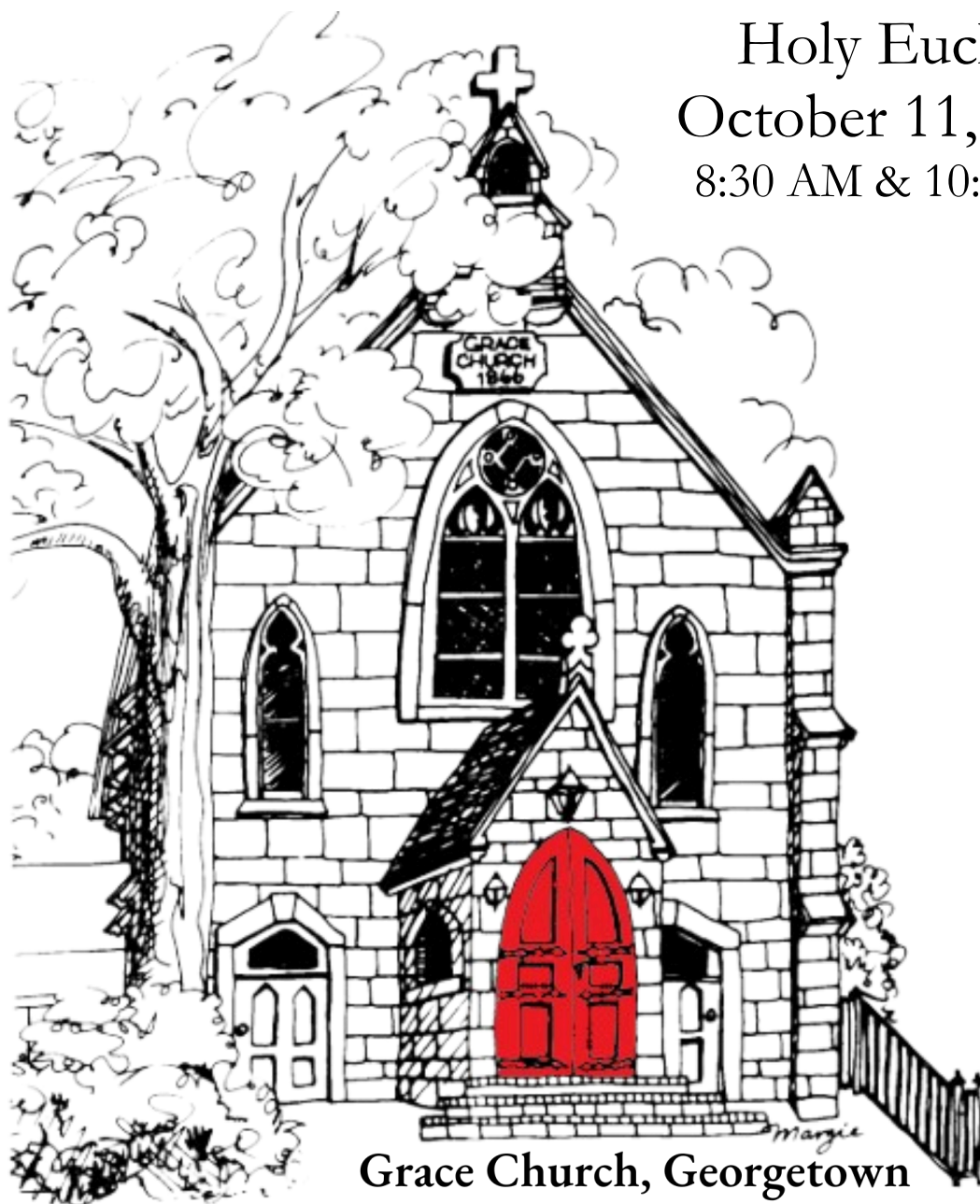


# The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist

October 11, 2026

8:30 AM & 10:30 AM



**Grace Church, Georgetown**

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## Welcome to Grace Church

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We are so glad that you are worshiping with us this morning! If you are visiting or want to know more about Grace, please visit our website for more information: [gracedc.org](http://gracedc.org).

Let this bulletin be your guide for the service; it includes everything you need.

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**Second Lesson:** Diana Martin

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**Greeter:** To Come

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We are delighted that you are here to worship God with us this morning!

This worship bulletin contains the full text of the liturgy, including hymns, prayers, scripture readings, and some explanations and instructions at key points in our service. You are also welcome to use the Book of Common Prayer and Hymnals found at your seat if you prefer.

The Episcopal Church is part of the liturgical tradition, which has ancient roots in Jewish and early Christian worship. If this tradition is unfamiliar to you, please follow along as best as you are able and do not hesitate to ask someone nearby for assistance. For those who are familiar with our liturgy and how we navigate it, please keep an eye out for anyone among us who might need guidance and be prepared to offer them assistance and assurance. The God whom we come together to worship today is less interested in us ‘getting everything just right’ than in the attitude and inclination of our hearts. We believe that you are here because God has led you here today. Our intention is to welcome you as a beloved child of the living God, and make space for you to experience that love.

Our mission is simple and straightforward:

Grace Church manifests God’s love by offering a sacred space in Georgetown where diverse communities weave together their gifts and blessings.

We welcome each person as a beloved neighbor.

Welcome Home to Grace.

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*As we prepare for worship, we are invited to rest in God’s presence, stilling our hearts and quieting our minds*

## Liturgical Note:

- **Opening Dialogue** (“The Lord be with you...”),
- **Sanctus** (“Holy, holy, holy Lord...”),
- **Epiclesis**, the prayer asking the Holy Spirit to bless and sanctify the gifts,
- **Words of Institution**, recounting Jesus’ words at the Last Supper,
- **Anamnesis**, our remembrance of Christ’s death, resurrection, and coming again,
- **Memorial Acclamation** (“We remember his death...”), and then flows directly into the **Lord’s Prayer**.

Throughout the service the People read the words in **bold**.

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## PRELUDE

*Prelude in D Major*

J. K. F. Fischer (1665-1738)

## The Word of God

### OPENING HYMN H556

*Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!*

*10:30 a.m. service only – All stand as they are able. Verses 1-3 & 7 only.*

1 Re - joice, ye pure in heart! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing! Your  
2 With all the an - gel choirs, with all the saints of earth, pour  
3 Your clear ho - san - nas raise, and al - le - lu - ias loud; while  
4 Yes, on through life's long path, still chant - ing as ye go, from  
5 Still lift your stand - ard high, still march in firm ar - ray, as

1 glo - rious ban - ner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.  
 2 out the strains of joy and bliss, true rap - ture, no - blest mirth.  
 3 an - swering ech - oes up - ward float, like wreaths of in - cense cloud.  
 4 youth to age, by night and day, in glad - ness and in woe.  
 5 war - riors through the dark - ness toil, till dawns the gold - en day,

*Refrain*

Re - joice, re - joice, re - joice, give thanks, and sing.  
 re - joice, re - joice,

\*6 At last the march shall end;  
 the wearied ones shall rest;  
 the pilgrims find their Father's house,  
 Jerusalem the blest.

*Refrain*

\*7 Then on, ye pure in heart!  
 Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!  
 Your glorious banner wave on high  
 the cross of Christ your King.

*Refrain*

*All remain standing as they are able.*

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

*People:* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

*All:* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,  
 and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our  
 hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit; that we may  
 perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name;  
 through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# GLORIA S280

Robert Powell (b. 1932)

*Spoken at 8:30 a.m. service. Sung at 10:30 a.m. service.*

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

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*People:* **Amen.**

*The people sit.*

## THE FIRST LESSON

**Exodus 32:1-14**

*Reader:* A reading from the Book of Exodus.

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord." They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been

quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, “These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!” The Lord said to Moses, “I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.”

But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, “O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, ‘It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth’? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, ‘I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.’” And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## THE PSALM

**Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23**

*Reader:* Let us read the Psalm responsively by half verse.

*The people read the words in bold.*

1 Hallelujah!

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, \*

**for his mercy endures for ever.**

2 Who can declare the mighty acts of the LORD \*

**or show forth all his praise?**

3 Happy are those who act with justice \*

**and always do what is right!**

4 Remember me, O LORD, with the favor you have for your people, \*

**and visit me with your saving help;**

5 That I may see the prosperity of your elect

and be glad with the gladness of your people, \*

**that I may glory with your inheritance.**

6 We have sinned as our forebears did; \*

**we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.**

19 Israel made a bull-calf at Horeb \*

**and worshiped a molten image;**

20 And so they exchanged their Glory \*

**for the image of an ox that feeds on grass.**

21 They forgot God their Savior, \*

**who had done great things in Egypt,**

22 Wonderful deeds in the land of Ham, \*

**and fearful things at the Red Sea.**

23 So he would have destroyed them,

had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach, \*

**to turn away his wrath from consuming them.**

## **SECOND LESSON**

**Philippians 4:1-9**

*Reader:* A reading from Paul's Letter to the Philippians.

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and

the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## SEQUENCE HYMN H408

*Sing Praise to God*

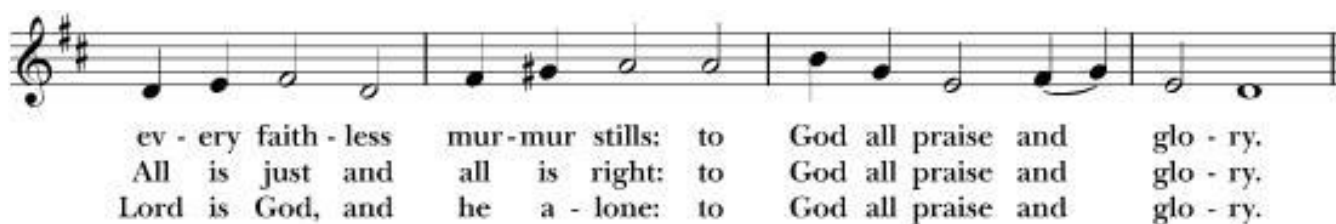
*10:30 a.m. service only – All stand as they are able.*



1 Sing praise to God who reigns a - bove, the God of all cre -  
2 What God's al - might - y power hath made, his gra - cious mer - cy  
3 Let all who name Christ's ho - ly Name give God all praise and

a - tion, the God of power, the God of love, the God of  
keep - eth; by morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade his watch - ful  
glo - ry; let all who know his power pro - claim a - loud the

our sal - va - tion; with heal - ing balm my soul he fills, and  
eye ne'er sleep - eth. With - in the king - dom of his might, lo!  
won - drous sto - ry! Cast each false i - dol from its throne, the



## THE GOSPEL

Matthew 22:1-14

*All stand as they are able.*

*Deacon:* The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

“But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

*Deacon:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **THE SERMON**

**The Reverend David C. Wacaster**

*Following the sermon we keep a period of silence for individual reflection.*

## THE NICENE CREED

*All stand as they are able.*

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

*Celebrant:* God of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ you promise to hear us when we pray to you in faith with thanksgiving.

*Leader:* Enliven the Church for its mission and breathe fresh life into your people.

*People:* **Give us power to reveal Christ in word and action.**

*Leader:* Lead us and every person into ways of justice and peace.

*People:* **That we may respect one another in freedom and truth.**

*Leader:* Awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it.

*People:* **Teach us to care creatively for its resources.**

*Leader:* Inspire with your wisdom those whose decisions affect the lives of others, especially our President and our Mayor, and those they bestow with power.

*People:* **That all may act with integrity, wisdom, and courage.**

*Leader:* Loving Spirit, comfort all who are frail, diseased, injured or in sorrow. We name before you members of this congregation and others for whom we hold a special concern now.

*(Please add your intercessions and petitions)*

*Leader:* Let trust and peace reside in every heart. God of healing,

*People:* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* We give you thanks for those who have gone ahead of us. We thank you for all those especially precious to us, who now share the resurrection of Christ Jesus, particularly those we name now.

*(Please add your own prayers for those who have died)*

*Leader:* By your Spirit give us the grace to so live and love, that in the hour of our death we may join their joyful company.

*People:* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* God of abundance, we thank you for all the blessings of this life.  
*(Please add your blessings and thanksgivings)*

*Leader:* God of abundance,  
*People:* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant:* O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever.

*All:* **Amen.**

## **THE CONFESSION**

*All remain standing as they are able.*

*Deacon:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All:* **Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

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

## THE PEACE

*All remain standing as they are able.*

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord. After which, the people sit.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

For a full listing of announcements and volunteer opportunities, please turn to pages 24-26.

## THE OFFERTORY & PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

### OFFERTORY

*Lead Me, Lord*

Samuel S. Wesley - (1810-1876)

*The altar is prepared for Holy Communion.*



Donate to Grace

*Your offering gifts may be placed in the offering plate as it is passed around. All are also invited to support Grace Church's ministry of sharing God's love with the world by scanning this QR code: it takes you right to the Grace Church PayPal donation page. You may also contribute through our website at [gracedc.org/give-to-grace](https://gracedc.org/give-to-grace), and through your regular contributions in-person or by mail.*

### Communion @ Grace

Everyone is invited to receive Holy Communion. Communion will be distributed by the priest and communion minister standing below the altar steps, center aisle. Please approach the priest by the center aisle. The priest will place the bread in your hand. Gluten free wafers are available by request. If you prefer not to receive communion, please cross your arms over your torso for the priest to bless you. Please return to your seat by the side aisle.

*Please stand as the peoples' offerings are carried forward.*

# The Holy Communion

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING:

## Eucharistic Prayer B

*All stand as they are able.*

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

*People:* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People:* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant continues...*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

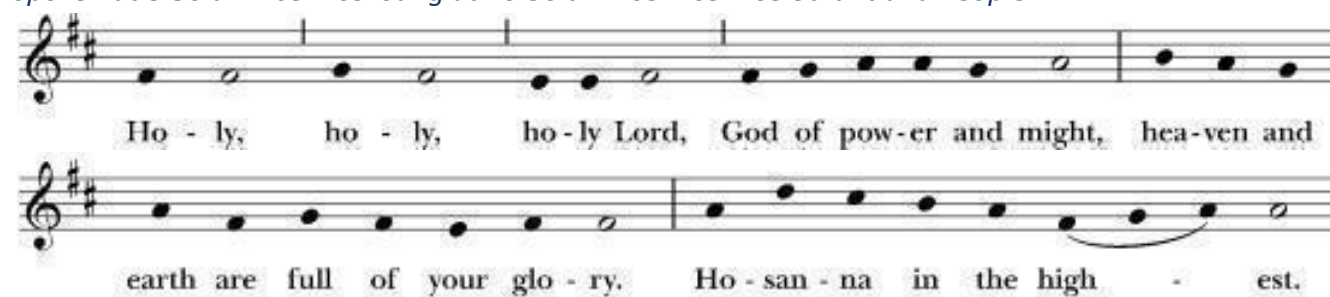
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## SANCTUS S 124

David Hurd (b. 1950)

*Spoken at 8:30 a.m. service. Sung at 10:30 a.m. service – Celebrant and People:*





*The Celebrant continues...*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**All: We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

**All:** 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,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

## **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People:* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

## COMMUNION HYMN H487

*Come, My Way*

10:30 a.m. service only - The people remain standing.

1 Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a  
2 Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a  
3 Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a

way as gives us breath; such a truth as ends all  
light as shows a feast; such a feast as mends in  
joy as none can move; such a love as none can

strife; such a life as kill - eth death.  
length; such a strength as makes his guest.  
part; such a heart as joys in love.

*Celebrant:* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*The people may be seated. The ministers deliver the Sacrament to the people.*

## COMMUNION MUSIC

*Variations on "Rhosymedre"*

Henry Coleman (1888-1965)

## THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

**All:** Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE BLESSING

*Celebrant:* Go forth into the world in peace. Be of good courage. Hold fast to that which is good and render to no one evil for evil. Strengthen the faint-hearted; Support the weak; Help the afflicted; and honor all persons. Love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. And the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be upon you this day and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## POST COMMUNION HYMN H339

### *Deck Thyself, My Soul*

1 Deck thy - self, my soul, with glad - ness, leave the  
2 Sun, who all my life dost bright - en; Light, who  
3 Je - sus, Bread of Life, I pray thee, let me

gloom - y haunts of sad - ness, come in - to the day - light's  
dost my soul en - light - en; Joy, the best that an - y  
glad - ly here o - bey thee; nev - er to my hurt in -

splen - dor, there with joy thy prais - es ren - der  
know - eth; Fount, whence all my be - ing flow - eth;  
vit - ed, be thy love with love re - quit - ed;

un - to him whose grace un - bound - ed hath this  
at thy feet I cry, my Ma - ker, let me  
from this ban - quet let me mea - sure, Lord, how

won-drous ban - quet found - ed - high o'er all the heavens he  
be a fit par - ta - ker of this bless - ed food from  
vast and deep its trea - sure; through the gifts thou here dost

reign - eth, yet to dwell with thee he deign - eth.  
hea - ven, for our good, thy glo - ry, giv - en.  
give me, as thy guest in heaven re - ceive me.

## DISMISSAL

*Deacon:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God!**

## POSTLUDE

*Recessional in C Major*  
Samuel Sebastian Wesley

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## MUSIC PERMISSIONS

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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*If you have announcements you would like included, please email [office@gracedc.org](mailto:office@gracedc.org)*

## Our Stewardship Campaign Has Begun!

Dear Friends and Family of Grace Episcopal Church,

Please consider joining us in our Stewardship Campaign by making a pledge so that we may continue to serve all of you and our Georgetown community. The budget will be drafted during December, and the pledges that we have received by that time will provide the basis for formulating the budget. As of October 9, 2026, we are grateful to everyone listed here who has made a pledge to Grace for 2027. Your support to continue the mission and ministry of Grace Church is vital. We hope to hear from everyone by November 1, when we will celebrate and bless the pledges. *Thank you.*

## 2027 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN



Helen Buhr  
Sarah Haft

James Cobey  
Mary Ann Ruchling  
Marian Wentworth

Debra & Michael Decker  
Sally Stanfield

## Our New Social Media Profiles!

Grace Church is now active on Instagram and TikTok! Follow us [@gracechurch\\_dc](https://www.instagram.com/gracechurch_dc) on both platforms as content is soon to come!

## Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 10:00am - 3:00pm

The office will be closed on Monday, October 12th, in observance of Indigenous Peoples' Day. We will resume normal operations on Tuesday, October 13th. As always, the office can be reached by email at [office@gracedc.org](mailto:office@gracedc.org), and by phone at 202-333-7100.

## Open Mic Nights @ Grace Church | October 26 @ 7 PM

We are having monthly Open Mic nights in the Sanctuary. Come and enjoy a cup of coffee and share! Poetry, music, and original works encouraged; all are welcome to join!

## Necrology Submission for All Saints' Sunday | November 1 @ Both Services

This year, we will be observing All Saints' Day on Nov. 1st. If you would like to have your loved one included in this year's Necrology (a list of those who have passed that we wish to remember as a community that will be read aloud during the service), please email their name(s) with the subject line "Necrology Submission" to [office@gracedc.org](mailto:office@gracedc.org) no later than Thursday, October 29th!

## 2026 Annual Meeting | Sunday, November 8

The Grace Church Annual Meeting on November 8 will include election of members to the

Vestry. The Nominating Committee announces the following candidates for Warden and Vestry:

For Senior Warden, 2-year term: Braden Murphy

For Vestry Member, 3-year term: Margaret Lenzner

For Vestry Member, 3-year term, representing the online congregation: Scott Shaughnessy

For Vestry Member, 3-year term: Pending

Biographical information on the candidates will be forthcoming.

In accordance with the by-laws of Grace Church, additional nominations, to include self-nominations, may be made by Sunday, October 18. Such nominations may be made by any member eligible to vote, should be signed by the nominating member, and should include a brief statement of the nominee's qualifications. The nomination should include a second by another member eligible to vote.

Please submit additional nominations, or questions concerning the election, to the chair of the Nominating Committee, Mary Ann Ruehling, at [maryann.ruehling@gracedc.org](mailto:maryann.ruehling@gracedc.org).

The Nominating Committee consists of:

Mary Ann Ruehling, Chair ([maryann.ruehling@gracedc.org](mailto:maryann.ruehling@gracedc.org))

Mary Daly ([dalymandc@yahoo.com](mailto:dalymandc@yahoo.com))

Diana Martin ([dianamartinmd@gmail.com](mailto:dianamartinmd@gmail.com))

James Hamilton ([jameswjrhamilton@gmail.com](mailto:jameswjrhamilton@gmail.com))

Lee Tyner ([lee.tyner@gmail.com](mailto:lee.tyner@gmail.com))

Qualifications for Vestry members, according to the by-laws of Grace Church, are:

Being a member of Grace Church eligible to vote, who has for the previous year been faithful in corporate worship, who has been faithful in working, praying and giving for the Kingdom of God, and who freely offers time to attend meetings and carry out the business of the church.

### **Koinonia Groups**

The Koinonia fellowship groups consist of small groups of people who meet periodically, either in members' homes or in another location of their choice, for food, conversation, and fun. For additional information contact Alecia Torres Valdez at [aleciatorresv@gmail.com](mailto:aleciatorresv@gmail.com).

### **Virtual Gatherings Calendar**

*Tuesdays* - Centering Prayer 12:15 p.m. (Questions? Email [helen.buhr@gracedc.org](mailto:helen.buhr@gracedc.org))

(NOTE: Email [office@gracedc.org](mailto:office@gracedc.org) to receive zoom links. All Sunday services will be in person. The 10:30 am service will also be live streamed when trained technical personnel are available. The service can be viewed on Grace's YouTube channel. Search for Grace Episcopal Church, Georgetown Washington, DC and subscribe to our channel.)

### **Pastoral Care and Pastoral Care Committee**

The Pastoral Care Committee prays for members and friends, especially those feeling alone, even bereft. Email [office@gracedc.org](mailto:office@gracedc.org) to let the committee know if someone needs a check-in, a listening ear, or special prayers. The committee also enjoys their continuing ministry of delivering meals to families with newborns!

### **Note on Communications from the Rector**

The Rector will never solicit financial gifts or gift cards via text message or email. If you receive such a communication please report it to your internet or cell service provider and delete the message. If you receive any other unusual communication purporting to be from our clergy or the church, please first verify that it was sent from the clergy's cell phone number or their official [@gracedc.org](mailto:@gracedc.org) email addresses. If you are still uncertain of the origins of the communication, please contact the church office directly! Thank you.

## ***Volunteer Opportunities***

### **Interested in Volunteering at Grace Church?**

We need Readers – Eucharistic Ministers – Coffee Hour Hosts – and especially Broadcast Technicians! Contact Helen Buhr, at [helen.buhr@gracedc.org](mailto:helen.buhr@gracedc.org), to get involved!

### **Georgetown Ministry Center:**

Want to help volunteer with GMC or want to donate items? Contact [info@gmcgt.org](mailto:info@gmcgt.org) or (202) 338-830.

### **Grace's Table / Saturdays 10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.**

Grace's Table is a Saturday morning feeding ministry for the unhoused and those living on the margins. We are so grateful for our wonderful volunteers and are hoping to expand our team, which would allow us to share the responsibilities more broadly. Please consider providing some portion of the meal or helping serve and assist with set up & clean up. Come join us! Please contact Beth Lee at [gracetable@gracedc.org](mailto:gracetable@gracedc.org) for more info or to volunteer.

### **Georgetown Village**

### **Georgetown Village Square, 1801 34th St. NW**

Are you looking to help others in our local community? Georgetown Village, a nonprofit organization committed to helping older adults thrive while aging in place, is in need of volunteers to meet a number of important needs, such as driving older adults to medical appointments, making friendly visits, providing tech support, and more. This is a great opportunity to make a positive difference in the lives of your neighbors! Reach out to [info@georgetown-village.org](mailto:info@georgetown-village.org) for more information.

## ***Beyond the Gates of Grace***

### **Daniel for the Twenty-First Century: Four Authors in Dialogue | October 13 @ 7:00 PM**

Four leading scholars. Three new commentaries. One extraordinary biblical book. This event is free and open to everyone and will take place on Tuesday, October 13, 2026 7:00–8:30 PM at the Old Town Community Church. Registration can be found via <https://vts.guru/>

### **Fall In: A Veterans Resource Festival | October 15 @ 11:00 AM**

On Thursday, October 15th, from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM, the Veterans Connection Hub is hosting their Fall In: Veteran Resource Festival at 1575 I St NW, Washington, D.C. This event will bring together community partners so veterans can connect with employment support, housing, legal, and benefits resources all in one place. The event is free of charge for all veterans.

### **Rt. Rev. Rowan Williams Lecture and Honorary Degree | October 20 @ 4:00 PM**

The Rt. Rev. Rowan Williams, former Archbishop of Canterbury, will deliver the 2026 James M. and Margaret H. Costan Lecture in Early Christianity and be awarded an honorary degree in recognition of his extraordinary contributions to our understanding of Christian faith and to interreligious dialogue in the global Church. Register via <https://events.georgetown.edu/theology/event/rowan-williams>

### **2026 Marine Corps Marathon | October 25**

The 2026 Marine Corps Marathon will be taking place on Sunday, October 25th. Make sure to plan alternative routes ahead as road closures will directly impact the Georgetown region.

### **2026 IFC Unity Walk | October 25 @ 1:00 PM**

This year's walk will take place on Sunday, October 25th from 1pm-6pm. The Walk will begin at Annunciation Catholic Church (3810 Massachusetts Ave. NW, Washington, DC) and end at the Islamic Center of Washington, DC (2551 Massachusetts Ave NW, Washington, DC).

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## Grace's Mission Statement

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Grace Church manifests God's love by offering a sacred space  
in Georgetown where diverse communities weave together their gifts and blessings.  
We welcome each person as a beloved neighbor.

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## Upcoming Events

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| <b>Sunday, October 18th</b><br>The Twenty-first Sunday<br>after Pentecost                                 | <b>8:30 AM</b> Holy Eucharist, <i>Contemplative Service</i><br><b>9:30 AM</b> Adult Forum, in the Parish Hall<br><b>10:30 AM</b> Holy Eucharist with music & <u>live-streamed</u><br><i>Coffee Hour after 10:30 service</i>                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Sunday, October 25th</b><br><b>Sunday, October 25th</b><br>The Twenty-second<br>Sunday after Pentecost | <b>Marine Corps Marathon Sunday</b> (Plan alternate route!)<br><b>8:30 AM</b> Holy Eucharist, <i>Contemplative Service</i><br><b>9:30 AM</b> Adult Forum, in the Parish Hall<br><b>10:15 AM</b> Prayers for the Fallen, the Nation, and the World, at<br>the Memorial Cross<br><b>10:30 AM</b> Holy Eucharist with music & <u>live-streamed</u><br><i>Coffee Hour after 10:30 service</i> |
| <b>Monday, October 26th</b>                                                                               | <b>7:00 PM</b> Open Mic Night, in the Sanctuary                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Sunday, November 1st</b><br>The Twenty-third Sunday<br>after Pentecost                                 | <b>8:30 AM</b> Holy Eucharist, <i>Contemplative Service</i><br><b>9:30 AM</b> Adult Forum, in the Parish Hall<br><b>10:30 AM</b> Holy Eucharist with music & <u>live-streamed</u><br><i>Coffee Hour after 10:30 service</i>                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Sunday, November 8</b>                                                                                 | <b>Annual Meeting</b> Following the 10:30 AM service                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

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## Recurring Events

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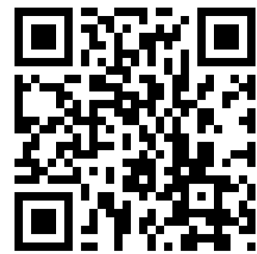
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| Last <b>Monday</b><br>of each Month | <b>7 PM</b> Open Mic Night, in the Sanctuary                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Tuesdays</b>                     | <b>12:15 PM</b> Virtual Centering Prayer                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Saturdays</b>                    | <b>11 AM - 12:15 PM</b> Grace's Table Feeding Ministry<br>Contact Beth Lee at <a href="mailto:gracetable@gracedc.org">gracetable@gracedc.org</a> for more info. |
| <b>Office Hours</b>                 | <b>10 AM - 3 PM</b> Monday - Friday<br>(The Rector's regular day off is Friday)                                                                                 |



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