

# GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

A COMMUNITY OF GRACE, ANCHORED IN CHRIST,  
LIVING TO LOVE, GROWING TO SERVE

October 10, 2021

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 23



A Celebration of the holy Eucharist: RITE II at 10:30 AM

WE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT QUIET BE MAINTAINED PRIOR TO WORSHIP SO THAT  
PEOPLE MAY PRAYERFULLY PREPARE FOR THE LITURGY.

*The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) is the black book in the pew racks.  
The Hymnal (HM) is a red book in the pew racks. (S numbers are located in the front of the hymnal.)*

Prelude

Blues Musicians

*At the introduction to the opening hymn the congregation stands and prepares to sing.*

Opening Hymn

*Morning Has Broken*

HM 8

## The Liturgy of The Word

Opening Sentences

BCP 355

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

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

Collect for Purity

BCP 355  
Paul Vasile

*Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,  
2 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,  
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.  
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

## Lessons

### First Lesson Amos 5:6-7,10-15

Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it.

Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground!

They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth.

Therefore, because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine.

For I know how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins—you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate.

Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time.

Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said.

Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

### The Response Psalm 90:12-17 Domine, refugium

12 So teach us to number our days \*that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

**13 Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry? \*be gracious to your servants.**

14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; \*so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

**15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us \*and the years in which we suffered adversity.**

16 Show your servants your works \*and your splendor to their children.

**17 May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; \*prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.**

### Second Lesson Hebrews 4:12-16

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Sequence Hymn

*Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

*Thomas Dorsey*

*Precious Lord, take my hand,  
Lead me on, let me stand,  
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;  
Through the storm, through the night,  
Lead me on to the light:*

*Refrain  
Take my hand, precious Lord,  
Lead me home.*

*When my way grows drear,  
Precious Lord, linger near,  
When my life is almost gone,  
Hear my cry, hear my call,  
Hold my hand lest I fall:*

*Refrain  
When the darkness appears  
And the night draws near,  
And the day is past and gone,  
At the river I stand,  
Guide my feet, hold my hand:  
Refrain*

**People**  
Celebrant  
**People**

**Thanks be to God.**  
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark  
**Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

**The Gospel**

**Mark 10:17-31**

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'" He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

*After the Gospel, the Reader says*

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.  
**People Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

*The Rev. H. Pickett Wall*

**The Nicene Creed**

**BCP 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.**

**Prayers of the People Form III**

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

**BCP 385**

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
***That we all may be one.***

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
***That your Name may be glorified by all people.***

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
***That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.***

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
***That there may be justice and peace on the earth.***

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
***That our works may find favor in your sight.***

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
***That they may be delivered from their distress.***

Give to the departed eternal rest;  
***Let light perpetual shine upon them.***

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
***May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.***

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Silence*

**Confession of Sin**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People*

**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

### THE LITURGY OF THE ALTAR

#### The Offertory

Presentation of the gifts

Offertory

*Blues Musicians*

#### The Holy Communion

*The people remain standing*

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

**BCP 361**

Sanctus

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

*Argentine Santo*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly. My heart, my heart a - dores you! My  
San - to, san - to, san - to. ¡Mi co - ra - zón te a - do - ra! Mi

heart knows how to say to you: you are ho - ly, Lord!  
co - ra - zón te sa - be decir: ¡San - to e - res, Se - ñor!

The Lord's Prayer (Traditional)

**BCP 364**

#### The Fraction

Fraction Anthem

*Agnus Dei*

**BCP 364**

**HM S164**

**The Communion of the People:** *The invitation to Communion*

Communion Music

*Blues Musicians*

*The liturgy concludes with the closing thanksgiving. The congregation kneels.*

Post-Communion Thanksgiving

**BCP365**

The Blessing

Closing Hymn

*This Little Light of Mine*

*Harry Dixon Loes*

*This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine,*

*Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!*

*Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine...*

*Jesus gave it to me, I'm gonna let it shine...*

*Let it shine in all the world...*

*The Dismissal*

*The People Respond*

***Thanks be to God.***

**Postlude**

*Blues Musicians*

*A huge thank you to our Blues Musicians today:*

*“Shrimp City Slim” (Gary Erwin), piano and vocals*

*“Juke Joint Johnny” (John Winkler), harmonica and vocals*

*Jay “Boom Boom” Niver, drums*

*“BBQ” Bob Donnan, guitar*

*We are so grateful for your contributions to our service.*

### **Announcements**

◆ **Volunteers needed for the Community Garden** to help water and participate in work days throughout the year. Please contact Mary-Stuart Hardy ([marystuarthardy@gmail.com](mailto:marystuarthardy@gmail.com)) if you are interested in volunteering.

***\*Submissions for bulletin announcements, need to be in by Wednesdays.***

### **Calendar**

#### **Sunday 10**

9:00 AM	Breakfast
9:30 AM	Sunday School
10:30 AM	HE Rite II – Church
Noon	Blues Brunch

#### **Tuesday 12**

6:45 AM	Men’s Bible Study
1:30 PM	Women’s Bible Study

#### **Wednesday 13**

Noon	HE w/Healing
6:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal

## Prayers of the People As of October 10, 2021

**We pray for** the Church, for +Michael, Presiding Bishop and Primate; +Andrew our Bishop; for Pickett+ our rector.

**We pray for** Joe our President; for the leaders of the nations, Henry our Governor; Alfred Mae our Mayor and all first responders in our city and country.

**We pray for** those who are in need of God's healing, especially: Patty Baker, Bob Barinowski, Michael Beard, Collins Coker, Effie Taylor Ellis, Virginia Ferguson, Barbara Goode, Mary Hendrix, Rodney Hungerford, Peggy Mullikin Kinney, Gene Lockhart, Judy Martin, Jack McGee, Laurie Owen, Jim Parrish, Mel Pearson, Rich Pinkerton, Alma Raley, Jamie Raley, Helen Royall, Sara Jane, Neal Stegner, Patsy Topping, Carl Wylie

*Please call church office, if there are additions or updates to the Wednesday extended or Sunday prayer lists. Names will be removed every four (4) weeks unless notified.*

**We pray for** those serving in the Armed Forces: Alex Baker, Afghanistan; Holden Brunson, Camp Lejeune, NC; Hunt Brunson, Syria; Mitchell Edwards, Charleston; Allen Dempsey, Texas; Campbell Freitas, Norfolk, VA; Riley Kohn, OCS Navy training; AMN Dara O'Neal, McChord AFB, Washington; Chris Smith, Korea; Joe Todd, Ft. Gordon, GA; Parker White, New River, NC; and those around the world and at home.

**For those celebrating birthdays this week:** 10/10-Moultrie Burns, Jacob Prince; 10/11-Tom LaRoche; 10/12-John Baskin; 10/13-Tootie Mackey, Terri McCarley; 10/14-Mark Griggs, Karen Kalutz, Neal Stegner; 10/15-Stuart Pennebaker; 10/16-Meta Markley

**The Flowers on the Altar** are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Gary Sahr, by Kay Wages and family

**Lector** -Frances Griggs **Eucharistic Minister:** Karen Eckford  
**Crucifer** -Avery Brunson **Jr. Crucifer-** Anna Long; **Torch's-**Vivian Kinard, Davis Kinard; **Gospel Book-** Mary Elizabeth Long  
**Ushers** -John Kinard, Robert Stuckless  
**Altar Guild-** Carla Knight, Catharine deLoach  
**Flower Guild** - Heather Roberts  
**Kitchen Angel-** Betty Bingham  
**VPOD** - Nelson Lindsay

**Vestry Roster**

Yr. End 2021- Marcia Cashion, Pam Jackson, Margaret Pennebaker,  
David Williams

Yr. End 2022- Keith Brunson, Jr. Warden, Margaret Ellis, Bev  
Ferguson, Nelson Lindsay, Sr. Warden

Yr. End 2023- Johnny Kornegay, Lisa Long, Ben Mackey, Helen Walker