

GRACE CHURCH IN NEW YORK

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: TRINITY SUNDAY

Confirmation & The Holy Eucharist: Rite I

May 31, 2026 at eleven o'clock A.M.

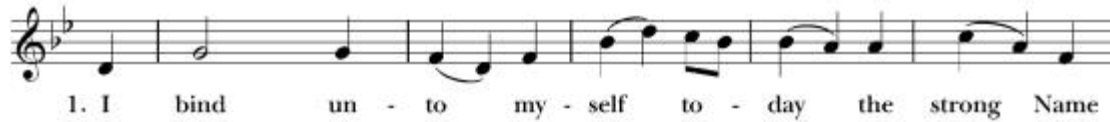
PRELUDE Fugue et Variation

César-Auguste Franck (1822-1890)

HYMN 370 I bind unto myself today

(All stand)

ST. PATRICK'S BREASTPLATE



2. I bind this day to me for ev - er, by power of
*3. I bind un - to my - self the power of the great
*4. I bind un - to my - self to - day the vir - tues
*5. I bind un - to mys - elf to - day the power of



faith, Christ's In - car - na - tion; his bap - tism in the
love of cher - u - bim; the sweet "Well done" in
of the star - lit heaven the glo - rious sun's life -
God to hold and lead, his eye to watch, his



Jor - dan riv - er; his death on cross for my sal - va - tion;
judg - ment hour; the ser - vice of the ser - a - phim;
giv - ing ray, the white - ness of the moon at even,
might to stay, his ear to heark - en, to my need;



his burst - ing from the spic - ed tomb; his rid - ing
con - fess - ors' faith, a - pos - tles' word, the pa - triarchs'
the flash - ing of the light - ning free, the whirl - ing
the wis - dom of my God to teach, his hand to

up the heaven - ly way; his com - ing at the
 prayers, the pro - phets' scrolls; all good deeds done un -
 wind's tem - pes - tuous shocks, the sta - ble earth, the
 guide, his shield to ward; the word of God to

day of doom: I bind un - to my - self to - day.
 to the Lord, and pu - ri - ty of vir - gin souls.
 deep salt sea, a - round the old e - ter - nal rocks.
 give me speech, his heaven - ly host to be my guard.

*6. Christ be with me, Christ with - in me, Christ be - hind me,
 Christ be - neath me, Christ a - bove me, Christ in qui - et,

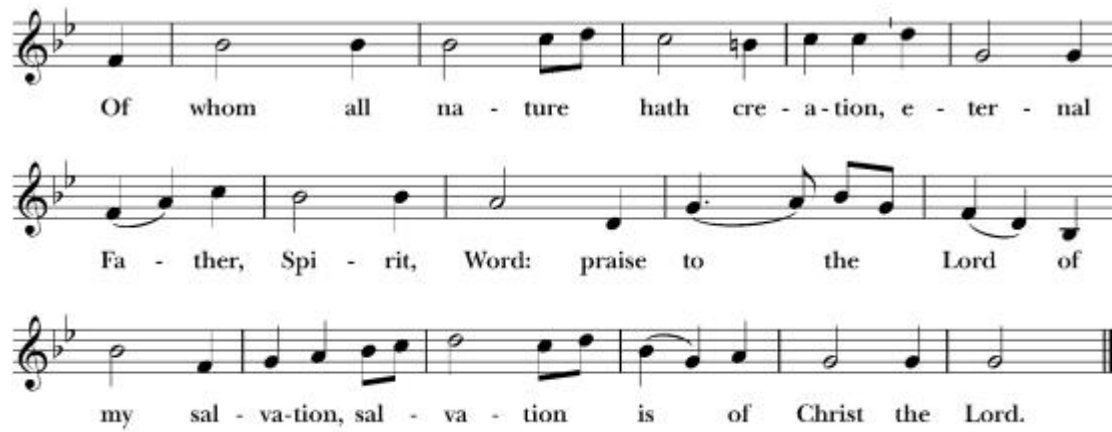
Christ be - fore me, Christ be - side me, Christ to
 Christ in dan - ger, Christ in hearts of all that

win me, Christ to com - fort and re - store me,
 love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stran - ger.

7. I bind un - to my - self the Name, the strong Name

of the Trin - i - ty, by in - vo - ca - tion

of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three.



Of whom all na - ture hath cre - a - tion, e - ter - nal

Fa - ther, Spi - rit, Word: praise to the Lord of

my sal - va - tion, sal - va - tion is of Christ the Lord.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**
Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;
People **There is one hope in God's call to us;**
Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People **One God and Father of all.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And with thy spirit.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast given unto us thy servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity: We beseech thee that thou wouldest keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see thee in thy one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit livest and reignest, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

FIRST LESSON Genesis 1:24-2:3

(Please be seated)

Travis Brock Kennedy

And God said, 'Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.' And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, 'Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.' So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.' God said, 'See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.' And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

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

PSALM 8

(To be sung by choir)

Plainsong Tone V ² (fauxbourdon by *Gerre Hancock*)

- 1 O LORD our Governor, how excellent is thy Name in all the world;
thou that hast set thy glory above the heavens!
- 2 Out of the mouth of very babes and suckling hast thou ordained strength,
because of thine enemies,
that thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger.
- 3 When I consider thy heavens, even the work of thy fingers;
the moon and stars which thou hast ordained;
- 4 What is man, that thou art mindful of him?
and the son of man, that thou visitest him?
- 5 Thou madest him lower than the angels,
to crown him with glory and worship.
- 6 Thou makest him to have dominion of the works of thy hands;
and thou has put all things in subjection under his feet.
- 7 All sheep and oxen;
yea, and the beasts of the field;
- 8 The fowls of the air, and the fishes of the sea;
and whatsoever walketh through the paths of the seas.
- 9 O Lord our Governor,
how excellent is thy Name in all the world!

THE EPISTLE 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Rebecca Dixon

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Reader
People

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

HYMN 362 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

(All stand)

NICAEA

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.

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - mighty - y!
 *2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - mighty - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee:
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the sin - ful hu - man eye thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.
 which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 28:16-20 *(Please stand)*

Celebrant

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

People

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Celebrant

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

SERMON

(Please be seated)

THE RT. REV. MATTHEW F. HEYD
THE BISHOP OF NEW YORK

HYMN 516 Come down, O Love divine (All stand)

DOWN AMPNEY

During the singing of the hymn, children return from the chantry.

The candidates gather before the Bishop at the chancel steps.

1 Come down, O Love di - vine, seek thou this soul of mine,
 2 O let it free - ly burn, till earth - ly pas - sions turn
 3 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,

and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;
 to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
 shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing;

O Com - fort - er, draw near, with - in my heart ap - pear,
 and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,
 for none can guess its grace, till Love cre - ate a place

and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
 and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
 where - in the Ho - ly Spi - rit makes a dwell - ing.

PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

(Please be seated)

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

(Please stand)

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

Book of Common Prayer p. 305

THE CONFIRMATIONS

(Please be seated)

THE RECEPTIONS

THE PEACE

(Please stand)

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please be seated)

THE HOLY COMMUNION

AT THE OFFERTORY, God so loved the world

John Stainer (1840-1901)

God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

John 3:16-17

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DOXOLOGY

(All stand)

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

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING *(Remain standing)*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

***People* And with thy spirit.**

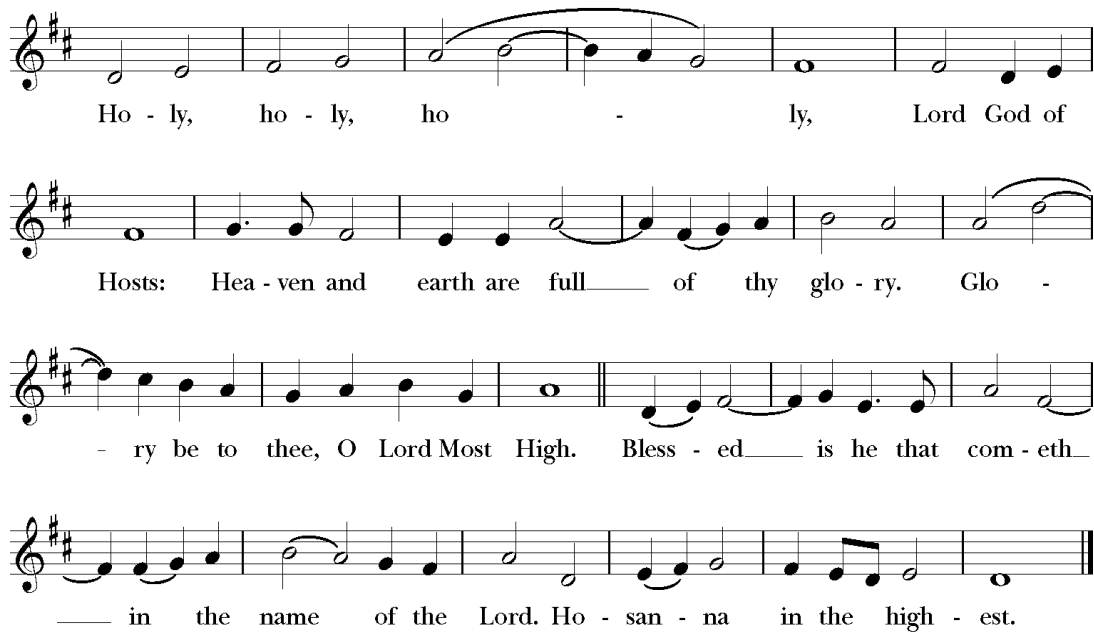
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

***People* We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

***People* It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, thou hast caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of thy glory in the face of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of

Hosts: Hea - ven and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Glo -

- ry be to thee, O Lord Most High. Bless - ed is he that com - eth

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

All may kneel after the Sanctus.

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood. And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *AMEN.*

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

People and Celebrant

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.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

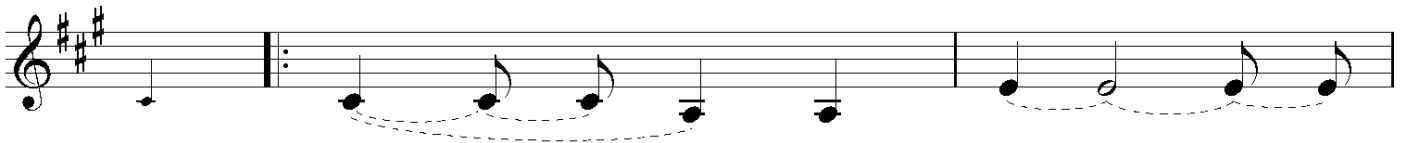
O Lamb of God, that ta - kest a -
 way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -
 on us. O Lamb of God, that
 ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have
 mer - cy up - on us. O Lamb of
 God, that ta - kest a - way the sins of the
 world, grant us thy peace.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following invitation

The gifts of God for the People of God. Take and eat them in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

THE ADMINISTRATION

The Communion is administered (bread only) at the chancel steps. Please approach single file from the center aisle and keep six-feet behind the person in front of you. Return to your pew using the side aisle to your right or left.



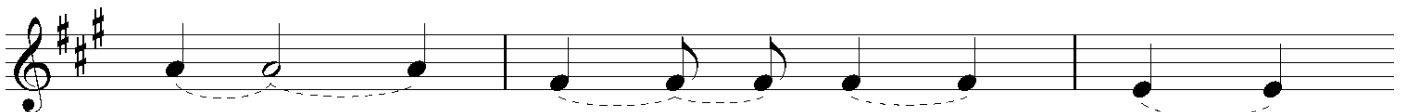
1 I am the bread of life; they who
 2 (The) Bread that I will give is my
 3 (Un-) less you eat of the
 4 I am the re - sur - rec - tion,
 5 (Yes,) Lord, we be - lieve that



1 come to me shall not hun - ger; they who be -
 2 Flesh for the life of the world, and they who
 3 Flesh of the Son of Man and
 4 I am the life. They who be -
 5 you are the Christ, the



1 lieve in me shall not thirst. No one can come to
 2 eat of this bread, they shall live for
 3 drink of his Blood, you shall not have life with -
 4 lieve in me, e - ven if they
 5 Son of God who has



1 me un - less the Fa - ther draw them.
 2 ev - er. they shall live for ev - er.
 3 in you. you shall not have life with - in you.
 4 die, they shall live for ev - er.
 5 come in - to the world.

Descant

And I will raise them up, and I will raise them

Refrain

And I will raise them up, and I will raise them

up, and I will raise them up on the

up, and I will raise them up on the

last day. 5 Yes, day.

last day. 2 The
3 Un- day.
4 —
5 Yes,
(?)

Final Ending

The descant may be sung after stanzas 4 and 5.

AT THE COMMUNION, Almighty and everlasting God

Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625)

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth thy right hand to help and defend us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Collect for the Third Sunday after Epiphany (1662 BCP)

The Celebrant and People say together:

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(Please kneel)*

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in, through Jesus Christ our Lord to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

1 Ho - ly Fa - ther, great Cre - a - tor, source of mer - cy,
 2 Ho - ly Je - sus, Lord of glo - ry, whom an - gel - ic
 3 Ho - ly Spi - rit, Sanc - ti - fi - er, come with unc - tion
 4 God the Lord, through ev - ery na - tion let thy won - drous
 love, and peace, look up - on the Me - di - a - tor,
 hosts pro - claim, while we hear thy won - drous sto - ry,
 from a - bove, touch our hearts with sa - cred fire,
 mer - cies shine. In the song of thy sal - va - tion
 clothe us with his right - eous - ness; heaven - ly Fa - ther,
 meet and wor - ship in thy Name, dear Re - deem - er,
 fill them with the Sa - vior's love. Source of com - fort,
 ev - ery tongue and race com - bine. Great Je - ho - vah,
 heaven - ly Fa - ther, through the Sa - vior hear and bless.
 dear Re - deem - er, in our hearts thy peace pro - claim.
 Source of com - fort, cheer us with the Sa - vior's love.
 Great Je - ho - vah, form our hearts and make them thine.

Words: Alexander Viets Griswold (1766-1843), alt.

Music: *Regent Square*, Henry Thomas Smart (1813-1879); desc. Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971)

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

POSTLUDE Fanfare

Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens (1823-1881)

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Confirmation

*Laura Rooney Bradford, Christopher John Broshears, Lucan Foti-Brown,
Pamela Charmaine Chan, Claire Conover, Kate Conover, Miles Conover,
Harper Page Evans, Vanessa Han, Thomas Paul Hurtubise,
Audrey Lynlee Jones (at the Cathedral, 6/6), Keagan Celeste Lindsey,
Sammy McCullough, Gwyneth Miller, Ethan Charles Myers, Theo Nichols,
Ewan MacGregor Ritchie Niven, Martha Pertuz, Frankie Peterson,
Isla Popov, Alexandra Leahy Raine, Johnny Shteyngart, Emily Snyder,
Julia Suklevski, Wendy Aiko Suzuki, John Haohang Wang,
Melanie Ann White, Mason Lok-gi Wong*

Reception

Christopher Edward Blume, Kristen Gabriela Niven, Ezio Gene Raicovich

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Serving Today

The Choir of Adults and Girls with HS Singers
Lesa Bowman, Nancy Qing Huang, Rachel Thompson, *Acolytes*
Travis Brock Kennedy, Rebecca Dixon, *Readers*
Charlie Johnston, Colin Heywood, Susan Soler Nascimento, Gene Raicovich, *Ushers*
Ginger Blake, *Altar Guild*
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TODAY

The Rt. Rev. Matthew F. Heyd, Bishop of New York, will visit Grace Church at the 9 and 11 am services. Our largest confirmation class in over 20 years, 31 Confirmands, will make a mature commitment to Christ and receive strength from the Holy Spirit through prayer and the laying on of hands by the Bishop.

Coffee and Fellowship take place today in Tuttle Hall following the 9 and 11 am services. Come enjoy coffee, conversation, and a variety of treats that have been provided. A festive reception (including cake) to celebrate the Confirmands and welcome the Bishop follows the 11 am service.

Sunday Evening Christian Formation Returns – Back in the fall we explored the works of George Herbert, one of the great 17th century poet-priests. Herbert’s poems embrace every shade of the spiritual life, from love and closeness, to anger and despair, to reconciliation and hope. In this three-week extension of the class from the fall, this course will employ Herbert’s poetry to help us relate to God in new and even surprising ways. Led by the Rev. James Morton, we will meet in the Chantry on Sundays May 31, June 7, and June 14 immediately following the 6 pm service. No advance reading is necessary to participate. Refreshments served.

COMING SOON

June 2 – 20s & 30s Pub Theology – The next 20s & 30s Pub Theology will take place at 6:45 pm in the reception room of the Parish House. We’ll explore intersections of the divine and our everyday lives. No advance reading is necessary! Pizza, wine, and non-alcoholic beverages will be served. Email the Rev. James Morton (jmorton@gracechurchnyc.org) to RSVP.

June 7 – 9 am Parish Choir – Anyone wishing to sing in the Parish Choir can meet Dr. Allen in the choir pews at 8:30 am for a brief rehearsal.

June 7 – Annual Parish Picnic and Choir Recognition Sunday – Everyone is invited to enjoy our annual parish picnic on Huntington Close following the 11 am service! Join us in celebration of the choir ministries of Grace Church and help bring our program year to a joyous and festive close. Suggested donation at the door is \$10 per person.

June 7 – Thank you, Molly! – June 7 will be Molly’s last day at Grace Church. Molly has been a treasure of a seminarian, diving deep into all things Grace Church from directing the Christmas pageant to leading Women’s Bible Study to facilitating youth confirmation classes. Come celebrate Molly at the parish picnic as we give thanks for a wonderful year!

June 24, July 22, Aug 26 – Summer Cookouts – Mark your calendars for Wednesdays June 24, July 22, and August 26, when we will gather for summer cookouts at 6:30 pm on Huntington Close. The clergy will be grilling, the GCW will serve ice cream, the playground will be open for the children, and we’ll have burgers, hot dogs, salads, desserts, and drinks for all. Join us rain or shine! We will move inside to Tuttle Hall if need be.

EVERY SUNDAY

Worship with us at 9 and 11 am in the church and at 6 pm in the chantry. The 11 am service is livestreamed at gracechurchnyc.org/worship/live/.

Coffee hour and fellowship take place in Tuttle Hall following the 9 and 11 am services.

Children’s Chapel – During the 11 am service, children ages 5–12 are invited to start church with their parents in the pews and then join a member of the clergy and a musician in the chantry for a time of singing, stories, and prayer. Younger children are welcome to attend with an adult. Children return during the announcements.

Nursery Care – The nursery is open from 8:30 am–12:30 pm (during and between both morning services). The room is located in the Sunday School wing just off Tuttle Hall and is professionally staffed according to Safe Church guidelines. Adults can sign children ages 0–4 in and out at their convenience. Please be sure to collect your children by 12:30 pm. Please contact our seminarian, Molly Gouran, at Parishlife@gracechurchnyc.org for more information.

Activity Corner for Children – In the north aisle of the church, you will find activity bags, 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.

Hymns from Grace – Held in the church and on the Grace Church NYC Vimeo channel at 4 pm through May 31, 2026 – 45 minutes of favorite hymns, anthems and voluntaries played on The Bicentennial Organ.

EVERY WEEK

Monday – Centering Prayer – 12:15–12:45 pm – In person and on Zoom. 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. To practice in person, please come to the southeast corner of the church, just to the right of the organ and behind the pulpit. If you come down the center or north aisle and turn right, you'll see the spot set up. From June 22–September 14, Centering Prayer will meet in the reception room. Please enter through the 802 Broadway gate just north of the main doors of the church.

Wednesday – Bach at Noon Summer Schedule – Held in the church and on the Grace Church NYC Vimeo channel at 12:20 pm through September 9, 2026. 30 minutes of music by J.S. Bach, played on The Bicentennial Organ.

Wednesday – 6 pm Holy Eucharist in the Chantry – All are welcome at this service of scripture, prayer, and Communion.

Enter, Rest, Pray (Open Door Hours) Monday through Saturday, 12–5 pm. Sundays, 8:30 am–5 pm. The Sunday 6 pm service is in the chantry.

OUTREACH

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 items may be dropped off in the collection baskets in the narthex when you visit Grace Church during open hours. Clothing donations are not needed for this ministry.

Fresh Direct Bags Needed – The Red Door Place is also seeking donations of Fresh Direct bags to support its ministries. Please note that they only accept Fresh Direct bags. Other reusable bags are not needed. If you would like to donate bags, please place them in the collection baskets in the narthex with the food items.

Knitters and non-knitters unite! Love to knit, curious how to start, or just want to dust off those old needles and plunge into purling again? We want you! We are looking for all levels of knitters to help grow our partnership with the Seamen’s Church Institute and the Christmas at Sea program by knitting heart-made hats, scarves, and mittens. If you are interested, please contact Ashleigh Madureira at amadureira1@gmail.com. Just include your name, the number of adults/children in your household that may be interested, and the level(s) of experience. No experience is OK!

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

Choir Tour – The choirs will soon embark on their summer concert tour! From June 12–20, the Choirs will sing in Normandy and Paris. Featured locations of concerts are the American Cemetery at Normandy, Mont-Saint-Michel, and Notre Dame–Paris. Please keep them in your prayers as they spread their light and love through music.

Baptism at Grace Church – The sacrament of baptism takes place during a weekly, public worship service about once a month. The next regularly scheduled baptisms at Grace Church will take place on June 14. Please make your plans around this date and email the Rector at dwaring@gracechurchnyc.org. Attendance at one class prior to your chosen baptism date is required.

300 Giving Households! – We have exceeded our goal of 300 pledging households in 2026, the highest number of pledging households in the 218-year history of Grace Church. Thank you to everyone who has pledged! We are grateful to have you in our midst, shaping this parish community. Now we are forging ahead to 350, with more fanfare to come if we reach it. If you have not yet made a pledge, there is still time! Make a pledge online at <https://gracechurchnyc.org/donate/annual-campaign/2026-pledge-form/> or place your completed pledge envelope in the offering plate any Sunday.

Join the Choir! – Do you have a child in grades two through twelve? The Choirs are always recruiting and, with creative scheduling, all young people are eligible to participate, not just those who attend Grace Church School. It's fun, y'all come! Contact Patrick Allen via email at pallen@gracechurchnyc.org to work out the details. Please visit the choirs page at <https://gracechurchnyc.org/music/choirs/> for more information about the choirs.

Parish Choir – Do you like to sing? On the first Sunday of the month during the program year, a professional quartet of singers will form the core of the Parish Choir, making it easier for volunteers to join in, even when they aren't confident of their own musical abilities. There is safety in numbers! If you'd like to give the Parish Choir a try, meet Dr. Allen in the choir pews for a brief rehearsal at 8:30 am on first Sundays, September to June.

Evening Worship in the Chantry – If you cannot be here on Sunday mornings, note that every week we offer two evening opportunities for worship. The Sunday and Wednesday 6 pm services in the chantry include Holy Eucharist, sermon, and lively hymn singing accompanied by our Steinway grand piano. The first Wednesday of every month includes prayers for healing and anointing with oil. Evening services are often followed by classes or a Bible Study. See "Coming Soon" for more information about current offerings.

Altar Flowers – Every Sunday, the flowers on the altar assist our prayers by reminding us of the beauty of God's creation. The gift of flowers is a wonderful way to remember a departed loved one or give thanks for a happy occasion such as a birthday or an anniversary. The flowers not only brighten our Sundays, but remain on the altar most of the week for school chapels and open-door hours. The cost for sponsoring the arrangements on both sides of the cross is \$400, but donors can also go in together and jointly sponsor a Sunday. Either way, we will list the givers and the occasions in the Sunday bulletin. Please note that during Advent and Lent we observe those seasons with simpler arrangements that do not include flowers. That said, many other Sundays are available for flower donors to claim. If you are interested, please email Mickey Hawley in the parish office at mhawley@gracechurchnyc.org.

Become a Worship Leader – Readers, ushers, and altar guild members play vital roles in all our services here at Grace Church. If you feel called to help us lead worship and are interested in learning more about any of these opportunities, email the Rev. James Morton at jmorton@gracechurchnyc.org and he can help you connect to a ministry that suits you.

Is hospitality your forte? Would you like to help put on parish events? If so, the Hospitality Guild wants your help! Throughout the year, Grace Church puts on many special events and opportunities for table fellowship. At parish dinners, summer cookouts, and other festive receptions, the Hospitality Guild helps set the table, lay the buffet, and extend the church's hospitality to members and newcomers alike. If you would like to be on the list of people we reach out to when we need hospitality volunteers, please email Travis Kennedy at tkennedy@gracechurchnyc.org.

Nametags can be found on the boards in Tuttle Hall. Newcomers are encouraged to visit our 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 email Travis Kennedy at tkennedy@gracechurchnyc.org so he can make you one.

20s & 30s at Grace Church – We have a very active group of parishioners in their twenties and thirties here at Grace who meet regularly for Pub Theology and other seasonal events. If you are interested in connecting with us, please email the Rev. James Morton at jmorton@gracechurchnyc.org and he will add you to our email list.

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. James Morton at jmorton@gracechurchnyc.org.

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

Please refrain from eating and drinking in the church to help keep the church a clean and peaceful space for all.

Nut-Free Fare – To ensure the safety of all our parishioners, every precaution is taken to provide food that is nut-free at coffee hours and other receptions. If you are bringing treats for others to enjoy, please make sure they are nut-free.

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/safeguarding-our-community/> to find a direct means of providing feedback.

Assistive Listening System – During Sunday morning worship services, Grace Church provides an assistive listening system (ALS) for visitors with hearing loss. Please bring a small, handheld FM radio to the church to access this system. Once at the church, tune in to frequency 87.6 mHZ on your FM dial to listen. Please visit <https://gracechurchnyc.org/assistive-listening/> for more information.

Give Via Venmo – If you don't have cash on you, but still want to give to Grace Church, you can make a donation via Venmo at <https://venmo.com/u/GraceChurchNYC>. Use the "What's it for?" line to tell us the specific project or program you want to support.

Thank you for worshipping with us.