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THE 15th SUNDAY
AFTER TRINITY



RENEWING THE POWER TO LOVE
-JOURNEYING THROUGH 1st JOHN-

A SERVICE OF
BAPTISM & COMMUNION

September 13, 2026

GRACE NOTES – September 13, 2026

VISION STATEMENT & VALUES.

Check out the inside cover of your bulletin to read our recently honed Mission and Values.

MINISTRY FAIR. Want to learn more about Grace and find ways to serve? Join us for our Ministry Fair after the evening service! Meet leaders, discover opportunities to get involved, and enjoy some good and gifts!

BAPTISM THIS MORNING! Marigold Joy Herbener, newborn daughter of Andy and Margaret Herbener, will be baptized into Christ's Church. Her additional sponsors are Gabe and Eliza Gordon, and Tegan and Bethany Truitt. If you're interested in why historic Protestant churches baptize infants, please check out an explanation that is offered near the back of the bulletin.

RENEWING THE POWER TO LOVE: Walking through the First Epistle of John.

Join us as we engage deeply and healingly in the subject of Love as told by the aging apostle John in his first letter.

SEXUALITY REDEEMED: EXPLORING ADDICTION AND HEALING.

The major malady in our time is sexual addiction, and the Church has the privilege of offering a gracious, honest, shame-free Word to those who are caught up in compulsive behavior and thinking. This class is for everyone, whether someone struggles with addiction or not. We'll talk about the nature of addiction, hear testimonies of how our folks have been freed-up, and learn how real progress can be made. 4pm, beginning September 20th.

TESTIFY! We are putting together a book of testimonies from the people of Grace for our 20th Anniversary. We are looking for no more than 200-word testimonies that offer praise for specific things that he's done through the ministry of Grace, along with a photograph of the person/family making the testimony. Please email them to ethanasius@gmail.com. Deadline for testimonies is Sept. 30.

NEWCOMERS CLASS. On Sept 13 at 4pm we're offering a class for every one who

is new at Grace (and for those who want a refresher). We'll talk about the Anglican Church and how you can get involved here at Grace, with plenty of time for Q and A.

MONTHLY MISSIONS. SutiSana in La Paz, Bolivia was founded in 2010 as a freedom business, which exists to fight human trafficking and commercial exploitation. Sutasana offers dignified employment for survivors of trafficking, providing women the opportunity to learn artisanal skills and find stability and safety.

Pray against the great evils of human trafficking and sexual exploitation, and for those impacted so that many women would find healing, restoration, and a new pathway forward through the work of this ministry. Learn more here: www.sutisana.com.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION for all ages begins Sept. 13 at 4pm.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY IS HERE for kids ages 3-6. Join us downstairs during the evening service to hear God's Big Story! See dismissal instructions in the bulletin. No CL on 9/6, 10/4, 11/1, and 11/29. Our last class of the semester is 12/20.

INFANT CARE ROOM. The library is available as a dedicated space to care for your infants during the service. The livestream is available in this space during evening services.

NURSERY. We offer nursery for children (infants to three-year-olds) downstairs.

THE CASA YOUTH MINISTRY for all 6th-12th graders resumes Sept. 15.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SERVE? Use this QR-code & sign up today!



WAYS TO GIVE AT GRACE

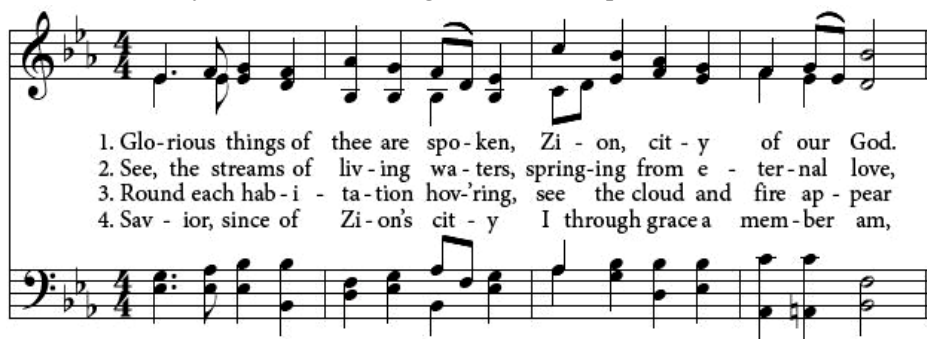
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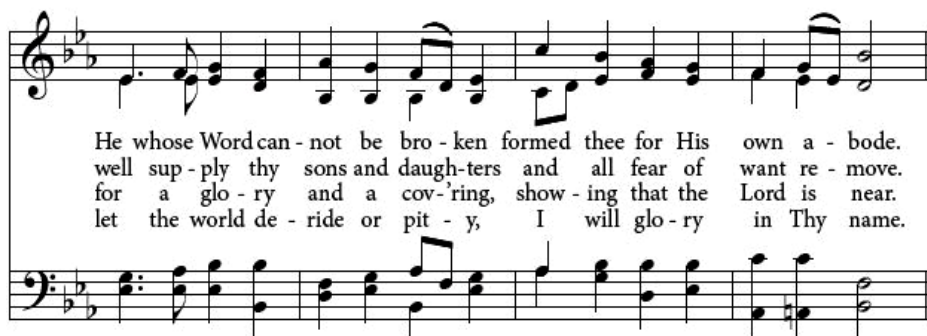
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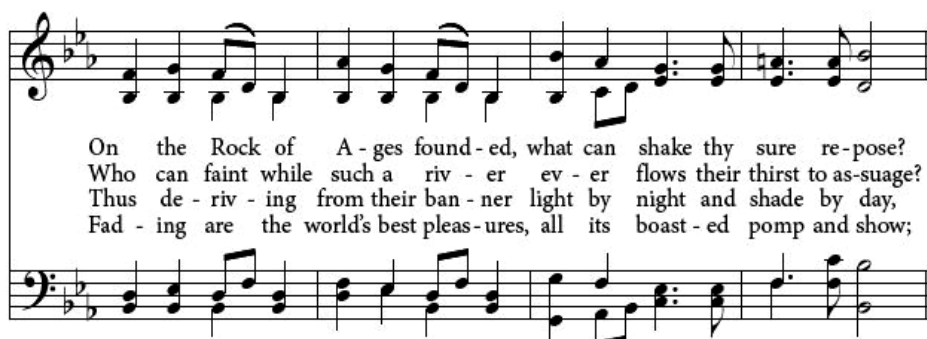
Processional Hymn: Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken Words: Newton Tune: Austria



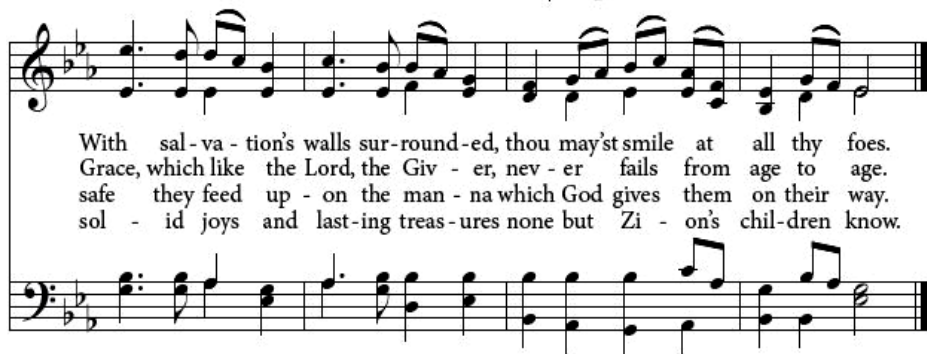
1. Glo-rious things of thee are spo-ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God.
 2. See, the streams of liv-ing wa-ters, spring-ing from e - ter-nal love,
 3. Round each hab-i - ta-tion hov'-ring, see the cloud and fire ap - pear
 4. Sav - ior, since of Zi-on's cit - y I through grace a mem-ber am,



He whose Word can - not be bro - ken formed thee for His own a - bode.
 well sup - ply thy sons and daugh-ters and all fear of want re - move.
 for a glo - ry and a cov'-ring, show - ing that the Lord is near.
 let the world de - ride or pit - y, I will glo - ry in Thy name.



On the Rock of A - ges found-ed, what can shake thy sure re - pose?
 Who can faint while such a riv - er ev - er flows their thirst to as - suage?
 Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner light by night and shade by day,
 Fad - ing are the world's best pleas - ures, all its boast - ed pomp and show;



With sal - va - tion's walls sur-round-ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
 Grace, which like the Lord, the Giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.
 safe they feed up - on the man - na which God gives them on their way.
 sol - id joys and last-ing treas - ures none but Zi - on's chil-dren know.



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

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

Minister. There is one Body and one Spirit;

People. There is one hope in God's call to us;

Minister. One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People. One God and Father of all.

Minister. Let us pray.

Collect for the 15th Sunday after Trinity

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Epistle Lesson: I John 2:1-6 (ESV)

Reader. A reading from the first epistle of John.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. ²He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. ³And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep his commandments.

⁴Whoever says "I know him" but does not keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, ⁵but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may know that we are in him: ⁶whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.

Reader. The Word of the Lord.

Answer. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119:9-13

How shall a young man cleanse his way? *

By ruling himself according to your word.

¹⁰ With my whole heart I have sought you; *

O let me not go astray from your commandments.

¹¹ Your words have I hidden within my heart, *

that I may not sin against you.

¹² Blessed are you, O LORD; *

teach me your statutes.

¹³ With my lips have I been telling *

of all the judgments of your mouth.

The Gospel Lesson: John 15:8-11 (ESV)

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

Answer. Glory to you, Lord Christ.

+ Jesus said, “By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. ⁹As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. ¹⁰If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my

love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. ¹¹These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.”

Reader. The Gospel of the Lord.

Answer. Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev'd Ethan Magness, Rector

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

DEARLY BELOVED, Scripture teaches that we were all dead in our sins and trespasses, but by grace we may be saved through faith. Our Savior Jesus Christ said, “Unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God”; and he commissioned the Church to “make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.” Here we ask our heavenly Father that this child, being baptized with water, may be filled with the Holy Spirit, born again, and received into the Church as a living member of Christ's body. Therefore, I urge you to call upon God the Father, through our Lord Jesus Christ, that of his abundant mercy he will grant to this Candidate that which by nature *he* cannot have. The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

The Sponsors

We present Marigold Joy Herbener to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

The minister asks the sponsors,

TODAY on behalf of this child you shall make vows to renounce the devil and all his works, to trust God wholeheartedly, and to serve him faithfully. It is your task to see that she is taught the full meaning of all these vows, and of the Faith that you will profess as revealed in the Holy Scriptures. She must put her trust in Christ, and learn the Creeds, the Lord's Prayer, the Ten Commandments, and all other things which a Christian ought to know, believe, and do for the welfare of the soul. When she embraces all these things, having become a disciple of Jesus, she is to come to the bishop to be confirmed, that she may be further strengthened by the Holy Spirit to serve Christ and his Kingdom. Are you willing and ready to undertake this?

Sponsors say, **I am, the Lord being my helper.**

Profession of Faith *The minister then asks,*

Question Do you renounce the Devil and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the empty promises and deadly deceits of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the sinful desires of the flesh that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

ALMIGHTY God deliver you from the powers of darkness and evil, and lead you into the light and obedience of the kingdom of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and confess him as your Lord and Savior?

Answer I do.

Question Do you joyfully receive the Christian Faith, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?

Answer I do.

Question Will you obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in them all the days of your life?

Answer I will, the Lord being my helper.

The minister then says to the congregation

LET us stand and profess our faith in the words of the ancient baptismal confession, the Apostles' Creed.

Minister Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

People I do. I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Minister Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ?

People I do. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by 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.

Minister Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

People I do. 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.

Prayer for the Candidate

ALmighty and everlasting Father, in your great mercy you saved Noah and his family in the Ark from the destruction of the flood, prefiguring the sacrament of Holy Baptism. Look mercifully upon this child, your servant. Wash and sanctify her through your Holy Spirit that she, being delivered from destruction and received into the Ark of Christ's Church, would be made steadfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in love. May she pass through the turbulent floods of this troublesome world and come into the land of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The minister pours the baptismal water.

Thanksgiving Over the Water

Minister The Lord be with you.

People And with your spirit.

Minister Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

WE thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John in the River Jordan when the Holy Spirit descended upon him as a dove. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we receive the sign of regeneration by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. And now, O Father, sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit. We pray that all who are baptized here would be cleansed from sin, born again, and continue for ever faithful in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**



The Baptism

MARIGOLD, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The sign of the Cross is then made upon the forehead of the newly baptized as this prayer is said,

RECEIVE the sign of the Cross as a token of your new life in Christ, in which you shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, to fight courageously under his banner against the world, the flesh, and the devil, and to continue as his faithful soldier and servant to the end of your days. **Amen.**

Minister and people,

WE receive you into the fellowship of the Church. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in the royal priesthood of all his people.

Hymn: Baptized in Pools of Grace

Tune: Festal Song

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|---|---|
| 1. Baptized in pools of grace
God's Triune name imparts
A covenant and vow to us
Which stirs-up faith-full hearts | 3. Buried beneath the stream
As Jesus was laid low
And then we rise to life redeemed
As Christ is risen now |
| 2. Washed well in heaven's tide
Made clean beneath the flood
For all sin dies, is drowned and gone
In calv'rys pard'ning blood | 4. This Sacrament of life
Reminds our anxious hearts
That life in God begins by grace
And grace shall ne're depart |

Invitation to Confession

LET us confess our sins unto Almighty God, as we devoutly kneel. Silence.

General Confession, said by 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.

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

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

People. And with your spirit.

Offertory Sentence. Walk in love, as Christ loved us, and gave himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God. -Ephesians 5:2

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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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. Scripture requires some understanding of the Supper, instructing those who commune to 'discern' the Body as well as 'examine themselves' (I Cor. 11). It is the historic and consistent practice of the Anglican Church for young children to be catechized before receiving the Supper (contact a minister for resources). Please walk down the middle aisle to receive the bread in open hands and consume it. Drinking wine directly from the common cup is the customary manner of receiving it, though bread may be carefully intincted (dipped) into the wine. Small, individual cups of wine are available for those who have health concerns. Gluten free bread is available.

Intercessory prayer is available in the back of the church. 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).

There is a Balm in Gilead

Chorus: There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole;
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.

1. Sometimes I feel discouraged and think my work's in vain,
But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again (chorus)
2. When burdens are too heavy, when tears like rivers flow;
There's boundless love at Calv'ry, and care for every woe (chorus)
3. Our life is but a vapor, a moment and it's gone
Christ waits with us in darkness, and rises like the sun.

There is a Fountain Filled with Blood

Words: Cowper, 1772 Tune: Cleansing Fountain

1. There is a fountain fill'd with blood drawn from Emmanuel's veins
And sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains.
Lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains;
And sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains.

2. The dying thief rejoiced to see that fountain in his day;
And there have I, though vile as he, washed all my sins away.
Washed all my sins away, washed all my sins away;
And there have I, though vile as he, washed all my sins away.

3. Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood shall never lose its power
Till all the ransomed church of God be saved to sin no more.
Be saved to sin no more, be saved to sin no more;
Till all the ransomed church of God be saved, to sin no more.

4. E'er since, by faith, I saw the stream Thy flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die.
And shall be till I die, and shall be till I die;
Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die

All Glory be to Christ

1. Should nothing of our efforts stand, no legacy survive
Unless the Lord does raise the house in vain its builders strive
To you who boast tomorrow's gain tell me what is your life
A mist that vanishes at dawn all glory be to Christ

Chorus: All glory be to Christ our King, All glory be to Christ
His rule and reign we'll ever sing, All glory be to Christ

2. His will be done, His kingdom come
On earth as is above who is Himself our daily bread
Praise Him the Lord of love let living water satisfy
The thirsty without price we'll take a cup of kindness yet (chorus)

3. All glory be to Christ when on the day the great I Am
The faithful and the true the Lamb who was for sinners slain
Is making all things new behold our God shall live with us
And be our steadfast light and we shall ere his people be (chorus)

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.

Gloria in Excelsis



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



The Blessing

THE PEACE OF GOD, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn: Lord, with Glowing Heart

Words: Key, 1817 Tune: Hypherdol

1. Lord, with glowing heart I'd praise Thee for the bliss Thy love bestows,
For the pardoning grace that saves me, and the peace that from it flows:
Help, O God, my weak endeavor; this dull soul to rapture raise:
Thou must light the flame, or never can my love be warmed to praise.
2. Praise, my soul, the God that sought thee, wretched wanderer, far astray;
Found thee lost, and kindly brought thee from the paths of death away:
Praise, with love's devoutest feeling, Him who saw thy guilt-born fear,
And, the light of hope revealing, Bade the blood-stained cross appear.
3. Lord, this bosom's ardent feeling vainly would my lips express:
Low before Thy footstool kneeling, deign Thy suppliant's prayer to bless:
Let Thy grace, my soul's chief treasure, Love's pure flame within me raise;
And, since words can never measure, let my life show forth Thy praise.

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

WHY DO ANGLICANS BAPTIZE INFANTS?

A question that some Baptists and non-denominational Christians ask me (and it's a good one) is this: "Why do Anglicans baptize infants before they can profess any faith?" Some assume that Anglicans baptize babies simply out of an adherence to a tradition that has strayed from the Bible, or that we have superstitious reasons for doing so. What I want to suggest is that we have *Bible-reasons* for practicing the baptism of infants. Here are a few:

1. Within the Bible, are entrance rites – that is, God-ordained, visible rites of entering a covenant - ever given to babies? Absolutely. Circumcision was the visible 'entrance rite' into the Old Covenant community, and it was given to Jewish boys 8 days after their birth, marking them as belonging to the community before they had professed any faith. Circumcised boys were raised in Judaism and gradually grew into an understanding of what membership within Judaism looked like. Paul sees baptism as the New Covenant fulfilment of Old Covenant circumcision (Colossians 2:11-12).
2. Jesus' own disposition toward children was uniformly positive. In fact, he welcomed babies when the disciples wished to push them away, and said that anyone who wants to enter the Kingdom of God must approach it like a child.
3. The New Testament describes entire 'households' being baptized (an expansive term in Greek, usually including parents, grandparents, employees, and children).
4. God's promises are for children. In Acts 2 Peter says, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. This promise belongs to you and *your children*."
5. Paul's letters include instructions for husbands, wives, employees, and *children*; thus, Paul assumes that children are initiated members of the body of Christ.
6. Infant baptism was common practice within the early church, acknowledged as occurring in the second century. There were very few objections to it at the time.
7. The baptism of infants sends a biblical message about God's prevenient Grace – namely, that God comes to us before we come to him. Salvation is a miracle, gifted by God, never originating in the human will or as a result of a human decision. Tish Warren writes, *'Baptism is the first word of grace spoken over us by the church. In Anglicanism we baptize infants. When my daughters were baptized, it was a bold proclamation: before you know the faith, before you doubt the faith, before you confess the faith, before you can sing the faith; you are beloved by God, not by your effort but because of what Christ has done for you.'*

Anglicans do not believe baptism it and of itself *automatically* makes someone a regenerate Christian, whether they are baptized as infants or adults. Rather, baptism is an effective *PREACHER* of a regenerating Gospel. Baptism effectively, by the power of the Spirit, proclaims a Christ who cleanses people from sin. And HE, Christ, is the only one who saves. Baptism gives us a Christ worth believing in.



OUR VISION

WHERE THE GOSPEL
IS THE MAIN THING
IN EVERYTHING.

OUR VALUES

We PROCLAIM

- We preach the Gospel “as of first importance” from God’s Word (I Cor. 15).
- We proclaim Good News through the two Sacraments of Baptism and Communion, and are governed by the *Book of Common Prayer* and the *39 Articles of Religion*.
- We engage adults, children and teens, and Grove City College students with warm, imaginative, accessible opportunities to encounter and understand Jesus.

We BOND

- We worship together on Sundays as the heart and hub of parish life.
- We fellowship in small groups to deepen bonds in the Body of Christ.
- We cultivate hospitality to care for one another in the varied seasons of life.

We TRAIN

- We help people of all ages to form life-long patterns of Scripture-study, prayer, service, and other biblical practices that cultivate us as disciples of Jesus.
- We identify, equip, and multiply lay-leaders.
- We identify and nurture future and clergy and missionaries.

We SEND

- We equip disciples to compassionately carry the Good News to campus, neighborhood, workplace, region, and world-wide mission fields.
- We creatively work to build loving, relational bridges with our neighbors.
- We resource other churches & missions with theological, financial, & personal assets.

GLOSSARY.

-**39 Articles:** It’s the Anglican statement of faith. It’s brief and great. Google it!

-**Sacrament:** A Sacrament has 3 parts: 1. An outward and visible sign of 2. an inward grace, 3. ordained by Christ. There are two of these signs that fit all 3 criteria, and they are baptism and Communion.

-**Gospel:** Paul defines the Gospel in I Cor 15 as the death and resurrection of Jesus that forgives our sins and renews the world.

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