



**Ninth Sunday
after Pentecost
Morning Prayer Service
Grace Episcopal Church
Galena, Illinois**

August 7, 2022 10:30am

Welcome to Grace Church!

It is always a pleasure and privilege to worship together. Please know your presence is valued whether this is your first time at Grace or whether you are a regular, whether we are together in person or online. We have chosen to keep our online and in-person congregations together. For those at home, links to the bulletin may be found in Friday's e-Blast, the link to YouTube, and on our website. Printed copies are available for the in-person congregation. Please be aware we are live-streaming this service to YouTube and our website. It is possible that you will be shown briefly in the recording.

Information:

Due to fluctuations in the level of COVID infections in Jo Daviess County, masks are suggested but still optional.

Masks and hand sanitizer are available at each entrance for your use.

Baskets are located at each entrance for your offerings. If possible, please place them in the baskets prior to the service so they may be dedicated with the other gifts at the offertory.

Communion will be offered—wafer only—at the altar rail.

Should you become ill after attending worship, please notify the church so that others present may be contacted.

As life continues to change, let us rejoice in God who continues to be revealed to us and give thanks for our ability to share in worship in hope for the time when all of us can be together again.

As we prepare ourselves for worship, please sit or kneel in quietness while the prelude is offered.

PRELUDE

Short Voluntary

John Worgan

We stand as the bell rings and the altar party enters.

Leader: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

CONFESSION OF SIN

(Kneel as able.)

Leader: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All: **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.*

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

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

(Standing.)

Leader: O Lord, open our lips.

People: **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

All: **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. *Amen.***

Leader: Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: Come let us adore Him.

JUBILATE

All: **Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.
Know this: The Lord himself is God;
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.
For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting;
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

THE PSALM APPOINTED *(We read responsively as directed by the lector.)*

PSALM 50:1-8, 23-24 *(Please be seated.)*

Deus deorum

The LORD, the God of gods, has spoken; *
he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

**Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, *
God reveals himself in glory.**

Our God will come and will not keep silence; *
before him there is a consuming flame,
and round about him a raging storm.

**He calls the heavens and the earth from above *
to witness the judgment of his people.**

"Gather before me my loyal followers, *
those who have made a covenant with me
and sealed it with sacrifice."

**Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; *
for God himself is judge.**

Hear, O my people, and I will speak:
"O Israel, I will bear witness against you; *
for I am God, your God.

**I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; *
your offerings are always before me.**

Consider this well, you who forget God, *
lest I rend you and there be none to deliver you.

**Whoever offers me the sacrifice of thanksgiving honors me; *
but to those who keep in my way will I show the salvation of God."**

THE FIRST LESSON

(Please be seated.)

Lector: **A reading from Isaiah 1:1, 10-20**

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

Hear the word of the Lord,
 you rulers of Sodom!
Listen to the teaching of our God,
 you people of Gomorrah!
What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices?
 says the Lord;
I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams
 and the fat of fed beasts;
I do not delight in the blood of bulls,
 or of lambs, or of goats.
When you come to appear before me,
 who asked this from your hand?
 Trample my courts no more;
bringing offerings is futile;
 incense is an abomination to me.
New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation--
 I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.
Your new moons and your appointed festivals
 my soul hates;
they have become a burden to me,
 I am weary of bearing them.
When you stretch out your hands,
 I will hide my eyes from you;
even though you make many prayers,
 I will not listen;
 your hands are full of blood.
Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;
 remove the evil of your doings
 from before my eyes;
cease to do evil,
 learn to do good;
seek justice,
 rescue the oppressed,
defend the orphan,
 plead for the widow.
Come now, let us argue it out,
 says the Lord:
though your sins are like scarlet,
 they shall be like snow;
though they are red like crimson,
 they shall become like wool.
If you are willing and obedient,
 you shall eat the good of the land;
but if you refuse and rebel,
you shall be devoured by the sword;
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

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

All: **Thanks be to God.**

THE SECOND SONG OF ISAIAH

(All together.)

Seek the Lord while he wills to be found;*
call upon him when he draws near.
Let the wicked forsake their ways*
and the evil ones their thoughts;
And let them turn to the Lord, and he will have compassion,*
and to our God, for he will richly pardon.
For my thoughts are not your thoughts,*
nor your ways my ways says the Lord.
For as the heavens are higher than the earth,*
so are my ways higher than your ways,
and my thoughts than your thoughts.
For as rain and snow fall from the heavens*
and return not again, but water the earth,
Bringing forth life and giving growth,*
seed for sowing and bread for eating,
So is my word that goes forth from my mouth;*
it will not return to me empty;
But it will accomplish that which I have purposed,*
and prosper in that for which I sent it.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:*

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.

Amen.

THE SECOND LESSON

Lector: A reading from **Luke 12:32-40**

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

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

People: Thanks be to God.

THE HOMILY

Thomas Mosbo

(Please stand, as able.)

THE APOSTLES' CREED

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
He was conceived by power of the Holy Spirit,
and born of the Virgin Mary,
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated
at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. *Amen.*

Leader: The Peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

EXCHANGE OF THE PEACE

ANNOUNCEMENTS/BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY

ANNIVERSARY/BIRTHDAY BLESSING

*Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase;
bless and guide them wherever they may be.*

*Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful;
raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all
the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

ANTHEM

Through the Eyes of a Child's Heart
John Miller, solo

THE PRAYERS

(Please stand, as able.)

Leader: The Peace of the Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray together.

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
Your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and forever.
*Amen.***

THE SUFFRAGES

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
R. And grant us your salvation.
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
R. Let your people sing with joy.
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. For only in you can we live in safety.
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
V. Let your way be known upon the earth;
R. Your saving health among all nations.
V. Let not the needy O Lord, be forgotten;
R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Leader: Let us pray.
Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People: *Amen.*

A COLLECT FOR UKRAINE

Leader: Let us pray together.

All: **Almighty and everlasting God, whose peace transcends all understanding and whose mercy and compassion are beyond measure: Protect the people of Ukraine and all the nations of the world. Grant your peace to those who are afraid, your comfort to those who mourn, your protection to those under attack, and your wisdom to those in power, that all war may cease, all weapons be laid down, and all hearts be turned to love you and your peaceable Kingdom, through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.**
Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE SEARCH PROCESS

Leader: Let us pray together.

All: **Almighty God, lover of all your children, be with us as we await our new rector. We thank you for the work completed by our Search Committee. We thank you for those who have stepped up to serve during this time, as lay homilists, leaders of Morning Prayer, and supply priests. We thank you for the leaders of our important ministries that continue as we wait.**
We anticipate the time when the Search Committee can proceed with interviews of approved applicants. Give us patience, give us hope, and let us rest in the knowledge that your Holy Spirit is with us and with the person we will ultimately call to lead us as our rector, through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. .
Amen.

PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

All: **Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in His Name, you will be in the midst of them. Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting.**
Amen.

THE BLESSING

Leader: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Leader: Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever.
Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God!

RECESSIONAL 533

How Wondrous and Great

H. Onderdonk/J. Haydn

POSTLUDE

Blessed Assurance

Knapp/Labenske

*The flowers today are given by Carmen Ferguson
in memory of Lester A. Johnson*

The Coffee Hour today is hosted by the Jackmans.

Ministers of the Service

* Members and Guests, *Celebrants*
* Leader, *Dave Mikelson*
* Thomas Mosbo, *Homilist*
* Greg Serwich, *Lector*

* Robin French, *Music Director*
* Nancy Cook, *Erben Organist*
* Crystal Mason, *Vestry Coordinator*
* Amy Hardwicke & Maren Coates, *Altar Guild*
* Karen Serwich, *Greeter*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayers are Requested. *Please include the following concerns during worship today and throughout the week:*

Cycle of Prayer:

The Most Rev. Justin Welby, the Archbishop of Canterbury and for our companion Parishes: Glory Parish in the Diocese of Renk and La Santa Cruz parish in the Diocese of SE Mexico.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Paula, our Bishop-Elect; Chilton, our Assisting Bishop; and all members of Grace Church.

We pray for those who are sick or in need:

Emery Beyer, Denise Biagini, Bob Burton, Bishop-Elect Paula Clark, Rachel Collins, Connors Family, Betsy & Dan Delaune, Kathy Doig, Matthew Dowe, Renee Dowe, Al Elsbree, Phyllis Ferguson, Jennie Fjelde, Mary Foote, Georgia Hansen, Maria Kallback, Justin Kash, Jennifer Knable, Ginger Komiskey, Alden Kuntz, Maria Kuntz, Verity Liljedahl, Katie Ludescher, Liam Malone, Diann & Robert Marsh, Carol Martin, JoAnn Mikelson, Bill Millhouse, Mary Nelson, Sarah Newton, Bill Norton, Dave Obuchowski, Rev. Linda Packard, Tony Packard, Pete Petrakis, Janet Post, Melody Serwich, Sonia Smith, Emma Storey, Pat Terry, Ruth Van Gelder, Joe Watts, Bob & Carol Webster, Rachel Webster, Brenda Williams, Robyn, Shelley B., Sage, Olivia, Nancy F., Jamie G. and Bill.

We give thanks for the many blessings we have received:

those who serve in the military and all essential workers and their families;
the anniversary of Joe & Pat Terry; our Outreach partners: the United Thank Offering, the Galena ARC, the United Churches Food Pantry, Episcopal Relief and Development, Shelter Care Ministries, Dubuque Rescue Mission and all who worship in this place and those who have not yet walked through these doors.

We pray for those who have died and for the anniversary of the deaths of:

Raymond DuBord, Sr., Ethelyn Trevarthen, Raymond Willis, Lowell Spencer, Vivian McDermott-Bastain, Addie Robbins, Barbara Bruce and Lillian Thompson.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

for the week of August 7th, 2022

Grace Happenings, our weekly eBlast newsletter is sent out every Friday.

To start receiving it, please use your preferred email to send your request to our Parish Administrator at gracesec@gracegalena.org.

Outreach Ministry

As part of our Outreach ministry we are again going to prepare and serve a noon meal at the Dubuque Rescue Mission. The date will be Tuesday, August 16th. Would you like to help? It is a very rewarding endeavor and we have a good time doing it.

There are various opportunities for you:

- *On **Monday, August 15th**, we will need 3-4 volunteers to help prepare the two main dishes at the Parish house. (About a two hour commitment)
- *On **Tuesday, August 16th**, 5-6 volunteers will be needed to help prepare and serve the meal in Dubuque at the Mission. (about a 2-3 hour commitment)
- ***If you are unable to come**, we also need 4-5 volunteers to bake 2 dozen brownies or bars. (They seem to love chocolate.) 4-5 volunteers will be needed and the brownies can be brought to church ahead of time.)

If you are interested in helping, please contact:

Karlynn Van Gelder at 563-542-2304 or karlynv@youq.net

Search Committee Update

The Search Committee is pleased to report that the opening for the position of Rector at Grace Church is now posted on the Diocesan website. We will be notified by the Diocese of candidates whose interest and background they think will be a good match for Grace.

EfM Registration began July 8th. Any interest in participating? Local classes will start in the fall. For more information, see Lynn Giles.

Ministry of Care

Grace Church continues to offer pastoral care to its community. Many volunteers are available for rides to doctor appointments (or elsewhere), providing meals, picking up prescriptions, or providing other small services when someone is unwell or unable to do so for themselves.

Call **Bonnielynn Kreiser at 815-777-1468 or 815-291-9005** who coordinates helping hands when needed. Our clergy are also available for spiritual aid.

Social Hour There is a Coffee Hour sign-up list posted in the Parish House. Reminder for Hosts: coffee supplies, napkins & plates are available in our pantry. Keep it simple as the focus is on fellowship.

Zoom Poetry Meeting A Zoom Poetry group is meeting on Mondays at 2:00pm. If you are interested, write Carol Poston at poston@sxu.edu or call her at **815-777-0220** to receive information about the meeting.

Service of Compline is Tuesday, August 2nd, at 8:30pm on Zoom.

Mid-Week Morning Worship is Wednesday, August 3rd, at 7:30am in the chapel and on Zoom. After worship we will be back at the DeSoto Hotel for breakfast.

Wednesday Morning Study Group meets Wednesday, August 3rd, at 10:00am.

We are a group that studies spiritual subjects, including the Bible. Everyone is welcome to join us to enhance your knowledge of spirituality and explore how to apply it to their life. We're currently studying the Gospel of Luke. Meetings (in the Parish Hall conference room and on Zoom) begin at 10:00 a.m. Zoom invitations can be obtained from Greg Serwich (gserwich@gmail.com).

Meditative Prayer meets Friday, August 5th, at 9:00am online. You are welcome to join, and gentle guidance will be provided for those unfamiliar with this practice.



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The Rt. Rev. Paula Clark, Bishop-Elect of Chicago
The Rt. Rev. Chilton Knudsen, Assisting Bishop
The Rev. Linda Packard, Priest Associate
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Scripture Readings for August 14th, 2022
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Isaiah 5:1-7
Psalm 80:1-2, 8-18
Hebrews 11:29-12:2
Luke 12:49-56

Prayer for the people of Ukraine

written by the Rev. Porter C. Taylor
St. David's by the Sea

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