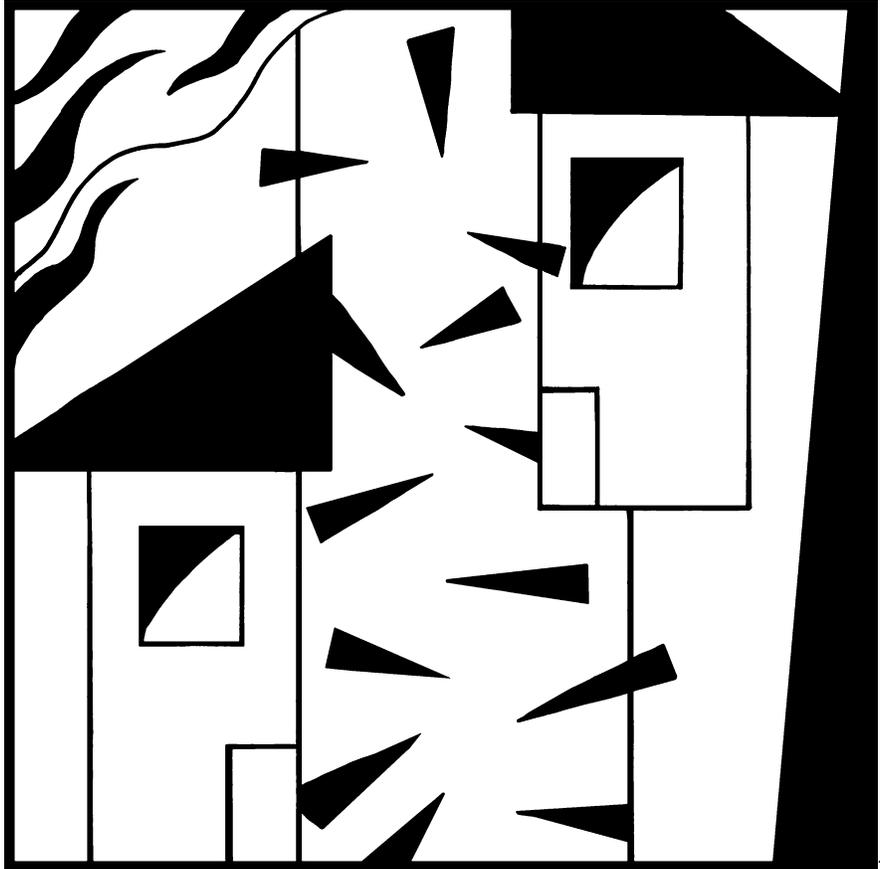


Grace Church in the Mountains

June 6, 2021 | 10:30 am



Second Sunday after Pentecost (*Proper 5*)

WELCOME! / ¡BIENVENIDOS!

We are honored by your presence as we gather as God's people to worship in the "beauty of holiness" through our ancient liturgy, contemporary prayers, and vibrant community.

Audio and visual aids, as well as "worship bags" for children, are available. Ask an usher for assistance.

Following the service, please join us in Thatcher Hall for coffee and fellowship.

MISSION FOCUS 2021

Celebrating that Christ is all and in all

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PRELUDE:

Valediction

Charles Callahan
b. 1951

OPENING HYMN #594

God of grace

Cum Rhondda

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple pour thy power;
 2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as - sail his ways!
 3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to thy con - trol;
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils we de - plore;

crown thine an - cient Church's sto - ry; bring her bud to glo - rious flower.
 From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise:
 shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in things and poor in soul.
 let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our glo - ry ev - er - more.

Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing of this
 grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the liv - ing of these
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, lest we miss thy king - dom's
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, serv - ing thee whom we a -

hour,
 days,
 goal,
 dore,
 for the fac - ing of this hour.
 for the liv - ing of these days.
 lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
 serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

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 Music: *Cum Rhondda*, John Hughes (1873-1932)

THE WORD OF GOD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the Presider says

Presider: Blessed by God: Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer.

People: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen

+OPENING SONG OF PRAISE

#S280

Glory to God

Powell

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - 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 COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Presider: Let us pray.

All: **O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

(Be seated)

FIRST READING: Genesis 3:8-15

A Reading from the book of Genesis

⁸ During that day's cool evening breeze, they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden; and the man and his wife hid themselves from the LORD God in the middle of the garden's trees. ⁹ The LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?"

¹⁰ The man^u replied, "I heard your sound in the garden; I was afraid because I was naked, and I hid myself."

¹¹ He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Did you eat from the tree, which I commanded you not to eat?"

¹² The man said, "The woman you gave me, she gave me some fruit^u from the tree, and I ate."

¹³ The LORD God said to the woman, "What have you done?!"

And the woman said, "The snake tricked me, and I ate."

¹⁴ The LORD God said to the snake,

"Because you did this,
you are the one cursed
out of all the farm animals,
out of all the wild animals.

On your belly you will crawl,
and dust you will eat
every day of your life.

¹⁵ I will put contempt
between you and the woman,
between your offspring and hers.
They will strike your head,
but you will strike at their heels."

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**



The psalm follows the eight chords which appear above. We change to the next chord at the beginning of each verse, half verse (*), and at each word with a slash before it. If a + appears before the last verse, we chant using the last two measures above.

¹Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD;

²LORD, hear my /voice; *

let your ears consider well the voice of my suppli-/cation.

³If you, LORD, were to note what is done a-/miss, *

O Lord, who could /stand?

⁴For there is forgiveness with /you; *

therefore you shall be /feared.

⁵I wait for the LORD; my soul /waits for him; *

in his word is my /hope.

⁶My soul waits for the LORD, more than watchmen for the /morning, *

more than watchmen for the /morning.

⁷O Israel, wait for the /LORD, *

for with the LORD there is /mercy;

†⁸With him there is plenteous re-/demption, *

and he shall redeem Israel from all their /sins.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 4:13~5:1

A Reading from Paul's second letter to the church in Corinth

¹³We have the same faithful spirit as what is written in scripture: *I had faith, and so I spoke.*¹⁴ We also have faith, and so we also speak. ¹⁴We do this because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will also raise us with Jesus, and he will bring us into his presence along with you. ¹⁵All these things are for your benefit. As grace increases to benefit more and more people, it will cause gratitude to increase, which results in God's glory.

¹⁶So we aren't depressed. But even if our bodies are breaking down on the outside, the person that we are on the inside is being renewed every day. ¹⁷Our temporary minor problems are producing an eternal stockpile of glory for us that is beyond all comparison. ¹⁸We don't focus on the things that can be seen but on the things that can't be seen. The things that can be seen don't last, but the things that can't be seen are eternal.

⁵ We know that if the tent that we live in on earth is torn down, we have a building from God. It's a house that isn't handmade, which is eternal and located in heaven.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)

~Halle, Halle

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!
Hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

GOSPEL: Mark 3:20-35

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

²⁰ Jesus entered a house. A crowd gathered again so that it was impossible for him and his followers even to eat. ²¹ When his family heard what was happening, they came to take control of him. They were saying, “He’s out of his mind!”

²² The legal experts came down from Jerusalem. Over and over they charged, “He’s possessed by Beelzebul. He throws out demons with the authority of the ruler of demons.”

²³ When Jesus called them together he spoke to them in a parable: “How can Satan throw Satan out? ²⁴ A kingdom involved in civil war will collapse. ²⁵ And a house torn apart by divisions will collapse. ²⁶ If Satan rebels against

himself and is divided, then he can't endure. He's done for. ²⁷No one gets into the house of a strong person and steals anything without first tying up the strong person. Only then can the house be burglarized. ²⁸I assure you that human beings will be forgiven for everything, for all sins and insults of every kind. ²⁹But whoever insults the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven. That person is guilty of a sin with consequences that last forever." ³⁰He said this because the legal experts were saying, "He's possessed by an evil spirit."

³¹His mother and brothers arrived. They stood outside and sent word to him, calling for him. ³²A crowd was seated around him, and those sent to him said, "Look, your mother, brothers, and sisters are outside looking for you."

³³He replied, "Who is my mother? Who are my brothers?" ³⁴Looking around at those seated around him in a circle, he said, "Look, here are my mother and my brothers. ³⁵Whoever does God's will is my brother, sister, and mother."

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

~ **Halle Halle** (*see music above*)

(*Be seated*)

THE SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

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

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

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 your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation, especially...(your intercessions are invited aloud or silently)

Silence

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom, especially...(your intercessions are invited aloud or silently)

Silence

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer.**

The presider adds a concluding collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION

Presider: As we prepare to celebrate the mystery of God's love, revealed in Word and Sacrament, let us call to mind our sins, those thoughts, words and deeds that separate us from one another and from God.

All: **God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,**

and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.

Presider: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

THANKSGIVING FOR THE END OF A SCHOOL YEAR & SUMMER BLESSING

THE PEACE

Presider: The peace of the triune God be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

The Presider says

Friends do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

(Hebrews 13:15, 16)

OFFERTORY MUSIC

O Christ, the healer

Fred Pratt Green
b. 1903

*O Christ, the healer, we have come
to pray for health, to plead for friends.
How can we fail to be restored,
when reached by love that never ends?*

*From every ailment flesh endures
our bodies clamor to be freed;
yet in our hearts we would confess
that wholeness is our deepest need.*

*How strong, O Lord, are our desires,
how weak our knowledge of ourselves!
Release in us those healing truths
unconscious pride resists ourselves.*

*In conflicts that destroy our health
we recognize the world's disease;
our common life declares our ills:
is there no cure, O Christ, for these?*

*Grant that we all, made in one faith,
in your community may find
the wholeness that, enriching us,
shall reach the whole of humankind.*

***PRESENTATION HYMN #705 As those of old their first fruits brought**

Forest Green

(Please stand and sing as your offerings are brought forward.)

As those of old their first fruits brought of vine-yard, flock, and field to God, the giver
of all good, the source of bounteous yield; so we today our first fruits bring, the
wealth of this good land, of farm and market, shop and home, of mind, and heart, and hand.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- Presider:* The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Presider: Lift up your hearts.
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**
Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Sanctus

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said:

“Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said:

“Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ’s coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

The Presider continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit’s power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with [blessed _____, and] all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Blessed are you, now and forever. AMEN.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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

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.

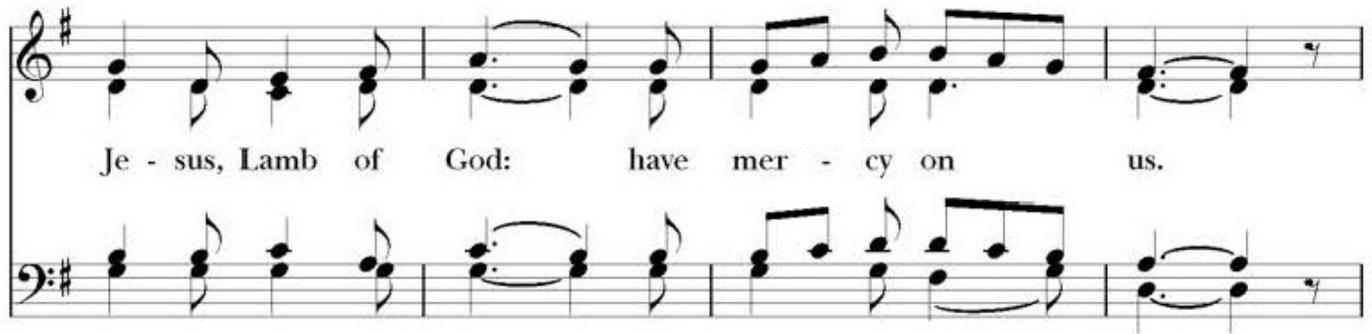
For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen

FRACTION ANTHEM & INVITATION

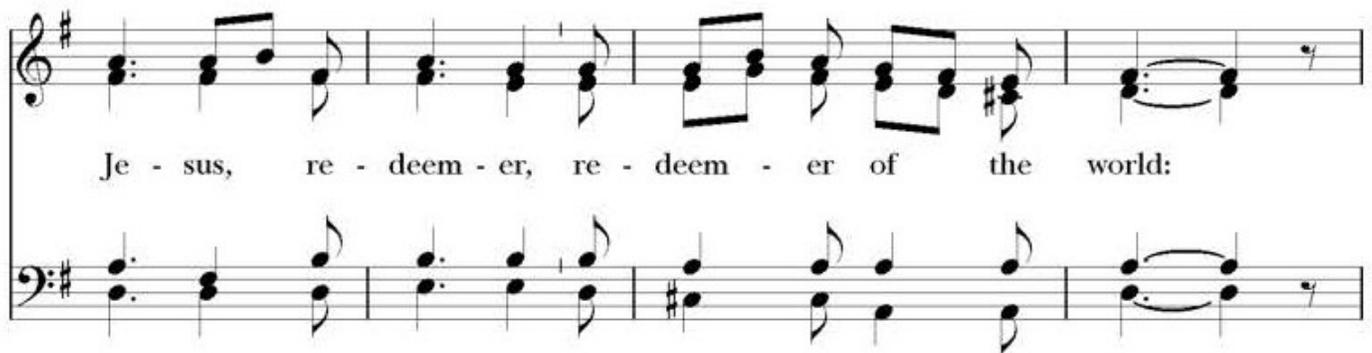
Presider: Holy Food for Holy People



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.



Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:



give us your peace, give us your peace.

COMMUNION

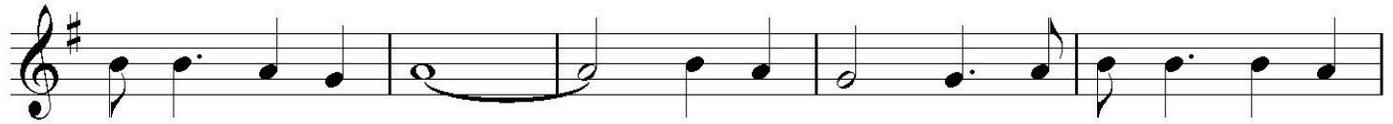
Ushers will direct you forward to receive the body and blood. If you prefer a blessing, simply cross your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available. Please sing the hymn below as others receive communion.

COMMUNION HYMN

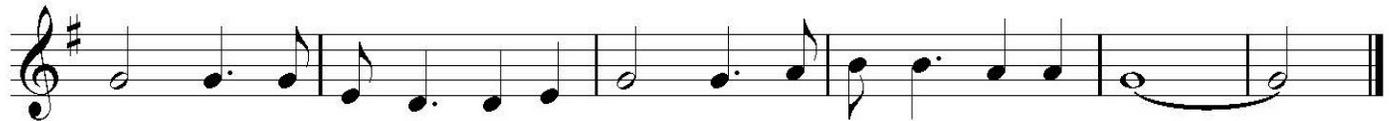
I've Got Peace Like a River



1. I've got peace like a ri - ver, I've got peace like a ri - ver, I've got peace like a
 2. I've got love like an o - cean, I've got love like an o - cean, I've got love like an
 3. I've got joy like a foun-tain, I've got joy like a foun-tain, I've got joy like a
 4. I've got peace, love, and joy,___ I've got peace, love, and joy,___ I've got peace, love, and



riv - er in my soul._____ I've got peace like a ri - ver, I've got
 o - cean in my soul._____ I've got love like an o - cean, I've got
 foun-tain in my soul._____ I've got joy like a foun-tain, I've got
 joy,___ in my soul._____ I've got peace, love, and joy,___ I've got



peace like a ri - ver, I've got peace like a ri - ver in my soul._____
 love like an o - cean, I've got love like an o - cean in my soul._____
 joy like a foun-tain, I've got joy like a foun-tain in my soul._____
 peace, love, and joy,___ I've got peace, love, and joy___ in my soul._____

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER & BLESSING

Let us pray.

All praise to you, our God and Father
 For you have fed us with the bread of heaven
 And quenched our thirst from the true vine:
 Hear our prayer that, being grafted to Christ,
 We may grow together in unity
 And feast with him in his kingdom;
 Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
 Amen

The Presider speaks a blessing over the people

*FINAL HYMN #370

Siyahamba

We are march - ing in the light of God, we are
 Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya -

march-ing in the light of God. — We are march - ing in the
 hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'. — Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -

light of God, we are march - ing in the light of, the
 nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - , kha -

light of God. We are march - ing, march - ing, we are
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 ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'. —

DISMISSAL

Presider: Go in peace rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

POSTLUDE

Allegro

Niels Gade

1817-1890

SERVING TODAY

Lector/EM	8:00 Bob Stambaugh/Kent Clary	10:30 Ralph Andrew/Betsy Stecher
Counters	Clyde Austin, Melanie Cyre	
Altar Guild	Betsy Stecher, Mary Lou Daily, Stephen Hattendorf	
Eucharistic Visitor	Kent Clary	

IN OUR PRAYERS

Members of Grace:	Betty Smith; Charlotte Dickinson, Helen Howey; Ann-Cherie Dye; Carol Ploch; Linda Sexton, Kim Campbell, Vickie Pope, Becky Prevost, and our Homebound Members: Elizabeth Weber, Evelyn Overman, Elizabeth Clark, Katherine Calhoun, & Charles Baker.
Friends of Grace:	Gary, cousin of Joyce Brooks; Terri McNally, friend of Maureen Hunt; Genevieve Conrad & Margaret Lefford, friends of Lorie Ray; Roney Sutton, friend of Melissa VanNoppen; Tristain Gracie, son of Valerie & Michael Gracie; Carmen Suter, Joelle & Jeff Clark, friends of Karlinne Wulf-Lamphear; Debby Coughlin, sister of Dale McDonald; Monica, friend of Annelle Woggon & Kenneth Ratcliffe; Kathy McNeil, former organist at Grace Church; Debbie Pitcock, friend of Mariah Nehus; Jason Nurse, son of Peter & Jane Nurse.
For those who have died	Tony Sexton

THIS WEEK* indicates all are invited

Sunday, June 6	Noon 7:00	Creation Care Meeting Taize Service*
Monday, June 7	1:00 7:00	Dementia Support Group on Zoom (link on website) Pub Theology on the deck
Tuesday, June 8	Noon 7:30	Deadline for eNews & bulletin announcements* Mid-Life Grace for Women on the deck
Wednesday, June 9	Noon 6:30	Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayer* Choir Practice in person
Thursday, June 10	10:00 4:00 6:00	Marthas Knitting Group on the deck* Outreach Committee Meeting Administration Committee Meeting
Friday, June 11	9:00	Morning Prayer via Facebook*
Saturday, June 12	10:00	Daughters of the King (DOK)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you: We are grateful to Kathy Alley for playing the flute this morning.

Starting Sunday June 6th: As we return to our familiar worship patterns, we want to invite you to mark special days in your year with flowers for the altar. The flower chart is available in Thatcher Hall for you to sign up for that special occasion. Help beautify our sanctuary with the gift of flowers. Need more information? Contact Melanie Cyre.

On Sunday June 6 at 10:30 am, our Holy Eucharist service will feature a children's sermon and music that is accessible and joyful for all ages.

Taize Service, June 6 @ 7:00 pm, Nave: Join us for an evening of quiet, simple chant, prayer, Scripture and silence.

Senior Luncheons Return to 3rd Wednesdays: Starting on June 16. Save the date!

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