

GRACE CHURCH IN NEW YORK
THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Morning Prayer & Sermon
September 25, 2022 at eleven o'clock A.M.

PRELUDE Wenn wir in höchsten Nöten sein, BWV 641
 Partite diverse sopra: Sei gegrüßet, Jesu gütig, BWV 768

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

HYMN Holy Father, great Creator *(All stand to sing the hymn)*

REGENT SQUARE **HENRY SMART, 1867**
In moderate time

1 Ho - ly Fa - ther, great Cre - a - tor, Source of mer - cy, love, and peace,
 2 Ho - ly Je - sus, Lord of glo - ry, Whom an - gel - ic hosts pro - claim,
 3 Ho - ly Spi - rit, Sanc - ti - fi - er, Come with unc - tion from a - bove,

Look up - on the Me - di - a - tor, Clothe us with his right - eous - ness;
 While we hear thy won - drous sto - ry, Meet and wor - ship in thy Name,
 Raise our hearts to rap - tures high - er, Fill them with the Sa - viour's love.

Heav'n - ly Fa - ther, heav'n - ly Fa - ther, Through the Sa - viour hear and bless.
 Dear Re - deem - er, dear Re - deem - er, In our hearts thy peace pro - claim.
 Source of com - fort, Source of com - fort, Cheer us with the Sa - viour's love. Amen.

4 God the Lord, through every nation
 Let thy wondrous mercies shine.
 In the song of thy salvation
 Every tongue and race combine.
 || Great Jehovah, ||
 Form our hearts and make them thine. Amen.

ALEXANDER VIETS GRISWOLD, 1835

OPENING SENTENCES

Officiant

Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

People

I was glad when they said unto me, "We will go into the house of the Lord."

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Officiant invites the people to confess their sins.

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Then all kneel and say together:

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

The Priest alone stands and says:

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

INVITATORY AND PSALTER

(Please stand)

Officiant

O Lord, open thou our lips.

People

And our mouth shall show forth thy 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.**

Venite, exultemus Domino.

Anglican Chant (*Rimbault*)

O COME let us sing / unto . the / Lord;

let us heartily rejoice in the strength of / our . sal- / - VA - / -tion.

Let us come before his presence with / THANKS - / - giving;

and show ourselves / glad . in / him . with / psalms.

For the Lord is a / GREAT / God;

and a great / King . a - / - bove . all / gods.

In his hand are all the corners / of . the / earth;

and the strength of the hills is / HIS / AL - / - so.

The sea is / his and . he / made it;

and his hands pre - / - pared . the / DRY / land.

O come let us worship and / FALL / down,

and kneel before the / Lord . our / MA - / - ker.

For he is the / Lord . our / God;

and we are the people of his pasture,

and the / sheep . of / HIS / hand.

O worship the Lord in the / beauty . of / holiness;

let the whole earth / stand . in / awe . of / him.

For he cometh, for he cometh to / judge . the / earth;

and with righteousness to judge the world,

and the / peo - . - ples / with . his / truth.

Glory be to the Father and / to . the / Son,

and / to . the / Ho - . - ly / Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and / e - . -ver/ shall be,
world without / end. . A - / - A - / - men.

FIRST LESSON **Amos 6:1a, 4-7** (*Please be seated.*) Stacie Waring
Alas for those who are at ease in Zion, and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria. Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory, and lounge on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock, and calves from the stall; who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp, and like David improvise on instruments of music; who drink wine from bowls, and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile, and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 146 (*To be said by all*) *Lauda, anima mea*

- 1 Hallelujah!
 Praise the Lord, O my soul! *
 I will praise the Lord as long as I live;
 I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
- 2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, *
 for there is no help in them.
- 3 When they breathe their last, they return to earth, *
 and in that day their thoughts perish.
- 4 Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! *
 whose hope is in the Lord their God;
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; *
 who keeps his promise for ever;
- 6 Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, *
 and food to those who hunger.
- 7 The Lord sets the prisoners free;
 the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; *
 the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;
- 8 The Lord loves the righteous;
 the Lord cares for the stranger; *
 he sustains the orphan and widow,
 but frustrates the way of the wicked.
- 9 The Lord shall reign for ever, *
 your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.
 Hallelujah!

SECOND LESSON **1 Timothy 6:6-19** Cathy Minuse
There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the

presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time-- he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen. As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM "How lovely are the messengers" from ST. PAUL *Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809-1847)*

THIRD LESSON **Luke 16:19-31** (*Please be seated*) Kayleigh Stewart

Jesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house-- for I have five brothers-- that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God**

HYMN 375 Give praise and glory unto God

(All stand to sing the hymn)

During the singing of the hymn, children (ages 4-12) are encouraged to meet at the chancel steps, then follow the Children's Chapel leaders to the chantry.

Unison or harmony

1 Give praise and glo - ry un - to God, the Fa - ther of all bless - ing;
2 The host of hea - ven prais - eth thee, O Lord of all do - min - ions;
3 What God hath wrought to show his power he ev - er - more sus - tain - eth;

his might - y won - ders tell a - broad, his gra - cious - ness con -
and mor - tals then, on land and sea, be - neath thy sha - dowing
he watch - es o'er us ev - ery hour, his mer - cy nev - er

fess - ing, With balm my in - most heart he fills, his
pin - ions, ex - ult in thy cre - a - tive might that
wan - eth. Through all his king - dom's wide do - main, his

com - fort all my an - guish stills. To God be praise and glo - ry.
do - eth all things well and right. To God be praise and glo - ry.
right - eous - ness and jus - tice reign. To God be praise and glo - ry.

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THE APOSTLES' CREED (To be said by all, standing)

Book of Common Prayer p. 53

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy Spirit.**
Officiant Let us pray.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Please kneel if you are able)

Book of Common Prayer p. 54

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

SUFFRAGES A

Book of Common Prayer p. 55

V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;
R. **And grant us thy salvation.**
V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness;
R. **And make thy chosen people joyful.**
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. **For only in thee can we live in safety.**
V. Lord, keep this nation under thy care;
R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**
V. Let thy way be known upon earth;
R. **Thy 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 thy Holy Spirit.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, who declarest thy almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running to obtain thy promises, may be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

COLLECTS

Book of Common Prayer p. 56

INTERCESSIONS

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Book of Common Prayer p. 58

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we thine unworthy servants
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all people.
We bless thee for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for thine inestimable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we beseech thee,
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;
and that we show forth thy praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to thy service,
and by walking before thee
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,
be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.***

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

2 Corinthians 13:14

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS *(Please be seated.)*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Listen, sweet dove

Grayston Ives (b. 1948)

Listen sweet dove unto my song,
And spread thy golden wings in me;
Hatching my tender heart so long,
Till it get wing and flie away with thee.

Such glorious gifts thou didst bestow
The earth did like a heav'n appeare,
The stares were coming down to know
If they might mend their wages and serve here.

The sunne which once did shine alone,
Hung down his head and wisht for night,
When he beheld twelve sunnes for one
Going about the world and giving light.

Lord though we change thou art the same,
The same sweet God of love and light:
Restore this day for thy great name,
Unto his ancient and miraculous right.
George Herbert

Online worshippers may use the Virtual Offering Plate to make their gifts.
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DOXOLOGY

OLD 100TH

**PRAISE God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

PRAYERS AT THE ALTAR

THE BLESSING

Descant

4 Blest in - hab - it - ants of Zi - on, washed in the Re -

1 Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, ci - ty
 2 See! the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e -
 3 Round each lia - bi - ta - tion hov - ering, see the cloud and
 4 Blest in - hab - it - ants of Zi - on, washed in the Re -

deem - er's blood! Whom their souls re -

of our God; he whose word can - not be
 ter - nal love, well sup - ply thy sons and
 fire ap - pear for a glo - ry and a
 deem - er's blood! Je - sus, whom their souls re -

ly on, makes them kings and priests to God.

bro - ken formed thee for his own a - bode;
 daugh - ters and all fear of want re - move.
 cov - ering, show - ing that the Lord is near.
 ly on, makes them kings and priests to God.

'Tis his love his peo - ple raise o - ver
 on the Rock of A - ges found - ed, what can shake thy
 Who can faint, when such a riv - er ev - er will their
 Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner, light by night, and
 'Tis his love his peo - ple rais - es o - ver self to

self to reign and as priests, his
 sure re - pose? With sal - va - tion's walls sur -
 thirst as - suage? Grace which, like the Lord, the
 shade by day, safe they feed up - on the
 reign as kings: and as priests, his sol - emn

sol - emn prais - es each an of - fering brings.
 round - ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
 giv - er nev - er fails from age to age.
 man - na which he gives them when they pray.
 prais - es each for a thank - of - fering brings.

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DISMISSAL *The people respond: Thanks be to God.*

POSTLUDE Präludium und Fuge e-moll, BWV 533

Johann Sebastian Bach

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Serving Today

The Girls' Choir, HS Singers and Adults
Stacie Waring, Cathy Minuse, Kayleigh Stewart, *Readers*
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Cathy Minuse, Shingmin Lai, *Altar Guild*
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TODAY

The Sunday Forum at 10 am – What Happened at the Lambeth Conference? - Every ten years or so the bishops of the worldwide Anglican Communion meet in England for a gathering called the Lambeth Conference. The invitation comes from the Archbishop of Canterbury, and it is an opportunity to strengthen the ties that bind and examine areas of disagreement. What was on the agenda when the bishop met this summer? The Revs. Don Waring and Julia Offinger will lead the discussion in the Reception Room. Coffee and breakfast treats served.

Newcomers Class – New to Grace Church? Interested in learning more about this community and how to get involved? Come for lunch today at 1 pm in the Reception Room, meet a few new friends, and learn about the many offerings at Grace Church. RSVP to the Rev. Julia Offinger, joffinger@gracechurchnyc.org.

Refreshments and Fellowship – After 9 and 11 am services in Tuttle Hall and the lovely outdoor courtyard called Seymour Close. Join us for coffee or something cool to drink, as well as homemade goodies compliments of the Guild of Bakers.

Wear your nametags! Nametags can be found on the boards in Tuttle Hall. Newcomers are encouraged to visit our new welcome table during coffee hour to create their own nametags. If you are a pledging member and do not see your nametag on the boards in Tuttle Hall, please send Travis Kennedy an email at tkennedy@gracechurchnyc.org so, he can make you one.

Sunday 6 pm Eucharist – The weekly 6 pm Sunday Eucharist in the Chantry has returned. Join us for hymns with instrumentalists and sermon. An important component of the Sunday 6 pm service is Canterbury Downtown – the college fellowship that meets for dinner and discussion after the service. All college students welcome.

The Guild of Bakers – The summer has depleted our stockpile of coffee hour goodies! If you enjoy baking (or buying) cookies, brownies, muffins, or other freezable bite-sized treats, please consider joining a revitalized ministry called the Guild of Bakers. You can participate on your own timetable, whenever the Spirit moves

you. The next time you are baking (or buying) goodies that would be popular at coffee hour, all you have to do is make an extra batch. Just wrap it well and drop it off at the parish office any time during business hours, or on Sundays after church. We have plenty of freezer space to store your culinary creations for a future coffee hour. Please sign up for the “Guild of Bakers” by sending an email to Mickey Hawley, Parish Office Coordinator, at mhawley@gracechurchnyc.org.

COMING SOON

Sept 29 – 20s & 30s Pub Theology – All parishioners in their 20s and 30s are invited to join us at The Penny Farthing, 103 Third Ave., New York, NY 10003 from 6:30-8 pm to catch up with one another and pick our fall book. This will also be an opportunity to meet James Morton, our new Assistant Rector. Email the Rev. James Morton if you plan on attending.

Oct 2 – The Sunday Forum – Back in July the novelist Anne Lamott wrote a provocative op-ed entitled, “I Don’t Want to See a High School Football Coach Praying on the 50-yard Line.” It’s an interesting piece that raises many questions about prayer. At the Sunday Forum on Oct. 2 the Grace Church clergy will reflect on the article and let it lead us into a larger discussion about communing with God. You can read the article by clicking <https://www.nytimes.com/2022/07/08/opinion/prayer-supreme-court-football.html>. Also, we will have copies available at the Forum on 9/25. 10 am in the Reception Room.

Oct 4 – St. Francis Day Blessing of the Animals – If a beloved member of your family has fur, four legs, or even feathers, bring your pet to the Broadway sidewalk in front of Grace Church on Tuesday, October 4, from 2:30 – 4 pm for a blessing. All pets must be leashed or in carriers.

Oct 9 – The Sunday Forum will be on recess for the holiday weekend.

Oct 16 & 23 – The Sunday Forum – Meet the Candidates for Bishop of New York – Last November the Rt. Rev. Andrew Dietsche, Bishop of New York announced his plans to retire. Since then a search committee has been at work to nominate a slate of candidates who will stand for election at the Cathedral on Saturday, December 3. How will the electing convention work? Who are the candidates and what gifts and abilities would they bring to the ministry of bishop? Join us for two Sunday Forum sessions on the upcoming election, 10 am in the Reception Room.

Oct 22 – Volunteer Day at The Red Door Place – Help us prepare a meal for our neighbors at The Red Door Place at The Church of the Village, our food ministry partner. Email the Rev. James Morton if you plan on attending.

Oct 30 – The Sunday Forum – The Episcopal Church and Abortion – With the Supreme Court’s recent overturning of Roe v. Wade the topic of abortion has been much in the news. What has the Episcopal Church said officially about abortion and the many issues surrounding it? The Rev. Julia Offinger will review the relevant resolutions from General Conventions, and lead us in theological reflection. 10 am in the Reception Room.

EVERY SUNDAY

9 am Worship Service – The Church is open for in-person worship.

The Sunday Forum – Our weekly discussion forum for adults that examines theological, political, and social topics of Christian concern meets most Sundays in the Reception Room from 10 – 10:45 am.

11 am Worship Service – The Church is open for in-person worship. Service continues to be video-streamed every week.

Children’s Chapel - During the 11 am service. Children ages 4-12 are invited to start church with their parents in the pews and then join Father James or Mother Julia in the chantry for a time of learning and prayer.

Nursery Care – The nursery is open from 9 am – 12 pm in the room next to the Sunday School classroom, across Tuttle Hall. Adult supervision is required.

Coffee Hour - Coffee and fellowship will be available today in Tuttle Hall following the 9am service. Join us for a festive fellowship hour in Huntington Close (weather permitting) after the 11 am service.

Activity Corner for Children – In the north aisle of the church you will find coloring supplies, and books for children to use during the service. Please return all materials before you leave, and help us keep the area clean for future families.

6 pm Worship Service in the Chantry

EVERY WEEK

Monday – Centering Prayer (over Zoom) – 12:15-12:45 pm – Christian silent prayer that prepares us to receive the gift of God’s presence. Led by Currie Estreich, MA, Spiritual Direction, the General Theological Seminary. For Zoom access, please see The Weekly Epistle or email the Rev. Julia Macy Offinger at joffinger@gracechurchnyc.org.

Tuesday-Friday – Bach at Noon (Held in the church during open hours and on YouTube Live) 12:20 pm - 30 minutes of music by J.S. Bach, played on the Bicentennial Organ. Subscribe to our channel: [Grace Church in New York Organ Meditations - YouTube](#)

Wednesday – Women’s Bible Study – 10:30 am on Zoom with the Rev. Julia Offinger. Contact Julia for Zoom instructions.

Wednesday – 6 pm Eucharist in the Chantry

Saturday – Weekend Organ Meditation – 4 pm - 45-minutes of diverse music played on the Bicentennial Organ.

Enter, Rest, Pray (CHURCH IS OPEN) Monday - Saturday from noon – 5 pm.

OUTREACH

October is Tuna Month! – Canned tuna is a staple that food pantries always need. Help us make a special push to ensure The Red Door Place is well stocked this October. More information about this ministry can be found below.

Food Donations for The Red Door Place – Our food ministry partner, The Red Door Place at The Church of the Village, is a vital pantry/soup kitchen serving those in need supporting the social safety net in our neighborhood. Donations are desperately needed. Non-perishable food item(s) may be dropped off in the collection baskets in the narthex when you visit Grace Church during open hours. We also have two volunteer days at The Red Door Place planned for this fall on Oct 22 and Nov 19. Email the Rev. James Morton if you plan on attending.

Fresh Direct (or Other Reusable Bags) Needed – The Red Door Place is also seeking donations of Fresh Direct or other reusable bags to support its ministries. If you’d like to donate bags, you can place these in the collection baskets in the narthex with the food items.

Help Ukrainian Families – Episcopal Relief & Development is working to provide humanitarian assistance to the more than 2 million people who have had to leave Ukraine. Specifically, their partner ACT Alliance is helping families on the Hungarian border, and their Anglican partners are mobilizing both an immediate and long-term response in Poland, Romania and Hungary. Your emergency gift will provide cash, blankets, hygiene supplies and other needs as this crisis unfolds. Visit <https://support.episcopalrelief.org/ukraineresponse> to make a donation today.

PARISH LIFE

Baptism at Grace Church – The sacrament of baptism takes place during a weekly, public worship service about once a month. If you are interested in baptism for yourself or a child, please first be in touch with The Rev. Julia Offinger at joffinger@gracechurchnyc.org to discuss next steps. Attendance at one class prior to your chosen baptism date is required. Upcoming classes: Sunday, October 16 at 4 pm; Friday, November 4 at 5 pm; Saturday, December 10 at 11 am. Upcoming baptism dates: Sunday, October 23 at 9 am; Sunday, November 6 at 11 am, Sunday, January 8, 2023 at 11 am.

Grace Cares – Would you like a visit at home or at the hospital? Do you need assistance in getting to church or an appointment? Are you struggling and in need of a friendly phone call? Would you like the Sunday lessons read to you or the service bulletin brought to you? Would you like to receive communion in your home? Grace has a pastoral care team that provides these services and more. Contact the Rev. Julia Macy Offinger at joffinger@gracechurchnyc.org.

Restrooms are available on the 1st floor of the parish house, through the north aisle door near the baptismal font.

Safe Church – Grace Church is committed to providing its members, staff, and visitors with a place that is free of abuse and harassment. If you have observed, or personally experienced sexual or other forms of harassment, or other concerning behavior while attending activities, classes, or events held at Grace Church, or on our shared campus with Grace Church School, we encourage you to notify us. Please visit <https://gracechurchnyc.org/safechurch/> where you will find a direct means of providing feedback.

COVID SAFE

Mask and Vaccine Optional – In order to bring Grace Church more in line with comparable NYC establishments, vaccines, though still strongly encouraged, are no longer required for you to be in the building. Likewise, masks are optional. For those feeling unwell, please join us via the livestream.

Notice

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