

# We Gather

Processional Hymn: #372 Praise to the living God! (v. 1, 2, 4) Please stand & sing as you are able.

# **Opening Acclamation**

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People:* And blessed be his 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.** 

# Gloria: #S-236

Please remain standing.

# Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

# People: And also with you.

*Celebrant:* Let us pray. O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; 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: 1 Kings 19:1-15a

Please be seated.

*Reader:* A Reading from the first book of Kings.

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there.

Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the

earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus."

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

## Psalm 42

Read responsively by half verse.

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Reader: People:	As the deer longs for the water-brooks, <b>so longs my soul for you, O God.</b>
Reader:	My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the living God;
People:	when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?
Reader:	My tears have been my food day and night,
People:	while all day long they say to me, "Where now is your God?"
Reader:	I pour out my soul when I think on these things:
People:	how I went with the multitude and led them into the house of God,
Reader: People:	With the voice of praise and thanksgiving, <b>among those who keep holy-day.</b>
Reader:	Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul?
People:	and why are you so disquieted within me?
Reader: People:	Put your trust in God; for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance, and my God.
Reader: People:	My soul is heavy within me; therefore I will remember you from the land of Jordan, and from the peak of Mizar among the heights of Hermon.
Reader:	One deep calls to another in the noise of your cataracts;
People:	all your rapids and floods have gone over me.
Reader:	The Lord grants his loving-kindness in the daytime;
People:	in the night season his song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.
Reader:	I will say to the God of my strength, "Why have you forgotten me?
People:	and why do I go so heavily while the enemy oppresses me?"
Reader:	While my bones are being broken,
People:	<b>my enemies mock me to my face;</b>
Reader:	All day long they mock me
People:	and say to me, "Where now is your God?"
Reader:	Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul?
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*Reader:* Give judgment for me, O God, and defend my cause against an ungodly people; *People:* deliver me from the deceitful and the wicked.

Reader: For you are the God of my strength; why have you put me from you? and why do I go so heavily while the enemy oppresses me? People: Reader: Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling; People: That I may go to the altar of God, to the God of my joy and gladness; Reader: People: and on the harp I will give thanks to you, O God my God. Reader: Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? People: and why are you so disguieted within me? Reader: Put your trust in God; People: for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance, and my God.

## Second Lesson: Galatians 3:23-29

*Reader:* A Reading from Paul's letter to the Galatians.

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn: #529

In Christ there is no East or West (v. 1-2 before, v. 3 after Gospel)

Please stand & sing as you are able.

## Gospel: Luke 8:26-39

*Celebrant*: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

# People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"—for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the

people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord. People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon: The Rev. Chris Cole

Please be seated.

## We Pray

Nicene Creed

Please stand as you are able.

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.

# **Prayers of the People**

Please kneel, sit, or stand.

- *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: Grace, Muskogee; St. James, Wagoner; Trinity, Eufaula; Christ the King Chapel, Montevideo, Uruguay; Diocesse of Florida; Diocese of Georgia; Diocese of Navajoland; Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola.
- *Reader:* For this holy gathering and for those who enter with faith, reverence, and fear of God.
- People: Lord, have mercy.
- Reader: We pray for...
- People: Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Poulson, our Bishop; Chris & Tom, our clergy; Alex & 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.

Doxology: #380 v. 3

*Celebrant*: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

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

- People: Quinn & Nancy, Bill, Dennis C., Dennis C. Jr., James & Shirley, John & Sharon, Pat & Joe, Sakina, Eliso, Vitality & Natalia, Finley, Terra, Jeremy, Ronnie, Natalie, Danita, D.I., Richard, Johnson Family, Mevey Family, Marlene, Cathey, Larry, Alissa, the families experiencing loss because of the recent shootings in Uvalde, Texas, Taft, and at St. Francis in Tulsa, those impacted by war especially in Ukraine, 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: Lord, have mercy.
- *Reader:* For ourselves, our families, and those we love. We pray for those in our parish, especially ...

People: Gabby, Jason, Phoebe, and Trapper.

*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**

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

Silence is observed.

Celebrant & People: 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 neighbors 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.

*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.** 

# Peace

People:

Please stand as you are able.

Greet one another in the name of Christ.
Announcements, Birthdays & Anniversary Blessings

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

*Celebrant:* Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2* 

Offertory Music

Please be seated.

Please remain seated.

Please stand & sing as you are able.

# We Share the Meal

Eucharistic Prayer B

# Sursum Corda: #S-120

Please remain standing.



Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

*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.

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

## Sanctus: #S-129

#### Please sit or kneel after the Sanctus.

*Celebrant:* †We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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."  $\dagger \dagger \dagger$ 

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."  $\dagger \dagger \dagger$ 

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

# Celebrant & People: We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

*Celebrant:* And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN**.

# Lord's Prayer

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

Celebrant & People: 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.

**Breaking of the Bread** The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

### Fraction Anthem: #S-154

*Celebrant:* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

At Grace Episcopal Church, all baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please tell the usher if you need communion 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.

### **Communion Music**

# We Go Into the World

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Celebrant*: Let us pray.

## Celebrant & People:

Eternal God, heavenly Father, 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.

## Blessing

*Celebrant:* The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.** 

Recessional Hymn: #527

Singing songs of expectation

Please stand & sing.

### Dismissal

*Celebrant*: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. *People:* Thanks be to God.



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