

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Grace Episcopal Church Galena, Illinois

July 25, 2021 10:30am

Welcome to Grace Church!

It is, as always, a pleasure and privilege to worship together today. Please know that your presence is valued whether this is your first time at Grace or whether you are a regular, whether we are together in person or online on Zoom.

We have chosen to keep our online and in-person congregations together. For those at home on Zoom, links to the bulletin may be found in Friday's e-Blast, the Zoom invitation, and on our website. Printed copies will be available for the in-person congregation. If you are worshipping in the church and wish to use a bulletin on your electronic device, you must download it **before** coming into the church. Please be aware that we are recording this service for later upload to Facebook, YouTube and our website. It is possible that you will be shown briefly in the recording.

For those present in the Church:

Please put your smartphone or other device in airplane mode so that our internet capacity is reserved for our online streaming.

Don't forget your mask if you intend to sing!

For those on Zoom:

Please mute yourselves before the Prelude begins and immediately after the Peace.

New Information:

Masks are required for those who have not completed their COVID vaccinations and for unvaccinated children older than 2 years. Otherwise, masks are optional, except when singing.

Masks are required for all singing, whether in the choir or congregation.

Masks and hand sanitizer are available at each entrance for those who need them.

You may be seated in any pew EXCEPT for a section in the rear of the nave reserved for any who wish to maintain distancing. In that area, please sit only where seats are marked by bulletins.

Baskets are located at each entrance for your offerings. If possible, please place them in the baskets prior to the service so they may be dedicated with the other gifts at the offertory.

Communion will be offered—wafer only—at the altar rail.

Social hour will resume (with beverages and light refreshments) following the service.

Should you become ill after attending worship, please notify the church so that others present may be contacted.

As life continues to change, let us rejoice in God who continues to be revealed to us and give thanks for our ability to share in worship in hope for the time when all of us can be together again.

We gather to worship

PRELUDE C. Franck Panis Angelicus

OPENING HYMN 448

O Love, How Deep

B. Webb/fr. Antiphoner

Priest: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People: Glory to God for ever and ever.



THE COLLECT

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray.

> O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People: Amen.

(please be seated)

THE LESSON

Lector: A reading from 2 Kings 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord, 'They shall eat and have some left." He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the Lord.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE RESPONSE

Psalm 145:10-19

(We read alternately by verse as directed by the lector.)

Exaltabo te, Deus

All your works praise you, O LORD, * and your faithful servants bless you.

They make known the glory of your kingdom * and speak of your power;

That the peoples may know of your power * and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; * your dominion endures throughout all ages.

The LORD is faithful in all his words * and merciful in all his deeds.

The LORD upholds all those who fall; * he lifts up those who are bowed down.

The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD, * and you give them their food in due season.

You open wide your hand * and satisfy the needs of every living creature.

The LORD is righteous in all his ways * and loving in all his works.

The LORD is near to those who call upon him, * to all who call upon him faithfully.

THE EPISTLE

Lector: A reading from **Ephesians 3:14-21**

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. *Amen.*

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

(please stand)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Celtic Alleluia

(sung two t



THE GOSPEL

John 6:1-21

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to **John.**

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little."

One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

Rev. Dr. Gloria Hopewell

We stand after a brief silence

We affirm our faith

THE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and 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]. Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. Who 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*.

We offer prayers

Deacon: Gracious God of abundance, you feed the hungry from your hand and visit us in our

storms: Hear your people as we pray for the whole world, saying: May we know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that we may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Intercessor: Give to your church, O God, the power to comprehend the breadth and length and

height and depth of the love of Christ, that your power at work within us may accomplish abundantly far more than we can ask or imagine. May we know the love of Christ that

surpasses knowledge,

People: so that we may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Lector: Let our leaders and all in authority bow their knees before our God from whom every

family in heaven and on earth takes its name, that they may use their power justly, feed the hungry and share your abundance with all your children. May we know the love of Christ

that surpasses knowledge,

People: so that we may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Intercessor: Receive gifts from our children and from the poor in our community, and from their

generosity create a plentitude which will satisfy the true needs of every person.

May we know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge,

People: so that we may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Lector: In every place of hunger, bring food, O God; in every place of poverty, bring abundance;

in every place of terror, bring comfort and security. May we know the love of Christ that

surpasses knowledge,

People: so that we may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Intercessor: Come to us in our stormy darkness and comfort us in our fears; with your generous touch,

heal those for whom we pray, especially for Terry (Maglich), and for those on our Prayer

List. Others? ____. May we know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge,

People: so that we may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Lector: Hear our thankfulness for the abundance of your grace, especially for Matthew (Morel) and

Max(Vollkommer) serving in the military; the birthdays of *Alexandra (Grosshans), and *Dan (Burke); our outreach partners Glory Parish in the Diocese of Renk and La Santa Cruz Parish in the Diocese of SE Mexico; the United Thank Offering, the Galena ARC, the United Churches Food Pantry, Episcopal Relief and Development, Shelter Care Ministries, Dubuque Rescue Mission and all who worship in this place and those who have not yet

walked through these doors. Other blessings? ____.

You gather up the lives of all your children, receive into your fullness those who have died,

especially Gretchen (Maglich), and we remember the anniversary of the deaths of Harlow (Leekley), Elizabeth (Tackett), Georgia (Thurman), Gladys (Genz), and

Robert (Martin). Others? _____ May we know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge,

People: so that we may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Deacon: Your people look to you for nurture and healing, O God: Fill our hungry lives with the

abundance of your Spirit, that we may be fruitful disciples of the one whose compassion

reaches across all boundaries, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

(stand or kneel)

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

People: 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.

Presider: 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.

People: Amen.

We share the peace of Christ

Presider: The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY

ANNIVERSARY/BIRTHDAY BLESSING

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase;
bless and guide them wherever they may be.

Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful;
raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace
which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We offer our lives and gifts to God

Priest: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

For those at home who have received the consecrated wafers and communion items, you may prepare your worship area as the priest prepares the table.

Healing Prayer with anointing and laying-on of hands will be offered in the chapel during Communion.

Please come through the door to the chapel after receiving communion at the altar rail.

PRESENTATION HYMN 321 My God, Thy Table Now is Spread

Doddridge/Miller

We share the Holy Communion

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

BCP Eucharistic Prayer B



Presider: It is right, and a good and joyful thing.....who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name



Presider:

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.

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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Presider and people:

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

Presider:

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 in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ through whom we may be acceptable to you, 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 Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

Presider: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now say,

People: Our father, in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be

done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory, now and for ever. *Amen*.

Presider: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. BCP 364

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!



Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All are welcome at the communion table to receive a blessing or the wafer. Please approach the chancel by the center aisle. Proceed to the altar rail where you may stand or kneel. Hold your hands crossed, palms up, to receive the wafer. And, if you do not wish to receive the wafer, but desire a blessing, simply approach the priest with your arms crossed across your chest. If you require a gluten-free wafer, please tell the priest. Please return to your seat by the side aisles.

COMMUNION MUSIC

(Please stand)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider: Let us pray.

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. *Amen*.

THE BLESSING

Presider: May God, the Holy Trinity, make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side,

and guide you in truth and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, Creator, Redeemer,

and Sustainer of Life, be among you, and remain with you always.

People: Amen.

RECESSIONAL 304

I Come With Joy

Wren/Buchanan

Deacon: Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Simple Gifts Traditional/Carter

The flowers today are given by Richard & Diane Luther, in honor of Diane's Ordination.

Ministers of the Service

- * Members and Guests, Celebrants
- * Rev. Dr. Gloria Hopewell, Presider
- * Rev. Diane Luther, Deacon
- * Nancy Cook, Lector
- * Deb Pausz, Intercessor

- * Robin French, Music Director
- * Nancy Cook, Erben Organist
- * Lynn Giles, Vestry Coordinator
- * Charlotte Stryker & Pat Golden, Altar Guild
- * Amy Hardwicke, Greeter

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayers are Requested. Please include the following concerns during worship today and throughout the week:

Cycle of Prayer:

The Most Rev. Justin Welby, the Archbishop of Canterbury and for our companion Parishes: Glory Parish in the Diocese of Renk and La Santa Cruz parish in the Diocese of SE Mexico.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Paula, our Bishop-Elect and all members of Grace Church.

We pray for those who are sick or in need:

Leila (Anwar), Barbara (Bolsen), *Bob (Burton), Rose (Buttell), *Bill (Calvert), Bishop-Elect Paula (Clark), *Kathy (Doig), Matthew (Dowe), *Renee (Dowe), *Al (Elsbree), *Cathie (Elsbree), *Jennie (Fjelde), Barb (Hiller), *Barb (Hooper), Barb (Kellar), Jean (Kohler), Ginger (Komiskey), Verity (Liljedahl), *Alice (Maffit), Terry (Maglich), *Diann & *Robert (Marsh), Betty (Montgomery), *Mary (Nelson), Sarah (Newton), *Bill (Norton), Alan (Oyen), Anne (Poston), Shelby (Powers), Lisa (Prindle), *Greg (Serwich), *Karen (Serwich), Melody (Serwich), Paula (Simosky), *Pat (Terry), *Tom (V.), Joe (Watts), Mina, Jeremy and Audrey.

We give thanks for the many blessings we have received:

Max (Vollkommer) and Matthew (Morel) serving in the military; the birthdays of *Alexandra (Grosshans), and *Dan (Burke); our Outreach partners: the United Thank Offering, the Galena ARC, the United Churches Food Pantry, Episcopal Relief and Development, Shelter Care Ministries, Dubuque Rescue Mission and all who worship in this place and those who have not yet walked through these doors.

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SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR ARC

The ARC provides many programs for all ages in this community. One of the most needed programs in this community is childcare. As I constantly hear, there is a great need for childcare throughout this country, so we are fortunate to have the ARC to provide childcare in this community.

After a year of reduced class size due to the pandemic, the ARC has at least 15 students in the 4K class this year. Outreach will resume collection of school supplies through the month of July until August 1st. Please put the supplies in the basket in the Narthex.

Thank you for your generosity in supporting the effort the aid in the education of the youth in our community.

Donna Davis

ANNOUNCEMENTS

for the week of July 25th, 2021

Mass in the Grass

Mark you calendar: Mass in the Grass returns to LinMar Gardens Sunday, August 8th!

Search Committee

Would you like to be nominated to the Search Committee for Grace's next Rector? Please contact Lynn Giles, Senior Warden or Richard Luther, Junior Warden.

Are You Interested in EfM?

EfM stands for Education for Ministry. It is a four year curriculum developed by the University of the South, Sewanee, TN for the education of lay people in the church. The first year focuses on the Hebrew Bible; the second year the New Testament while the third years reviews church history and the fourth year reads contemporary theology and ethics. In addition, as a group, we reflect on theological issues as they relate to our world. The mentor is Lynn Giles.

New students may enroll in August for the next year which will begin in October 2021.

Tuition is \$375/yr, which includes all textbooks. Scholarships are available.

There is lots of information about EfM on the website: efm.sewanee.edu.

While first time students start with Year One, returning alumni who want to experience the new format may study in the year of their choice. For more details or registration information, contact Lynn Giles (lynngiles@lynngilesphotography.com).

Adult Inquirer's Class

An Adult Inquirers Class will be offered sometime this summer (dates will be determined by the schedules of those interested in attending). We will be talking about our identity as Episcopalians, the Book of Common Prayer, a brief history of the Anglican/Episcopal church, our creeds, prayer, Baptism, Eucharist, the Trinity (don't come looking for an explanation!), and the Jesus Movement as described by Presiding Bishop Curry. Attending qualifies you to being received or confirmed in the Episcopal Church, if you choose.

This is open to anyone in the church or community. Those considering reception will be given priority (this is an in-person class). The time commitment is about eight hours. If you are interested in this or would like more information, please contact Rev. Diane Luther at dm20luther@gmail.com, or call (815) 281-2301.

<u>Social Hour</u> has resumed after the service on Sundays. Please come and also sign up to host in the coming weeks. We are keeping it *SIMPLE*.

Zoom Poetry Meeting

A Zoom Poetry group is meeting on Mondays at 2:00pm. If you are interested, write Carol Poston at **poston@sxu.edu** or call her at **815-777-0220** to receive information about the meeting.

EfM Meeting is Monday, August 2nd at 6:30pm in person.

Service of Compline is Tuesday, August 3rd at 8:30pm on Zoom.

Mid-Week Eucharist is this Wednesday, August 4th, at 7:30am in the church and online.

<u>Wednesday Morning Study Group</u> will be taking a break for the remainder of the summer, and will reconvene in September.

<u>Meditative Prayer</u> meets Friday, August 6th, at 9:00am online. You are welcome to join, and gentle guidance will be provided for those unfamiliar with this practice.

Scripture Readings for August 1st, 2021 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Exodus 16:2-4,9-15 Psalm 78:23-29 Ephesians 4:1-16 John 6:24-35





The Rt. Rev. Paula Clark, Bishop-Elect of Chicago The Rev. Gloria G. Hopewell, D. Min., Rector The Rev. Linda Packard, Priest Associate The Rev. Diane Luther, Deacon Nancy Kenney, Parish Administrator

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