

Welcome to Grace Church
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 10A
July 12, 2026

10:00 a.m. at Berkshire South Community Center and on Zoom



Step into Grace where strangers become friends.

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.*

*At the sound of the bell, we invite you into silence
in preparation for worship.*

PRELUDE

Jacob's Ladder

Negro Spiritual arr. by John Carter (b. 1930)

WELCOME

The Rev. Jimmy Solano Pickett

The Word of God

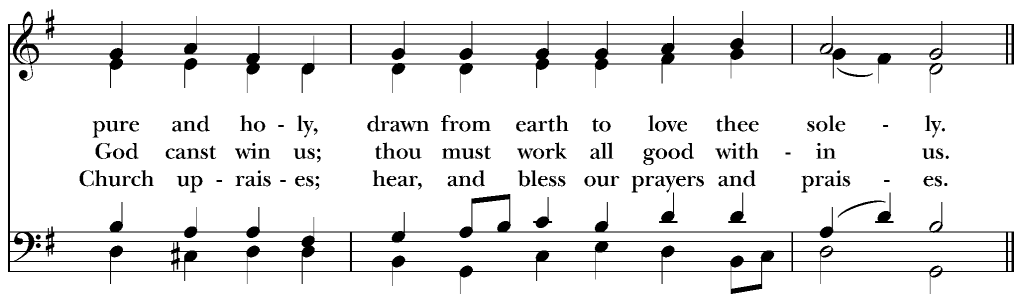
OPENING HYMN: H 440

Blessed Jesus, at thy word

1 Bless - ed Je - sus, at thy word we are gath - ered all to
2 All our know - ledge, sense, and sight lie in deep - est dark - ness
3 Gra - cious Lord, thy - self im - part! Light of Light, from God pro -

hear thee; let our hearts and souls be stirred
shroud - ed, till thy Spi - rit breaks our night
ceed - ing, o - pen thou our ears and heart,

now to seek and love and fear thee; by thy teach - ings
with the beams of truth un - cloud - ed; thou a - lone to
help us by thy Spi - rit's plead - ing. Hear the cry thy



Words: Tobias Clausnitzer (1619-1684); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt.
 Music: *Leinster Jesu*, melody Johann Rudolph's Ahle (1625-1673); alt. *Das grosse Cantional Oder Kirchen-Gesangbuch*, 1687; harm. George Herbert Palmer (1846-1926)

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever.**
Amen.

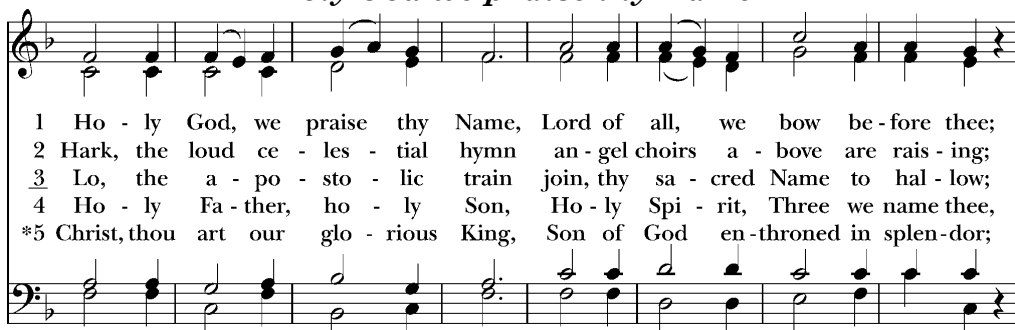
COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant and People Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

SONG OF PRAISE: H 366

Vs. 1,2

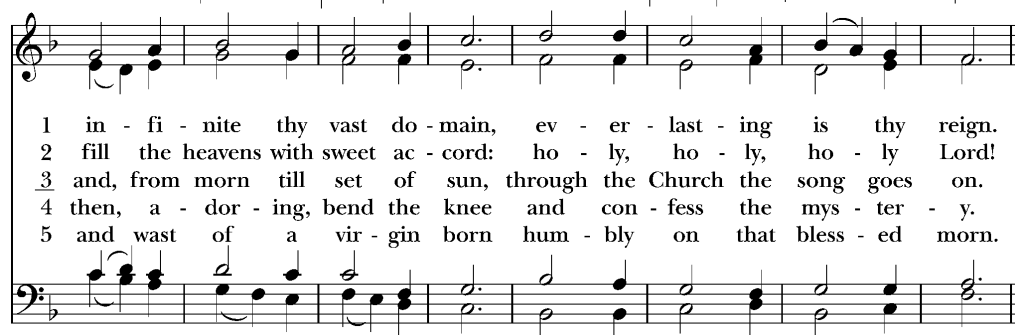
Holy God we praise thy Name



1 Ho - ly God, we praise thy Name, Lord of all, we bow be - fore thee;
 2 Hark, the loud ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a - bove are rais - ing;
 3 Lo, the a - po - sto - lic train join, thy sa - cred Name to hal - low;
 4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spi - rit, Three we name thee,
 *5 Christ, thou art our glo - rious King, Son of God en - throned in splen - dor;



1 all on earth thy scep - ter claim, all in heaven a - bove a - dore thee;
 2 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim, in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing,
 3 pro - phets swell the loud re - frain, and the white-robed mar - tyrs fol - low;
 4 while in es - sence on - ly One, un - di - vi - ded God we claim thee;
 5 but de - liv - er - ance to bring thou all hon - ors didst sur - ren - der,



1 in - fi - nite thy vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is thy reign.
 2 fill the heavens with sweet ac - cord: ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!
 3 and, from morn till set of sun, through the Church the song goes on.
 4 then, a - dor - ing, bend the knee and con - fess the mys - ter - y.
 5 and wast of a vir - gin born hum - bly on that bless - ed morn.

Words: Para. of *Te Deum*, Sts. 1-2, Ignaz Franz (17179-1790); tr. Clarence Walworth (1820-1900) Music: *Grosser Gott* melody from *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, 1686; alt. *Cantate*, *151; harm. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944), after Conrad Kocher (1786-1872)

THE COLLECT

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

Genesis 25:19-34

¹⁹These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, ²⁰and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, sister of Laban the Aramean. ²¹Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, because she was barren; and the Lord granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. ²²The children struggled together within her; and she said, "If it is to be this way, why do I live?" So she went to inquire of the Lord.²³And the Lord said to her, "Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples born of you shall be divided; the one shall be stronger than the other, the elder shall serve the younger." ²⁴When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. ²⁵The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. ²⁶Afterward his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them. ²⁷When the boys grew up, Esau was a skillful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. ²⁸Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob.

²⁹Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. ³⁰Esau said to Jacob, "Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!" (Therefore he was called Edom.) ³¹Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright." ³²Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?" ³³Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore to him, and sold his

birthright to Jacob. ³⁴Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

Reader
People

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

Psalm 119:105-112

Let us read the Psalm responsively by verse.

105 Your word is a lantern to my feet *
and a light upon my path.

**106 I have sworn and am determined *
to keep your righteous judgments.**

107 I am deeply troubled; *
preserve my life, O Lord, according to your word.

**108 Accept, O Lord, the willing tribute of my lips, *
and teach me your judgments.**

109 My life is always in my hand, *
yet I do not forget your law.

**110 The wicked have set a trap for me, *
but I have not strayed from your commandments.**

111 Your decrees are my inheritance for ever; *
truly, they are the joy of my heart.

**112 I have applied my heart to fulfill your statutes *
for ever and to the end.**

THE SECOND READING

Romans 8:1-11

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law--indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.
People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN: H 588

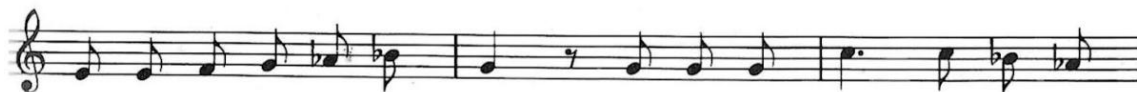
Vs 1-2 before gospel

Vs 3 after gospel

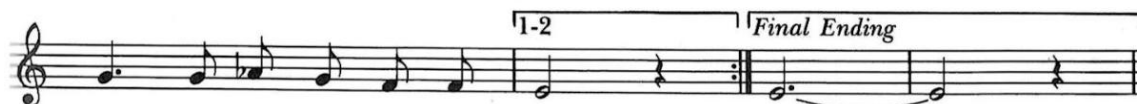
Almighty God, your word is cast



- 1 Al-might - y God, your word is
2 Let not our self - ish - ness and
3 Let not the world's de - ceit - ful



cast like seed up - on the ground, now let the dew of heaven de -
hate this ho - ly seed re - move, but give it root in ev - ery
cares the ris - ing plant des - troy, but let it yield a hun-dred -



scend and right-eous fruits a - bound.
heart to bring forth fruits of love.
fold the fruits of peace and (joy.)

joy. _____

Words: John Cawood (1775-1852), alt.

Music: *Call Street*, Roy Henry Johnson (1933-2014)

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior
Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!"

"Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Jimmy Solano Pickett

THE NICENE CREED

Enriching our Worship Translation

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

Celebrant 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.**

CONFESSION

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.**

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 Holy Communion

Celebrant Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.



OFFERTORY HYMN: H 302

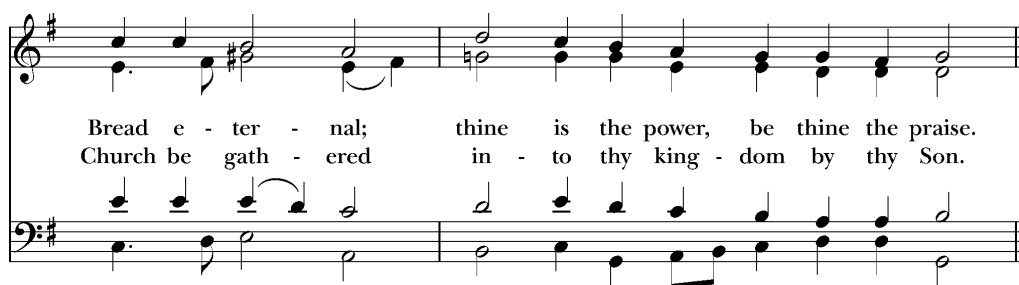
Father, we thank thee who has planted

1 Fa - ther, we thank thee who hast plant - ed thy ho - ly Name with -
2 Watch o'er thy Church, O Lord, in mer - cy, save it from e - vil,

in our hearts. Know - ledge and faith and life im - mor - tal Je - sus thy
guard it still, per - fect it in thy love, u - nite it, cleansed and con -

Son to us im - parts. Thou, Lord, didst make all for thy plea - sure,
formed un - to thy will. As grain, once scat - tered on the hill - sides,

didst give us food for all our days, giv - ing in Christ the
was in this bro - ken bread made one, so from all lands thy



Words: Greek, ca. 110; tr. F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984), rev.

Music: *Rendez Dieu*, melody and harm. att. Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

The Book of Common Prayer

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift 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 God thanks and praise.**

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

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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:

SANCTUS: S 128

Holy, holy, holy Lord

The musical score is written on five staves in treble clef. The first staff begins with a whole rest, followed by a half note G, a quarter note A, and a half note B. The second staff continues with a whole rest, a half note G, a quarter note A, and a half note B. The third staff starts with a half note G, a quarter note A, a half note B, and a quarter note C. The fourth staff begins with a half note G, a quarter note A, a half note B, and a quarter note C. The fifth staff starts with a half note G, a quarter note A, a half note B, and a quarter note C. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, heaven 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."

Setting: William Mathias (1934-1992)

Holy and gracious God: 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 maker of all.

Jesus 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 Savior 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 Jesus 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 all 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, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's 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 Christ. 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 Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

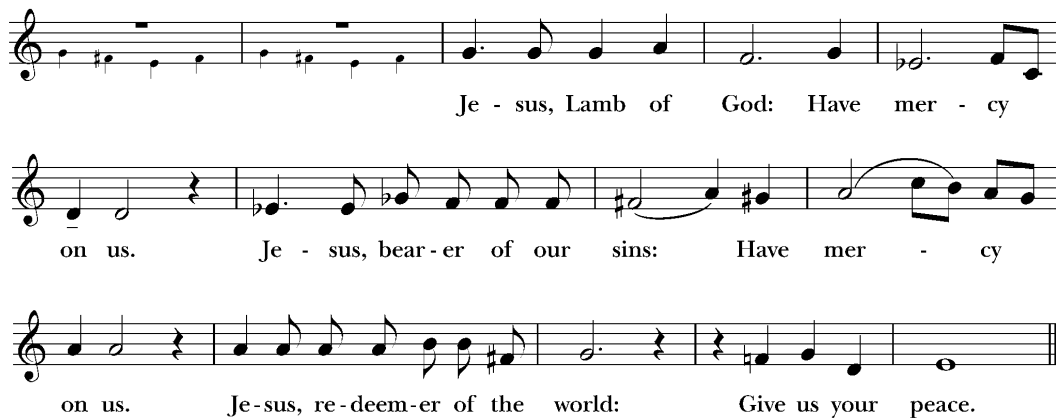
And now, in the words that Jesus taught us, and teaches us still, we pray in the language of our hearts,

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 FRACTION ANTHEM: S 165

Jesus, Lamb of God



Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy

on us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: Have mer - cy

on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: Give us your peace.

Setting: William Mathias (1934-1992)

Celebrant
People

The Gifts of God for the People of God.
Thanks be to God.

All Are Welcome at God's Table

Gluten-free bread is available. Please let the priest know if you would 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.

The Grace Healing Team is in the back of the room during Communion to offer the laying on of hands and a prayer for healing to anyone who desires it for themselves or another.

If you cannot 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: H 505

O Spirit of Life

1 O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God, in
 2 O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God, in -
 3 O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God, make
 4 O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God, en -

ev - ery need thou bring - est aid; thou com - est
 crease our faith in our dear Lord; un - less thy
 us to love thy sa - cred word; the ho - ly
 light - en us by that same word; teach us to

forth from God's great throne, from God, the Fa - ther and the
 grace the power should give, none can be - lieve in Christ and
 flame of love im - part, that char - i - ty may warm each
 know the Fa - ther's love, and his dear Son, who reigns a -

Son; O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God.
 live; O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God.
 heart; O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God.
 bove; O Spi - rit of Life, O Spi - rit of God.

Words: Johann Niedling (1602-1668); tr. John Caspar Mattes (1876-1948), alt.

Music: *O heiliger Geist*, melody from *GeistlichsheKirchengesang*, 1623, harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750); arr. Alastair Cassels-Brown (1927-2001)

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR OUR CHILDREN

Let us pray.

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 the Christ. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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A GRATITUDE MOMENT

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 briefly with the congregation, please come to the microphone.

BLESSING

Celebrant

May the blessing of the God of Abraham and Sarah, and of Jesus Christ born of our sister Mary, and of the Holy Spirit, who broods over the world as a mother over her children, be upon you and remain with you, all those you love, and those you don't know how to love, this day and forevermore.
Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: H 593

Lord, make us servants of your peace

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system contains five verses of lyrics, and the second system contains five verses. The lyrics are as follows:

1 Lord, make us ser - vants of your peace: where there is
2 Where all is doubt, may we sow faith; where all is
3 Je - sus, our Lord, may we not seek to be con -
4 May we not look for love's re - turn, but seek to
5 Dy - ing, we live, and are re - born through death's dark

1 hate, may we sow love; where there is hurt, may we for -
2 gloom, may we sow hope; where all is night, may we sow
3 soled, but to con - sole, nor look to un - der - stand - ing
4 love un - self - ish - ly, for in our giv - ing we re -
5 night to end - less day: Lord, make us ser - vants of your

1 give; where there is strife, may we make one.
 2 light; where all is tears, may we sow joy.
 3 hearts, but look for hearts to un - der - stand.
 4 ceive, and in for - giv - ing are for - given.
 5 peace, to wake at last in hea - ven's light.

Words: James Quinn (1919-2010), based on prayer att. Francis of Assisi (1182-1799)

Music: *Dickinson College*, Lee Hastings Bristol, Jr. (1923-1979)

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Jesus said “as the father sent me, so I send you.” Go in peace to
 join in the work of the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia.

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

POSTLUDE

Ach, was soll ich Sünder machen?

Chorale Prelude “Ah, what shall I, a sinner, do?”; Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

Flowers are given today by:

Edna Leavenworth

In loving memory of the Leavenworth and MacMullen Families

And Louise and HB Robitaille

GRACE CHURCH INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

Please Include in Your Daily Prayers This Week

Members of the Parish Family: David Pixley; Cathy Haywood; Edna Leavenworth; Pennie Curry; Aicha and Matt Marcos; Rick and Sue Gore, and the Haywood family; Louise Peterson; Charlene Peet; The Rev. Marc Britt; Anne Andrews; George Raymond; Dindy and Mark Anderson; Linda White and her grandchildren, Claire, Mark, and Johnny; David Hamill; Rosemarie Blakely.

Others we Love: Judy Davis, grandmother of Jacob Greer; Lisa Solomon, friend of David Pixley; Jack Starr, father of Richard Starr; Julia DePeyster, friend of Lea Richardson; Ada Gómez, mother-in-law of Rev. Jimmy; Cynthia Griesing, Holly Murray's mother; Doreen's sister, Linda Manardi; Paul, neighbor of Gina and Phil; Susie, Mike, and Emily Silver; Fran Hunt, Anne Andrew's sister; Michal Snyder, Dessida's sister; Anne Kistrup and Pam Reed, Lynn Walker's friends; Susan Bunce, Mary Booton's sister; George Laye; Fleming and Dick Rutledge; Tania Guerrero and her baby daughter Eugenia Marie Ayala Guerrero; David Rodriguez Ovalle, Sergio Rodriguez's father; Richard Cherneff; Cynthia Griesing, Holly Murray's mother; Bishop Michael Curry; Sara Miles and her wife Martha; Jerry and Karen Ericson; James Driscoll; Livia Driscoll; Deborah McCurdy.

Those who have died: Lisa Leavenworth, Fred Harris, Dick Rutledge, Dale Peterson, Hawa Kiebre and Salif Tiri Ouedraogo, mother and father of Aicha Marcos; Kathy O'Brien, Pennie Curry's sister; Paul Haywood, Sue Gore's brother; The Rev. Donna Larson former Rector of St. George's; Hannah Peabody, Caroline Murray's friend; The Rev. Donald Peet; Pamela Drumm.

Our world: For the people of Iran, Lebanon, Haiti, Palestine, Israel, Ukraine, the Sudan, and all other places of violence and war, that peace and justice may prevail, and human fear and suffering diminish. For all victims of hatred in this country; for all victims of gun violence and also for those who inflict gun violence on others. For all who are alone, 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 and the Rev. Samuel Vaught, the Rev. Jane Tillman, and the Rev. Libby Wade; Christ Trinity and the Rev. Erik Karas; our Bishop, the Mampong Babies' Home; and The Rt. Rev. Miguelina Howell, our Bishop.

WORSHIP LEADERS

ROTA	Today 7/12/26	Gideon's Garden Service 7/19/26
WELCOME TEAM	Mary Booton Sarah Sieber	Sue Gore Rick Gore
ACOLYTE	Peter Kirchoff	Jacob Greer Caroline Murray
LECTOR	Sue Gore	Doone Marshall
INTERCESSOR	Jainee McCarroll	Sarah Sieber
CHALICE BEARERS	Peter Kirchoff Rick Gore	Jacob Greer Holly and Caroline Murray
HEALING TEAM	Ted Cobden Sue Gore	Ted Cobden Clausen
ALTAR GUILD	Peter Kirchoff Monique Kirchoff	Sarah Sieber Mackenzie Kendall Jacob Greer
COFFEE HOUR	Jainee McCarroll Laura Jordahl	Holly Murray Cathy Haywood
COUNTERS	Sue Gore Viola Bagnaschi	Kathy Clausen Rick Gore
VESTRY CLOSER	Jainee McCarroll	No Vestry Closer for Garden Service

CALENDAR

ALL IN-PERSON + ON ZOOM

Wednesdays, 10:00 am: Contemplative Eucharist at Grace Church Chapel
 Tuesdays, 5:00 pm: Centering Prayer at Grace Church Chapel
 Sundays, 10:00 am: Worship Service at Berkshire South Community Center

GRACE CHURCH VESTRY

Senior Warden:	Matt Marcos
Junior Warden:	Evie Starr
Treasurer:	Sue Gore
Clerk:	Doreen Hutchinson
Class of 2027	Jainee McCarroll, Kevin Rosero
Class of 2028	Mackenzie Kendall
Class of 2029	Dindy Anderson, Phil Burt, Lynn Carlson

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Choir Director:	John Cheek
Keyboardist:	Lee Cheek
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On the traditional land of the Mohican people.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Second Sunday Skills

Today after church there is Lector and Intercessor training in the Grace Office at **12 noon**. This training will be a refresher for seasoned lectors and intercessors and is an invitation to new folks who want to get more involved in the Liturgy!

Gideon's Garden Service

- On **July 19th** we will worship at Gideon's Garden! Please join us for this very special service, only in person.

Picnic Lunch

- Join us after service on **August 2nd** for an indoor picnic at Berkshire South to celebrate the Summer Season.

Gideon's Garden

- Volunteer Hours are:
 - Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 9am-12noon

Special Collection

Our neighbors, near and far, need some extra care and support. Please consider making a donation to help our Haitian neighbors here in the Berkshires and our Venezuelan neighbors across the sea.

To help our Haitian neighbors - please make a donation to Grace Church with a note for our "Haitian Resettlement Fund" .

To Help our Venezuelan neighbors - Please make a donation to World Central Kitchen to assist in on the ground food aid or Episcopal Relief and Development to get emergency funds to the Episcopal Diocese of Venezuela. If you would prefer to give a donation to Grace, we will take your donation and evenly give to both of these organizations.