



GRACE ANGLICAN CHURCH

where GOD'S FREE GRACE roots us,
renews us, and reaches through us.

THE 9th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



A SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

July 28, 2024

GRACE NOTES – July 28 2024

THE ARCHITECTURE OF TRUTH.

Our sermon series unpacks the brilliance of the 10 commandments.

ETHAN & HIS FAMILY are away on vacation from July 27-Aug 9. Please contact any of our other ministers if you have a pastoral need.

MANGIA FEST. It's been a while since Ethan and Monique have hosted a mega-dinner for us and the community, with all the Italian food that one could consume. But it's back. Labor Day – Sept 2 – is the day. Holy Trinity is the location. More details are forthcoming!

STAFFING CHANGES.

CHAD LAWRENCE will serve at Grace until the end of August, after that time he'll work full time at Grove City Christian Academy. The Lawrences will remain at Grace, and Chad will serve occasionally but in a non-stipendiary manner.

DAVID BECK will be overseeing Mission and Cell groups at Grace (what Chad was tasked to oversee) beginning in August.

GABBY KUCKS will resume her old position at Grace beginning August 1 – that is, she'll be the Parish Administrator, working 20 hours per week. David was handling these responsibilities, but beginning in August, Gabby will oversee them.

ADMIN. FOR FAMILY MINISTRIES.

This already established position (which had Gabby in the role) has yet to be filled (since Gabby will as of Aug 1 be the parish admin), but we hope to fill it by Aug 1.

VESTRY UPDATE: Our vestry meetings continue to be a cheerful challenge as we make decisions about the best ways to use your gifts in the Lord's service in the ministry of Grace. We had a brief meeting in July to approve a proposal from June to change David Beck's duties as curate to give him more opportunity for ministry to cell groups

and missions, and to shift some of his administrative work to a revived position of Parish Administrator. We also made changes to reflect the needs of growing responsibilities re. Administrator for Family Ministries. We approved a \$1,000 gift to Trinity Lutheran in memory of Pastor Sandy—towards a memorial garden on the property. We also heard encouraging reports on the continued growth and maturity of the church plant, Redeemer Anglican in Franklin.

JULY MISSION PARTNERS. This month we pray for Reuben and Lydia Henriquez – our missionaries in Papua New Guinea. Please pray for them as they translate the Scriptures into new languages, configure new missionary logistics within their new home, and develop relationships with locals.

NEW-COMERS TABLE is in the back of the church after the service. Join us back there and get some lovely gifts!

OUTDOOR WORSHIP IN FRANKLIN.

Please consider joining our church plant in Franklin at 11am on these Sundays as they host outdoor worship services: August 11th and September 8th.

MORNINGS AT THE PARK.

Every Thurs from now through the end of Summer (10:30am – noon) women from all stages and ages (kids too) are invited to meet at Greenwood Dr Park for fun. Contact Kristen Schools re. any questions: kristenparkerschools@gmail.com

NURSERY. During both morning and evening services, we offer nursery for our children (infants to 2 year olds) downstairs. Nursery lasts the ENTIRETY of the service.

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Processional Hymn: Crown Him with Many Crowns

1 Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne.
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity.

2 Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save;
his glories now we sing who died and rose on high,
who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

3 Crown him the Lord of years, the potentate of time,
creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! for thou hast died for me;
thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

Minister. Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, & the Holy Spirit.

Answer. And blessed be his Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Minister. Let us pray [together saying,]

The Collect for Purity, said by 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.

The Decalogue, the people kneel

- I. God spoke these words, saying, "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: You shall have no other gods but me.
- II. You shall not make for yourself any graven images, nor bow down to them, nor worship them.
- III. You shall not take the Name of the Lord your God in vain.
- IV. Remember that you keep the Sabbath-day holy.
- V. Honor your father and your mother.
- VI. You shall not murder.
- VII. You shall not commit adultery.
- VIII. You shall not steal.
- IX. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
- X. You shalt not covet.

The people respond,

Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these laws in our hearts, we beseech you.

Minister. The Lord be with you.

Answer. And with your spirit.

Minister. Let us pray.

Collect for the 8th Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Old Testament Lesson: Proverbs 6:27-32 (ESV)

Reader: A reading from the Book of Proverbs.

Can a man carry fire next to his chest and his clothes not be burned? ²⁸Or can one walk on hot coals and his feet not be scorched? ²⁹So is he who goes in to his neighbor's wife; none who touches her will go unpunished. ³⁰People do not despise a

thief if he steals to satisfy his appetite when he is hungry, ³¹but if he is caught, he will pay sevenfold; he will give all the goods of his house. ³²He who commits adultery lacks sense; he who does it destroys himself.

Reader. The Word of the Lord.

People. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 51-1-4

Have mercy upon me, O God, in your great goodness; *

according to the multitude of your mercies wipe away my offences.

1 Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness *
and cleanse me from my sin.

3 For I acknowledge my faults, *
2 and my sin is ever before me.

3 Against you only have I sinned, and done this evil in your sight, *
so that you are justified in your sentence, and blameless in your judgment.

5 Behold, I was brought forth in wickedness, *
and in sin my mother conceived me.

4 But behold, you desire truth in the inward parts *
and shall make me understand wisdom secretly.

The Gospel Lesson: Matthew 5:27-30 (ESV)

Reader. The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Answer. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.'²⁸ But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lustful intent has already committed adultery with her in his heart. ²⁹If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. For it is better that you

lose one of your members than that your whole body be thrown into hell. ³⁰And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. For it is better that you lose one of your members than that your whole body go into hell."

Reader. The Gospel of the Lord. **Answer.** Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON TEXT: *You shall not commit adultery.*

The Nicene Creed

LET us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

WE believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

WE believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten 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,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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.

The Prayers

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;
That we all may be one in Christ.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

We pray for the Henriquez family as they ministry and translate the Scriptures
within Papua New Guinea, beseeching you to make their mission fruitful and

effective. Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.
(The People may add their own petitions.)

Let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God. **For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and forever. Amen.**

Invitation to Confession

ALL who truly and earnestly repent of your sins, and seek to live in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking in his holy ways: draw near with faith and make your humble confession to Almighty God.

General Confession, said by all.

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker and judge of us all: We acknowledge and lament our many sins and offenses, which we have committed by thought, word, and deed against your divine majesty, provoking most justly your righteous anger against us. We are deeply sorry for these our transgressions; the burden of them is more than we can bear. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may evermore serve and please you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Absolution

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Comfortable Words

HEAR the comfortable words from the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.
Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
-MATTHEW 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. -JOHN 3:16

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. -1 TIMOTHY 1:15

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. -1 JOHN 2:1-2

The Peace.

Minister. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People. And with your spirit.

Offering and Doxology (tune: lasst uns erfreuen)

The Sacrament of Holy Communion (the 1662 Order)

Minister. The Lord be with you.

Answer. And with your spirit.

Minister. Lift up your hearts.

Answer. We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Answer. It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

IT is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

THEREFORE we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name: **Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

The Prayer of Humble Access, said by all, kneeling.

WE do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The People continue to kneel. The minister stands and continues.

ALL praise and glory is yours, O God our heavenly Father, for in your tender mercy, you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption. He made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and he instituted, and in his Holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again. Hear us, merciful Father, and grant that we receiving these gifts from your creation, this bread and this wine, according to your Son our Savior Jesus Christ's institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; For on the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me." **AMEN.**

Invitation to Communion. All baptized, believing Christians of an understanding age who are admitted to the Sacrament within their own church are encouraged to receive it with us. St Paul in the New Testament instructs those who come to the Lord's Supper to 'discern' the Body (that is, to have an understanding of the Lord's Supper) as well as examine themselves before they commune. Please come down the middle aisle to receive the bread, and then drink from either the common cup, or take and drink from a small cup of communion wine.

Intercessory prayer is available in the hall behind the chapel. This takes place during the distribution of Communion. You can come back for prayer for any reason whatsoever. If you want prayer for healing (physical or otherwise), you can also request anointing with oil (a biblical symbol for healing and restoration).

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

1. Come behold the wondrous mystery, in the dawning of the King
He the theme of heaven's praises, robed in frail humanity
In our longing, in our darkness, now the light of life has come
Look to Christ, who condescended, took on flesh to ransom us.
2. Come behold the wondrous mystery, he the perfect Son of Man
In his living, in his suffering, never trace nor stain of sin
See the true and better Adam, come to save the hell-bound man
Christ the great and sure fulfillment of the law, in him we stand.
3. Come behold the wondrous mystery, Christ the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption, see the Father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory, grace unmeasured, love untold

4. Come behold the wondrous mystery, slain by death the God of life
But no grave could e'er restrain him, praise the Lord, He is alive
What a foretaste of deliverance, how unwavering our hope
Christ in power resurrected, as will we be when he comes.

This is My Father's World

1. This is my Father's world, and to my list'ning ears
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas—His hand the wonders wrought.
2. This is my Father's world: the birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker's praise.
This is my Father's world: He shines in all that's fair;
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass, He speaks to me everywhere.
3. This is my Father's world: Oh, let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world, the battle is not done:
Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and Heav'n be one.

Great is Thy Faithfulness

1. Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
there is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;
as Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be

Chorus:

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided.
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me

2. Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon & stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
to Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.
3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today & bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine with ten thousand beside!

The Lord's Prayer, said by all

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

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, forever and ever. Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer, said by all

ALMIGHTY God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out into the world in the power of your Spirit, to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: Ye Servants of God

Tune: Lyons

1. Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad his wonderful name:
the name all-victorious of Jesus extol;
his kingdom is glorious, and rules over all.
2. God ruleth on high, almighty to save;
and still he is nigh, his presence we have;
the great congregation his triumph shall sing;
ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.
3. 'Salvation to God who sits on the throne!'
Let all cry aloud, and honour the Son:
the praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.
4. Then let us adore, and give him his right,
all glory and power, all wisdom and might,
all honour and blessing, with angels above,
and thanks never-ceasing, and infinite love.

Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GRACE'S STAFF

*SOME of these positions will change in August

RECTOR. The Rev'd Ethan Magness. The rector is the principal preacher and teacher, plans and coordinates worship, leads the staff and vestry, administrates the parish, offers pastoral care and counsel, marries, buries, etc. (emagness@graceanglicanonline.com)

DIRECTOR OF FAMILY MINISTRIES. Mr. Steve Matson creates, oversees, and develops ministries related to children, youth, and their families; and assists with pastoral care. (smatson@graceanglicanonline.com)

ASSISTANT MINISTER FOR COLLEGE MINISTRY. The Rev'd Cn. Dr Don Shepson has a part-time position with Grace and works with college students, leads bible studies, does pastoral care, counseling, preaching, etc. (dshepson@graceanglicanonline.com)

ASSISTANT MINISTER FOR CELL GROUPS & MISSION. The Rev'd Chad Lawrence serves as half-time minister, focusing on mission and cell groups. (clawrence@graceanglicanonline.com)

CURATE FOR PARISH LIFE. The Rev'd David Beck trains volunteers, handles administration and the parish schedule. The word

'curate' means a pastor who is learning the craft of pastoring (dbeck@graceanglicanonline.com)

WOMEN'S MINISTRY & HOSPITALITY COORDINATOR. Melissa Cowan serves part-time and helps lead, oversee, and develop ministries for women, parish hospitality, and newcomer integration. (mcowan@graceanglicanonline.com)

MUSICIAN. Bethany Mayo coordinates, trains, and rehearses with the music team, and leads our music (bmayo@graceanglicanonline.com)

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MINISTER IN RESIDENCE. The Rev'd Dr. Benj Giffone is an Old Testament scholar and a Presbyterian minister in the area who is spending some time with us here at Grace. He is available for pastoral counseling, visits, and get-togethers. (bgiffone@graceanglicanonline.com)

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WHERE GOD'S FREE GRACE ROOTS US, RENEWS US, AND REACHES THROUGH US

ROOTS US – NURTURED & SECURED IN GRACE THROUGH ...

- We serve as a Message-Driven church with **PREACHING** that clearly expounds the Bible, relentlessly placards the good news of Jesus Christ, and creatively connects the message of redemption to the many crises of the human condition.
- Participating in **WORSHIP** that is bound to God's inspired Word, the two Sacraments, the creeds of the ancient Church, the Reformational liturgy of the Book of Common Prayer, and the steady truths of the 39 Articles of Religion.
- Embracing a biblical, winsome, and counter-cultural **ORTHODOXY** in matters of faith and ethics.

RENEWS US – HEALING & GROWING IN GRACE THROUGH ...

- Forging cross-generational, caring **RELATIONSHIPS** between residents and college students, adults and children.
- Offering **OPPORTUNITIES** for a deepening relationship with Christ and his church through hospitality, cell groups, prayer, the arts, and recreation.
- **TRAINING** people of all ages to digest the Scriptures, to pray individually and corporately, and to engage in other life-giving and biblical practices that free us and shape us as disciples of Jesus.

REACHES THROUGH US – EXPRESSING GRACE THROUGH ...

- **DISPERSING** biblically-equipped, gospel-enriched lay-students and residents, ministers, missionaries, and church planters as compassionate carriers of good news.
- **ENGAGING** Grove City (both the town and the college) with a warm, imaginative Gospel-witness by creating accessible 'on ramps' for those who have yet to encounter Jesus Christ.
- **RESOURCING** churches in our Diocese and beyond with theological, financial, and personal assets.

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