



Liturgy of the Word

Processional Hymn: #523 *Glorious things of Thee are spoken* *Please stand and sing as you are able.*

Opening Acclamation / Call to Worship *BCP Page 355*

Collect for Purity *BCP Page 355*

Gloria: Hymnal #S-277 *Please remain standing.*

Collect of the Day *The collect prayer "collects" the themes from the various readings for the day.*

Celebrant: God be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray. Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

We Hear God's Word

First Lesson: 2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a

When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son.

But the thing that David had done displeased the Lord, and the Lord sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, "There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. The rich man had very many flocks and herds; but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meager fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him." Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, "As the Lord lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity."

Nathan said to David, "You are the man! Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. Why have you despised the word of the Lord, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. Thus says the Lord: I will raise up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbor, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun." David said to Nathan, "I have sinned

Psalms 51:1-13

Reader: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; *

People: **in your great compassion blot out my offenses.**

Reader: Wash me through and through from my wickedness *

People: **and cleanse me from my sin.**

Reader: For I know my transgressions, *

People: **and my sin is ever before me.**

Reader: Against you only have I sinned *
People: **and done what is evil in your sight.**
Reader: And so you are justified when you speak *
People: **and upright in your judgment.**
Reader: Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, *
People: **a sinner from my mother's womb.**
Reader: For behold, you look for truth deep within me, *
People: **and will make me understand wisdom secretly.**
Reader: Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; *
People: **wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.**
Reader: Make me hear of joy and gladness, *
People: **that the body you have broken may rejoice.**
Reader: Hide your face from my sins *
People: **and blot out all my iniquities.**
Reader: Create in me a clean heart, O God, *
People: **and renew a right spirit within me.**
Reader: Cast me not away from your presence *
People: **and take not your holy Spirit from me.**
Reader: Give me the joy of your saving help again *
People: **and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.**

Second Lesson: Ephesians 4:1-16

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people."

(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

Gradual Hymn: #685

Rock Of Ages Cleft For Me

Please stand and sing.

Gospel: John 6:24-35

Please remain standing as you are able.

The next day, when the people who remained after the feeding of the five thousand saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

Sermon: Mother Elizabeth Davis

Please be seated.

Silence for reflection after the sermon.

Nicene Creed

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All in unison; Please stand as you are able.

Prayers of the People

Please sit or kneel.

Reader: Bound together in Christ in the communion of the Holy Spirit, let us pray with one heart and mind to God our Father.

Reader: For peace from things that separate us from one another and for our salvation.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of the holy churches of God, especially...

People: **St. Luke's, Tulsa; St. Peter's, Tulsa; Diocese of New Jersey; The Church of South India.**

Reader: For this holy gathering and for those who enter with faith, reverence, and fear of God.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: For...

People: **Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Poulson, our Bishop; Tom, our clergy; Tim & Pat, our wardens; vestry, delegates, all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God. Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: For the world and its leaders, our nation and its people. We pray for our leaders, especially...

People: **Joe, our President; Kamala, our Vice-president; Markwayne, our Congressman; James & Jim, our Senators; Kevin, our Governor; and Marlon, our Mayor. Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: For prisoners, the oppressed, all those in need or suffering, especially...

People: **Barbara & Family, Blackwell Family, Brad, Brewer Family, James & Shirley, Judy, Sherri, Bea, Eathen, Linda, John, Angie, Brian, Glen, Dante, Marilyn, Gary, Ann, Connie, Cliff, Esther, Ann, Ronald, Michael, Marlee, Carl, Geneva, Stewart Family, Daniels Family, Sailor Family, Robert, Susan, Hannah, Young Family, Ched, Mike & Betty, Rogers Family, all emergency responders, United States Military, and those whose suffering is known only to God.**

Reader: We pray for those who have died, especially...

People: **Ruby Almeda. Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: For ourselves, our families, and those we love. We pray for those in our parish, especially...

People: **Gabby, Jason, Nancy, Phoebe, Trapper.**

Reader: Also those who are traveling, *(especially...)*

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Reader: Remembering our most blessed Mary and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.

People: **To you, O Lord.**

Reader: Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

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Please remain sitting or kneeling.

Peace

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Please stand as you are able.

Greet one another in the name of Christ. Please return to your seats when you hear the bell.

Announcements, Birthdays & Anniversary Blessings

Please be seated.

Welcome to our guests today. If you are new to Grace for the first time or even if you have been here once or twice before, please fill out a visitor card and put it in the plate. We promise not to harass you, but we would like to include you on our weekly email broadcasts and other event notifications. Thank you for the blessing of your presence today.

Offertory

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During this time we make an offering to the church to help maintain its mission in the world. It is also a time in which we fully offer ourselves to be Christ in the world around us.

Offertory Sentence

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God
(Hebrews 13:16)

Offertory Solo:

In the Garden

Lora Sellers

Doxology: #380

Please stand as you are able.

The Great Thanksgiving

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Distribution of Communion

At Grace Episcopal Church, all baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please tell the usher if you need the bread and wine brought to you at your seat. IF you wish to receive the bread only, hold your palms upward, consume the bread, and cross your arms over your chest when the chalice bearer approaches. Those who do not wish to receive Holy Communion are invited to come to the altar rail to receive a Blessing, indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest when the priest approaches.

Sursum Corda: Hymnal #S-120

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Sanctus: Hymnal #S-125

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Lord's Prayer

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Fraction Anthem: Hymnal #S-154

Communion Hymn:

Lora Sellers/Ken Yadon

We Go Out To Do Our Work

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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Benediction & Blessing

Celebrant: Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have.
(Hebrews 13:1-3,5)

And the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you now and remain with you always. **Amen.**

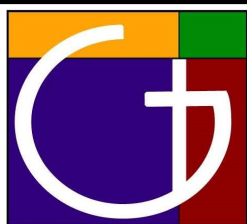
Recessional Hymn: Hymnal #690

Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

Please stand and sing.

Sending

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