

Opening Hymn *All Who Hunger Gather Gladly*

WLP 761

Officiant Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Philippians 1:2

Confession of Sin

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

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and Lay Reader

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.

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

Invitatory

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

Lay Reader And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant and Lay Reader

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.

Officiant The earth is the Lord's for he made it: Come let us adore him.

Venite

Officiant and Lay Reader (spoken)

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!

Lay Reader

Psalm 145:1-8

- 1 I will exalt you, O God my King, and bless your Name for ever and ever.
- 2 Every day will I bless you and praise your Name for ever and ever.
- 3 Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; there is no end to his greatness.
- 4 One generation shall praise your works to another and shall declare your power.
- 5 I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty and all your marvelous works.
- 6 They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, and I will tell of your greatness.
- 7 They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; they shall sing of your righteous deeds.
- 8 The LORD is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and of great kindness.

First Reading: Our first reading is from the Book of Jonah

When God saw what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." And the LORD said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live."

But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." Then the LORD said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labor and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?"

3:10-4:11

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: Our Second reading is from the Letter to the Philippians

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well-- since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

1:21-30

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gospel Hymn *They will know we are Christians by our Love*

Gospel Reading: A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Homily

The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and Lay Reader together

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
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,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and 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.

The Prayers

Officiant The Lord be with you.

Lay Reader And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray

Officiant and Lay Reader (the people pray silently)

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.

Prayers of the People, Special Form

*The lay reader begins with Cycles of Prayer and birthdays and anniversaries from the Prayer List.
The intercessor continues:*

Lay Reader In peace, let us prayer to the Lord, saying "*Lord, have mercy.*"

For the Holy Church of God in every place, and especially for this parish and diocese, for Alan
and Gayle our Bishops, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Lay Reader For the welfare of the world, for this nation and its leaders, for this town, and for every city and
community, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Lay Reader For the sick, the suffering, the hungry, and the lonely, those in any need or trouble, and for those
in our parish who are ill or shut-in especially: A.J., Ethan, Jose, Olivia, Juliana, Tim, Don, Bill,
Holly, Shane, Tara, Barbara, Betsy, Madeline, Matt, Roberta, Carol, Melanie, Allen, Ralph, Emily &
Doug, Elaine, Carol, Quincy, Geoffrey, Valerie, Joseph, Stan, John, Pauline and Ann, Aidan, and
for those being prayed for on the Grace Church Prayer Line.

People Lord, have mercy.

Lay Reader For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, especially (*lay
reader adds names from prayer list*)... let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Lay Reader In the communion of all the saints, let us commend ourselves and one another, and all our life to
Christ our God.

People To you, O Lord our God.

Collect for the Day

Officiant Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Collect For This Moment

Officiant God of heaven and earth, in your Word you have given us a vision of that holy city to which the nations of the world bring their glory. Look upon and visit the cities and towns of the earth. Renew the ties of mutual regard that form our civic life. Send us honest and able leaders. Help us to eliminate poverty, prejudice, and oppression, that peace may prevail with righteousness, and justice with order, and that men and women from various cultures and with differing talents may find with one another the fulfillment of their humanity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Announcements

General Thanksgiving

Officiant and Lay Reader 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.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Lay Reader Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Closing Hymn *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*

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1 Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God;
he whose word cannot be broken formed thee for his own abode;
on the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

2 See! the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love,
well supply thy sons and daughters and all fear of want remove.
Who can faint, when such a river ever flows their thirst to assuage?
Grace which, like the Lord, the giver, never fails from age to age.

Final Blessing

Priest May the Lord Jesus who loves with a wounded heart open your heart to love.

May the Lord Jesus who serves with wounded hands stretch out your hands to serve.

May the Lord Jesus who walks on wounded feet walk with you to the end of the road.

Look for the face of the Lord Jesus in everyone you meet, and may everyone you meet see the face of the Lord Jesus in you.

And may the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you and remain with you forever. *Amen.*



Welcome! May this worship strengthen us to serve our neighbors in love. Welcome to virtual Grace Church.



PRAYER CYCLES

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for the Anglican Church in South Sudan

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Wyman Memorial Church of St. Andrew, Marblehead; St. Michael's Church, Marblehead; St. Mary's Church, Rockport; In congregations, we pray for Secretaries and Administrators

Norwood Cycle of Prayer: Our own parish here at Grace Church

Parish Cycle of Prayer: Leslie & Jon Grant, their children Emily, Nicholas, Isabelle; Kathryn Travers

THANKSGIVINGS

Anniversaries this Week: Michael & Lauren Falcone; Julia & Bill Daly

Happy Birthday this week to: Sarah Malneritch; Andrew Cogliano; Jeannine Parsons; Maureen Drew

SICK or SHUT-IN

A.J., Ethan, Jose, Olivia, Juliana, Tim, Don Adams, Bill Daly, Holly Foster, Shane Gibson, Tara Guschov, Barbara Hagberg, Betsy Hornbuckle, Madeline King, Matt Mackinnon, Roberta McCormack, Carol Misner, Melanie Paulson, Allen Peeler, Ralph Regner, Emily & Doug Rennie, Elaine Rillie, Carol Ringler, Quincy Sousa, Geoffrey & Valerie Stone, Joseph Warren, Stan Wharton, John Whitcomb, Pauline Wilhite and Ann, Aidan Wood, and for those being prayed for on the Grace Church Prayer Line.

DIED

Sanctuary Candle: Given in memory of James Breen

Book of Remembrance: Alice Golding Down; Horace Wardwell; William D. McElman; William D. McElman; William G. Keller

Grace Notes Deadline

Please be sure to have your submittals in to the church office no later than Monday morning, September 21 for the October edition of Grace Notes. All parish members are invited to share with their parish family.

Young @ Hearts, September 23

Mark your calendar for an in-person get-together at noontime on September 23 (note date). To keep our parish members safe, we will hold our group, safely distanced, on the grounds of Grace Church. Pack a lunch for yourself and enjoy the camaraderie of our over-60 set.

Healing Prayers by Phone

During this period of safe distancing due to the Corona Virus, Healing Prayers by phone are being offered.

You can call any of our Healing Ministers any time: Cathy Noble (781-344-1237), Deb Morton (781-769-4044), Sue Breen (508-404-9887), or Carol Maloof (617-584-2219).

Zoom on Sunday with Grace at 9am (On Sundays when we are NOT holding live in-church service.)

Zoom is an online interactive meeting space, where you can attend our service each week at 9am.

If you have a computer that has a camera/microphone/speakers, you can join online through a web browser. Or download the Zoom app to your smart phone, iPad, or tablet.

To **Join Zoom** Service: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5037830452> Meeting ID: 503 783 0452

Note: On Sundays when we have in-church service, you can view the service with Facebook-live. You do not need a Facebook account. Access through our website @ www.GraceNor.org

Drive Thru Blessing of the Animals, October 4. After the in church service, cars will line up for a drive-thru blessing of you pets. Please leave your pet in your car during the in church service. You will be instructed at the end of church where to line up.

Please be sure to sign up for in-church Eucharist scheduled for October 4 @ 9 a.m.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040C4FA4AF29A3FA7-reservation3> Meeting ID: 503 783 0452

Don't have a computer, but want to listen via phone? Call 1 646 558 8656 Meeting ID: 503 783 0452

If you need help signing up, please call the church office by noon on the Thursday before.

Prayer Service via Zoom Wednesday Evenings at 6:50 PM

Using the Evening Prayer Service from BCP (p. 115-126) to include a short Bible Study of the gospel passage. We use the Mission St. Clare version online which has all the readings already set up with hymns.

<https://www.missionstclare.com/english/>

We include time during this 45 minute service to add our own individual prayers and have an informal check-in following the service. To **Join via Zoom:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89311618092?pwd=cC9GUVMwTUy5bFRVTS9oWmRGWXZzQT09>

Meeting ID: 893 1161 8092

Password: 548909

SUNDAY MORNING DEVOTION VIA PHONE CONFERENCING

When: Every Sunday for Duration at 10:50 AM
How: Dial-in 605-313-5909, and enter Access Code 744948#
What: We Will Say Together Morning Daily Devotion from BCP (p. 137 or below)
Father John will read the Sunday Gospel and his sermon of the day.
We will have time to include our own individual prayers and have informal check-in with each other (Virtual Coffee Hour) after we do the service, and announcements of parish doings. Runs no more than 45 minutes.

Sunday Morning Devotion Service - 10:50a.m. Via Telephone

From Psalm 51

Open my lips, O Lord, and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.
Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence and take not your holy Spirit from me.
Give me the joy of your saving help again and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.
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.

Reading of the Sunday Gospel

Sermon from Father John

The Apostles' Creed

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.

Prayers may be offered for ourselves and others.

The Lord's Prayer

The Collect of the Day