

# Grace Episcopal Church

## Season after



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## **10th Sunday after Pentecost**

Reverend Grant Barber

Bob Lambe, Music Director

Marge Cull, Voice of the people

Lyle Pirnie & Louise Thomas, readers

08.14.2022

**Prelude Invention 3, Bach**

**Opening Hail, thou once despised Jesus! H495**

**Celebrant:** Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People: And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever.*

**The Collect for Purity**

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.

**Song of Praise Rejoice in the Lord**

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**Rejoice in the Lord Always**

Philippians 4:4

by Evelyn Turner

1 E A B7 E

Re- joyce in the Lord al- ways, and a- gain I say, "Re- joice!"

2 E A B7 E

Re- joyce! Re- joyce! And a- gain I say, "Re- joice!"

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## The Collect

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## First reading Jeremiah 23:23-29

Am I a God near by, says the LORD, and not a God far off? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back-- those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*Thanks be to God.*

## Psalm 82

- 1 God takes his stand in the council of heaven; \*  
he gives judgment in the midst of the gods:
- 2 "How long will you judge unjustly, \*  
and show favor to the wicked?
- 3 Save the weak and the orphan; \*  
defend the humble and needy;
- 4 Rescue the weak and the poor; \*  
deliver them from the power of the wicked.
- 5 They do not know, neither do they understand;  
they go about in darkness; \*  
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

6 Now I say to you, 'You are gods, \*  
and all of you children of the Most High;  
7 Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, \*  
and fall like any prince.'  
8 Arise, O God, and rule the earth, \*  
for you shall take all nations for your own.

## **Second Reading Hebrews 11:29-12:2**

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets-- who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented-- of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*Thanks be to God.*

## **Luke 12:49-56**

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

*People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided:

father against son  
and son against father,  
mother against daughter  
and daughter against mother,  
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law  
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

The Gospel of the Lord

*People: Praise to you Lord Christ*

## **Sermon Rev. Grant Barber**

### **The Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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

## **Prayers of the People** Form VI

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

For all people in their daily life and work;

*For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.*

For this community, the nation, and the world;

*For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.*

We pray for those serving in the military, especially:

*Baron S., Zachary S., Christopher, Monique & Joey*

For the just and proper use of your creation;

*For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.*

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

*For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.*

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

*For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.*

For Justin the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Alan and Gayle our Bishops; and all bishops and other ministers;  
*For all who serve God in his Church.*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray now for those in any need, and especially those on our prayer list:

*Muriel C., Richard T., David T., Sunrise T., Carole HP., Laura K., Natalie W., Lawrence H., Milo M., Marjorie S., Betty H., Kay S., Katie P., the White family, Richard M., Susan H., Barb H., Clarence K., Bill, Pat and Lance*

We hear and join our own presence to those who have virtually requested prayers.

*(appointed person reads any prayers in the Zoom chat box)*

Hear us, Lord;  
*For your mercy is great.*

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.  
*Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings*

We will exalt you, O God our King;  
*And praise your Name for ever and ever.*

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;  
*Who put their trust in you.*

The Celebrant invites all celebrating birthdays or anniversaries to come forward for a blessing which ends the prayers of the people.

*If there are none, the Celebrant adds a concluding prayer.*

## Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People*

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.

*The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says*

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



*The flowers on the altar have been given in memory of John F. Mason Jr.,  
Raymond Lanpher, Helen & Merle Crockett an Mr. & Mrs. John R. Smith.*



The Peace of the Lord be with you always!

## **Eucharistic Prayer B**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

*People: And also with you.*

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

*People: We lift them to the Lord.*

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*To be used on Sundays as appointed, but not on the succeeding weekdays*

### *1. Of God the Father*

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. *or*

### *2. Of God the Son*

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. *or*

### *3. Of God the Holy Spirit*

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

## Creation Mass - Sanctus

1 Haugen

4

10 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord; God of

16 pow - er, God of might. Hea - ven and earth are full of your

22 glo - ry: Ho - san - na in the high - est!

28 Blest is the one who comes in the name of the Lord; Ho -

34 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the

high est!

### *Celebrant and People,*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: 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 for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

*We remember his death,*

*We proclaim his resurrection,*

*We await his coming in glory;*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [\_\_\_\_\_ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.

*AMEN.*

## **The Lord's Prayer**

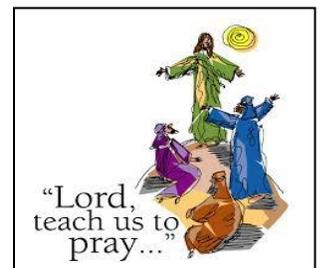
*And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say*

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, for ever and ever. *Amen*



## **The Fraction Anthem**

*Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.*

*People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!*

## **Communion Hymn    When from bondage we are summoned    H754**

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Let us pray. *Celebrant and People*

Almighty and ever-loving God, we know we are the body of Christ in this world and commissioned to do your work.

With your guidance, help us to grow Grace Church in ways we cannot now imagine.

In your compassion, Lord, help us to be open to all possibilities,

In your love, Lord, help us to accept those things that we need to change, and not limit ourselves in moving forward.

In your wisdom, Lord, please show us the way to go as we become your hands, your heart, and your voice in the world.

This we pray in Jesus' name, Amen

## **Blessing**

## **Closing Hymn    My faith looks up to thee    H691**

***Postlude***    **La Bohemienne, Campra**

### **Dismissal**

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord, Alleluia, alleluia!

*People: Thanks be to God: Alleluia, alleluia!*

## Announcements



Everyone stay healthy and hydrated!

With increasing COVID and flu infections, and the hot weather, be careful.

**We have much to be thankful for.**

Check out the rector's office! Thanks to Karen, Dot and others.

We have a donation of an air conditioner and a computer! Thanks!

The library has been cleaned and updated.

## Back to School Shuffle

**On front lawn of Grace Church**

**August 17<sup>th</sup> 5pm to 7pm**

Please donate to help pay for  
the back to school supplies give away!



## Lobster Luncheon

**Friday, August 26<sup>th</sup> 11:30-12:30 pickup**

**Great sandwich rolls - getting rave reviews!**

**Tell your friends or order for the group.**

**Cost: Chicken salad - \$13 or Lobster - \$18**

**Cash Only**

**This includes chips & dessert!**

### To order:

Contact: Grace Church at (508) 369-2464

or order online: <https://www.gracechurchna.org/lobster-luncheon>

**Order by Thursday, August 25th**

**Pickup Date: Friday, August 26th**

**11:30am – 12:30pm**

# Collaboration Update

The services:

## Calendar for Collaboration between St John's, Franklin and Grace, North Attleboro

*Holy Eucharist on Saturdays at 5pm / Sundays at 10am*

### September 2022

Saturday, 9.3 - St John's

[Sunday, 9.4 - Grace](#)

Saturday, 9.10 - [Grace](#)

[Sunday, 9.11](#) - St John's

Saturday, 9.17 - St John's

[Sunday, 9.18](#) - [Grace](#)

Saturday, 9.24 - [Grace](#)

[Sunday, 9.25](#) - St John's

### October

Saturday, 10.1 - St John's

[Sunday, 10.2](#) - [Grace](#)

Saturday, 10.8 - [Grace](#)

[Sunday, 10.9](#) - St John's

Saturday, 10.15 - St John's

[Sunday, 10.16](#) - [Grace](#)

Saturday, 10.22 - [Grace](#)

[Sunday, 10.23](#) - St John's

Saturday, 10.29 - St John's

[Sunday, 10.30](#) - [Grace](#)

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### Rev. Kathy will be at Grace on:

[Sunday, 9.4](#)

Saturday, 9.10

[Sunday, 9.18](#)

Saturday, 9.24

[Sunday, 10.2](#)

Saturday, 10.8

[Sunday, 10.16](#)

Saturday, 10.22

[Sunday, 10.30](#)

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Orientation with key staff and leadership teams will be scheduled, as will pastoral visits and meet and greet times for parishioners to get to know Kathy.

Grant's last Sunday will be August 28<sup>th</sup>. Join us afterward in celebration of his ministry with us.