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Grace Episcopal Church

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost
October 20, 2024 | 8:00 & 9:30 am
Ministers | All of Us
Rector | Eric Mason
Celebrant | Kate Kinney
Preacher | Nels Flesher
Deacon | Scott Deasy
Music Director | Kim Thompson
Home Group | Downtowners

We Gather in God's Name

Gathering

We take a moment to be still and know God. Our world is full of many noises, even as we sit together in silence. Let the noises be, and listen for the deep stillness that underlies all being. This moment will begin and end with the ringing of a bell.

Call to Worship

We stand as we're called to worship.

Celebrant Come God, come down

All Come in, come among us

Celebrant Come as the wind to move us

All Come as the light to prove us

Celebrant Come as the night to rest us

All Come as the storm to test us

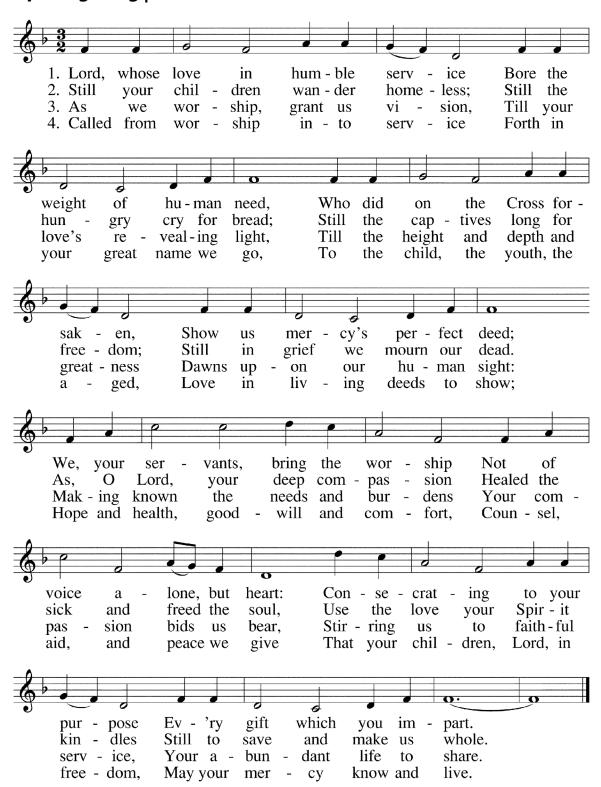
Celebrant Come as the sun to warm us

All Come as the stillness to calm us

Celebrant Come God come down

All Come in come among us

Opening Song | Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service



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The Collect

Celebrant

Suffering God, in whose name we seek glory for ourselves: cast down the idols that serve our fear and guilt, our need for blame, for punishment; direct our angry hearts to him who bears our wounds where there is no more need to fight; through Jesus Christ, the true God and servant of all. **Amen.**

Children's Moment

During the 9:30 service, all children and youth are invited to come forward to the altar for a children's moment before joining their teachers for Sunday School. The children will return in time for communion. They are also welcome to remain with their families in the sanctuary if that is their choice.

We Hear and Respond to the Story

We are seated for the first lesson.

First Lesson | Isaiah 53:4-12

Reader A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases;

yet we accounted him stricken,

struck down by God, and afflicted.

But he was wounded for our transgressions,

crushed for our iniquities;

upon him was the punishment that made us whole,

and by his bruises we are healed.

All we like sheep have gone astray;

we have all turned to our own way,

and God has laid on him

the iniquity of us all.

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,

yet he did not open his mouth;

like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,

and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,

so he did not open his mouth.

By a perversion of justice he was taken away.

Who could have imagined his future?

For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

Yet it was the will of God to crush him with pain.

When you make his life an offering for sin,
he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days;
through him the will of God shall prosper.

Out of his anguish he shall see light;

he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.

The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.

Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

After the reading

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 91:9-16

We stand and speak the psalm responsively.

Because you have made God your refuge and the Most High your habitation,

There shall no evil happen to you,

neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.

For God shall give the angels charge over you, to keep you in all your ways.

They shall bear you in their hands,

lest you dash your foot against a stone.

You shall tread upon the lion and adder; you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.

Because you are bound to me in love,

therefore will I deliver you;

I will protect you, because you know my Name.

You shall call upon me, and I will answer you; I am with you in trouble; I will rescue you and bring you honor.

With long life will I satisfy you and show you my salvation.

Second Lesson | Hebrews 5:1-10

Reader A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

"You are my Son, today I have begotten you";

as he says also in another place,

"You are a priest forever,

according to the order of Melchizedek."

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

After the reading

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying.

All Thanks be to God.

We stand for the Gospel acclamation and reading.

Gospel Acclamation | Alleluia





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Gospel | Mark 10:35-45

Deacon May God be with you.

All And also with you.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

All Glory to you, Lord Christ.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

After the reading

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, Lord Christ.

We are seated for the homily.

The Homily | Nels Flesher

After the homily, we observe a moment of silence. This time begins and ends with the ringing of a bell.

The Prayers of the People

We remain standing for the prayers. All are encouraged to join in, adding your own prayers after each intercession, silently or aloud. To submit names to our prayer list, and/or to receive weekly updates from our prayer team, email us at prayerlist@gracehere.org. We would love to include those you love in our prayers for thanksgiving, healing, support, or peace; and we also welcome your prayers for particular persons who have died.

Leader Holy God,

who, in Jesus, touched the earth, admiring its beauty and blessing its people, we honor you for the gift of life and all the gifts that life brings us: food, shelter, company, the experiences that make us think, the people who bring out the best in us.

Hear our prayers for the places in this world where beauty has turned to ugliness, food has been replaced by famine, friendship has been forgotten, and fear, hostility, and hopelessness have the upper hand.

God, in your mercy,

All bring healing, bring peace.

Leader Hear our prayers for the people who cannot pray

because of pain, loss, or worry;

and for those who will not love themselves

and so cannot love their neighbor.

God, in your mercy,

All bring healing, bring peace.

Leader Hear our prayers for ourselves—

our private yearnings,

our secret hopes

and any doubt, jealousy, or anger

to which we hold too tightly.

God, in your mercy,

All bring healing, bring peace.

Leader Grateful for the life in our bodies, we pray for those whose lives are diminished by

ill health, depression, grief, or rejection, asking for the healing, the affirming, the

listening, which will encourage and restore them.

Those on our current prayer list are named. You are invited to speak aloud (or simply remember quietly) the names of those for whom you are praying.

Leader God, in your mercy,

All bring healing, bring peace.

Collecting the Prayers of the People

The Celebrant concludes the Prayers of the People.

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

All And also with you.

All are invited to share a sign of God's peace with one another. Please respect others' choice to do so socially distanced.

We are seated after the Peace.

Stewardship Testimonial | My Hope for Grace's Future

Offered by Jim Quitslund.

We Share in the Sacred Meal

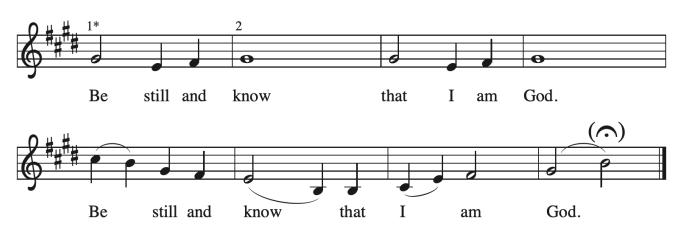
The Offering



Out of gratitude for all we've been given, we give ourselves back to God. Bread, wine, and money all symbolize the fruit of our labor. Together, our gifts make possible this community of inclusion, service, discovery, and gratitude. All worshiping in person are invited to place their offering in baskets as they are passed through the rows, but anyone in person or online may give via this link: www.gracehere.org/give/, or by accessing our OnRealm system with this QR code. Thank you for your generosity, your prayers, and your presence with us today.

We remain seated while the bread and wine are brought forward.

Offertory Song | Be Still and Know 9:30am only



^{*} May be sung in canon

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We stand as the baskets are brought forward, lifting up the offering of our hearts and hands.

Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant God our strength and our salvation,

All receive our gifts, our lives, and the offering of our joy. Awake our souls and inspire us with your life. Lead us on the path of wisdom and compassion.

Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

We remain standing for the Eucharistic Prayer.

Celebrant May God be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

All

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God of all Creation.

All It is right to give God thanks and praise.

We lift them to God.

Celebrant Creator, you spoke the Word and all that is in heaven and on the earth, all things,

came to be. Your Spirit hovered over the primal elements, and you brought forth life in forms innumerable, including this our fragile earth, and we amongst its

inhabitants.

As our past is in you, so our hope for the future rests with you. As we have turned from your way, so we turn again to the warmth of your love. Through you all things are brought to new life.

And now we give you thanks for the glories of your creation given into our care, and for the opportunities we have to share that richness with all your people.

And so with the wonders of creation and the songs of praise of all your creatures both in heaven and on earth we praise you now and forever saying:

Sanctus | Holy, Holy, Holy



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Celebrant

In the night that Jesus was betrayed, he took bread, work of human hands, gift of our earth, and gave thanks to God. He broke the bread to speak to us of the breaking of his body upon the cross. He gave it to his friends and said:

Take and eat, for this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

He took the wine, work of human hands, gift of our earth, and gave thanks to God, Creator. He poured out the wine to speak to us of the pouring out of his blood. He gave it to his friends saying:

Take and drink, this is my blood of the new covenant, shed for you and for all creation for the forgiveness of sins. Every time you drink of the wine, do this in remembrance of me.

Celebrant

So we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died

Christ is risen

Christ will come again.

Celebrant

Therefore God, we who seek your reconciliation; we who need reconciliation one with another; we who hope for reconciliation with all creation, draw close to this mystery.

In being broken, poured out and buried, life sprang forth again. In the breaking, there is an opening up; in the pouring out, there are the roots of sharing; in death and burial, there is the seed of the new life to come.

As we look in our world, in our lives, and in our hearts, for his second coming, keep us close to this vision that we have seen. Through the giving of the bread and wine, reconcile us to our world. Send upon us, and upon all your creation, the lifegiving Spirit who first moved upon the waters of the deep. Stir in us the creative and redeem the destructive. Unite us with you through the body and blood of your Son, your Word made flesh.

By whom, and with whom and in whom, in the unity of your Creative Spirit, with all that has been, is, and will be in your universe, we stand before you and worship you, God of all, in songs of everlasting praise,

All Blessing and honor and glory and power be yours for ever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant And now as our savior has taught us, we are bold to say:

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the Bread and a period of silence is kept. The silence is broken with these words.

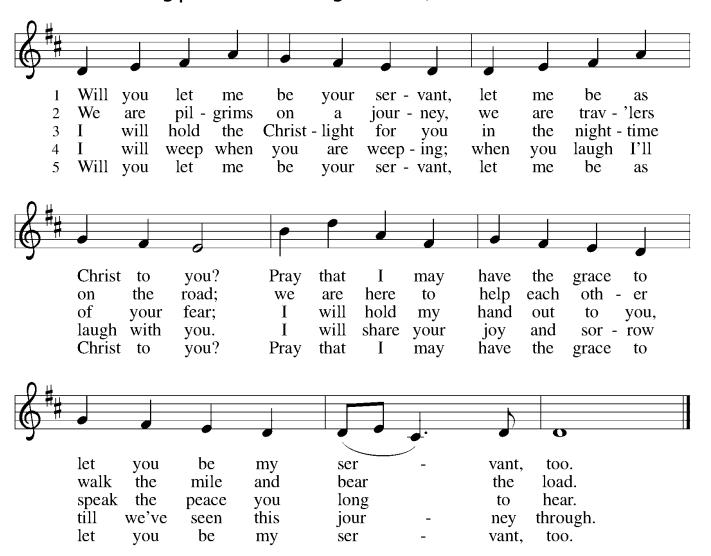
Celebrant Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All Thanks be to God.

All are welcome to come forward into the circle to receive Communion. Please tell the bread minister if you prefer to receive a wafer free from gluten, soy, and dairy. If you prefer not to receive wine, cross your arms in front of your chest, and when the minister brings the chalice near you, they will simply say the words, "The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation." Finally, if you prefer to receive a blessing instead of Communion, cross your arms over your chest and the bread minister will ask God's blessing on you.

Communion Song | The Servant Song 9:30am only



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Communion Song | Santo (Holy) 9:30am only



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After communion, we share in silent reflection and prayer, begun and ended by the ringing of a bell.

Our Prayer After Communion

We stand and pray.

Celebrant God of life and God of light,

All as we seek a new relationship with your created order, may we sense the grace and peace of a new relationship with you. Amen.

Birthdays, Anniversaries, and Celebrations 9:30am only

After we share milestones, please join us in singing, "God Grant Them Many Years."

We Are Sent into the World

The Blessing

Celebrant Now go in peace, do what God wills, follow where Christ calls, pray for the gifts of the Spirit; and may the blessing of God the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer rest on and remain with you now and always. **Amen.**

Closing Song | Oh, Sing to God Above 9:30am only





Text: Carlos Rosas, b. 1939; tr. from Spanish, with One Voice @ 1995 Augsburg Fortress. Music: ROSAS, Carlos Rosas @ 1976 Resource Publications, Inc.

Oh, sing to God a - bove:

ia!

Al-le - lu

ia!

Dismissal

Deacon With gratitude, joy, and hope, go forth guided by the spirit; striving for the

renewal, repair, and restoration of our relationships with God, each other, and

all of creation.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

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Donde Cayo el Seniento / Where the Thirsty Fell

Tumulos del desierto.

Aqui cayó a la muerte el caminante,

aqui terminó el viaje

y el viajero.

Todo era sol, todo era sed y arena.

No pudo más y se volvió silencio.

Luego pasó el que sigue

y al caído saludó

con una piedra,

con la piedra sedienta del camino.

Oh corazón de polvo espolvoreado, en polvó del desierto convertido, corazón caminante y compañero, tal vez, de salitrales y trabajos, tal vez de las amargas minerías, saliste, echaste a andar por las arenas,

por la sal del desierto, con la arena.

Ahora una piedra y otra aqui erigieron un monumento al héroe fatigado, al que no pudo más y dejó los dos pies, luego las piernas, luego la mirada, la vida en el camino de la arena.

Ahora una piedra vino, voló un recuerdo duro, llegó una piedra suave, y el túmulo del hombre en el desierto es un puño de piedra solidaria. Hips of stone in the desert.

Here the walker fell

on death.

Here ended the journey

and the traveler.

Everything was sun, everything was thirst and sand.

He couldn't stand it and became silent.

Then came the next one

and he greeted the fallen one with a stone,

with a thirsty stone from the road.

Oh heart of scattered dust, transformed into desert dust, traveler and companion heart, perhaps, of nitrate mines and works, perhaps of the bitter mining, you left and took to the road in the sand, by the desert salt, with the sand.

Now a stone and another erected here a monument to the tired hero, who couldn't stand it and abandoned his two feet, then his legs, then his gaze, life on the road of sand.

Now a stone came, a harsh memory flew, a smooth stone arrived, and the tomb of the man in the desert is a fist of solidarity in stone.

— Pablo Neruda

News from Grace Church, Bainbridge Island | October 20, 2024

Welcome to Grace! If you are visiting, we hope you have felt welcomed. If you have questions or queries — however large or small — feel free to contact Liz Powell at *lizpowell165@comcast.net*. You may also fill out a welcome card in the narthex.

Newcomers' Lunch: New to Grace? Join us after coffee hour on **Sunday, November 3** for a newcomers' lunch. Contact Liz Powell for details.



Grace's 2025 Stewardship Campaign is underway

We are already on our way to raising the financial and volunteer resources needed to "Make Grace Happen" in the coming year. Pledge packets were mailed this past week so if you did not receive one, they are available in the narthex, or you can learn more about the campaign and pledge online at *gracehere.org/giving/stewardship*.

Campaign Goal	\$750,000		
Progress to date		Journey Remaining	
Households Pledging	24	Potential Households	187
Total Amount Pledged	\$135,220	Remaining Goal Amount	\$614,780

Additional pledge packets are available in the Narthex or pledge online at *gracehere.org/stewardship*. Questions? Email Tootie Kuhn, *cgkuhn407@gmail.com*. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

Children's Program: When you arrive, please bring your children with you into the sanctuary; and feel free to sit by the altar near the Children's Rug so your children can engage with others in quiet activities. After the Children's Moment, they will be guided by their teachers to two learning spaces: one for younger children with more tactile storytelling and activities, and one for older children. Youth are always welcome to join us as helpers for the younger children!

Spooktacular Sunday! October 27, 9:30 service: Come in costume • Carve a pumpkin at coffee hour • Men's Pumpkin Gutting Contest: How fast are you? To reserve a pumpkin or sign up for the gutting contest, email Kim at *kim@gracehere.org*.

OCTOBER OUTREACH | Let's "shower" the Faith Shower Project hosted by Faith Episcopal Poulsbo, with much needed travel-size toiletries! Please join us in providing donations of travel size toiletry items, including toothpaste, deodorant, razors, and shaving cream. If you have been traveling this summer, the small lotions, soaps, shampoos, etc. from motels/hotels are always welcome. We will have baskets in the narthex during October and will package the donated items on Service Sunday, October 27th. Thank you for your generosity!

Please visit www.gracehere.org for event details, and to sign up for Grace's weekly online newsletter.

Men's Group Chili Cook-Off Gathering & Potluck | Wednesday, November 6 from 6:30 – 8:30p.m. You'll find full details in the eNews. Questions? contact Eric Matthews at eric@ericEmatthews.com or 206.718.2254.

A Weekend with Steve Garnaas-Holmes | Saturday, Nov. 16: Retreat from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Poetry reading from 7 – 8:30 p.m. Steve will be giving the homily on Sunday, 11/17, at both services. Steve is a poet, songwriter, and retired United Methodist pastor. He leads retreats and workshops on poetry, spirituality, and our images of God. Visit his website www.unfoldinglight.net, and learn more about the weekend in our weekly newsletter.

Home Groups at Grace | Looking to Connect with Others at Grace Church? Getting involved in a Home Group at Grace is one of the best ways to meet people, develop friendships, and discover more of what Grace has to offer you and your family. Home Groups gather periodically for fellowship and fun, serve together on Sundays, and offer support to one another when needed. Do you want to meet some near neighbors? Many of our groups are geographically based. Do you want to meet other families with young children? Then our "Family Group" might be for you. If interested in learning more, contact Home Group Coordinator Jeff Bassette (jeff.bassette@gmail.com).

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