# The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost Holy Eucharist October 17, 2021

10:00 a.m. at Crissey Farm



# **GRACE CHURCH**

an Episcopal Community in the Southern Berkshires
and on Zoom

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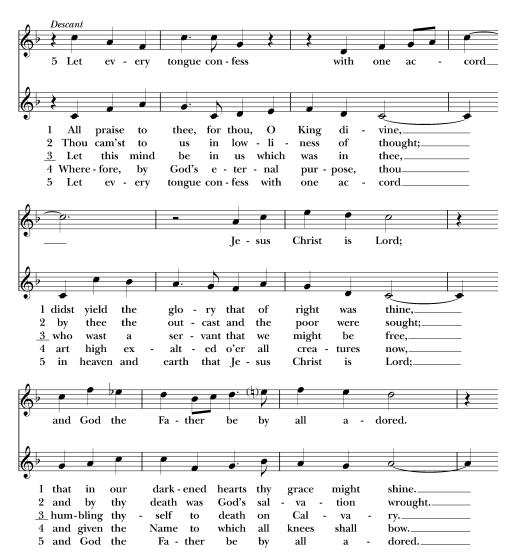
We are an open and affirming church. Every one of every age, race, ethnicity, culture, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental ability, or economic status is invited to join us as together we live out the Gospel message of love, forgiveness, service, and justice. No matter where you are in your spiritual journey—you are welcome here.

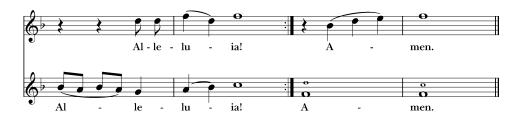
# The Word of God

All stand as able

OPENING HYMN H477

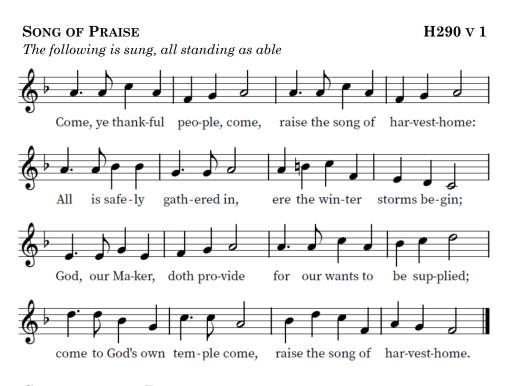
All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine





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

People And blessed be God's kingdom now and forever.
Amen.



#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

<sup>4</sup>Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. <sup>5</sup>But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. <sup>6</sup>All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. <sup>7</sup>He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. <sup>8</sup>By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. <sup>9</sup>They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

<sup>10</sup>Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the LORD shall prosper. <sup>11</sup>Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. <sup>12</sup>Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.People Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 91:9-16

- 9 Because you have made the LORD your refuge, \* and the Most High your habitation,
- 10 There shall no evil happen to you, \* neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.
- 11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, \* to keep you in all your ways.
- 12 They shall bear you in their hands, \* lest you dash your foot against a stone.
- 13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder; \*
  you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under
  your feet.

14 Because he is bound to me in love,

therefore will I deliver him; \*

I will protect him, because he knows my Name.

15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; \*

I am with him in trouble;

I will rescue him and bring him to honor.

16 With long life will I satisfy him, \* and show him my salvation.

#### THE SECOND READING

Hebrews 5:1-10

<sup>1</sup>Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. <sup>2</sup>He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; <sup>3</sup>and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. <sup>4</sup>And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

<sup>5</sup>So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

"You are my Son,

today I have begotten you";

<sup>6</sup>as he says also in another place,

"You are a priest forever,

according to the order of Melchizedek."

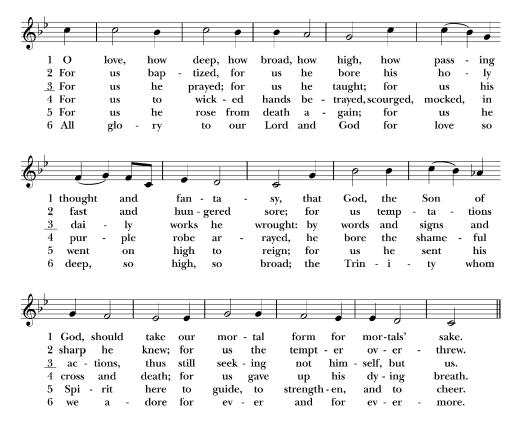
<sup>7</sup>In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. <sup>8</sup>Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; <sup>9</sup>and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, <sup>10</sup>having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

**Reader** Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

People Thanks be to God.

O love, how deep, how broad, how high

vs 1-3 before Gospel, v 6 after



#### THE GOSPEL

Mark 10:35-45

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>35</sup>James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." <sup>36</sup>And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" <sup>37</sup>And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." <sup>38</sup>But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" <sup>39</sup>They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; <sup>40</sup>but to sit at my

right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

<sup>41</sup>When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. <sup>42</sup>So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. <sup>43</sup>But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup>and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup>For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### THE SERMON

The Rev. Tina Rathbone

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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.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect:

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen*.

#### THE CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.

#### THE ABSOLUTION

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

#### THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Minister and the People may greet one another in the name of God by sharing a physically distanced sign of Christ's peace.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Let us pray together: O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor we pray, on your servants as they begin another

year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

#### A GRATITUDE MOMENT

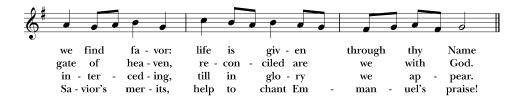
Lee Cheek

Take a few moments to think of one thing during the past week for which you thank God. If you wish to share your gratitude moment with the congregation, please come to the microphone.

# The Holy Communion

Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.





Celebrant All things come from you, O Lord.

People And of your own have we given you.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

Book of Common Prayer

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

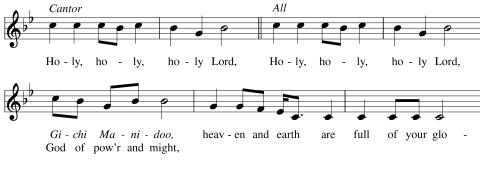
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### The Celebrant continues

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

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#### The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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*.

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

#### Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as 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 for ever. Amen.

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread and a period of silence is kept, then all sing:

# FRACTION ANTHEM

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Be known to us, Lord Jesus

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Be known to us, Lord Jesus





To ensure the safety of all, we are currently sharing only the bread from the altar, not the wine. Gluten-free bread is also available. Please let the priest know if you prefer this. If you would rather receive a blessing instead of communion, please come forward and cross your hands over your chest. And, lastly, if you need communion brought to you, just let the usher know. All are welcome at God's feast!

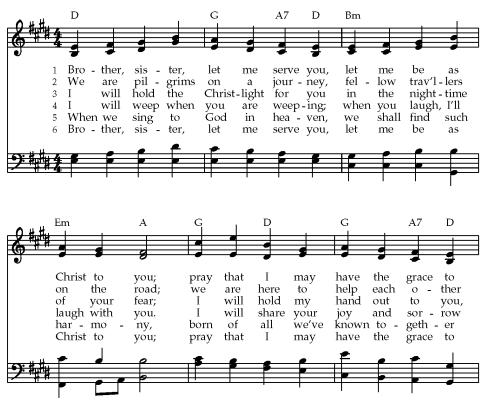
If you can't physically receive the communion bread because you are participating in this service virtually, you are invited to pray this Prayer for Spiritual Communion:

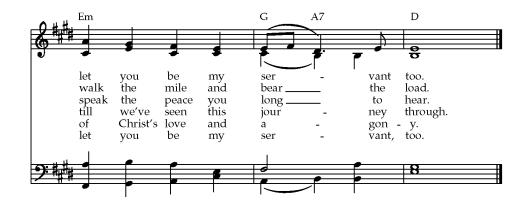
Lord Jesus, as you promised to be with us in the bread and wine that is your body and blood, grant that we may receive you spiritually today into our hearts, minds, and souls. Stay with us; be our companion in the way; kindle our hearts and awaken hope that we may know you and have confidence in your loving care, now and forever. Amen.

#### **COMMUNION HYMN**

**VF124** 

Brother, sister, let me serve you





#### THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### A PRAYER FOR OUR CHILDREN

Most generous and loving God, we thank you for the gift of children. With each child you refresh your promises to all of us. Through each child you remind us to take care of all you have created.

We pray your blessing on each child today. Teach them to love courage and to trust you. Help them see you at work in your world.

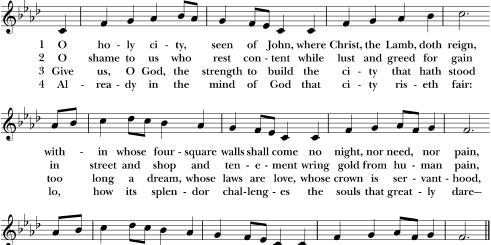
Help them speak words of love, peace, and friendship. Turn their faces in kindness toward their neighbors, and fill each one with confidence in your steadfast love. This we ask in the name of your child, Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### THE BLESSING

The love of Jesus draw you to himself; the power of Jesus strengthen you in his service; the joy of Jesus fill your hearts; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

CLOSING HYMN H 583

O holy city, seen of John



shall and where the tears are wiped from eyes that not weep in blind de - spair cry, "Christ hath died and bit - ter vain!" where the sun that shin - eth is God's grace and for hu - man good. seize the whole of life and yea, bids build its glo - ry

#### THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

#### **POSTLUDE**

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Flowers are given today by Pennie Curry in loving memory of her mother,

Katie O'Brien

## WORSHIP LEADERS

ROTA TODAY NEXT SUNDAY

WELCOME TEAM Rick Gore Sally Brooke

Sue Gore Sarah Sieber

LECTOR Dindy Anderson TBA

INTERCESSOR Robert Forman TBA

ALTAR GUILD Monique Kirchoff Monique Kirchoff

Cathy Haywood Margaret Layton

TECH Abe Streeter Abe Streeter

COFFEE HOUR Anderson/Doelman luncheon by Crissey Farm

COUNTERS Rick Gore Ian Booten

Margaret Layton Margaret Layton

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### GRACE CHURCH INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Please Include in Your Daily Prayers This Week

Members of the Parish Family: Sue Gore, George Raymond, Doreen Hutchinson, Anne Andrews, Pennie Curry, Mark Anderson, Stacey, Claire and Mark Thomas, Meredith Haider, Linda White, Rosemarie Blakely, Marina Bowens, John Breasted, Jane Brooks, Vonnie Frye, Barbara Gore, Sara Keene, Barbara Turner and Annalise Clausen.

Others we Love: Larry Cheek, John's brother; Karen LaRocque friend of Sue Gore; Rosalind Haywood, Sue Gore's mother; Deborah McCurdy; Joy Milani, dear friend of Dindy Anderson.

Those who have died: Sara Bowers; Bernadette McCarroll, step grandma to Ellis and soul sister to Jainee & John; Alan Sparks, brother of Debbie Holmes; Ruth Crawford; John Grammer, husband of Mary Anne; Neil Brandt, brother of Linda White; John Turner, husband of Barbara Turner; Leslie Albert, friend of Margaret Layton; and Sarah Sieber.

Our world: For the people of Afghanistan, and of Haiti, who have struggled for so long under burdens seemingly too great to bear and for all who were killed in the recent violence in Kabul. For the people of Louisiana as they recover from Hurricane Ida. For all victims of gun violence, and for those who inflict gun violence on others. For people who suffer from COVID, those who have died, those who mourn, caregivers, hospital workers, and those who have been affected through loss of work, income, and housing. For all who are alone, or afraid, or despairing. For prisoners, unhoused people, newly arrived immigrants and all our neighbors, near and far.

The many ministries of our local community, especially: for our partners at St. Paul's, Stockbridge and the Revs. Sam Smith and Jane Tillman; Christ Trinity, Sheffield and the Rev. Erik Karas; our Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Doug Fisher; and the Mampong Babies' Home in Ghana.

**And we offer thanks:** for all those celebrating a birthday or anniversary this week. Especially, Ellis Ericson, and Mark & Dindy Anderson.

## CALENDAR

#### **ONGOING**

Thursdays Centering Prayer <sup>1 & 3</sup> 5:00 PM Sundays Worship Service <sup>2 & 3</sup> 10:00 AM

All Sunday services in September will be at Crissey Farm, both inperson and live-streamed. If you are unable to join us in person, please visit our website, www.graceberkshires.org, for zoom links.

The Office/Chapel 1/ Crissey Farm 2/On Zoom 3

Next week,

October 24, 2021 at 10:00 am

You are cordially invited to attend

Celebration of New Ministry

The Reverend Cristina Rathbone

at Crissey Farm

We will be joined by the people of Christ Trinity Church & St. Paul's Church

For more information about the Grace Church's regular work and worship, please visit **Tuesday's Child** newsletter on the website.

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Grace Church worships and gardens on the traditional land of the Mohican people.