collect, after which all respond Amen.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The people are seated for the readings.

THE FIRST LESSON Acts 11:1-18

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 148 Sung by the Choir Anglican Chant

THE SECOND LESSON

Revelation 21:1-6

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

People

The people stand.

SEQUENCE ALLELUIA

Sung three times

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# THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 13:31-35

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

People



The Gospel of the Lord. Gospeller

People Praise to you Lord Christ The people sit.

SERMON

The people stand.

#### THE NICENE CREED

BCP, p. 358

We believe in one God. the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate:

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead. and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Leader offers intercessions on behalf of the congregation; during the silences the people may add their own petitions, silently or aloud.

Each petition concludes We pray to you, O Lord. People respond Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader ".... in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God for ever and ever." Amen.

### THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The people greet one another in the name of the Lord. Sunday School Children join their families in church at this time.

### WORDS OF WELCOME

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "I Give You a New Commandment" Peter Nardone
Choir



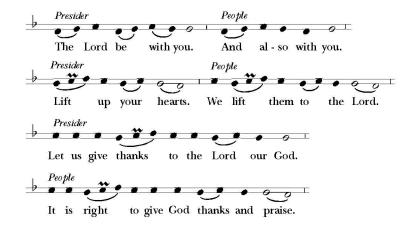
Please feel free to make your offering in thanksgiving to God using the electronic giving options at www.gracemadison.org/giving.

The people stand.

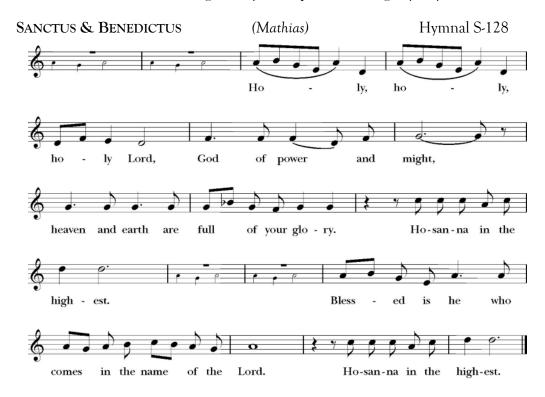
PRESENTATION HYMN

"As Those of Old" (Forest Green)

Hymnal 705



Presider It is right and a good and joyful thing...
... who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



### The people remain standing.

#### Presider

We give thanks to you, O God... ... Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

### Presider and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

#### Presider

And we offer our sacrifices of praise and thanksgiving to you... ... all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.



### THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP, p. 364

### Presider

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

All 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,

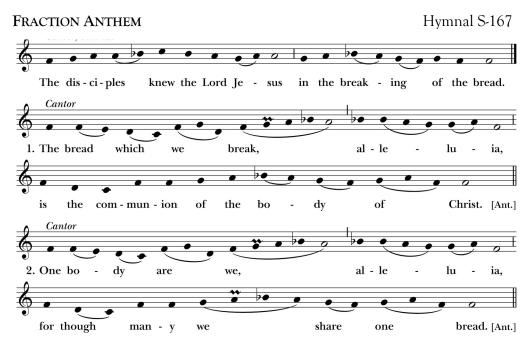
for ever and ever. Amen.

### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A period of silence is kept.



Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.



All baptized persons are invited to receive Communion. Our custom is to receive the bread on extended hands and to help guide the chalice to the mouth by touching its base.

# Intinction—dipping the wafer in the wine—is not practiced.

To receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, cross your arms over your chest. If you need to have Communion brought to you at your seat, please inform an usher. Gluten-free bread is available upon request.

COMMUNION MUSIC "Fairest Lord Jesus" Garth Edmundson organ

COMMUNION HYMN "Fairest Lord Jesus" Hymnal 383

(St. Elizabeth)

The people stand.

### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP, p. 365

Presider Let us pray.
Presider and People

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 congregation will follow the clergy and choir during the final hymn.

The Rogation Prayers will take place outside.

Please bring this bulletin.



### ROGATION PRAYER

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

#### Presider

Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, Creator of all life, let your blessing be upon these grounds of Grace Church. Bless those who tend shrubs, trees and flowers, and may these symbols of your beauty gladden our hearts and refresh our spirits. **Amen.** 

Gracious God, bless these buildings that they may house and prepare your people for ministry and praise. So bless our parish grounds and all who enter them in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

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That it may please you to grant favorable weather, temperate rain, and fruitful seasons, that there may be food and drink for all your creatures. We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please you to bless the lands and waters and all who work upon them to bring forth food and all things needful for your people We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please you to look with favor upon all who care for the earth, the water, and the air, that the riches of your creation may abound from age to age.

We ask you to hear us, good Lord.

### COLLECT FOR STEWARDSHIP OF CREATION

BCP, p. 259

Presider

O merciful Creator, your hand is open wide to satisfy the needs of every living creature: Make us always thankful for your loving providence; and grant that we, remembering the account that we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your good gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

#### EASTER BLESSING

The Presider invokes God's blessing upon all, to which the people respond Amen.

#### DISMISSAL

The people are dismissed in the name of Christ.

Response Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE

"For the Beauty of the Earth" Rogation Band

C. Kocher arr. Kinyon

Read about the music in our service. www.annematlack.wordpress.com

# Grace Calendar Highlights

Mon, May 19, 7PM Women's Book Group, Tom Lake by Ann Patchett, Library

Tues, May 20, 7:30PM Men's Book Group, James by Percivil Everett Member's Homes. Contact: Bruce Rudin: bruce.rudin82@gmail.com

Tues, May 27, 7PM Circle of Women, Library

Sun, June 1, 10AM Choir Sunday & Senior Sermons, Church

Sun, June 1, **Hegg Lifetime Achievement Awards**, Church of the Saviour, Denville 3PM Reception / 4PM Evensong

# Community

Mon, June 2, 1-7PM Blood Drive, Grace Hall

Wed, June 4, 11AM-1PM nourish.NJ volunteers needed, Dover location, no training needed.

Mon, June 16 Bishop's Cup Golf Tournament, Copper Hill Country Club

# Grace Episcopal Church

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# Clergy

The Rev. Susan R. Ironside, Rector
The Rev. Canon Robert T. Griner, Associate

# Worship Services

Holy Eucharist Services Sunday 8AM & 10AM

### Morning Prayer

Wednesday 8:30AM Zoom Saturday 8:30AM Zoom

### Staff

Camille Bourland, Children's Choirs
Linda Bowden, Chapel Choir
Matthew North, The Gargoyles Director
Meredith McKeever, Head Chorister
Kathryn McManus, Children's Ministries
Mary McManus, Youth Ministries
Geoff Brooks, Senior Verger
Kit Cone, Senior Verger Emeritus
Peter Munter & Lucy Waterstredt, Head Acolytes
Michael Kostial, Parish Administrator

Dr. Anne Matlack, Organist & Director of Choirs

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