



## Grace Episcopal Church

### The Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 14, 2026

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist II

**Prelude:** *Voluntary in C Major: Andante-Allegro*

18th century anon.

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

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

#### **The Opening Acclamation**

*Presider* Blessed be the One, Holy, Living God.

*People* **Glory to God forever and ever.**

## Opening Hymn: *Lord, you give the great commission*



1. Lord, you give the great com - mis - sion: "Heal the sick and  
2. Lord, you call us to your ser - vice: "In my name bap -  
3. Lord, you make the com - mon ho - ly: "This my bod - y,  
4. Lord, you show us love's true mea - sure: "Fa - ther, what they  
5. Lord, you bless with words as - sur - ing: "I am with you



1. preach the word." Lest the church ne - glect its mis - sion  
2. tize and teach." That the world may trust your prom - ise,  
3. this my blood." Let us all, for earth's true glo - ry,  
4. do, for - give." Yet we hoard as pri - vate trea - sure  
5. to the end." Faith and hope and love re - stor - ing,



1. And the gos - pel go un - heard, Help us wit - ness to your  
2. Life a - bun - dant meant for each, Give us all new fer - vor,  
3. Dai - ly lift life heav - en - ward, Ask - ing that the world a -  
4. All that you so free - ly give. May your care and mer - cy  
5. May we serve as you in - tend And, a - mid the cares that



1. pur - pose With re - newed in - teg - ri - ty: }  
2. draw us Clos - er in com - mu - ni - ty: } With the Spir - it's  
3. round us Share your chil - dren's lib - er - ty: }  
4. lead us To a just so - ci - e - ty: }  
5. claim us, Hold in mind e - ter - ni - ty: }



1-5. gifts em - pow'r us For the work of min - is - try.

## Collect for Purity

### Hymn of Praise

*verse 1 of 8*

Morning has broken like the first morning,  
black-bird has spoken like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!  
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

*The people sit.*

## Children's Moment

### Candle Prayer

*The priest lights the Christ Candle from the Altar*

*Presider* We send you forth with the light of Christ;

*People* **We are bound together: one congregation, one Lord, one worship.**

**Music in Procession:** *This is the day* (from *Songs of Grace*)

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## THE WORD OF GOD

### The First Lesson: Genesis 18:1-15

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?" The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' Is anything too wonderful for the LORD? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son." But Sarah denied, saying, "I did not laugh"; for she was afraid. He said, "Oh yes, you did laugh."

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

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Response:** *Spirit of the Living God*

*(Songs of Grace) 54*

### **The Second Reading: Romans 5:1-8**

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

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

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Presider* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Gospel: Matthew 9:35-10:8**

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

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

**The Homily**

The Reverend John Rice

## **The Prayers of the People**

*Leader* We give you thanks and praise, O God of creation, for the grandeur of all that you have made, saying

*People* **We thank you, God.**

*Leader* For the healing waters of creation, which bring pleasure and health, purity and life,

*People* **We thank you, God.**

*Leader* For the richness of the good Earth that brings forth fruits and flowers, a pleasure to taste and a joy to behold,

*People* **We thank you, God.**

*Leader* For the soaring birds of the air, the crawling creatures on the Earth, the gliding fishes in the seas, for all creatures great and small with whom we share this precious web of life,

*People* **We thank you, God.**

*Leader* For the invigorating sunlight of day, the deepening mystery of night, the wonder of the stars, and the call of the unknown in the universe,

*People* **We thank you, God.**

*Leader* For those of your creation who are in sickness or trouble, especially: Linda & David Adams, Joan Aldrich, Judy Rhodes Baroody, Martha Boyette, James Cannon, Anne Jarema, Todd Kaderabek, Walt, Joyce & Diana Noble, Natalie & Andrew Owens, Wayne & Laura Parton, Elaine Potter, Kyle Rhodes, Ann Robinson, Jeff Russell, Nancy Sink, Becky & Bill Smith, Laura, Tsz-yan (G-Yen) and Roger Snyder, Rita Spragg, Lydia Vander Voort & Andy Steele, Jennifer Witt, Marla Woeckener, and all those you now name...

*(All are invited to pray silently or aloud)*

We remember those who have recently died, especially Mike Miller, and Opal Woodson, and on the anniversary of their deaths we pray for Oz Herman and Tom Israel, and for those who still grieve for them...Are there others?

*(All are invited to pray silently or aloud)*

*Priest* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Leader* From squandering resources, abusing our companion species,  
and polluting the habitat we all share,

*People* **Good Lord, deliver us.**

*Leader* From the folly of imagining ourselves free from the fate of your  
whole creation,

*People* **Good Lord, deliver us.**

*Leader* For the courage and wisdom to confess how little we have cared  
for your gifts,

*People* **Strengthen us, O Spirit.**

*Leader* For the conviction that you have called us to love and restore the  
Earth,

*People* **Strengthen us, O Spirit.**

*Leader* For repentance and the determination to begin our stewardship  
anew,

*People* **Strengthen us, O Spirit.**

*Priest* O merciful Creator, your hand is open wide to satisfy the needs of  
every living creature: Make us always thankful for your loving  
providence; and grant that we, remembering the account that we

must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your good gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever, Amen.

## The Peace

*Presider* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### Offertory Hymn: *For the fruit of all creation*



1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.  
2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.  
3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.



For these gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, thanks be to God.  
In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will is done.  
For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.



For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,  
In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,  
For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con - found us,



fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.  
in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.  
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

## Doxology

*Old 100th*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

**BCP 367**

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Presider*

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

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 Presider continues*

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,

*Presider 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 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 for ever. **AMEN.**

**The Lord's Prayer** *(Traditional)*

**BCP 364**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

(Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.)

Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

there - fore let us keep the feast.

(Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.)

**An Invitation to Communion**

*All are invited to receive communion. Your participation is a blessing to us, and we want you to feel welcome and at ease to participate. The ushers will direct you from your pew. When you arrive at the communion rail, you are welcome to kneel or stand. As the priest comes to you, they will provide the host in wafer form; if you need gluten free, indicate this by placing your right hand over your heart. You may consume the host or hold it to dip in the chalice. If you would like to receive a blessing instead of the host, cross both hands over your chest. Next, the Chalice Bearer will come to you, and they will offer real wine consecrated from a common cup. You can drink from the cup, allowing the chalice bearer to guide the cup to your mouth. If you wish to dip your host wafer, hand that to the chalice bearer and they will do it for you. It is considered full communion to only receive the host if you do not wish to drink from the cup.*

**Communion Hymn:** *My God, thy table now is spread*

## **Sending Forth of the Lay Eucharistic Visitors**

*When a Eucharistic Minister is to be sent forth, the following is said*

*Presider* (Cliff/Lorie/James), in the name of God and this congregation,  
we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom  
You go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's body  
and blood.

*People* **We who are many are one body because we all share  
one bread and one cup.**

### **Post Communion Prayer**

**BCP 365**

*The people stand.*

### **The Blessing**

**Closing Hymn:** *Sing praise to God who reigns above*

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### **Dismissal**

**Postlude:** *Voluntary in C Major: Allegro*

18th century anon.



The Aumbry Candle is given to the Glory of God by  
Lorie Tola in loving memory of her brothers, John and Peter Tola.

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by  
Louise Cate Wernicke in loving memory of her parents,  
Louise Manget & Thomas M. Cate, and her brother, Thomas M. Cate, Jr.

## LAY MINISTERS

Crucifer: Susan Robinson Torches: Lorie Tola, Kyle Rhodes

Chalicerist: Mary Foster Lectors: Bonnie Kistler, Andrew Beasley

Intercessor: Hannah Buckner Presenters: Joe & Cheryl Aull

Ushers: George & Pat Davis

Greeters: Cheryl Aull, Diane Wilkey

Vestry Member of the Day: Elaine Potter



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Contacting Rev. Robert**

Rev. Robert can often be found at the church. He can also be reached at [hartmansrobert@gmail.com](mailto:hartmansrobert@gmail.com) or by his cell: 423-400-0826 for any pastoral care concerns or to set up an appointment.

### **Accessing the Church**

Please be patient as we navigate our new key/code system. Remember, you can always get into the building during business hours (listed on the back of the bulletin), Saturday mornings, and during worship times. If you feel you need a key or a code for off-hour access, please pick up a Door Access Code Policy packet at the Greeter's table, fill it out and leave it in Anne's door box.

### **Upcoming Parish Events**

Check the Greeter's table bulletin board for a list of upcoming parish events that may be of interest to you. These are all on the main calendar, just without chatter of non-parish listings.

## **Children's Chapel**

Every Sunday, the 10:30 service will begin with a Children's Moment followed by a procession to the Children's Chapel for ages 5-12. Children will return during the passing of the peace. Children are welcome to join the chapel or remain with their grown-ups in the congregation. If you would like to get involved, email Casey Miller, [casandra.miller@gmail.com](mailto:casandra.miller@gmail.com).

## **Adult Formation Group – Episcopal: Why, What, When, and How**

The Rev. Robert Hartmans will facilitate discussions about the traditions, beliefs, structure, and oddities of the Episcopal Church. These discussions will be hosted at 9:15 a.m. in the parish hall and are appropriate for people 12 years and older. The discussions are aimed at providing a broad familiarity with The Episcopal Church. Persons who participate in the majority of sessions will be eligible for confirmation and reception.

### **Schedule of Classes:**

Sunday, June 21: Episcopal and the Bible.

Sunday, June 28: What do Episcopalians believe?

Sunday, July 12: Where do Episcopalians come from?

Sunday, July 19: How do Episcopalians pray?

Sunday, July 26: All things Episcopal.

## **Would You Like to Read Our Newsletter?**

If you don't have access to Growing in Grace, the weekly church newsletter, please send your email address to Kim Hayes, at [kimhys53@gmail.com](mailto:kimhys53@gmail.com), and we'll get you on the list.

## **Advocacy and Action**

Join us at noon on the fourth Sunday of the month in the downstairs conference room. All are welcome. If you're interested in meeting with a group of like-minded Grace members and friends to discuss how we might help bring justice in a more effective and joyful way, together rather than alone, please send an email or text to Tahani Sticpewich (828-301-0550; [tahaniweb@gmail.com](mailto:tahaniweb@gmail.com)).

## **Pastoral Care Team**

You might not know that there is a dedicated group of lay people who meet every week to pray for those on our parish prayer list and coordinate pastoral care. They are led by Lorie Tola and Cliff Albertson and they direct our clergy and other resources to meet people at Grace in difficult moments. If you are interested in their work please talk to Cliff, Lorie, or to Rev. Robert. We would love to plug you into the care network at Grace.

## **WEEKLY GATHERINGS**

**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:** *Sundays a.m.; Mondays p.m.* We offer the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for our children *Sundays between 9:00 and 10:15 a.m.*, and a *Monday afternoon class from 3:30-4:30 p.m.* Children may attend either one or both at any time. Contact Shannon Townsend for further information at [gstownsend@att.net](mailto:gstownsend@att.net) or 828-713-5081.

**Monday Morning Bible Study:** *Mondays at 10:30 a.m.*

We study the scriptures for the upcoming Sunday service. Please join us virtually by clicking on the button at [graceavl.com](http://graceavl.com).

**Chair Aerobics:** *Tuesdays at 1:15 p.m.*

All are invited! Join Susan Robinson for a chair exercise class in the Parish Hall. Bring a pair of dumbbells. There is no fee to participate. This class is appropriate for people of all abilities. It can be done standing or seated. If you have questions, email Susan at [SusanMac2@gmail.com](mailto:SusanMac2@gmail.com).

**Taizé:** *Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.*

Weekly Taizé services are held in the sanctuary. Healing prayer is offered throughout the service for oneself or on behalf of someone else. For more information on Taizé at Grace, visit: [graceavl.com/taize-grace](http://graceavl.com/taize-grace).

**Soaking Prayer:** *Wednesdays at 12:00 noon*

Our Soaking Prayer Service continues every Wednesday from noon to 12:45. Come and see if this might be that special spiritual discipline that you have been looking for. All are welcome!

**Women Walking the Way:** *Thursdays at 8:20 a.m.*

Meet in the Bird Sanctuary parking lot by Beaver Lake for a walk around the lake and some spiritual reflection with like-minded women. For more information, contact Ann Lewis at [annaflewis7@gmail.com](mailto:annaflewis7@gmail.com) or call her at 815-441-2282.

### GRACE'S PRAYER LIST

*For Congregants:* **Linda & David Adams, Judy Rhodes Baroody, James Cannon, Anne Jarema, Todd Kaderabek, Natalie & Andrew Owens, Wayne & Laura Parton, Gael Paschall, Elaine Potter, Kyle Rhodes, Ann Robinson, Jeff Russell, Becky & Bill Smith, Laura, Tsz-yan (G-Yen) and Roger Snyder, Lydia Vander Voort & Andy Steele, Jennifer Witt.**

*For Homebound Congregants and Those in Healthcare Facilities:* **Joan Aldrich, Martha Boyette, Walt, Joyce & Diana Noble, Nancy Sink, Rita Spragg, Marla Woeckener.**

*For Others: (Names will remain on the list for six weeks unless we hear otherwise).* **Allen** (brother of Cheryl Aull); **Geraldine Allen** (aunt of Carole McClellan); **Aubrey** (friend of Joe & Cheryl Aull); **Mike Baldwin** (friend of Beth & John Woodson); **Susan Barr** (sister-in-law of Mary Foster); **Channon, Mark & Tiffany Brown** (friends of Robert Hartmans); **the Brongel family** (daughter and family of Jackie Schauer); **Christa Brigman** (friend of Ginny Moser); **Betty Ann Bryant** (friend of Rusty Herman); **Laurie Carter** (sister of Fr. Timothy); **Marcie Coleman** (cousin of Linda McCredie); **Elizabeth & Mike Cogsdale** (friends of Fr. Timothy); **Tom Cooper** (father of Katherine Kaderabek); **Presley Foxx** (granddaughter of Susan & Mark Sudimak); **Kathy Gerhardt** (daughter of Nancy Clark); **Nick & Gerry** (Bea Russell's

sister-in-law); **Brady Gotwald** (great-nephew of Vicki & Paul Vest); **Tom Hunnicutt** (friend of Rusty Herman); **Hanna & Laura Keith** (friends of Shannon Townsend); **Sally Mackay** (mother of Leslie Heiser); **Daniel McRee** (son of Fr. Timothy McRee) and **David** (husband of Daniel McRee); **Judy Wells Meehan** (friend of Rusty Herman); **Brian Moore** (nephew of Rusty Herman); **Robert Noble, Jr.** (brother of Walt Noble); **Meredith Peppers** (aunt of Carol McClellan); **Kevin Randall** (friend of Ron & Jeanne Sims); **Sarah Ray** (cousin of Doug McClellan); **Sarah Schuman** (niece of Fr. Timothy McRee); **Wiley Thornton** (cousin of Carol McClellan); **Susan Thigpen** (friend of Jennifer Witt); **Tom & Joan** (friends of James Cannon); **Stephanie Tugurian** (daughter of Ron & Jeanne Sims); **George White** (friend of Lorie Tola); **Bev Whiting** (friend of Rusty Herman).

*For the recently departed:* **Mike Miller, Opal Woodson.**

*For those celebrating birthdays:* **Georgia Hamrick Snead, Hugh Vaughn, Tony Wilkey, Elizabeth Turner.**

*For Those in Service to Our Country:* **Danny Brossart** (grand-nephew of Louise Cate Wernicke); **Tommy Brown** (grandson of Marla Woeckener); **Matt & Martha Cardenas** (daughter & son-in-law of Hannah Buckner); **John Davids** (nephew of Elaine Potter); **Matthew George** (son of Zoe Davis); **Jason Marino** (son of Lynda McCredie); **John Massey** (son-in-law of Mary Foster); **Brady Paschall** (granddaughter of Gael Paschall); **Sarah Jane Wilkey** (daughter of Diane & Tony Wilkey).

*For Those in the Episcopal Church:* **Sarah**, Archbishop of Canterbury; **Sean**, our presiding Bishop; **José**, our Bishop; **the clergy, vestry, staff, ministries, and people of this parish**; in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for **La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico**; and in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, **Grace, Asheville; Grace in the Mountains, Canton.**

*For our Nation and the Wider World: For the President and his Cabinet; for Congress; and for our country; for victims of violence around the world; for local agencies and those who work for relief of the poor; for stewardship of the environment; for resolution of crises throughout our world.*



### **Grace's Mission Statement**

*Grace Church exists as a diverse community of the Body of Christ, to serve Jesus Christ our Lord. Our mission is to nurture and develop each individual to reach out and share God's love.*



### **Grace Episcopal Church**

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Wednesday 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

The Right Reverend José McLoughlin, *Bishop of WNC*

The Reverend Robert Hartmans

*Priest in Charge*

The Reverend Timothy McRee; The Reverend John Rice, *Clergy*

James Cassarino, *Director of Music*

Cathy Adkins, *Organist*

Judy Rhodes Barody, *Taizé Music Coordinator*

Anne Spruance, *Office Administrator*

Katie Douglas, *Finance Manager*

Angel Stoudt, *Sexton*

Paula Foggo, *Nursery Care Leader*

Caroline Parson-Chambliss

Trinity Mickens

*Nursery Workers*



## Welcome to Grace Episcopal Church

**Founded in 1867 as Beaverdam Mission**, we are members of the Body of Christ, the worldwide Anglican Communion, the Episcopal Church in the USA, and the Diocese of Western North Carolina.

Our liturgy follows the 1979 Book of Common Prayer. We use the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible, the Hymnal 1982, and Songs of Grace (SOG). We print as much of the service in the bulletin as we can, so that it is easier to follow. There are also notations in italics about when to stand, kneel or sit.

Children are welcome and encouraged to join us in worship. There is also a nursery for children aged 0-4, and a Children's Chapel for those 5-12, which begins after the Children's Moment during the service and ends when the children rejoin their parents at the Passing of the Peace..

Everyone is welcome to join us for coffee and refreshments after the service.

Please stop by our Greeter's Table in the foyer to leave us your name and email address (if you wish to receive our newsletter).

Grace Episcopal Church is a gathering place of those seeking to follow Jesus and to serve the world. We would be happy to have you join our journey!

