GRACE CHURCH IN NEW YORK

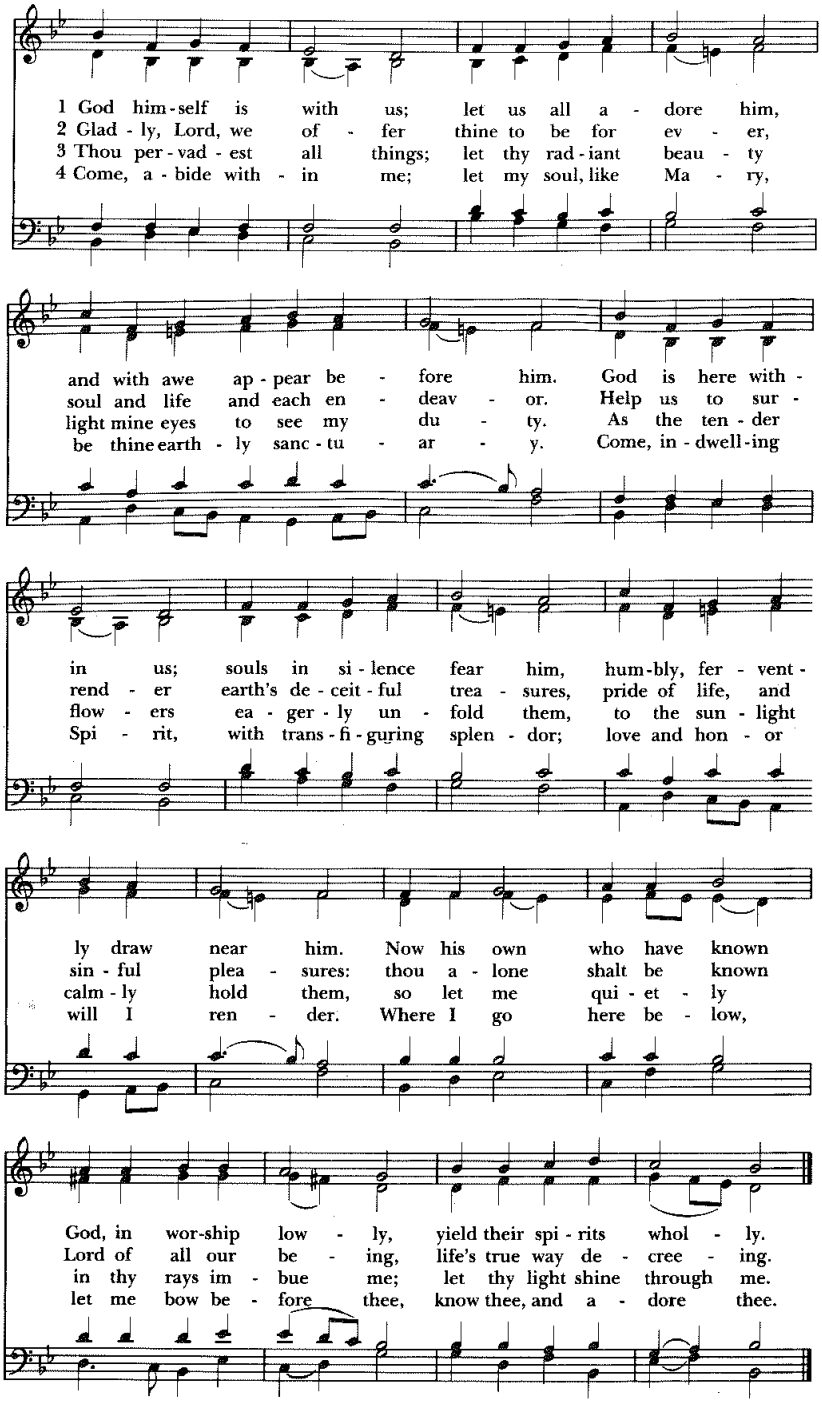
THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Morning Prayer & Sermon

November 15, 2026 at eleven o'clock A.M.

PRELUDE Choral nº1 en Mi majeur *César August Franck* (1822-1890)

HYMN 475 God himself is with us *(All stand)* TYSK



Words: Gerhardt Tersteegen (1697-1769); tr. *Hymnal 1940*, alt.;
st. 3, tr. Henry Sloane Coffin (1877-1954)
Music: *Tysk*, from *Psalm und Choralbuch*, 1719 668. 668. 666

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. Ang1ican 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 Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18 *(Please be seated.)* Ansley Galjour

Be silent before the Lord God! For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, "The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm." Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the Lord, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

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

PSALM 90:1-8, 12 *(To be said by all)* *Domine, refugium*

1 Lord, you have been our refuge *
from one generation to another.

2 Before the mountains were brought forth,
or the land and the earth were born, *
from age to age you are God.

3 You turn us back to the dust and say, *
"Go back, O child of earth."

4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past *
and like a watch in the night.

5 You sweep us away like a dream; *
we fade away suddenly like the grass.

6 In the morning it is green and flourishes; *
in the evening it is dried up and withered.

7 For we consume away in your displeasure; *
we are afraid because of your wrathful indignation.

8 Our iniquities you have set before you, *
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.

12 So teach us to number our days *
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

SECOND LESSON 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Michie Miller

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

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

ANTHEM, Sing my soul *Ned Rorem* (1923-2022)

Sing, my soul, his wondrous love,
Who, from yon bright throne above,
Ever watchful o'er our race,
Still to man extends his grace.

Heaven and earth by him were made;
All is by his scepter swayed;
What are we that he should show
So much love to us below?

God, the merciful and good,
Bought us with the Saviour's blood,
And, to make our safety sure,
Guides us by his Spirit pure.

Sing, my soul, adore his name!
Let his glory be thy theme:
Praise him till he calls thee home;
Trust his love for all to come.

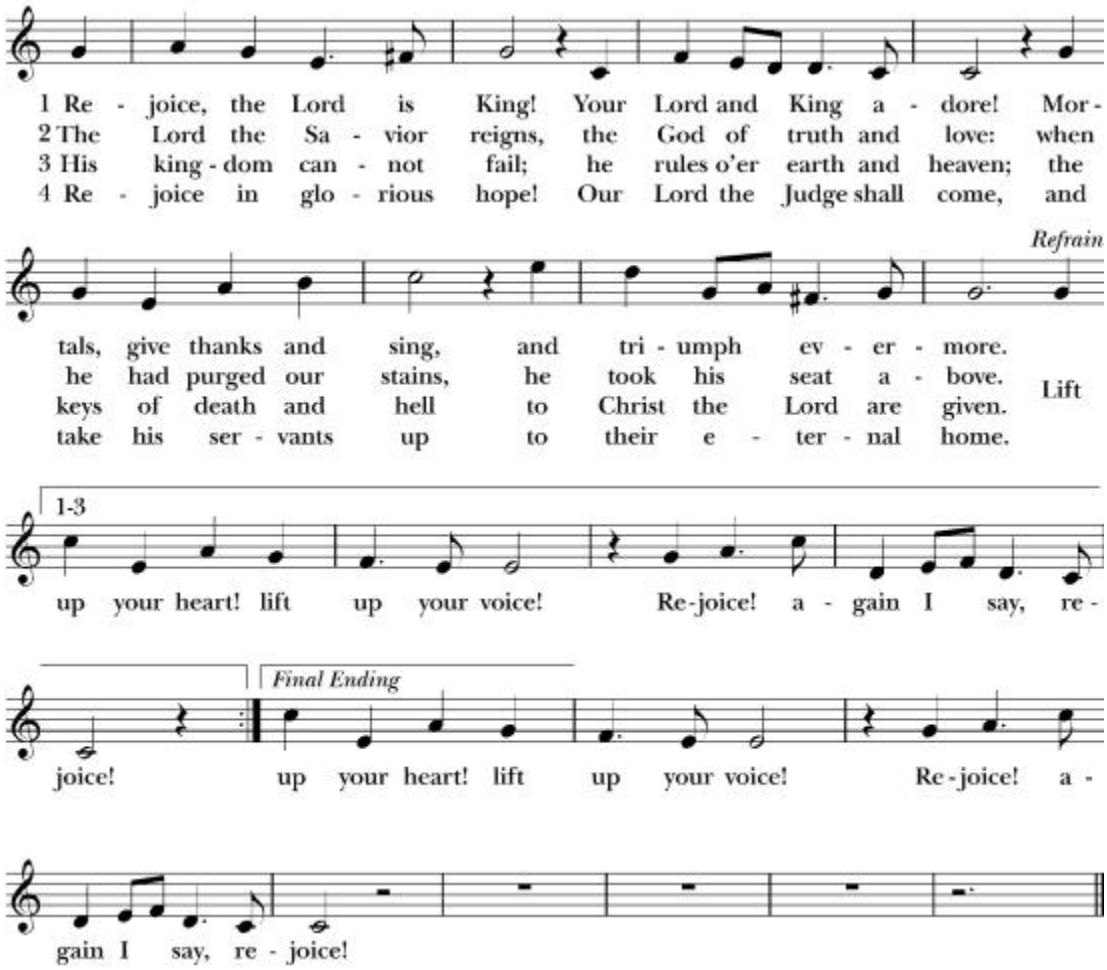
Anonymous

THIRD LESSON Matthew 25:14-30 *(Please be seated)* Stacie Waring

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

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

HYMN 481 Rejoice, the Lord is King! (*All stand to sing the hymn)* GOPSAL



SERMON *(Please be seated.)* THE REVEREND JAMES H.B. MORTON III

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

SUFFRAGES A *Book of Common Prayer p. 55*

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

Blessed Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them; that, by patience and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; 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, I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne *John Stainer* (1840-1901)

I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and His train filled the temple. Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. And one cried unto another, Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Hosts: the whole earth is full of His glory. And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.

O Trinity! O Unity!
Be present as we worship Thee,
And with the songs that angels sing
Unite the hymns of praise we bring. Amen.

Isaiah 6:1-4

Online worshippers may use the Virtual Offering Plate to make their gifts.
https://gracechurchnyc.org/donate/plate/

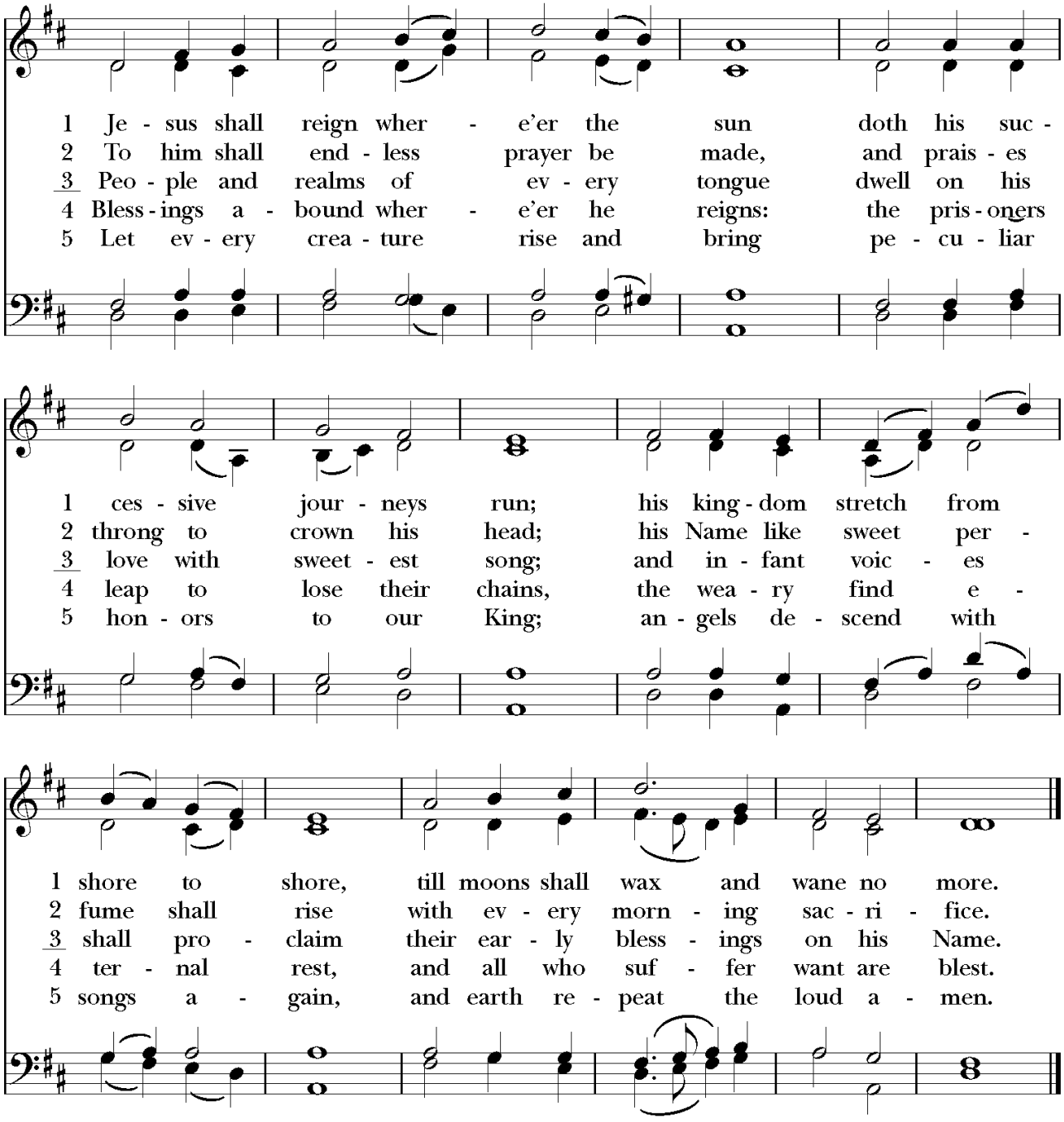
DOXOLOGY OLD 100TH

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

HYMN 544 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun *(All stand.)* DUKE STREET



Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. Music: *Duke Street,* John Hatton (d. 1793)

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

POSTLUDE Premier Symphonie, Opus 14, Final *Louis Vierne* (1870-1937)

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The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Peter A. Bordes.

Serving Today

The Choir of Adults and Girls with HS Singers
Ivey Ao, *Acolyte*
Ansley Galjour, Michie Miller, Stacie Waring, *Readers*
Rachel Kuhns, Colin Heywood, Kristin Whitehurst, Vanessa Han, Shingmin Lai, *Ushers*
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TODAY

Coffee hour and fellowship take place in Tuttle Hall following the 9 and 11 am services. Coffee and breakfast treats available, as always.

The Sunday Forum – Episcopal Church Building in New York City: An Architectural Overview – This Sunday Forum invites participants on a journey through the rich architectural heritage of the Episcopal Church on the island of Manhattan. From humble colonial-era chapels to majestic Gothic Revival landmarks, both finished and unfinished, Episcopal architecture has left an indelible mark on New York's urban fabric. Led by Cole Wagner, this talk will highlight notable buildings that have shaped the city's cultural and religious landscape and that embody the spiritual imagination of their time.

Newcomer Open House – Beginning at 10 am in the Chantry— New to the Grace Church community and looking to learn more? Join us in the chantry between the two morning services to meet other new parishioners, ask any questions you might have, and learn a little more about what it means to "join" the church. Drop in anytime between 10 and 10:45, we'll have plenty of coffee and donuts on hand. Please contact the Rev. Eva Suarez to learn more!

Learning to Pray | Sunday Evening Adult Formation – George Herbert once described prayer as "the church's banquet" and that's exactly what prayer should be, a varied feast that will never fail to fill us. Meeting a total of two evenings, today and next Sunday, this course explores a wide range of prayer practices and offers resources for those who want to pray more. Led by the Rev. James Morton, we will meet in the chantry on Sunday nights immediately following the 6 pm service. No advance reading is necessary to participate. Refreshments served.

2027 Annual Pledge Campaign: "The Bread of Life" – On November 1, we began receiving financial commitments for supporting the work of the Lord through Grace Church in 2027. All parishioners and friends of the parish are asked to support the ministry of Grace Church by making an annual pledge. In this way we not only support the church, but give thanks to God for all the blessings of life. To make your pledge, please fill out the pledge

envelope (in the pews and in your mailbox at home), place it in the offering plate, or return it to the parish office as soon as you can. You may also make your pledge online using the QR code or at https://gracechurchnyc.org/donate/annual-campaign/2027-pledge-form/. You have all of 2027 to make your payments!

Questions about Pledging? Contact Travis Kennedy at tkennedy@gracechurchnyc.org or 212-254-2005. If your employer offers a program that matches your charitable giving, please contact Travis to learn about how you can amplify your giving by pledging to Saving Grace NYC.

The Guild Room is temporarily out of service as we make a major, ongoing plumbing repair. Thank you for your understanding.

COMING SOON

Nov 16 – Annual Campaign Party – Join us for a festive gathering of hors d'oeuvres and beverages at the home of Ravi Chanmugam and Christina Lucas. Our purpose will be to enjoy the delightful fare and thank the generous givers who support the ministry of Grace Church. We are most grateful to Ravi and Christina for hosting the event in their beautiful home while the rectory is out of commission. Make your pledge and RSVP to Travis Kennedy at tkennedy@gracechurchnyc.org for the address and other details.

Nov 17 – Choral Evensong – Choral Evensong is offered most Tuesdays at 6 pm while Grace Church School is in session. This gentle evening prayer office lasts about thirty minutes and is sung by the combined Boy and Girl Junior Choristers with Senior Mentors. It is very child friendly.

Nov 18 – Women's Bible Study –Wisdom, Folly, & What Is It All For? --Our last session for the month of November will focus on the final 3 chapters of Ecclesiastes and what it means to live life "well". Bible Study runs from 11am-noon, and the zoom room opens 30 minutes early (10:30am) for participants who'd like a chance to meet and chat with one another before class. No advance preparation required, all who identify as women are welcome. Please contact the Rev. Eva Suarez to receive the link.

Nov 18, Dec. 2 & 9th – Parish Bible Study – Prophecy & Truth-Telling—Our series on Lamentations and the Prophets continues, with a special focus on prophecy as an ancient literary genre and how we it speaks to us today. New folks are always welcome, and no advance preparation is needed. Class begins at 6:45 in the reception room (right after the Eucharist service in the chantry), and light refreshments are served. No RSVP required; please contact the Rev. Eva Suarez with any questions.

Nov 18 – Episcopal Charities Tribute Dinner – Every year the Diocese gathers for a gala dinner at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine to support Episcopal Charities, our collective outreach ministry funding parish-based programs in under-resourced communities. To learn more about Episcopal Charities and the dinner, visit their website at https://www.episcopalcharities-newyork.org/. It's not too late to purchase a ticket or two.

Nov 21 – 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. There are two available shifts, 8:30–11:45 am and 11:30 am–2:30 pm. Email the Rev. James Morton if you would like to attend

Nov 22 - Grace Church School Sunday is the day we celebrate the common history and mission of Grace Church and Grace Church School. The Rev. Robbie Pennoyer, Head of School, will lead the 10 am Sunday Forum, "Make us ever mindful: Thoughts on Attention, Episcopal Schools, and Iain McGilchrist's *The Matter with Things.*" Our guest preacher at 11 am will be the Very Rev. Dr. Patrick Malloy, who is the Dean Emeritus of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, and Professor of Liturgics at the former General Theological Seminary. The Music at 11 am will be offered by the Alumni of the Choirs with The Choir of Men and Boys and The Girls' Choir. A festive reception in Tuttle Hall will follow the 11 am service.

Nov 25 – Thanksgiving Eve Service - Join us at 6 pm in the chantry for Holy Communion, sermon, and favorite Thanksgiving hymns. The preacher will be the Rev. Eva Suarez. Note: There is no Thanksgiving Day service.

Nov 29 – Advent begins – Come and Make a Wreath! Rooted in ancient traditions, an Advent Wreath is both a practical tool for marking time and a beautiful reminder to focus our hearts on the coming of Christ amidst the season's hustle and bustle. Join us in Tuttle Hall after both the 9 and 11am services to make your own wreath. Materials and some basic instructions are provided, and experienced wreath-makers are encouraged to help others! Families are welcome to participate, and children must be assisted by an adult. Have questions, or interested in volunteering? Contact the Rev. Eva Suarez for more. (Suggested donation per wreath: $25.)

Nov 29, Dec 6, 13 & 20 – The Annual Advent Collections for local charities will begin on Sunday, Nov 29, with a collection of travel size toiletries for the Seamen's Church Institute Christmas at Sea project. On Sunday, Dec 6, we will collect hats and gloves for the Church of the Ascension Food Pantry. On Sunday, Dec 13, we'll collect new men's underwear (sizes M–XXL) for the Bowery Mission (no t-shirts or socks, please). On Sunday, Dec 20, we'll collect toddler toys and clothing through Room to Grow's Amazon Wish List (link to come). NOTE: Donations will be collected in the baskets at the back of the church at all services for the first three Sundays, but donations for Room to Grow should be made through their Amazon Wish List ONLY. Please give generously this Advent!

Dec 1 – 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 to RSVP.

Dec 4 – Visit to The Morgan Library – Everyone is invited to explore The Morgan Library's new exhibit, Ragtime: Cakewalk in Pianoland, with the GCW! The group will meet at The Morgan (36th Street & Madison Avenue) at 1:30 pm, view the exhibit, then enjoy dinner afterwards at a nearby restaurant. RSVP to Elana.

Dec 4 – Young Adult Network Christmas Party – It's the most wonderful time of the year and the Episcopal Diocese of New York's Young Adult Network Steering Committee (YANSC) invites you to their annual Christmas Party! The festivities will be held Friday, December 4, at 8 pm at Synod House (1021 Amsterdam Ave, New York, NY 10025). RSVP using the QR code or at https://www.paperlesspost.com/go/2v4d2gMf44qQrMsWE38Zv by November 20.

Dec 4 & 5 – Choral Society Christmas Concerts – The Choral Society and Orchestra's annual Christmas Concerts take place in the church on Friday, December 4, at 8:00 pm and Saturday, December 5, at 3:00 pm. This year's program features festive works by Bach, Mendelssohn, Sweelinck, Scheidt, Cecilia McDowall, and Caroline Shaw, along with an audience carol sing. Both concerts typically reach capacity before Thanksgiving. E-tickets required ($32 general admission) and available at www.thechoralsociety.org.

Dec 6 – The Parish Choir – If you are an adult or teen who likes to sing with others, you can join the Parish Choir for the 9 am service. All you have to do is meet Dr. Allen at the chancel steps at 8:30 am and he will ready the group for the service. You will be backed up by a quartet of professional singers, so there is no fear factor if you don't always hit the right note. The Parish Choir typically sings on the first Sunday of every month. Give it a try!

Dec 6 – An Advent Procession with Carols – Readings of scripture foretelling the coming of Christ are interspersed with beautiful music of the season from the four corners of the church. Sung by The Adult Choir at 4 pm in the church.

Dec 9 – The Community Carol Sing – All are welcome to come sing a selection of classic Christmas carols with the choristers in this festive annual event. 12:15-12:45 pm in the church.

Dec 13 – A Ceremony of Carols by Benjamin Britten will be offered by The Girls' Choir with Alumni of the Choir and members of The Adult Choir at 4 pm in the church.

EVERY SUNDAY

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

The Sunday Forum is a weekly opportunity to gather with others at 10 am in the reception room and delve into topics of Christian concern, including theology, history, Scripture, and politics. Coffee and breakfast treats are served.

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 the Rev. Eva Suarez for more information.

Children's Chapel – Children ages 5 and up are invited to start church with their parents in the pews, before joining a member of the clergy 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. Please contact the Rev. Eva Suarez for more information.

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.

Hymns from Grace – Hymns from Grace features favorite hymns, anthems, and voluntaries on The Bicentennial Organ from 4–4:45 pm during the program year. All are invited to attend in person, and you can tune in to the livestream and enjoy recordings of previous offerings via Vimeo: https://vimeo.com/gracechurchnyc.

Canterbury Downtown – Canterbury Downtown is an open and inclusive Episcopal campus ministry for students of Manhattan colleges. Students of all religious and cultural backgrounds are invited to share in a faith-based community, connect with one another, and grow together in Christ. During the academic year, students gather for worship, conversation, and a complimentary meal with Canterbury Downtown Chaplain, the Rev. Megan E. Sanders, following the Sunday 6 pm service in the chantry. All college students are welcome.

EVERY WEEK

Enter, Rest, Pray (Open Door Hours) Sunday: 8:30 am–5 pm, Monday–Saturday: 12–5 pm. Wednesday and Sunday 6 pm services are in the chantry.

Monday – Centering Prayer is offered from 12:14–12:45 pm, both in person and on Zoom. This Christian silent prayer practice prepares us to receive the gift of God's presence and is led by Currie Estreich, MA, Spiritual Direction, the General Theological Seminary. 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 will see the spot set up.

Tuesday–Friday – Bach at Noon is offered by our Organist and Master of Choristers, Dr. Patrick Allen, from 12:20–12:50 pm on The Bicentennial Organ. Stop into the church at any time during this 30-minute meditation to enjoy a diverse selection from the works of J.S. Bach. You can also tune in to the livestream and enjoy recordings of previous offerings via Vimeo: https://vimeo.com/gracechurchnyc.

Wednesday – 6 pm Holy Eucharist in the Chantry – 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. A Bible Study or other class is usually offered right after the service, see "Coming Soon" for more information.

Saturday – Weekend Organ Meditations – Weekend Organ Meditations feature the diverse repertoire of the pipe organ from 4–4:45 pm on Saturdays during the program year. All are invited to attend in person, and you can tune in to the livestream and enjoy recordings of previous offerings via Vimeo: https://vimeo.com/gracechurchnyc.

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.

PARISH LIFE

Baptism and Confirmation at Grace Church – Are you interested in learning more about the sacrament of Baptism for you or a family member? Were you baptized as an infant, and not sure what that means now that you're returning to church as an adult? Grace Church is a place where everyone is welcome to deepen their life of faith. Please contact the Rev. Eva Suarez to learn more about Baptism, Confirmation, and other Rites of Initiation here at Grace.

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.

Altar Flowers – Donations of flowers beautify our sanctuary every week, a steady reminder of the love God shows us in creation. Flowers can be given in memory of a loved one, in celebration of a milestone, or just in general thanksgiving; both donors and their commemorations will be listed in that Sunday's bulletin. The cost to sponsor our usual Sunday display is $400. To learn more, please email our Parish Office Administrator, Mickey Hawley.

Become a Worship Leader – Readers, ushers, and altar guild members play vital roles in all of 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 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 contact a member of the clergy.

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 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 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.

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.

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.

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

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

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.

Do you have an announcement for the bulletin? Please contact a member of the clergy by 12 pm on Wednesday to request to add an announcement to the Sunday bulletin.

Photos and videos taken at services display the vibrancy and joy of Grace Church in print and online materials. As a participant in Grace Church events, you have a right to opt out of photos and videos. To do so, please contact Michelle Henderson at mhenderson@gracechurchnyc.org.

Thank you for worshipping with us today.