Grace Episcopal Church

October 5, 2025

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Proper 22

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

Grace Greater than our sin

Praise Book #5

Holy Eucharist Rite Two

Red Book of Common Prayer (BCP) p355

The Gloria

Blue Hymn Book S-280

The Collect BCP p 211

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; 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 Lamentations 1:1-6

How lonely sits the city

that once was full of people!

How like a widow she has become,

she that was great among the nations!

She that was a princess among the provinces

has become a vassal.

She weeps bitterly in the night,

with tears on her cheeks;

among all her lovers

she has no one to comfort her;

all her friends have dealt treacherously with

her

they have become her enemies.

Judah has gone into exile with suffering

and hard servitude:

she lives now among the nations,

and finds no resting place;

her pursuers have all overtaken her

in the midst of her distress.

The roads to Zion mourn,

for no one comes to the festivals;

all her gates are desolate,

her priests groan;

her young girls grieve,

and her lot is bitter.

Her foes have become the masters,

her enemies prosper,

because the LORD has made her suffer

for the multitude of her transgressions;

her children have gone away,

captives before the foe.

From daughter Zion has departed

all her majesty.

Her princes have become like stags

that find no pasture;

they fled without strength

before the pursuer.

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

Psalm 137

Super flumina

- 1 By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept, * when we remembered you, O Zion.
- 2 As for our harps, we hung them up * on the trees in the midst of that land.
- 3 For those who led us away captive asked us for a song, and our oppressors called for mirth: *
 "Sing us one of the songs of Zion."
- 4 How shall we sing the LORD'S song * upon an alien soil.
- 5 If I forget you, O Jerusalem, * let my right hand forget its skill.
- 6 Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth if I do not remember you, * if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy.
- 7 Remember the day of Jerusalem, O LORD, against the people of Edom, * who said, "Down with it! down with it! even to the ground!"
- 8 O Daughter of Babylon, doomed to destruction, * happy the one who pays you back for what you have done to us!
- 9 Happy shall he be who takes your little ones, * and dashes them against the rock!

A reading from 2 Timothy 1: 1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God~ whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did~ when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus,

who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

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

Sequence Hymn

Strengthen for service, Lord

Blue Hymnal #312

The Holy Gospel according to Luke 17: 5-10

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, `Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, `Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, `Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!"

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

The Sermon Fr. J. Jeffrey Baker

The Nicene Creed BCP p 358 Form III

Prayers of the People

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, 2 yr old 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, and Riley Gumto. Victims of domestic violence.

We celebrate the anniversary of Dennis & Nancy Brothers.

Confession of Sin BCP 359

The Peace **BCP 360**

Announcements

Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn Grace Choir

The Doxology

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharist Prayer B BCP 367 Praise Book S-130 Sanctus Holy, holy, holy, Lord

Memorial Acclamation Praise Book S-138

The Great Amen The Breaking of the Bread		Praise Book S-147 BCP p 364
Fraction Hymn	Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia	Praise Book S-164
Communion Hymn	How Great Thou Art	Praise Book #17
The Post-Communion Prayer		BCP p 366

The Blessing

Closing Hymn Rise up, ye saints of God! Blue Hymnal #551

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.

Sunday, October 5 <u>Today!!</u>!@ 11am Blessing of Pets down at the Grace Woods Gazebo

All pets are welcome, please leash or crate them and make sure those lil fish stay in their bowls!!!

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



Clam Bake Saturday October 18th

Fellowship @ 4. Dinner at 5pm

Cost is \$25 per bake, extra dozen-\$12. Your bake includes a Dozen of clams, ½ chicken, corn on the cob, sweet potato, coleslaw, a roll and all the paper products needed for dinner. Payments/Checks need to be made out to Walt Iliff and can be left at the church office by Monday, October 13. Any questions, please contact Walt Iliff at eastlakewalt@gmail.com

Sign-up sheet in the lobby