

Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

Grace Episcopal Church

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July 5, 2020

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

Prelude

Procession “God, my King, thy Might Confessing” [Hymn 414](#)
(*Not sung*)

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. 230](#)

First Reading [Zechariah 9:9-12](#)

Psalm 145:8-15 [BCP, p. 802](#)

Second Reading [Romans 7:15-25a](#)

Sequence “Creator Spirit, By Whose Aid” [Hymn 500](#)
(*Not sung*)

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel [Matthew 11:16-19; 25-35](#)

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

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 of 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 are continuing Tuesday morning Bible study at 10:00 a.m. on Zoom. I will send out an email invitation by early Tuesday morning. Join us if you can. Father Joe

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 out 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. Please let us know if you intend to come by writing an email to Susan Austin (sjanawicz@aol.com) by Thursday at noon next week. We apologize for not recommending that everyone just come on in; but out of love, we want all our members 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, and you can find it later on our church's YouTube account. See [Facebook.com/GraceChurchSH](https://www.facebook.com/GraceChurchSH).

If you are a visitor, we thank you joining 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.

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.

There is also a link to online giving at our website at <https://graceepiscopalspringhill.org/#giving>. To make offerings to the church's general fund, 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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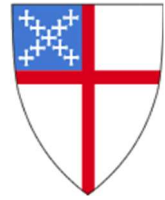
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The Collect

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Old Testament

Zechariah 9:9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!

Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!

Lo, your king comes to you;

triumphant and victorious is he,

humble and riding on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim

and the war horse from Jerusalem;

and the battle bow shall be cut off,

and he shall command peace to the nations;

his dominion shall be from sea to sea,

and from the River to the ends of the earth.

As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,

I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;

today I declare that I will restore to you double.

Psalm 145:8-15

Exaltabo te, Deus

- 8 The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.
- 9 The LORD is loving to everyone *
and his compassion is over all his works.
- 10 All your works praise you, O LORD, *
and your faithful servants bless you.
- 11 They make known the glory of your kingdom *
and speak of your power;
- 12 That the peoples may know of your power *
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
- 13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; *
your dominion endures throughout all ages.
- 14 The LORD is faithful in all his words *
and merciful in all his deeds.
- 15 The LORD upholds all those who fall; *
he lifts up those who are bowed down.

The Epistle

Romans 7:15-25a

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

The Gospel

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Jesus said to the crowd, “To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we wailed, and you did not mourn.’

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

Optional parts of the readings are set off in square brackets.

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