

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Grace Episcopal Church

The R. Rev. Dr. John C. Bauerschmidt, Bishop
The Rev. Joseph N. Davis, Vicar
Deanie Moore, Director of Music

September 13, 2020

Please keep silence in the church before the service and turn off all cell phones.

Prelude

Procession

“Father, We Praise Thee”
(Not sung)

Hymn 1

Acclamation

BCP, p. 355

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

BCP, p. 355

Gloria in Excelsis

BCP, p. 356

The Collect of the Day

BCP, p. 233

First Reading

Genesis 50: 15-21

Psalm 103: 1-13

BCP, p. 733

Second Reading

Romans 14:1-12

Sequence

“Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven”
(Not sung)

Hymn 410

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel

Matthew 18:21-35

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Joseph Davis

Nicene Creed

BCP, p. 358

The Prayers of the People

Form V, BCP p. 389

The Peace

BCP, p. 360

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Music

*(You may make an offering online by using
the code on p. 6 of this bulletin.)*

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP, p. 361

Sanctus

BCP p. 362

The Lord's Prayer

BCP p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread

Christ Our Passover

Invitation to Communion

(The celebrant will bring communion in one kind down the aisle to those who choose to receive. Please stay in your pew. You may cross your arms over your chest if you would prefer a blessing.)

Prayer for those who cannot receive the sacrament in person:

*Dear Lord, since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
come into my heart in the power of your Holy Spirit.
I unite myself to you and embrace you with all the affections
of my soul. Let me never be separated from you.
May I live and die in your love.*

Music "Come With Us, O Blessed Jesus" Hymn 336
(Not sung)

Post Communion Prayer BCP, p. 365
Blessing

Procession "Go Forth for God" Hymn 347
(Not sung)

The Dismissal

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

All baptized persons are normally invited to receive communion. Here are words from the Book of Common Prayer which could be adapted to our situation today:

If a person desires to receive the Sacrament, but, by reason of extreme sickness or physical disability, [or natural disaster, or pandemic,] is unable to eat and drink the Bread and Wine, the Celebrant is to assure that person that all the benefits of Communion are received, even though the Sacrament is not received with the mouth. (BCP, 457)

Bible Study

We consider the lessons for the next Sunday at 10:00 a.m. Tuesdays. Join us on Zoom for study and discussion of the lessons.

In-Person Worship at Grace

We are continuing in person worship until further notice. A statement of procedures and safety measures for us to follow has been sent to our email list. The standards include wearing some kind of face covering,

keeping a minimum of 6 feet away from other people, and not having congregational singing. If you need to avoid using stairs, please come and go by way of the parish hall; otherwise, unless you have duties to discuss with the liturgical or technical team, please enter and leave the church by the red door. Fr. Joe will greet the people outside under the maple tree after the service. We have suspended the traditional coffee hour for now.

If you plan to attend in person, please write Susan Austin (sjanawicz@aol.com) by Thursday at noon next week. We want all our members and visitors to be safe, stay well, and to be around when this disease is no longer troubling our land.

The Facebook Live broadcast of the 10:00 a.m. service will continue from the Grace Church, Spring Hill's **Facebook group page**, and you can find it later on our church's YouTube account.

If you are a visitor, we are glad to have your with us this Sunday. Reach out to us at the email addresses listed below. Please "like" and click "follow" on our Facebook page to receive updates, announcements, and posts of all types.

Meals on Wheels Outreach Opportunity

Patricia Keenan at the South Central Human Resources Agency has asked for volunteers to deliver pre-cooked meals to senior citizens in Spring Hill and north Columbia. Call Richard Hawarah for details.

Mission Council meets **this Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.** by Zoom.

Relief for Those Affected by Hurricane Laura

Links to recommended ways of supporting the victims of Hurricane Laura through the Diocese of Western Louisiana and Episcopal Relief and Development are available at the website for the Diocese of Tennessee or below in the digital version of this bulletin.

[Donate to ERD Hurricane Relief HERE](#)

[Donate to the Diocese of Western Louisiana HERE](#)

Giving to Grace Church

If you would like to make a contribution to Grace Church, please use the code given below in this bulletin or mail your offering in to the office.

You may also go to <https://graceepiscopalspringhill.org/#giving>. Select “offering plate income” in the dropdown menu. If you are under financial stress now for any reason, the gift of your prayers and presence is much appreciated in itself.



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