



Grace Episcopal Church

The Eleventh Sunday
After Pentecost

August 21, 2022

Everyone is welcome here at Grace! If you are our guest this morning, see Rev. Milly after worship. If you are tuning in online, please email or call us and tell us a bit about yourself. You may reach us through the church office at 828-254-1086 or at office@graceavl.com. Also feel free to email our Rector, Rev. Milly Morrow at Milly@graceavl.com or call her between 7 am and 7 pm at 828.772.1429.

10:30 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

PRELUDE *When Love is Found*

Emma Lou Diemer

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

At the tolling of the tower bell, the congregation is asked to stand.

OPENING HYMN: *Morning Has Broken*

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*We begin our service on **page 355 of the red Book of Common Prayer**; you can find that in your pew rack. Please feel free to ask your neighbor if you have any questions about how to follow along in our common worship. Welcome to Grace!*

THE COLLECT OF PURITY: BCP 355

THE HYMN OF PRAISE: *Gloria in excelsis* BCP 356

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY: PROPER 16 BCP 232

LITURGY OF THE WORD

A READING FROM THE PROPHET ISAIAH 58:9B-14

If you remove the yoke from among you,
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,
if you offer your food to the hungry
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness
and your gloom be like the noonday.
The Lord will guide you continually,
and satisfy your needs in parched places,
and make your bones strong;
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water,
whose waters never fail.
Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.
If you refrain from trampling the sabbath,
from pursuing your own interests on my holy day;
if you call the sabbath a delight
and the holy day of the Lord honorable;
if you honor it, not going your own ways,
serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs;
then you shall take delight in the Lord,
and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth;
I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob,
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 103 11-8 (*read in unison*) BCP 733

THE EPISTLE: Hebrews 12:18-29

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken-- that is, created things-- so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Reader *The Word of the Lord*

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL HYMN: *Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word*

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

THE GOSPEL: Luke 13:10-17

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen

years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE HOMILY

Rev. Mike

THE NICENE CREED BCP 358

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FOR THE SEASON AFTER PENTECOST

Lector: The people respond to "in your mercy" with
Come, Holy Spirit.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION BCP 360

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Offertory Anthem: The Lone Wild Bird from Southern Harmony

Elise Cassarino, Soprano

Offertory Hymn **DOXOLOGY:** *Tune: Old 100th*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A (*standing*) BCP 361

COMMUNION HYMN: *Here I Am Lord* SOG

POST COMMUNION PRAYER: BCP 365

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN: *Sing Songs to God Who Reigns Above* 408

THE DISMISSAL



POSTLUDE: *Trumpet Tune*

Craig Phillips

**The flowers are given to the Glory of God by Carol and Steve Booth in
loving memory of Theresa Sabo.**

**We thank our very own Elise Cassarino for sharing her gift of music with
us this morning.**

LAY MINISTERS

Acolyte: Susan Robinson Chalicerist: James Cannon
Lector: Bonnie Kistler; Intercessor: Kristen Dusenbery
Ushers: Jeanne and Ron Sims
Vestry Member of the Day: Katherine Kaderabek



ELECTRONIC GIVING MADE EASY: Grace Church receives electronic giving via our website at graceavl.com. There is a "Give to Grace" button on the top blue banner of our home page. Additional ways to give to our "virtual collection plate" and various fundraising efforts are through the Simple Church app.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONNECT WITH US IN-PERSON AND ONLINE! Sunday Services are open to all in the Sanctuary with masks optional, and by Live Stream on our YouTube Channel. Service links are at the top of our website graceavl.com. Click on "[YouTube Services](#)" for the service, on "**Sunday Service Bulletin**" for the bulletin, and on "**Sunday Hymns**" to sing along with the choir.

ADULT FORMATION EVERY SUNDAY AT 9:30 IN THE PARISH HALL

AUMBRY CANDLE DONOR NEEDED FOR SEPTEMBER: If you are interested, please contact Jennifer Witt.



PRAYING TOGETHER: Rev. Milly holds open spiritual direction sessions for individuals or couples weekly by appointment Wednesdays 1-3 pm in the sanctuary. *Please email Rev. Milly to schedule your time with her.* Milly@graceavl.com.

WEEKLY TAIZÉ CONTINUES ON TUESDAY EVENINGS AT 6PM These ecumenical services are known for their melodic chants, prayers, and comforting periods of silence allowing for



contemplation. Lighted mostly by candlelight in the Sanctuary, the vesper light of approaching evening offers a safe and nurturing space for a well-deserved moment of peace in our hectic lives.



“MEN OF THE CHURCH” WANTS YOU! The group meets every second Tuesday eve, 6:00pm-8:00pm. **Who are we?** We are contributing members of the church whose meetings typically include fellowship, a nice meal, an assortment of beverages, and an opportunity to grow in both the Church and broader community. A small collection is taken at the meeting to cover costs, typically \$15. Meeting locations are sometimes hosted at respective member’s homes or the Church Parish Hall. Beyond monthly meetings, the group is noted for staging an annual fundraising initiative for outreach (the Pig Pickin’!). Our next meeting will be September 13th.

VOTE
faithfully

Are you registered to vote? It’s easy to find out about this and much more at <https://www.vote411.org/north-carolina>

“Cast your vote, not on a partisan basis, not based on your biases, but vote your values. Vote the values of human dignity and equality. Vote the values of the rock on which this country was built. Vote.”

-Presiding Bishop Michael Curry

LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITOR TRAINING

Are you interested in sharing communion with those who can't make it to Grace on Sundays? Join us for Eucharistic Visitor training, where Fr. Mike will lead us in the theology and practice of serving communion out in the world. Classes take place at 10:00 am on both August 24th and August 31st. Upon the course's completion, you will be certified as a Lay Eucharistic Visitor in the Episcopal Diocese of Western North Carolina. Email mike@graceavl.com to RSVP.

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

We welcome all students, teachers and school staff to bring you backpacks or briefcases for a back to school prayer and blessing on August 28th in our Sunday Liturgy. Happy Back to School!

GRACE IS INSTALLING SOLAR PANELS THIS FALL: Well known local contractor Sugar Hollow will complete the installation and Grace Church will receive a \$15,000 rebate from Duke Energy after the installation is complete. Grace will also qualify for metering credits moving forward. The panels will be installed on the side of the parish and kitchen hall. A panel will be on display in August in the Parish Hall. A mix of contributions, pledges, and borrowing from the Church capital reserve (to be paid back from the Duke rebate) is making this project possible. However, \$8,000 is still needed. Please contribute whatever you can.

WOMEN WALKING THE WAY: *Thursdays at 8:00 am* meet at the Bird Sanctuary parking lot. Women of Grace, please consider joining Rev. Milly for a weekly walk at Beaver Lake, devoted to deep listening to how we as women walk the way of Jesus. Come join us!



THE PASTORAL CARE TEAM AT GRACE: Reach out to us with any pastoral care needs you, or your family, may have, by emailing the team at pastoralcare@graceavl.com. You can also email, text or call Fr. Mike at 860-771-1656 or Rev. Milly at 828-772-1429, Sunday through Thursday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., unless it's a pastoral emergency.

THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH St. John's Episcopal Church of Asheville is celebrating its 150th anniversary by inviting current and former members, clergy, neighbors, and the community to join the festivities. Come experience some of the typical social



activities of the Haw Creek Valley and worship traditions of the Episcopal Church from the 1800s. Activities, including a rededication of the church, will be held Saturday and Sunday, August 27-28.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP: Rosalyn Carter reminds us that caregiving provides us with challenges and opportunities.

Participating in a caregiver support group will help you turn challenges into blessings. It will also help you avoid burnout. The group will be a place to lessen stress and to be uplifted by compassionate hearts in a confidential setting. The group will meet at **10:30 on the first and third Thursdays** of each month.



Patrick Mahon, a caregiver for five years, will facilitate the group. If you need further information, call him at 404.375.4737. He will also be available in the coffee area after Sunday Eucharist.

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES AND MEETINGS

Date and Time	Service or Meeting	Location
Sunday, Aug 21 9:30a	Adult Formation: Good Days and Bad	Parish Hall
Sunday, 10:30a	Holy Eucharist Service*	Sanctuary *YouTube*
Mondays at 10:30a	Monday Morning Bible Study	*Zoom*
Mondays, 3p	Pastoral Care Team Meeting	Zoom
Monday, Aug 15 5:30-8	Vestry Meeting	*Zoom*
Tuesdays, 6p	Taizé Service	Sanctuary
Wednesdays, 1-3p	Praying Together with Rev. Milly - <i>by appointment</i>	Sanctuary
Wednesdays, 5:30p	Centering Prayer	*Zoom*
Thursdays, 8a	Women Walking the Way	Beaver Lake
	* BULLETIN AVAILABLE **LINK AT TOP OF HOME PAGE	graceavl.com

OUR PRAYER LIST

***For Parishioners:* Dorothy Engel; Eunice Ferguson; Michael Jenkins, ; Nancy Porter; Jackie Schauer; Laura & Tsz-yan Snyder; Roger Snyder; Lorie Tola**

***For Homebound Parishioners and Those in Healthcare Facilities:* Ed Denison; Bobbie Eblen; Marion Mayfield-Johnson; Deb Pegel; Rita Spragg; Shirley Turner.**

For Others: (Names will remain on the list for 6 weeks unless we hear otherwise.)

Angela (sister of Steve Booth); **Wes Auret** (Godson of Elaine Potter); **Amanda Booze** (daughter of Earl and Judy Booze); **Becky Blaylock** (friend of Kathleen Griffin); **Chad Bottiger** (George Bottiger's son); **Ed Broadwell** (friend of Kathleen Griffin); **Lara Brongel and family** (daughter of Jackie Schauer); **Jimmy Cole** (lifelong friend of Sonny Rawls); **Al Fadel** (friend of Nancy Clark); **Robin Fulk** (niece of Charlotte & Travers Chiott); **Jackie Haines** (sister of Carol Booth); **Jennifer Hall** (friend of Tim Collins & Tom Wolff); **Cherry Howe** (friend of Rusty Herman & Janice Orson); **Joan** (sister-in-law of Ginny Moser); **Angela and Charlotte Khrichtchatyi** (Kelly and Sydnor Thompson's daughter and granddaughter); **Billy Krause** (friend of Will Israel, Marzy's brother); **Janet Moore** (cousin of Jim Compton); **Sharon** (friend of Louise Wernicke); **Bonnie Strawn** (friend of Diane and Tony Wilkey); **Suana** (wife of David Gentry); **Glenn Thomas** (brother-in-law of Ron Sims); **Marilyn White** (friend of Elaine Potter)

For Those in Service to Our Country: **Tommy & Danny Brown** (grandsons of Ed & Marla Woeckener); **Martha and Matt Cardenas** (daughter & son-in-law of Hannah Pennell); **Matthew George** (son of Zoe Davis); **Jason Marino** (son of Lynda McCredie); **Sarah Jane Wilkey** (daughter of Diane & Tony Wilkey).

For the Recently Deceased and Their Families: **Bob Turner**; **Norma Poole** (sister of George Davis); **Lyle Fair** (stepfather of Greg Townsend)

For Those in the Episcopal Church: **Michael** (our presiding Bishop); **José** (our Bishop); **the clergy, vestry, staff, ministries, and people of this parish;**
Church of the Advocate.

For our President Joe Biden, his Cabinet, Congress & our country; for victims of violence across the world; for local agencies & those who work for relief of the poor; for better stewardship of the environment; for resolution of crises throughout our world.

Get permission from anyone you would like to add to this list and contact our Pastoral Care Ministry at pastoralcare@graceavl.com.

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Katherine Johnson, *Wedding Coordinator*