

**GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
A COMMUNITY OF GRACE, ANCHORED IN CHRIST,  
TO LOVE, GROWING TO SERVE

Morning Prayer

Prelude

*Hymn to Joy*

*setting by Michael Burkhardt*

*Leader*

*O give thanks to the Lord, and call upon his Name; make known his deeds among the peoples. Psalm 105:1*

*Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth his praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us stand in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.*

**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.**

*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 Invitatory and Psalter**

*All stand*

*Leader Lord, open our lips.*

**People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

*Leader and **People***

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

**Alleluia.**

*Leader The Lord has shown forth his glory:  
Come let us adore him.*

**Venite** Psalm 95:1-7

*Come, let us sing to the Lord; \* let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.*

**Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \* and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**

*For the Lord is a great God, \* and a great King above all gods.*

**In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \* and the heights of the hills are his also.**

*The sea is his, for he made it, \* and his hands have molded the dry land.*

**Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \* and kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

*For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \* Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!*

**Psalm** (See Insert)

**First Reading** (See Insert)

**The First Song of Isaiah** *Ecce Deus* Isaiah 12:2-6

*Surely, it is God who saves me; \**

*I will trust in him and not be afraid.*

**For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, \*  
and he will be my Savior.**

*Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing \*  
from the springs of salvation.*

**And on that day you shall say, \*  
Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;**

*Make his deeds known among the peoples; \*  
see that they remember that his Name is exalted.*

**Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, \*  
and this is known in all the world.**

*Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, \*  
for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.*

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

**Second Reading** (See Insert)

*Music Meditation*

**The Gospel**

**Homily**

**The Apostles' Creed**

*Officiant and People together, all standing*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth;**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Music Meditation*

*The People stand*

*Leader*        *The Lord be with you*

**People**        **And also with you**

*Leader*        *Let us pray*

*Officiant and People*  
**The Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

- V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;  
**R. Govern them and uphold them, now and always.**  
V. Day by day we bless you;  
**R. We praise your name for ever.**  
V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;  
**R. Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.**  
V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;  
**R. For we put our trust in you.**  
V. In you, Lord, is our hope;  
**R. And we shall never hope in vain.**

*O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord:  
Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## **Intercessory Prayers**

*Leader*

*A Prayer of St. Chrysostom*

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

## **Blessing**

Let us bless the Lord.

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

Postlude

**Today's prelude** is a clever pairing of two pieces by Michigan based composer, Michael Burkhardt. Listen for Ode to Joy by Beethoven ( 1770-1827) as it weaves in and out of the Organ Voluntary in G by English composer John Stanley (1713-1786).

**Grace welcomes** The Rev. Canon James P. Hartley as our guest priest today.

### **Prayers of the People As of September 13, 2020**

**We pray for** the Church, for +Michael, Presiding Bishop and Primate; +Andrew our Bishop; for Pickett+ our rector.

**We pray for** Donald our President; for the leaders of the nations, Henry our Governor; Alfred Mae our Mayor and all first responders in our city and country.

**We pray for** those who will receive communion from our Eucharistic Visitor(s) this week.

**We pray for** those who are in need of God's healing, especially: Wade Allen, Fraser Almond, Dave Baker, Bob Barinowski, Matthew Baskins, Elizabeth Basil, Dawn Carver, Gracie Chapman, Kelly Clay, Joan Dillard, Virginia Ferguson; Barbara Goode, Don Goode, Julia Halford, Kim Hanright, Mark Hill, Rodney Hungerford, Evelyn Kalutz, Billie Karnes, Tootie Mackey, Rachel McClocklin, Jack McGee, Nancy, Laurie Owen, Jim Parrish, Mel Pearson, Rich Pinkerton, Mary Rainwater, Alma Raley, Jamie Raley, Mark Raley, Tim Rauseo, Larry Reece, Wesley Ring, Parker Robinson, Austin Sheheen, Billy Smith, Kim Stake, Trapp, Bob Vaughn, Helen Walker and her dog Brayden, Earl Warren, Tommy Warren, Judy Whalen, Walter Whalen.

*Please call church office, if there are additions or updates to the Wednesday extended or Sunday prayer lists. Names will be removed every four (4) weeks unless notified.*

**We pray for** those serving in the Armed Forces: Alex Baker, Afghanistan; William E. Branham, Cherry Point, NC; Holden Brunson, Camp Geiger, NC ; Bran Feller, Kuwait; Mitchell Edwards, Charleston; Allen Dempsey, Texas; Campbell Freitas, Norfolk, VA; AMN Dara O'Neal, McChord AFB, Washington; Chris Smith, Korea; Joe Todd, Ft. Gordon, GA; Parker White, San Diego, CA; Joey Wilson, Charleston and those around the world and at home.

**For those celebrating birthdays this week:** 9/14-Jack Griggs; 9/16-David Blanks, Margaret Ellis, 9/19-Karen Eckford, Margaret Myers, Lisa Semple

**For those celebrating anniversaries this week:** 9/17- Dan and Daphne Cantey

**The altar flowers are given to the glory of God** in loving memory of Pat Wylie by Nancy Wylie.