

Grace Episcopal Church

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It is the Mission of Grace Episcopal Church
to bring glory to God, build the spirituality of our people,
and bring Christ to our community.

Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

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

Lunch With Ladies of Grace

For health and safety reasons, the ladies' luncheons will be suspended until further notice. ~ Laurie McNutt

Wednesday Noon Eucharist

This Wednesday, September 8th, we will celebrate the Eucharist at noon with prayers for the sick and the sacrament of healing. This is an opportunity to pray together, hear the word of God, and receive communion in the middle of the week. If you have the time available, you might want to try this service. It is quiet and peaceful.

This Sunday, we commemorate the Martyrs of Memphis, the nuns and the priest who died during the Yellow Fever Epidemic of 1878 in Memphis. They stayed and cared for the sick and dying, risking their lives in the service of Christ. Let us show our appreciation for teachers, school bus drivers, cafeteria workers, doctors, nurses, hospital employees, store clerks, food service workers, and all the people who risk their health to serve the needs of others by thanking these people in person and by attending this service, if we are able to come.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Joseph N. Davis

Nicene Creed

BCP, p. 358

The Prayers of the People

Form V, BCP, p. 389

Confession

BCP, p. 360

The Peace

BCP, p. 360

Offertory Sentence

Offertory "Thine Arm, O Lord, in Days of Old" Hymn 567
(*All stand and sing.*)

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

BCP, p. 364

Priest: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

(You may come to the altar rail for communion. You may receive the host, or you may receive the host and the chalice. Please note that we will not practice intinction for the time being. You may certainly receive in one kind (the host) if you prefer not to receive the chalice. If you will not be receiving the chalice, please cross your arms and bow your head when the priest or chalice bearer comes by.)

If you would like a blessing instead of receiving communion, bow your head and cross your arms over your chest, and the priest will give you a blessing.

If you would like to receive communion in one kind at your seat in the pew, stay there and the priest will bring a host to you after giving communion to the people at the altar rail.)

Post Communion Prayer

BCP, p. 365

Blessing

Procession "Thou, Whose Almighty Word"

Hymn 371

The Dismissal

Priest: 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 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, p. 457)

Announcements

A Note to Visitors

We are glad to have you with us. If you have any questions about our service or about membership in Grace Church, please reach out to us at one of the email addresses listed on the last page.

Creative Mondays

Creative Mondays are on a temporary pause until further notice due to the recent spread of the coronavirus.

Prelude

Procession "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" Hymn 493

Acclamation BCP, p. 355

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

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

Collect for Purity

Gloria in Excelsis 356

The Collect of the Day BCP, p. 233

First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7a

Psalms 146 BCP, p. 803

Epistle James 2:1-10, [11-13], 14-17

Sequence "Help Us, O Lord to Learn" Hymn 628

The Gospel Mark 7:24-37

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In Case of Pastoral Emergency

If you have a pastoral emergency and need to talk to your priest, please call or text me on my cell phone or my home number (2nd choice). My number is in our directory, and I want to hear from you in times of emergency or pressing need. Please ask for a directory if you do not have one.

Giving to Grace Church

To contribute to the ongoing life and work of Grace Church:

- Put your offering in one of the plates at the front of the church or at the back of the church.
- Send your offering in the mail to the office.
- Contribution online through our website or by scanning the computer code below into your smartphone.

Father Joe

