

Grace Episcopal Church
October 19, 2025
The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 24
Grace's Mission

We are disciples of Jesus, helping one another be the hands and feet of Christ
by sharing God's love with the world.

Opening Hymn	<i>Immortal, invisible, God only wise</i>	Blue Hymnal #423
Holy Eucharist Rite Two		Red Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p355
The Gloria		Blue Hymnal S-280
The Collect		BCP p 211

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.*

The Lessons

A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah 31:27-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the LORD. In those days they shall no longer say:

"The parents have eaten sour grapes,
and the children's teeth are set on edge."

But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt~ a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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

Psalm 119:97-104

Quomodo dilexi!

97 Oh, how I love your law! *
all the day long it is in my mind.

- 98 Your commandment has made me wiser than my enemies, *
and it is always with me.
- 99 I have more understanding than all my teachers, *
for your decrees are my study.
- 100 I am wiser than the elders, *
because I observe your commandments.
- 101 I restrain my feet from every evil way, *
that I may keep your word.
- 102 I do not shrink from your judgments, *
because you yourself have taught me.
- 103 How sweet are your words to my taste! *
they are sweeter than honey to my mouth.
- 104 Through your commandments I gain understanding; *
therefore I hate every lying way.

A reading from **2 Timothy 3:14-4:5**

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

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Sequence Hymn

Seek ye first the kingdom of God

Blue Hymnal #711

The Holy Gospel according to Luke 18:1-8

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

The Gospel of the Lord: **Praise to you Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. J. Jeffrey Baker

The Nicene Creed

BCP p 358

Prayers of the People

Form III

BCP p 387

A Prayer for Change: Lord, give us the courage to view the future with hope and expectancy and, most of all, with faith. In the face of change, help us set aside our fears, and urge us to seek and see your hand at work, while opening our hearts to recognize that change brings new life. *Amen.*

Let his resurrection power bring healing and hope to those for whom we pray, For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. Especially we pray for Valorie Lephart, Vivian, Paul, Sue & Michael. Baby Drake, Aria, 8 yr old Charlie, Willow, George & Sandy Luther, Clare McElroy, Charlotte Stoldt, Martha Mackey, William Trsek, Phil Bennett, Beth and Ray, Bill, Janet, Chris, Matthew, Janice, Carolyn Stacks, Sheila Smith, Kathy Hill, Sherry Occkial , Franny E., Dick D., Kevin, Patty, Erin, Pat, Gail, Sue, Sherrie, Sharon, Riley Gumto and the Keeper family. Victims of domestic violence.

We celebrate the Birthdays of Bobbin Davis, Marge Rutherford, James Velez, and Sheila Smith. The altar flowers are given today by Ray and Beth Sphatt in celebration of Bill & Matthew's birthdays.

Confession of Sin

BCP 359

The Peace

BCP 360

Announcements

Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn

Grace Choir

The Doxology

Hymnal 380(v3)

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharist Prayer B

BCP 367

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy, Lord

Praise Book S-130

Memorial Acclamation

Praise Book S-138

The Great Amen

Praise Book S-147

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP p 364

Fraction Hymn

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Praise Book S-164

Communion Hymn

Here I am Lord

Praise Book #57

The Post-Communion Prayer

BCP p 366

The Blessing

Closing Hymn

Faith of our fathers

Blue Hymnal #558

The Dismissal

Announcements

If you find an error on the website, please alert the office or Fr. Jeff. This is the first-place prospective clergy will look at Grace and we want to make a good first impression.

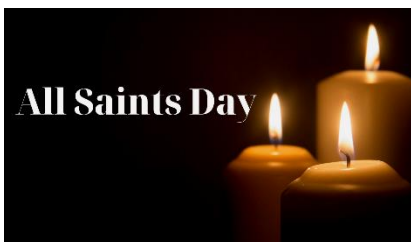
Scout Troop 185 will be holding their fall Court of Honor, **Today**, October 19 at 4pm

Everyone is welcome!



Little Feet Fundraiser now until Sunday, Nov. 2!! Make checks out to Grace Episcopal Church (Little Feet on the memo line) or drop your donation into the big boot in the lobby! Thank you!!! Blessings!
The Evangelism/Outreach Team

All Saints Sunday will be celebrated Sunday November 2. If you would like a picture of your saint on the altar during the service, please place it in front of the altar prior to the service.



Mark your calendars now!!!! Saturday December 13, 2025 is our annual Christmas Party!!! Details to follow!!!

