

GRACE ANGLICAN CHURCH
*Joyfully Proclaiming in Word and Action
the Hope that is Within Us*

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 11, 2021

**BOOK OF ALTERNATIVE SERVICES
MORNING PRAYER**

Prelude

Announcements

Officiant The word is very near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it. *Deuteronomy 30.14*

Officiant Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

All Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.**

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Officiant Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Officiant Lord, open our lips,
People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.
People O Lord, make haste to help us.
**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.**

THE INVITATORY

Officiant God rules over all the earth: O come, let us worship.

Venite *Psalm 95.1–7*

Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. For the Lord is a great God and a great king above all gods. In his hand are the caverns of the earth and the heights of the hills are his also. The sea is his for he made it and his hands have moulded the dry land. Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee and kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is our God and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

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THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING

Reader: A Reading from the Book of Amos

This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword." Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'" And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary and it is a temple of the kingdom."

Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman and a dresser of sycamore trees and the LORD took me from following the flock and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'
Amos 7:7-15

The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 85:8-13

I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him.
Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land.
Mercy and truth have met together;
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
Truth shall spring up from the earth
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
The Lord will indeed grant prosperity and our land will yield its increase.
Righteousness shall go before him and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

The Epistle

Reader: A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Ephesians

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us.

With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

EPHESIANS 1:3-14

The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Canticle 27 Glory to God

Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father, we worship you,
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Reader The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb. MARK 6:14-29

The Gospel of Christ.

People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Rev. Paul

Hymn: God of Grace and God of Glory

577

PEACE AND JUSTICE
God of Grace and God of Glory 577

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are printed below the vocal lines. The first system includes four numbered verses. The second system continues the lyrics. The third system includes a repeat sign. The fourth system concludes the hymn.

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple pour your power;
2 Lo, the hosts of e - vil round us scorn your Christ, as - sail his ways.
3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness. Bend our pride to your con - trol.
4 Set our feet on lof - ty pla - ces; gird our lives that they may be

now ful - fil your chur - ch's sto - ry; bring its bud to
Fears and doubts too long have bound us; free our hearts to
Shame our wan - ton self - ish glad - ness, rich in goods and
ar - moured with all Christ - like grac - es in the fight for

glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the
work and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the
poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, lest we
lib - er - ty. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, lest we

fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
miss your king - dom's goal, lest we miss your king - dom's goal.
fail our - selves and thee, lest we fail our - selves and thee.

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Alt. tune RHUDDLAN 594

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

Intercessions & Thanksgivings Litany #4

(In peace let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, hear and have mercy.")

We pray for all who confess the name of Christ: fill us with the power of your Holy Spirit.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

We pray for those whose lives are bound in mutual love and for those who live in celibacy: be their joy and their strength.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

For all in danger, for those who are far from home, prisoners, exiles, victims of oppression: grant them your salvation.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

For all who are facing trials and difficulties, for those who are sick and those who are dying: show them your kindness and mercy.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

We pray for one another: may we always be united in service and love.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

We pray to be forgiven our sins and set free from all hardship,
distress, want, war and injustice.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

May we discover new and just ways of sharing the goods of the earth,
struggling against exploitation, greed, or lack of concern: may we all live by
the abundance of your mercies and find joy together.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

May we be strengthened by our communion with all Christ's saints.

Lord, hear and have mercy.

We pray for ourselves, for your Church, for all whom we remember
before you for the poor, the persecuted, the sick and all who suffer;
especially today: Tom, Veronica & Heather; Kathleen; Connie; Grace;
Beatrice; Michael; Bella; Pat; Jo; Murray & Martha; Elizabeth & family; Mari-
on; Bob & Marion; Mary Jane; Sheila & Jess.

We pray for those of our loved ones who have died - rest eternal grant unto
them, O Lord and let light perpetual shine upon them. For those who mourn,
especially those families whose loss is recent.

We pray for those in our Parish Cycle of Prayer this week:
Audrey Stevenson; Marilyn Sterne; Dorothy Taylor; Shirley Taylor;
Jim & Suzanne Telford; Randall Townshend; Ray Tucker;
Michael & Bonnie Umbenhowe.

And we pray for our new Governor General, Mary Simon, our first indigenous
Governor General, asking God to grant her wisdom in the execution of the
duties of her new office and to bless her with His peace.

Bring us all to bow before your throne in heaven, to receive life and pardon, mercy and grace for all eternity, as we worship you, saying,
**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Amen.**

Collect of the Day

Officiant Almighty God, you have made us for yourself and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you. May we find peace in your service and in the world to come, see you face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Officiant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
**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 this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not
 into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the
 kingdom, the power and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.**

The Dismissal

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Officiant The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make his face shine on us and be gracious to us. The Lord look upon us with favour and grant us peace.

People Amen.

Postlude

Prayer for Indigenous Mass Grave Victims

God of our Ancestors, who holds the spirits of our grandmothers
and grandfathers and the spirits of our grandchildren,
Remembering the Children, we now pledge ourselves to speak
the Truth and with our hearts and our souls to act upon the Truth
we have heard of the injustices lived, of the sufferings inflicted,
of the tears cried, of the misguided intentions imposed
and of the power of prejudice and racism,
which were allowed to smother the sounds and laughter
of the forgotten children.

Hear our cries of lament for what was allowed to happen
and for what will never be.

In speaking and hearing and acting upon the Truth may we as individuals
and as a nation meet the hope of a new beginning.
Great Creator God who desires that all creation live in harmony and peace,
Remembering the Children we dare to dream of a Path of Reconciliation,
where apology from the heart leads to healing of the heart
and the chance of restoring the circle, where justice walks with all,
where respect leads to true partnership,
where the power to change comes from each heart.

Hear our prayer of hope and guide this
country of Canada on a new and different path. Amen.

PREPARING FOR JULY 18TH:

Readings: Jeremiah 23:1-6; Psalm 23; Ephesians 2:11-22; Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

If you would like to make a donation to the Window Restoration project in memory/thanksgiving, please email Helene Steer:

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ANNOUNCEMENTS - JULY 11, 2021

READERS FOR WORSHIP SERVICES

Dear Friends: If you are interested in doing a service reading from home that can be added to our weekly worship service video please let me know. If you don't have the ability to record a video, we can also arrange to meet at the church before we record the video on Saturday. Let me know if you are interested. Thanks & blessings, Chris

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

We encourage you to make use of this convenient method of weekly or monthly givings. For your convenience, our new website allows you to complete the form online and submit directly to the diocese, who will credit Grace Anglican Church.

GRACE CHURCH FOOD DRIVE

Once again, many thanks to all who came out to support our food drive; your generosity is greatly appreciated!

The next Food Drive will be held next Saturday, the 31st of July

We are grateful for your help!

CARD MINISTRY

Please remember to call Candy at 519.755.9806 or email the church office, if you know of any upcoming special dates.

COVID—19 UPDATE

While we anticipate and plan for our eventual re-opening, we feel it's safer for all to stay cautious and continue with online worship for the time being. We look forward to seeing you all once again.

Stay well and safe!

SYNOD NEWS

Part of Bishop Todd's charge to Synod this year was to look for new ways of reaching out to the community. Our weekly video ministry is doing that for those who can't come to church on Sunday. These videos are also available on our website. If you are interested in learning more about this ministry and helping out, please speak to Chris Levett at 519-756-4474 or email

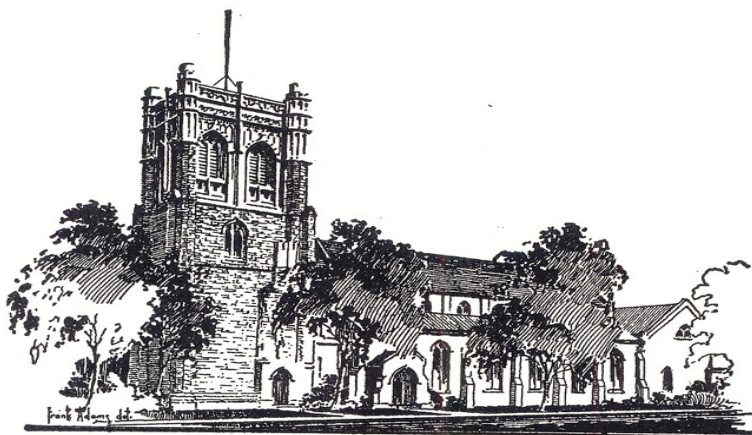
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We are a fully accessible, child friendly community.*



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