



Grace Episcopal Church

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 19, 2021 | 8:00 & 9:30am

Ministers | All of Us

Interim Rector | Stephen Crippen

Homilist | Beth Orling

Music | Martin Cockroft

Tribe | Cherry

Of House-Elves and Children's Tales

Dumbledore said, “You were the seventh Horcrux, Harry, the Horcrux he never meant to make. He had rendered his soul so unstable that it broke apart when he committed those acts of unspeakable evil, the murder of your parents, the attempted killing of a child. But what escaped from that room was even less than he knew. He left more than his body behind. He left part of himself latched to you, the would-be victim who had survived.

“And his knowledge remained woefully incomplete, Harry! That which Voldemort does not value, he takes no trouble to comprehend. Of house-elves and children's tales, of love, loyalty, and innocence, Voldemort knows and understands nothing. *Nothing*. That they all have a power beyond his own, a power beyond the reach of any magic, is a truth he has never grasped.”

~ J.K. Rowling
from *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*
(Scholastic Books, 2007)

Gathering Song | This Little Light

Traditional; verse 1 only.

This little light of mine
I'm gonna let it shine
This little light of mine
I'm gonna let it shine
This little light of mine
I'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

A Call to Worship

Celebrant Come all you people, with songs of praise.

All We raise our voices.

Celebrant Come all you people, seeking justice and peace.

All We open our hearts.

Celebrant Come all you people, our God is near.

All We come with thanksgiving.

Opening Song | Love, Take a Walk

Words and music: Charles Murphy; 9:30 am only

Love take a walk with me.

Love take a walk with me.

Love take a walk with me.

Oh spirit, guide my feet.

Joy take a walk with me.

Joy take a walk with me.

Joy take a walk with me.

Oh spirit, guide my feet.

Hope take a walk with me.

Hope take a walk with me.

Hope take a walk with me.

Oh spirit, guide my feet.

The Collect

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, to let go of anxiety, and to turn to you with confidence and love. Teach us to draw close to the youngest people in our midst, whose ministries reveal to us your presence, and your power. **Amen.**

We are seated for the reading.

The First Reading | Jeremiah 11:18-20

It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew;
then you showed me their evil deeds.

But I was like a gentle lamb
led to the slaughter.

And I did not know it was against me
that they devised schemes, saying,

"Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,
let us cut him off from the land of the living,
so that his name will no longer be remembered!"

But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge righteously,
who try the heart and the mind,

let me see your retribution upon them,
for to you I have committed my cause.

After the reading, the reader will say

The Word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

We stand and say the Psalm.

Psalm | 54

Save me, O God, by your Name;
in your might, defend my cause.

**Hear my prayer, O God;
give ear to the words of my mouth.**

For the arrogant have risen up against me,
and the ruthless have sought my life,
those who have no regard for God.

**Behold, God is my helper;
it is the Lord who sustains my life.**

Render evil to those who spy on me;
in your faithfulness, destroy them.

**I will offer you a freewill sacrifice
and praise your Name, O Lord, for it is good.**

For you have rescued me from every trouble,
and my eye has seen the ruin of my foes.

We are seated for the second reading.

The Second Reading | James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

After the reading, the Reader will say

The Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

We stand and sing.

Gospel Song | Servant Song

Words and music: Richard Gillard. 9:30am only.

1 We are pil - grims on a jour - ney, fel - low trav - ellers
3 I will hold the Christ - light for you in the night - time
4 I will weep when you are weep - ing, when you laugh I'll

on the road; we are here to help each oth - er
of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you,
laugh with you; I will share your joy and sor - row,

walk the mile and bear the load.
speak the peace you long to hear.
till we've seen this jour - ney through.

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

All **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Gospel | Mark 9:30-37

Jesus and his disciples passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.” But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the way?” But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, “Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.” Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, “Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.”

After the Gospel the Celebrant says

The Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Homily

Affirmation of Faith

We stand and say

**We believe in God above us,
maker and sustainer of all life,
of sun and moon,
of water and earth,
of all humanity.**

**We believe in God beside us,
Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh,
Born of a woman's womb, servant of the poor,
he was tortured and nailed to a tree.
Knowing full passion and deep sorrow, he died forsaken.
He descended into the earth to the place of death.
On the third day he rose from the tomb.
He ascended into heaven to be everywhere present,
and his Kingdom will one day be known.**

**We believe in God within us,
the Holy Spirit of Pentecostal fire,
life-giving breath of the Church.
She is the Spirit of healing and forgiveness,
source of resurrection and of life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

The musical score is written in 4/4 time and consists of two systems. The first system has a vocal line and a bass line. The lyrics are: "O God we call, O God we call, from deep in-side we yearn, from". The second system also has a vocal line and a bass line. The lyrics are: "deep in-side we yearn, from deep in-side we yearn for you." Below the first system, the chords are indicated as Am, Fsus2, Am, Fsus2, and C.

Words and music: Linnea Good. 9:30am only

Leader Behold, God is my helper. It is the Lord who sustains my life.
Let us pray for the church, the world, and all who carry heavy burdens.
Silence

Leader We pray for Grace Church in transition, for all who call this their spiritual home, for all people of faith, and for all whose faith is known to God alone. Teach us to love one another, and to follow after things which make for peace.
We offer additional prayers, silently or aloud.

Leader God, in your mercy,
All hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for this nation and our leaders, and for all nations, especially all who are suffering the impact of extreme weather. Give us strong voices to advocate for all who suffer injustice, disruption, violence, and oppression.
We offer additional prayers, silently or aloud.

Leader God, in your mercy,
All hear our prayer.

Leader We pray for all people in need, and for all who long for companionship, hope, and healing. Strengthen us to visit, console, and encourage them. We pray especially for those on our prayer list.
We offer additional prayers, silently or aloud.

Leader God, in your mercy,
All hear our prayer.

Leader We pray in thanksgiving for all who have died, and for those who mourn. Embrace them with your wounded hands, and breathe your peace upon them.
We offer additional prayers, silently or aloud.

Leader God in your mercy,
All hear our prayer.

The Peace

We conclude these prayers with the sharing of God's peace. We remain socially distanced as we greet one another.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

After the peace, we are seated.

The Offering

Celebrant Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us,
 an offering and sacrifice to God.

Those participating in person may place their offering in the basket near the sanctuary entrance at any time before, during, or after the liturgy. Those participating online may make an offering at the following link:

<https://www.gracehere.org/give/>

Offertory Song | Orphan Girl

Words and music: Gillian Welch; 9:30 only; offered by Molly Perri.

I am an orphan on God's highway
But I'll share my troubles if you go my way
I have no mother no father
No sister no brother
I am an orphan girl

But when He calls me I will be able
To meet my family at God's table
I'll meet my mother my father
My sister my brother
No more orphan girl

I have had friendships pure and golden
But the ties of kinship I have not known them
I know no mother no father
No sister no brother
I am an orphan girl

Blessed Savior make me willing
And walk beside me until I'm with them
Be my mother my father
My sister my brother
I am an orphan girl

The Great Thanksgiving

We stand as the table is set with the gifts of our hearts and hands.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

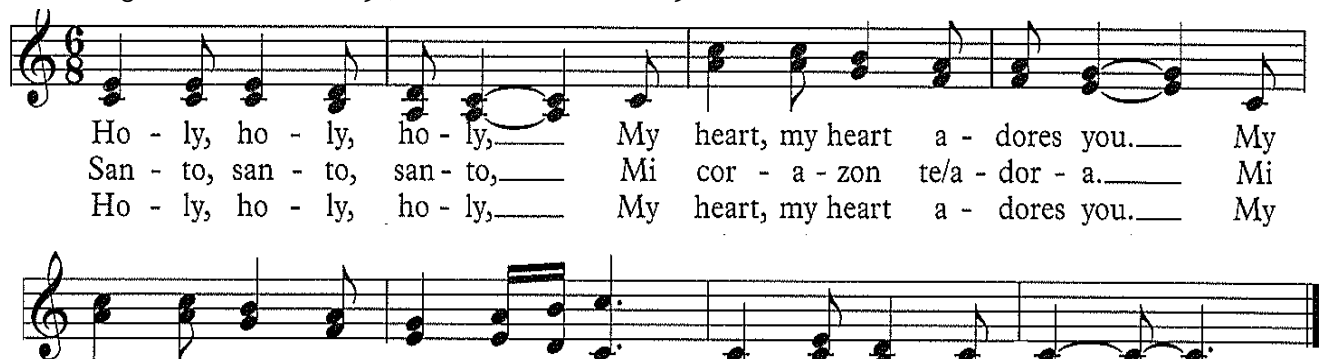
All We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

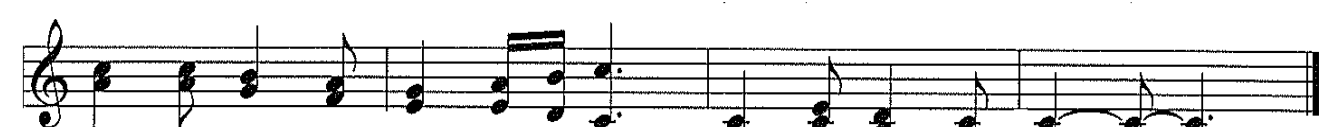
All It is right to give God thanks and praise.

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon and stars; earth, wind and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away. And yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Traditional Argentine. Translated by Josué Alvarez and Debi Tyree



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, My heart, my heart a - dores you. My
 San - to, san - to, san - to, Mi cor - a - zon te/a - dor - a. Mi
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, My heart, my heart a - dores you. My



heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly Lord.
 cor - a - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to/e - res Se - nor.
 heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly Lord.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus, the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.

Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: “Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.”

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again he gave thanks to you, gave it to them and said: “Drink this, all of you. This is my blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Now, gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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

**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

We are now invited to share the gifts of Communion. Please know that at Grace Church, all are invited to receive the Eucharist. The sacrament is God's free gift. Please tell your server if you prefer to receive a wafer that is free from gluten, soy, or dairy.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Song | I've Got a River

Words and music: Darden Burns.

The musical score is written in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of six staves of music. The lyrics are: "I've got a ri-ver of life flow-ing out of me, - It helps the weak to walk and the blind to see, - I've got a ri-ver of life flow-ing out of me, It helps to heal my wounds, and com - forts me. I've got a ri-ver, - I've got a ri - ver, I've got a ri - ver flow-ing out of me. -"

I've got a river of love flowing out of me
It calms the troubled mind and sets me free
I've got a river of love flowing out of me
It brings me peace and calms the sea

I've got a river of love in my life
You've got a river of love if you don't hold too tight
I've got a river of love in my life
We've got a river of love to make things right

Beautiful Things

Words and music: Lisa and Michael Gungor.

You make beautiful things
You make beautiful things out of the dust
You make beautiful things
You make beautiful things out of us
You make us new,
You are making us new

Our Prayer after Communion

We stand and say together

Eternal God,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of 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.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

After we share milestones, please join us in singing, "God Grant Them Many Years."

The Blessing

The blessing of the One, Holy, and Undivided Trinity be among you now,
and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Song | The Peace of the Earth Be with You

Traditional Guatemalan

La paz de la tie-rra es - té con ti - go, la
The peace of the earth be with you, the

paz de los cie-los tam - bién. La paz de los rí - os es -
peace of the heav - ens, too. The peace of the riv - ers

té con ti - go, la paz de los ma-res tam - bién. La
be with you, the peace of the o - ceans, too: †

paz pro - fun - da ca - yen - do so - bre ti. La
deep peace fall - ing o - ver you, †

paz pro - fun - da cre - cien - do en ti.
God's peace grow - ing in you.

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

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News from Grace Church, Bainbridge Island

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Upcoming Events & Programs

September 19 | Acolyte Training | Today after the 9:30 Service

Acolyte Training for Youth 4th Grade and older; snacks will be served, albs will be donned, cinctures will be tightened, and fun will be had! The training should take about 30 minutes. To sign up or for more information, please email Kim Cockroft: kim@gracehere.org.

September 21, Oct. 5, Oct. 19 | Stephen's Study | *Prophetic Jesus, Prophetic Church/* by Luke Timothy Johnson | 7:00 pm on Zoom

Contact Stephen Crippen: stephen@gracehere.org.

September 22 | Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study | 10:30 am | Zoom only

Please find links to the Zoom login and worship bulletin on our website: gracehere.org/join-us-for-onlineworship-at-grace/

September 23, Oct. 7, Oct. 21 | Draw Near – Women's Conversation Circles | 12:00 pm

Every other Thursday, at Grace in person. Meditation, Conversation, Community. Contact Kim Cockroft: kim@gracehere.org.

September 24 | Go 4th Sunday | 11:00 am

Every 4th Sunday, families are invited to join in a service project for all ages after the liturgy, hosted by our Outreach Team. Please contact Kerstin Cathcart for more information (kerstin@gracehere.org).

September 26 | Compassionate Caring Support Group | 9:30 – 11:00 am

Are you experiencing a loss, a difficult family situation, or anxiety you can't quite name? No solutions are offered; we simply listen to one another with compassion and confidentiality. Every 2nd and 4th Friday. The group will continue to meet on Zoom until further notice. For more information, please contact Judy Williams (jbwms@comcast.net); for the Zoom link, contact Diane McGrew ([dlmcmgrew@gmail.com](mailto:dlmcgrew@gmail.com)).

September 30, Oct. 14, Oct. 28 | Book Group – *How We Show Up*/by Mia Birdsong | 12:00 pm

Every other Thursday. "Reclaiming family, Friendship, and Community." Contact Kim Cockroft: kim@gracehere.org

October 1 | Open Mic for Caregivers | 4:00 pm

Venera di Bella Barles, caregiver and discussion group facilitator at the BI Senior Center, will be our speaker. Please contact Florrie Munat for the Zoom link and more information: fmunat@aol.com

Lost and Found | Fall Cleaning

Grace Lost and Found is currently home to items that have been on the premises for several months. If you think you might have left something at Grace, please stop by the front office between 9-1, Monday-Thursday, and Cindy Vandersluis will assist you, or email office@gracehere.org. Any items not claimed by September 23 will be donated. Thank you!