

The First Sunday after Pentecost: Trinity Sunday



31 May 2026

Choral Holy Eucharist : Rite II
10:00 am

Grace Episcopal Church

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Welcome!

Welcome to those of you here. Here's some information:

Most Sundays, we have Church School at 10:00 am with trained teachers. The classroom is located through the door at the front right of the chapel and down the hall; please ask if you need help finding it. The children will join us in church at the Peace and for Communion. All baptized children of any age are welcome to receive Communion.

Please join in the singing! Hymnals are in the pew and the numbers are listed in the leaflet. "S" numbered hymns are found in the front of the *Hymnal 1982*. The *Book of Common Prayer* may also be found in the rack in front of you.

This is a self-supporting congregation, so when the plate is passed in the middle of the service, please be generous. Today's collection will support our ministries to the community.

At the Eucharist, God welcomes all to the heavenly banquet.

The Episcopal Church offers the sacraments to anyone baptized in any denomination who, through prayer and thoughtful consideration, desires them. Please come to the communion rail to receive the bread whether you are an Episcopalian or not, or to receive a blessing.

When coming to the rail for Communion, please kneel or stand at the rail from right to left until the rail is full. You may receive the wafer, receive the wine after consuming the wafer (no intinction) or may ask for a blessing. Please let the priest know if you need a gluten free wafer.

If this is your first time here, please sign the book at the entrance of the church. If you want more information, our website is www.gracechurchsalem.org. Our weekly newsletter, called Grace Notes, can be found there. If you wish to receive the newsletter, simply go to the website, open Grace Notes and subscribe.

May we all find the service meaningful and the embrace of the community inviting. It is a joy to worship together, wherever we are on our journey.

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Flowers on the altar are given in memory of Susan Allen by Steve Allen

The Opening Rite

Prelude

Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele

Johann Sebastian Bach

Opening Hymn

Holy, holy, holy!

The Hymnal 1982, #362

Nicaea

The people standing, the Officiant says

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

People

And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

The Book of Common Prayer, page 355

The Song of Praise

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers

The Hymnal 1982, S236

John Rutter

The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Word of God

The Lessons *(The people sit)*

The First Lesson

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God

called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day. And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, “Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle,

and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.” So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 8

Charles Villiers Stanford



- 1 O¹ LORD our¹ Governor, *
how exalted is your¹ Name in¹ all the¹ world!
- 2 Out of the mouths of¹ infants and¹ children *
your majesty is¹ praised a¹bove the¹ heavens.
- 3 You have set up a stronghold a¹gainst your¹ adversaries, *
to quell the¹ enemy¹ and the a¹venger.

- 4 When I consider your heavens, the ^{work} of your ^{fingers}, *
the moon and the ^{stars} you have ^{set} in their ^{courses},
- 5 What is man that you should be ^{mindful} of ^{him}? *
the son of man that ^{you} should ^{seek} him ^{out}?
- 6 You have ^{made} him but little ^{lower} than the ^{angels}; *
you ^a ^{dorn} him with ^{glory} and ^{honor};
- 7 You give him mastery over the ^{works} of your ^{hands}; *
you put ^{all} things ^{under} his ^{feet}:
- 8 All ^{sheep} and ^{oxen}, *
even the wild ^{beasts} of the ^{field},
- 9 The birds of the air, the ^{fish} of the ^{sea}, *
and whatsoever ^{walks} in the ^{paths} of the ^{sea}.
- 10 O ^{LORD} our ^{Governor}, *
how exalted is your ^{Name} in ^{all} the ^{world}!

The Second Lesson

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

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People Thanks be to God.

The Sequence Hymn

Wonder, Love, and Praise, #769

I believe in God almighty

Arfon (Major)

The Gospel

Matthew 28:16-20

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in

heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. Sarah A. Conner

The Nicene Creed *BCP, page 358*

The Prayers of the People: Form II *BCP, page 385*

The Peace

Welcome and Announcements



At the offertory, you are invited to make a gift in support of Grace Church's ministry. You may place your pledge or donation in the offering plate. Or, to pay your pledge online or make a one-time donation, you may scan this QR code.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory Anthem *Alan Smith*
Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty

The text is found in the Hymnal 1982 #362

The Hymn at the Presentation *The Hymnal 1982, #367*
Round the Lord in glory seated *Rustington*

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B *BCP, page 367*

Sanctus *The Hymnal 1982, S114*
Holy, holy, holy *Healey Willan*

The Lord's Prayer *BCP, page 364*

The Fraction Anthem

The Hymnal 1982, S158
Healey Willan

Communion

All present are invited to reverently receive the Holy Sacrament

Hymn at Communion

Now Holy Spirit, ever One

The Hymnal 1982, #20
Wareham

Postcommunion Prayer

BCP, page 365

Postcommunion Hymn

Almighty Father, strong to save

They Hymnal 1982, #579
Melita

Blessing and Dismissal

Postlude

Voluntary in B-Flat

John Stanley

— Worship Leaders —

The Rev. Sarah A. Conner

Presider and Preacher

The Rev. Kourtni Patten

Deacon

Joanne Moar

Verger

Gavin Watson-Bertrand

Acolyte

Maureen Bingham

Lector

Lisa Duffy

Chalicer

The Tuckers

Ushers

*All are welcome at a special reception after service in
the lounge as we celebrate Kourtni Patten's ordination
as a transitional deacon yesterday!*

Our Prayers are offered for

Mary Brown, Robert Borden, Linda Abbene, Deven Manthorne, Margarette Connor, Barbara Dwyer, Lilyann, John Gilbo, Vance Gilbert, Reny Sparapani, Laurel, Gary Young, Amy, Paul, Heather and Prescott, Ariana, Sheridan, Javy, Faith Aroko and Family, Jesse Hurst and Family, Maureen Joyce, Arthur, Deb Young, Cindy Rhodes, Ron, Allison Mascolo, Melissa Glassman, Max Joyce, Marc Britt, those battling cancer, Mel, Corey MacNeil, Dianne, Jenny, Loretta and Kris, Priscilla Lemons, Deb Papps, Derek Fuller and Family, for the peaceful repose of the soul of Smadar and all victims of war the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem and their ministries; the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Salem, the Salem Public Schools and for an end to racism, war, anti-Semitism, Islamophobia, gun violence and oppression. In thanksgiving, we pray for the ministry of The Reverend Debbie Phillips and her husband, Eric Wagner, this community of faith, for God's grace and forgiveness, for those with the courage to stand up to tyranny, for creation, for the diversity of people, and for all the blessings of this life.

If you have additions or deletions to the prayer list, please email prayerlist@gracechurchsalem.org by Tuesday at noon for publication in that week's e-news. The Parish Prayer List is read aloud each Wednesday at Morning Prayer.

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We are excited to announce
that Grace Church now has RealM!

RealM is an online tool to help us keep more accurate and up to date stewardship records. This will be an alternative to the PayPal button on our website and automated bill pay options.

If you pledged for 2026, you will soon receive an email invitation to login to your personal RealM account and create a password (if you don't see it please check your spam folder)

Should you choose to log in, we need your help to ensure our records are up to date. We did our best, but please double-check that your contact information looks correct. Additionally, please review your pledge information and giving history for accuracy. If you notice any discrepancies or have questions, please reach out to me at treasurer@gracechurchsalem.org

While we encourage you to try this new way of giving, don't worry all the old ways still work too! Thank you in advance for your patience as we learn this new tool together!

Visit onrealm.org to access our church directory, give online, and stay informed about upcoming events. Scan the QR code to get started today!



Congratulations on your
Ordination to the
Diaconate, Kourtni!



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The Mission of Grace Church is to unconditionally invite all people to join us in building a faithful Episcopal congregation that goes out into the community and through prayer, presence, and partnering improves the quality of life by bringing everyone closer to God.

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The Most Reverend Sean Rowe	<i>Presiding Bishop</i>
The Right Reverend Julia Whitworth	<i>Bishop Diocesan</i>
The Reverend Sarah A. Conner	<i>Interim Priest</i>
The Reverend E. Clifford Cutler	<i>Assisting Clergy</i>
The Reverend Manny Faria	<i>Assisting Clergy</i>
Mark N. Peterson	<i>Music Director</i>
Tom and Karen Tucker	<i>Property Stewards</i>
Jenny Connors	<i>Parish Administrator</i>

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Ryan Patten	<i>Senior Warden</i>
Lisa Duffy	<i>Junior Warden</i>
Joanna Troy	<i>Clerk</i>
Katie Scott	<i>Treasurer</i>
Javy Awan, Kai Freyleue, Susan Tweed, Caroline Watson-Felt, Holly Willis	<i>Members of Vestry</i>