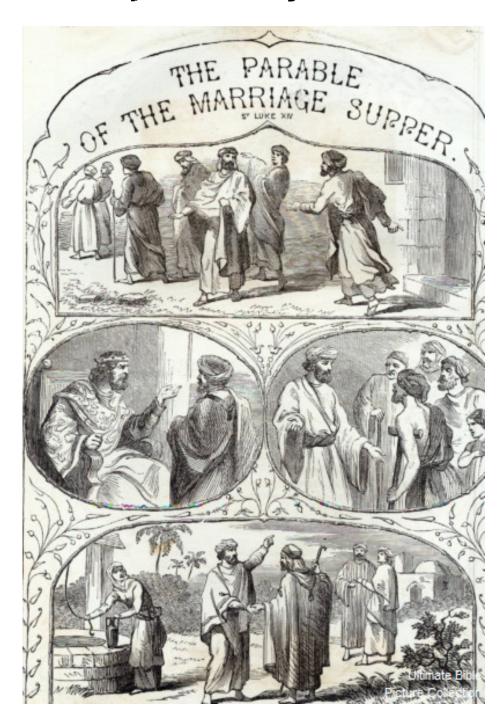
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ELCOME to all who are joining with us virtually as we celebrate *THE TWENTIETH*SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. We hope you feel at home with us and that you find the love, peace, inspiration, and strength to meet the challenges of your daily life.

We hope that you will take part in our worship by making the Peoples' responses as indicated and joining in the hymn-singing.

If you would like more information about Grace Church, or the Episcopal Church, please communicate with our Rector, The Rev. Rowena Kemp, or make an appointment with her to discuss any questions you have.



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Sung Mass, 10:30 a.m. The Rev. Dr. Marcus Halley, *Celebrant*

Proper 23A

Mass Setting: Mass of St. James

Walter MacNutt, 1974

This setting of the Ordinary of the Mass will be sung by the choir.

Voluntary: Prelude in C minor

Johann Sebastian Bach (d.1750)

Entrance Rite and The Liturgy of the Word

Introit (choir) Si iniquitates

Mode III

[Antiphon] If thou, O Lord, wilt be extreme to mark iniquities, Lord, who may abide it? For unto thee belongeth mercy, O God of Israel. [Psalm] Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. [Repeat antiphon.]

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, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Summary of the Law

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

THOU shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Kyrie eleison (choir)

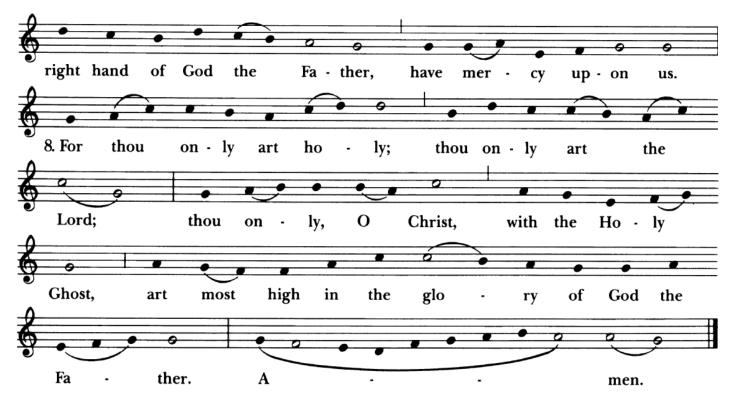
W. McNutt

yrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

[Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.]



Gloria in excelsis from Missa Marialis (sung by all) Plainsong, Charles. Winfred Douglas (d. 1944) 1. Glo · ry be high, God to on and on earth peace, will good to - wards 2. We men. praise thee, bless we 0 0 thee, wor ship thee, we we glo ri thee, fy 0 thanks give to thee for thy glo · we great ry, 3. O Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, God the ther Al might -4. O Fa -Lord, the on - ly y. be · God, Lamb Christ; 5. O Lord God, got - ten Son, Je - sus of Son of the Fa ther, kest that ta way the a -0 the sins of world, have mer - cy up on us. 6. Thou that ta kest a way the sins of the world, re ceive our 7. Thou that prayer. sit the test



The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Lord, we pray thee that thy grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 25: I-9 [NRSV]

A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt. Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled. On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death for ever. Then the LORD GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The Word of the Lord.

People's Response: Thanks be to God.

(Congregation sings the italicized verses.)

Antiphon: Cantor first, then all



The Lord is my shep-herd; there-fore can I lack no-thing.



2 HE SHÄLL feed me in a | green pasture,

* and lead me forth beside the wa- | ters of comfort.

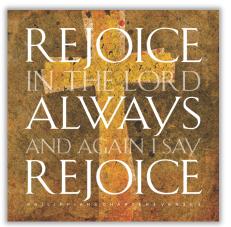
3 He shall con- | vert my soul,

* and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness | for his Name's sake.

4 Yea though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear | no evil: * for thou art with me; thy rod and | thy stäff comfort ^ me.

5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me in the presence of them | that trouble ^ me; * thou hast anointed my head with oil and | my cüp shall be ^ full.

6 Surely thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days | of my life; * and I will dwell in the house of the | LORD för ever.



[All repeat antiphon.]

The Epistle: Philippians 4: I-9 /NRSV/

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

MY brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

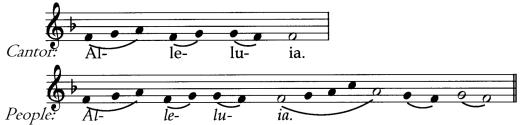
The Word of the Lord.

People's Response: Thanks be to God.



Alleluia *Qui timent Dominum*

Tone VI



Choir: Ye that fear the Lord, put your trust in him: he is their helper and defender.



The Holy Gospel: St. Matthew 22: I-I4 [RSV]

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

People's response: ★ Glory be to thee, O Lord.

AND again Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a marriage feast for his son, and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the marriage feast; but they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, Behold, I have made ready my dinner, my oxen and my fat



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The Gospel of the Lord.

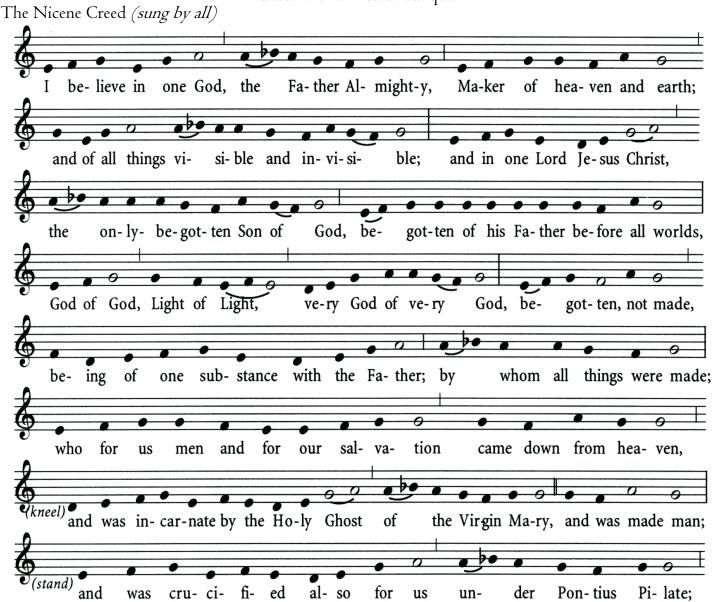
calves are killed, and everything is ready; come to the marriage feast.' But they made light of it and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore to the thoroughfares, and invite to the marriage feast as many as you find.' And those servants went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. "But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment; and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, Bind him hand and foot, and cast him into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

People's Response: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Rev. Dr. Marcus Halley



Parable of the Great Banquet









Let us pray for the Church and | for the world.



Grant almighty God, that all who confess thy Name may be united in thy truth, live together in thy love, and reveal thy glory / in the world. (Silence)



Lord, in thy mer - cy hear our prayer. (Sung after every intercession)

Leader: 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. (Silence)

Lord, in thy mercy People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Give us all a reverence for the earth as thine own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to thy hon-/or and glory. (Silence)

Lord, in thy mercy People: hear our prayer.

Leader: Watch over thy child Marijane, O Lord, as her days increase; bless and guide her wherever she may be. Strengthen her when she stands; comfort her when discouraged or sorrowful; raise her up if she falls; and in her heart may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days / of her life. (Silence) Lord, in thy mercy People: hear our prayer.

Leader: We pray for an increase in the membership of this parish; that we may have the hands and hearts to carry / out thy will. (Silence)

Lord, in thy mercy People: hear our prayer.

Leader: We commend to thy gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad [especially N.]. Defend them day by day with thy heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of thine abiding presence wherever / they may be. (Silence)

Lord, in thy mercy People: hear our prayer.

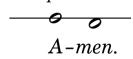
Leader: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit (pause); give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of / thy salvation. (Silence)

Lord, in thy mercy *People:* hear our prayer.

Leader: We commend to thy mercy all who have died, that thy will for them may be fulfilled (pause); and we pray that we may share with all thy saints in thine e-/ternal kingdom. (Silence)

Lord, in thy mercy *People:* hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Lord, hear the prayers of thy people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *People*



Confession of Sin and Absolution

Deacon: Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: draw near with faith, and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

People: Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, ♣ pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

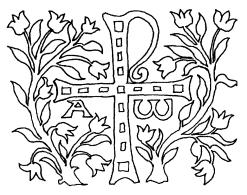
Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *Matthew II: 28* God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3: 16*

The Peace

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

People: And with thy spirit.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the Name of the Lord.



The Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Celebrant: Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good thy vows unto the Most High. Psalm 50: 14

Offertory (choir) Recordare mei

Mode I

Remember me, O Lord, at this time, thou who art the master of all dominions: and put eloquent speech into my mouth, that my words may be found pleasing in the sight of the ruler.



Presentation of the alms and oblations

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord,

People: And of thine own have we given thee.

Orate

Celebrant: Pray that this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

People: May the Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his holy Name, both to our benefit and that of all his holy Church.

Sursum corda



Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant says,

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

THROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,



Sanctus and Benedictus (choir)

W. MacNutt

HOLY, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, Heav'n and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord: Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Canon of the Mass

Celebrant: Let us pray.

ALL glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." *

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me." *

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

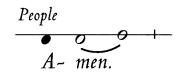
And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, * be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

BY whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

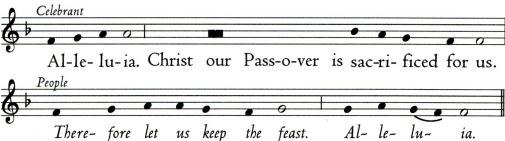


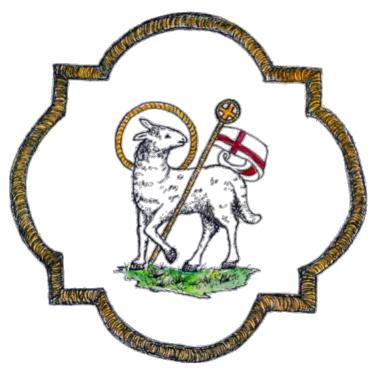
The Lord's Prayer (sung by all)

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,



The Fraction





Agnus Dei (choir) W. MacNutt

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Prayer of Humble Access (said by all)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Invitation to Communion

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

People: Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof; but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

Communion (choir) Aufer a me

Mode II

Othy testimonies: for thy testimonies are my delight in meditation.



Prayer of Spiritual Communion (said by those worshipping virtually)

IN UNION, O Dear Lord, with the faithful at every Altar of Thy Church, where Thy blessed Body and Blood are being offered to the Father, I desire to offer Thee praise and thanksgiving. I present to Thee my soul and body, with the earnest wish that I may ever be united to Thee. And since I cannot now receive Thee sacramentally, I beseech Thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to Thee, and embrace Thee with all the affections of my soul. O let nothing ever separate me from Thee. Let me live and die in Thy love. Amen.



Motet (choir) Alexei Lvov (d. 1870)

To thy heav'nly banquet, O Son of God, admit me this day. O may I never betray thee, nor like Judas greet thee with a kiss, But with the thief let me cry: Lord, remember me in thy kingdom. Alliluiya. Eastern Orthodox Liturgy (trans. J. P. Morton)

Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion

Celebrant: Let us pray.

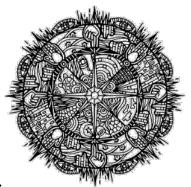
People: Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these Holy Mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical Body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing and Dismissal

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, \blacksquare the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

The People respond: Thanks be to God.



The Last Gospel

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: The Beginning of the holy Gospel according to John.

People: ▶ Glory be to thee, O Lord.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him: and without Him was not anything made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men: and the light shineth in the darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that light, but was sent to bear witness of that light. That was the true light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. (Here genuflect) And the Word was made flesh, (Here rise) and dwelt among us: and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the Onlybegotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

People: Thanks be to God.

St. John I:I-I4

Salve Regina (choir)

Mode V

SALVE REGINA, mater misericordia: Vita, dulcendo, et spes nostra salve. Ad te Sclamamus, exsules filii Hevae. Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes in hac lacrimarum valle. Eia ergo, advocata nostra, illos tuos misericordes oculos ad nos converte. Et Jesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui, nobis post hoc exsilium ostende. O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria.

[Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile show us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.]



The Angelus

Celebrant: The Angel of the Lord announced unto Mary.

People: And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.

Celebrant: Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women

and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

People: Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our

death. Amen.

Celebrant: Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

People: Be it unto me according to thy word.

Celebrant: Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women

and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

People: Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our

death. Amen.

(Here genuflect) Celebrant: And the Word was made flesh.

(Here rise) People: And dwelt among us.

Celebrant: Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women

and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

People: Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our

death. Amen.

Celebrant: Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.

People: That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

WE beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts, that, as we have known the Incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his *Passion we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen*.





October 15, 2023 – Pentecost 20 (A) Meet Your Episcopal Service Corps Programs: Johnson Service Corps

Johnson Service Corps is a diverse, ecumenical community of young adults ages 21 to 28 dedicated to service and social justice in Chapel Hill and Durham, N.C.

A year in the Johnson Service Corps is an opportunity to grow personally, professionally, and spiritually through a well-supported mix of justice work, leadership training, spiritual practice, and living in intentional community in Durham.

JSC internship placements involve 32 hours a week serving through economic, environmental, and racial justice-oriented nonprofits and offer experience in areas like policy development and implementation, direct service to marginalized women and families or the homeless, or rural agriculture cooperatives. Types of service include: Addiction and recovery support, Arts, Congregation-based ministry, Community organizing, Education, Employment Services, Conservation, Disability services, Food justice, Healthcare, Homelessness, Housing insecurity, Immigrant/refugee services, Legal services, LGBTQIA+ support, Racial reconciliation, Special education, Violence prevention, Women's empowerment, Youth-based services, public policy/advocacy.

Corps members live in a house with four to six other young adults: sharing space, cooking, cleaning, praying, and learning to navigate conflict. Corps members participate in weekly leadership training and in a faith community of their choice. All corps members are supported with a network of relationships that includes peers, mentors, therapists, and other partners.

The JSC community welcomes people of all spiritual traditions and those who are new to exploring spirituality. Every corps member is encouraged to adopt a daily personal practice and to adapt it over the course of the year. Popular practices have included book studies, music, yoga, and a wide variety of prayer. The corps may also participate in the wide variety of faith expressions in the Durham-area, including Buddhist temples, a local farm church, and a synagogue, along with more mainline Christian congregations.

Corps members serving through JSC arrive in mid-August and commit to participation through June of the following year. JSC provides housing, utilities, food stipend, health insurance, group counseling, quarterly retreats, mentorship, \$500 monthly stipend, and \$1000 completion bonus.

Applications for the 2024-2025 Corps will open December 1. Visit ESC's website to learn more about Johnson Service Corps or to take the ESC Discernment Quiz at *EpiscopalServiceCorps.org*.



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FOR PASTORAL ASSISTANCE

THE REV. ROWENA KEMP welcomes hearing from you. Please don't hesitate to contact her if there's something you'd like to discuss, and please contact her immediately, should there be an illness, hospitalization, or any other pastoral emergency that she should know about. [For such emergencies, please note Rev. Rowena's cell phone number: 203-209-4178.]

PEOPLE AND PLACES TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

A reminder: Tori Burns manages this list for us, and prayer requests need to be renewed after 2 weeks.

Please communicate all prayer requests & updates with her (860-539-8790); (tburns@gracehartford.org).

- Bishops and Clergy: Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, Presiding Bishop; Jeffrey and Laura, Bishops of ECCT; and Rowena, Jerry, Annika, Joseph, and Marcus, our priests.
- Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: We pray for an increase in the membership of this parish, that we may have the hands and hearts to carry out thy will; for the Episcopal Church in CT & the Anglican Communion; St. John's, Waterbury; St. James's, West Hartford; St. John's, West Hartford; young adults, young adult ministries and networks; and the Episcopal Service Corps and the Young Adult Service Corps of The Episcopal Church.
- World & Community Concerns: For peace throughout the world, especially between Israel and Gaza and in the Middle East; in Sudan; and between Russia and Ukraine; for Christians being persecuted around the world, particularly in China and Palestine; for those who are suffering because of extreme climate; for the hungry and poor in our midst; and the volunteers who serve A Place of Grace food pantry.
- Serving Our Country in the Military (especially those associated with Grace Church): Brian, Spencer, Bradley, Curtis, Jordan, John, Carrington, William, Noel, James, Ryan, Michael, Karl, Alec, Jeff, David, Tom, Michael, and Charles.
- Thanksgiving and Celebrations: We give thanks and ask for thy blessings upon Marijane Lacedonia (Sun.), and Katherine James (13 on Mon.), whose birthdays we celebrate this week.
- Sick or in need: Michael; James; Ken & Adrianne; Tom & Elaine; Josephine, Melissa & Jaden; Sally; Jerry; Bonnie & the Burns Family; Richard; Errol, Norma & the Kemp Family; Ellen; Barbara; Nigel, Kraig & Deidre; Dick, Leanne, Aldon, Kim & Fiona; Carmen & Félix; Mary; Monica; Antoinette; Julia, Mike, André & Maria; Linda & the Galarza Family; Brad; Debbie; Leslie, Arthur; Melissa; Joe; Margaret; Judy; Peter; Doug; Jane; Bill, Carolyn & Susan; Lynn; McJohn; Doreen; Karen; Terra; Kanata; Betty & John; Mary & Lou; Nelda Sue; Nazra; Diane; Nina; Ellen and Jim; Lauren, Alexandra & Anna; Mark & Diane; Jean; and all victims of natural and man-made disasters.
- The Deceased: We pray for the repose of Dave Desmarais, all soldiers and civilians killed in war or civil strife, and in memory of Richard Bragg, Miguel Soto-Molina, Lenore Kuras, Rosemary Rozman, Trudy Hanscomb, and Les Killen.



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THIS WEEK AT GRACE

Sunday, October 15 The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost ~ Proper 23

8:00 a.m.: Low Mass

10:30 a.m.: Sung Mass (also on Facebook Live)

Tuesday, October 17 Ignatius, Bishop of Antioch, and Martyr, c.115

10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.: Office Hours

Wednesday, October 18 SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST

12:00 noon: Low Mass (also on Facebook Live)

10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.: Office Hours

7:00 p.m.: Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 19 Henry Martyn Priest, and Missionary to India and Persia, 1812

10:00 a.m.: "A Place of Grace" food pantry distribution

6:30 p.m.: Vestry Meeting on Zoom

Friday, October 20 Feria

1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.: Office Hours

Sunday, October 22 The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost ~ Proper 24

8:00 a.m.: Low Mass

10:30 a.m.: Sung Mass (also on Facebook Live)





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