

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2024

Grace: 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite 1, without music (p. 323/340)

(1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays)

All Saints Chapel: 9:00 a.m. (2nd/4th Sundays)

Grace: 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite 2



Remember to silence all cell phones.

Prelude *Cantilena from Sonata No. 11*

Josef Rheinberger

Processional Hymn #390

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Opening Acclamation

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Alleluia. Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Collect for Purity

Gloria

Hymnal S-280

The Collect of the Day

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE WORD OF GOD

The First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (10:44-48).

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

A responsive reading from the Psalms (98).

¹Sing to the LORD a new song, *

for he has done marvelous things.

²With his right hand and his holy arm *

has he won for himself the victory.

³The LORD has made known his victory; *

his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

⁴He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *

and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

⁵Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; *

lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

⁶Sing to the LORD with the harp, *

with the harp and the voice of song.

⁷With trumpets and the sound of the horn *

shout with joy before the King, the LORD.

⁸Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *

the lands and those who dwell therein.

⁹Let the rivers clap their hands, *

and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD,

when he comes to judge the earth.

¹⁰In righteousness shall he judge the world *

and the peoples with equity.

The Epistle

A reading from the First Letter of John (1 John 5:1-6).

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Pre-Gospel Hymn #348 (v. 1-2)

Lord, we have come at your own invitation

The Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (15:9-17).

Glory to you Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another." The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Post-Gospel Hymn #348 (v.3-4)

Lord, we have come at your own invitation

The Homily

The Very Rev. Miles Smith

The Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People - Form III

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During the Easter season the Confession may be omitted

The Peace

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem *Ubi Caritas*

Ola Gjeilo

Presentation Hymn 380 (vs. 3)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

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Sanctus

Hymnal S-125

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

On receiving Communion: All are welcome to the Lord's table, kneeling or standing. Those not baptized but desiring to participate may cross their arms upon their chest and receive a blessing from the priest. Any baptized Christian may receive Communion in one of three ways: (1) In "one-kind", i.e. receiving the bread or the wine alone, declining either by crossing your arms upon your chest. (2) In "both kinds", i.e. eating the bread and then drinking from the chalice, or (3) holding your bread and then intincting (carefully dipping) the bread into the wine before eating. To receive wheat bread extend both hands together. To receive gluten-free bread please extend one hand only. If you have severe celiac disease it is best to consult with the priest before the service. If you need the Sacrament brought to your pew then please notify an usher.

Fraction Anthem

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Communion Hymns #581

Where charity and love prevail

#707

Take my life and let it be

Post Communion Prayer

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The Blessing

Recessional Hymn #523

Glorious things of thee are spoken

Greetings & Announcements

Dismissal

Postlude *Prelude on the Old 100th*

Johann Pachelbel

Welcome to our guests!

We are happy you are visiting Grace Church. Please sign a guest card and leave it in the offering plate. Introduce yourself to our Clergy after the service and join us for Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall. We look forward to meeting you - Thank you!

Serving this Morning

Officiant: The Very Reverend Miles Smith

Music Director/Organist – Joel VanderZee

Reader – Mark Zanin (9 am); Susan McShane (11 am)

Chaliciest – Mark Zanin (9 am); Dan Dick (11 am)

Ushers – Chris Smith & Catherine Canterbury

Sunday School Volunteer – Pam Byrnes

Nursery Staff – Michelle Mentor

Vestry on Duty – Beth Baptist & Mike Scalise

Altar Guild – Susan McShane, Chris Melnik, Dot Proffitt, & Julie Estes

Altar Flowers

Please sign up for Sunday service flowers given in memory of or thanksgiving for a loved one or event. You can sign up on the sheet posted in the narthex, call the church office or email ParishAdministrator@gracekeswick.org. Make checks payable to Grace Church, with *Altar Flowers* in the memo line (\$75.00 per Sunday). Please feel free to share the dedication and cost of flowers that are for the same Sunday.

Prayer List

Ellen Reed, Doug Wachenfeld, Lauren Wachenfeld, (Margaret Wachenfeld), Neil Horner (Chris Horner), Caryn Stefanchik (Beth Davis), Phil Ianna, Dottie Pratt, George Gaige, my brother-in-law, John Hart (Julie Russell), Jane Remington, Reverend Carol Sims, Pooh Johnson, Patty DuPuis, Wanda Martin, Kelly Martin (Wanda Martin's daughter in law), Anne Slator Coyner, Cathy Corlis (Jill Kavanagh), Steve Manos (Jill Kavanagh), Juanita Taylor (Betsy Baten), Bill McCowen, John Fischer (Margaret Wachenfeld's brother), Nikki Henry (Barbara Crawford), Lily Samuels (granddaughter of Bill & Eleanor Adams), Alison Walden, Hugh Gildea, Rohn Laudenschlager, Shirley Gibson (Dot Proffitt's sister), Mattie Banks (Miles Smith), Thomas Kenneth (Kenny) Taylor III (Betsy Baten), Anne Spencer (Karen Whitcomb), Pam Elwell (Kathy Trossi's cousin), and Bryan Manning (Miles Smith).

After the listed names, you will see the parishioner's name in parenthesis that placed the person on our prayer list. You can address the parishioner as to the wellbeing of their family member or friend. The list is revised monthly.

This Week in the Parish

Sunday, May 5, 2024

9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite 1 (Grace – no music)
10:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite 2 (Grace)
12:00 p.m. Coffee Hour (Team #5)

Monday, May 6, 2024

4:00 p.m. Salvation Army Dinner (Team #1)
7:30 p.m. AA Meeting (Parish Hall)

Tuesday, May 7, 2024

4:30 p.m. Keswick Heritage Fund Meeting

Wednesday, May 8, 2024

11 a.m. Executive Committee (Conference Room)
Noon Staff Meeting

Thursday, May 9, 2024 – Ascension Day

9:30 a.m. Women's Study Group (Conference Room)
4:00 p.m. Renewal 2025 Task Force Meeting (Conference Room)
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, May 11, 2024

10:00 a.m. Memorial Service for Bob Burnett

Sunday, May 12, 2024 - Mother's Day

9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (All Saints)
10:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite 2 (Grace)
12:00 p.m. Mother's Day Coffee Hour (Men of Grace)

Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week

5/5 – Ayla Gertner
5/6 – Nellie Peterson, Riley Traub
5/9 – David and Pamela Byrnes (2015)
5/11 – Wesley Mitchell, Reg & Kathie Woods (1963)

Announcements

Christian Formation: We are currently working to create a Summer Sunday School, but we need YOU! Thanks to those of you who have already volunteered – we are currently covered through July 14th, but there are many slots still to fill. Two adult volunteers are needed for each Sunday of the summer to lead the kids during the 10 am worship service. The lessons, craft materials, and snack are prepared ahead of time, so all you have to do is show up and have fun with the kids. There will be training workshops for those interested. To volunteer to help: <https://volunteersignup.org/CCJ9E>. Thank you for your consideration.

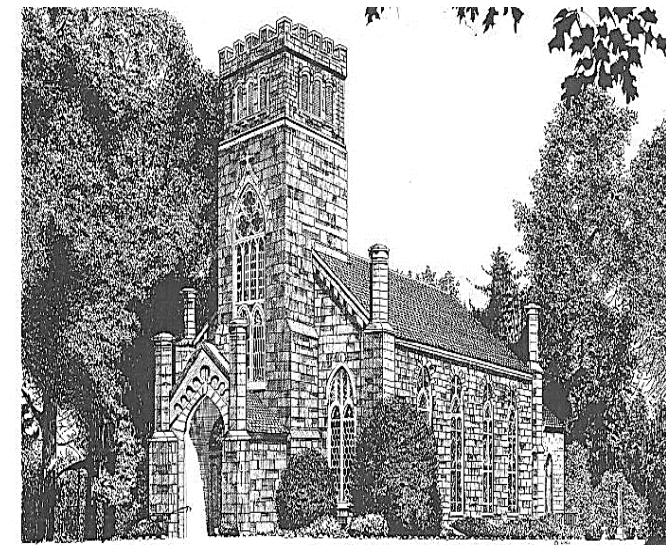
Discretionary Fund Sunday: The Vestry has designated the *First Sundays of each month* for any gifts you wish to make to the Clergy Discretionary Fund. This is a fund that exists in every Episcopal parish and is utilized under the discretion and supervision of the Rector to confidentially help people in need and assist in the ministry and mission of the parish beyond the regular budget. This fund is accountable and audited along with all the other church funds. **If you wish to make a contribution to this fund, please make checks out to Grace Church and write: Clergy Discretionary Fund in the note.** Thank you.

Help Needed: Grace will be honoring the graves of our 140 veterans over Memorial Day by placing an American Flag on each of their graves. About 10 people are needed to put out the flags on Thursday, May 23rd at 3PM. It takes about 45 minutes. Afterwards the Cemetery Committee will be hosting a wine and hors d'oeuvres gathering at Merrie Mill Winery for all the helpers. If you have any questions, please contact Dan Dick at dan.dick@comcast.net or 434 202 0776.

Revised Grace Cemetery Lot Prices: Upon the recommendation of the Cemetery Committee, the Vestry has approved the following price increases for cemetery lots, effective 1 July 2024:

- For current members from \$1000 to \$1500.
- For blood relatives and spouses of current or former members from \$1250 to \$2000
- For people with no affiliation with Grace from \$2500 to \$4000.

The church has also recently repossessed 15 cemetery lots on the north side of the church which are available for sale. If you are interested in purchasing a lot, please contact Dan Dick: dan.dick@comcast.net or 703-403-3321.



We open wide the doors of this church to all who desire sincerely to worship the Eternal God whom Jesus revealed as our Heavenly Father. Through our worship we endeavor to know Jesus Christ and make Him known through our lives. We offer our church for the cure of souls who doubt and for the persuasion of those who have found faith difficult; for the encouragement of the discouraged; for the consecration of the strong, for the inspiration of all who face life daringly, and for the ever-deepening assurance of the life Eternal.

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