# **GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

130 First Avenue, Nyack, New York

The Reverend Tyler Jones, Interim Rector Jan Valentine, Guest Organist (Summer 2022)

# The Tenth Sunday After Pentecost August 14, 2022 10:00am

The Rev. Meigs Ross is our celebrant this morning.

### VOLUNTARY

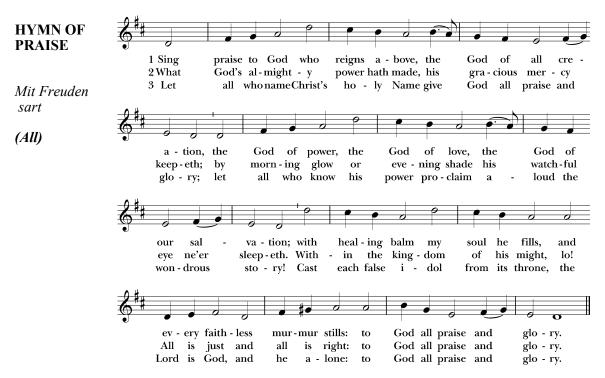


#### ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

# **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 



#### **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. *People: And also with you.* Celebrant: Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

#### SERVICE OF THE WORD (Please be seated)

#### THE FIRST READING

Am I a God near by, says the Lord, and not a God far off? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the Lord. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back-- those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the Lord. Is not my word like fire, says the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

Jeremiah 23:23-29

#### PSALM 82

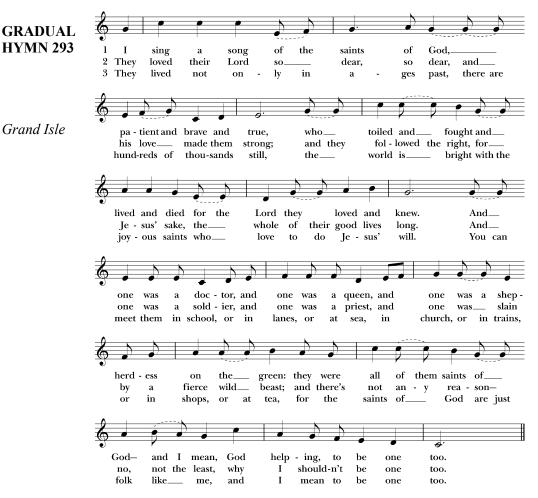
- 1 God takes his stand in the council of heaven; *he gives judgment in the midst of the gods:*
- 2 "How long will you judge unjustly, *and show favor to the wicked*?
- 3 Save the weak and the orphan; *defend the humble and needy;*
- 4 Rescue the weak and the poor; *deliver them from the power of the wicked.*
- 5 They do not know, neither do they understand; they go about in darkness; *all the foundations of the earth are shaken*.
- 6 Now I say to you, 'You are gods, and all of you children of the Most High;
- 7 Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, *and fall like any prince.'''*
- 8 Arise, O God, and rule the earth, *for you shall take all nations for your own.*

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

# THE SECOND READING

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace. And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets-who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented-- of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. *People: Thanks be to God.* 



#### **THE HOLY GOSPEL**

Luke 12:49-56

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law." He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?" The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON The Rev. Meigs Ross (Please be seated)

#### THE NICENE CREED (Please stand)

All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

# THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *Silence* For all people in their daily life and work;

People: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

- Leader: For this community, the nation, and the world;
- People: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.
- Leader: For the just and proper use of your creation;
- People: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.
- Leader: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
- People: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.
- Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
- People: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.
- Leader: For all bishops and other ministers;
- People: For all who serve God in his Church.
- Leader: Hear us, Lord;
- People: For your mercy is great.
- Leader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. *Silence The People may add their own thanksgivings*
- Leader: We will exalt you, O God our King;
- People: And praise your Name for ever and ever.
- Leader: We pray for all who have died, (remembering \_\_\_\_\_) and F. Mildred Dornburgh, Charles & Lucy Whetstone, Avel & Forrest Greene, Cora H. & Albert E. Smith, Frances & Kelsey D. Graham, Elizabeth York, Mary S. Ralli, Evelyn Lombardi & Jeanette Matthews in whose loving memory the flowers this morning are offered, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. *Silence. The People may add their own petitions*
- Leader: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
- People: Who put their trust in you.

Leader: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. Silence may be kept.

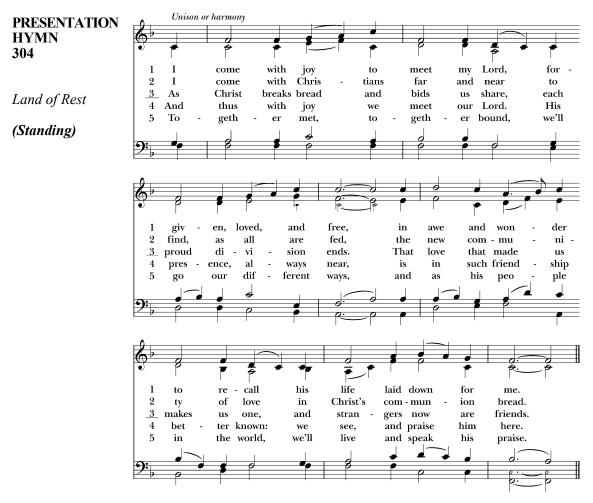
- All: Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen\
- Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

#### THE PEACE

Celebrant:The Peace of the Lord be always with you.People: And also with you.The people are encouraged to exchange the greetings of peace with all around them.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Please be seated)

AT THE OFFERING Voluntary

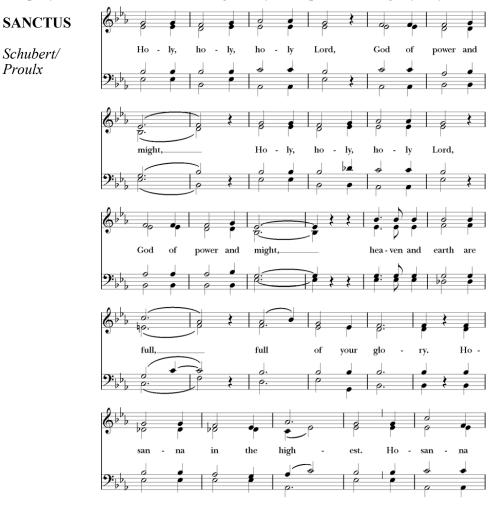


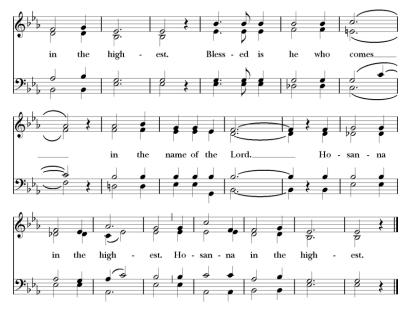
#### THE HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant:	The Lord be with you.	People:	And also with you.
Celebrant:	Lift up your hearts.	People:	We lift them up unto the Lord.
Celebrant: <i>People:</i>	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise.		

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:





Celebrant: Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

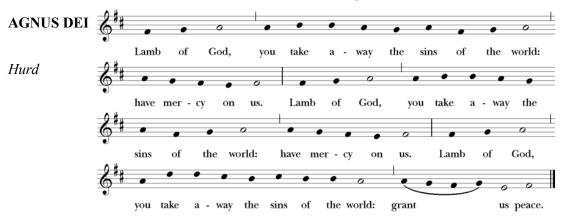
Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. *Amen.* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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 today 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, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

(The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Host. All then sing:)



Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God. All are welcome at God's table.

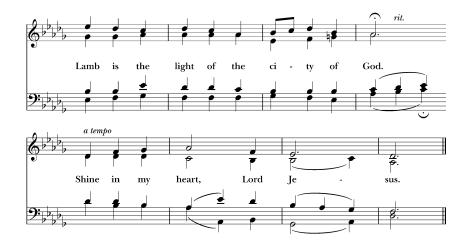
# THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

(All who seek God are welcome to receive communion or a blessing. If you wish a blessing please cross your arms so that your hands are touching your shoulders. All join in singing the hymns.)





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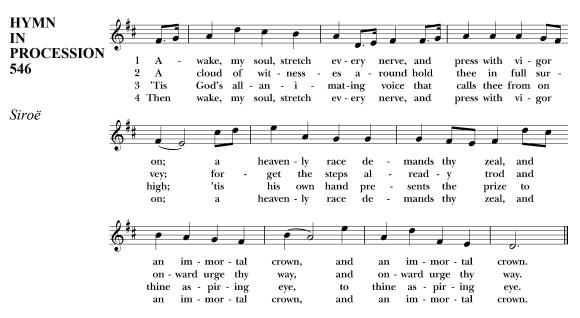


# Celebrant:

All:

Let us pray. Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living membersof your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### THE BLESSING



# DISMISSAL

Subdeacon:Let us go forth, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia.People:Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.



# WELCOME

We hope that you will find in this community of faith a place for spiritual growth and opportunities to give thanks to God for the many gifts bestowed upon you and all God's creatures. We invite people of all ages to participate fully in worship at Grace Church. To learn more about us, fill out a newcomer/visitor card, or visit our website: www.gracechurchnyack.org.

# PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Our vestry, lay leaders, and congregation as we journey together on the search process for a new rector; Lainie Murrell, our postulant to the diaconate; Ian Cochran, Barbara and Peter dePinto, Carol Streichert, JoAnn Stone, Chris Mitchell, Bob, Ginny, Maura McGrath, Gerald and Marjorie Federico, Bob and Donna Weber, Bill & Theresa Weber, Yasso Herath, John and Shirley Federico, Robert Michael Weber, John Pluhowski, Margaret Fulmor Wagner, Margie Winslow, Diana Grace, Al and Carol Lalli, Bill & Lois Steinmann, Jean B., Lynn Johnson, Maude M, Giuseppe Cristofalo, Carmela Cristofalo, Carmelo Cristofalo, Thomas Sproviero, Domenico Fragale, Marianina Fragale, Peter Zakrepine, Ileya Robinson, Sztyk Family, Drozdyk family, William, Ian, Jean, Stephen Yaw, Gloria Karpinsky, Tasha, Melissa Frustaci, Gina Lacey, Shirley Chalke, Amy Miller, David. Suzanne, Diane Churchill, Tanya Perez-Rock, Nancy Collins, Rebecca Gnann, Gilberto Rodriguez and family. For an end to gun violence everywhere.

**FLOWER MEMORIALS** F. Mildred Dornburgh, Charles & Lucy Whetstone, Avel & Forrest Greene, Cora H. & Albert E. Smith, Frances & Kelsey D. Graham, Elizabeth York, Mary S. Ralli, Evelyn Lombardi & Jeanette Matthews

If you'd like to add a name, please let us know: parishoffice@gracechurchnyack.org

# MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR JEANETTE MATTHEWS (March 27, 1937 - January 28, 2020) THIS AFTERNOON AT 1:00pm

We will celebrate the life of Jeanette Matthews here at Grace this afternoon. The Rev. A. Meigs Ross will be celebrant. We invite everyone to join us for this joyful remembrance of Jeanette, whose original service was put on hold due to the pandemic.

**SAVE THE DATE!** Coming on August 31 from ASF: A group reading of the short play "Lazarus," by Rowan Williams, moderated by actress Roberta Nobleman. Details to follow.