



THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Holy Eucharist, Rite II, Year A

August 23, 2026, 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.

*The altar flowers today are given to the Glory of God,
and in loving memory of Margaret Livingston Fisher
by Peggy & Kirk Oakes, Gretel & Whitney Merrill, Sallie & Brian O'Connor,
and in loving memory of Andrew William Link
by Olga and Maureen Link.*

ENTRANCE RITE

PRELUDE

"Elevation"

François Couperin

organ

The people stand.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN "When Morning Gilds the Skies "
(*Laudes Domini*)

Hymnal 427

OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP, p. 355

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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

SONG OF PRAISE

Sung by all.
(David Hurd)

Hymnal S-277



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

2. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al - mighty - 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.

The people remain standing.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP, p. 232

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

Exodus 1:8-2:10

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 124

read, responsively by half verse

BCP, p. 781

- 1 If the LORD had not been on our side, *
let Israel now say;
- 2 If the LORD had not been on our side, *
when enemies rose up against us;
- 3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive *
in their fierce anger toward us;
- 4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us *
and the torrent gone over us;
- 5 Then would the raging waters *
have gone right over us.
- 6 Blessed be the LORD! *
he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
- 7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; *
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
- 8 Our help is in the Name of the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth.

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 12:1-8

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand.

SEQUENCE ALLELUIA

Sung three times

Taizé



THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 16:13-20

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

People



Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People



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

Form VI, BCP, p. 392

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.
For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.
For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.
For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.
For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.
For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, and Carlye our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in the Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, and for everyone on our parish prayer list. (*The People may add their own petitions*)

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life....

(*The People may add their own thanksgivings*)

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, ... that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. (*The People may add their own petitions*)

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

After the Absolution is said, the people respond **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.

WORDS OF WELCOME

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Benedictus from
‘Little Organ Mass’”
Linda Bowden, soprano

F. J. Haydn



*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

“You are the Christ”
(Wyngate Canon)

Hymnal 254

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, Eucharistic Prayer A

Hymnal S-120

Presider *People*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Presider *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Presider

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

(Richard Proulx)

Hymnal S-125

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.

The people remain standing.

Presider Holy and gracious Father:...
 ...Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Presider We celebrate the memorial of our redemption,...
 ... all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

A _____ men _____ A _____ men _____ A _____ men _____

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

Christ our
Passover

Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

2 People

There fore let us keep the feast.

All

Al - le - lu - ia

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 drink from the cup.

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

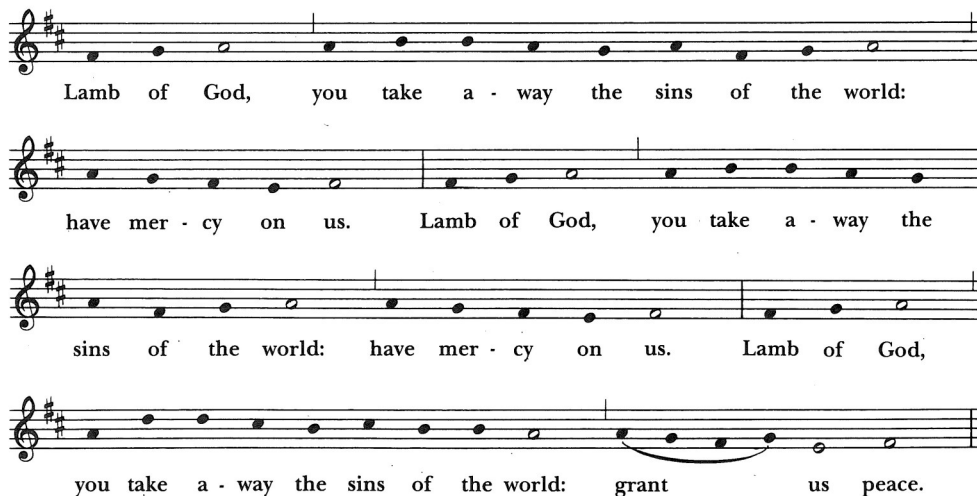
To receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, cross your arms over your chest.

If you need to have Communion brought to you at your seat, please inform an usher. Gluten-free bread is available upon request.

FRACTION ANTHEM

(Hurd)

Hymnal S-161



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.

COMMUNION MUSIC

"*Laudes Domini*"
organ

Rebecca te Velde

COMMUNION HYMN

"Come, Risen Lord"
 (*Sursum Corda*)
The people stand.

Hymnal 306

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 BLESSING

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

CLOSING HYMN “Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken” Hymnal 522
 (Austria)

DISMISSAL

The people are dismissed in the name of Christ.

Response Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE	“Prelude in Classic Style”	Gordon Young
	<i>organ</i>	

Grace Prayer List

We pray for all who are in need, especially Paula, Jennifer, Anne, Jeff, Mark, Joe, Genevieve, Audrey, Amy, Wendy, Katie, Julian, Ruth, David, Richard, Kackie, Marianne, Eloise, Croft, Matt, John, James, Mary, Tiffanie, Jo, Brigitte, Sue.

Grace Calendar Highlights

TODAY at 2PM BONJ Scarlatti's *La Giuditta*, Church

Sat, Aug 29, 5PM Summer Evensong, Church

Sun, Sept 13, 11:15AM Welcome Sunday & Picnic

Sun, Sept 20, 11:15AM Ministry Fair, Grace Hall

Sing! Sing! Sing! Let us know if your child is interested in Chapel Choir this fall ages 4 to 1st grade. New choristers for the Grace Church School Choirs (2nd-5th grade), please see Dr. Anne for a summer orientation lesson!

Offer: Free voice lessons! Yes it's true! ALL adults in the church are entitled to 3 free voice lessons with Dr. Anne. No commitment. You can feel more comfortable singing and learn about our hymnal.

Next summer — August 7-16, 2027 Grace Church Choirs have been accepted for a week in residence at Exeter Cathedral in Devon, England. To donate to tour scholarships make checks payable to “Grace Church”, memo: “GCM Exeter Fund”

For anything music related, email Dr. Anne: amatlack@gracemadison.org

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The Rev. Susan R. Ironside, *Rector*

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Worship Services

Holy Eucharist Services

Sunday 8AM & 10AM

Staff

Dr. Anne Matlack, *Organist & Director of Choirs*

Camille Bourland, *Children's Choirs*

Linda Bowden, *Chapel Choir*

Matthew North, *The Gargoyles Director*

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