

Welcome to our home! We would love for you to join our family!

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We Gather

Processional Hymn: #490 I want to walk as a child of the light 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 in Excelsis: #S-280 Please remain standing.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray. 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.

We Hear God's Word

First Lesson Please be seated. (Jeremiah 23:23-29)

Reader: A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah.

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?

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

Psalm 82 Read responsively by whole verse.

Reader: God takes his stand in the council of heaven; he gives judgment in the midst of the

gods:

People: "How long will you judge unjustly, and show favor to the wicked?

Reader: Save the weak and the orphan; defend the humble and needy;

People: Rescue the weak and the poor; deliver them from the power of the wicked.

Reader: They do not know, neither do they understand; they go about in darkness; all the

foundations of the earth are shaken.

People: Now I say to you, 'You are gods, and all of you children of the Most High;

Reader: Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince."

People: Arise, O God, and rule the earth, for you shall take all nations for your own.

Second Lesson (Hebrews 11:29-12:2)

Reader: A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

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.

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

Sequence Hymn: #691 My faith looks up to thee Please stand as you are able.

(v. 1-2 before, v. 3 after Gospel)

Gospel Reading Please remain standing. (Luke 12:49-56)

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord 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?"

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

Sermon: The Rev. Omar Cisneros 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...

St. Aidan's, Tulsa; Church of the Holy Cross, Owasso; Trinity, Tulsa; Diocese of People:

Northwest Texas; Diocese of Oklahoma; Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda; The

Scottish Episcopal Church.

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

People: Lord, have mercy.

Reader: We pray for...

Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Poulson, our Bishop; Omar and Tom, our clergy; People:

Katherine and B.J., 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: Donald, our President; J.D., our Vice-President; Josh, our Congressman; James

and Markwayne, our Senators; Kevin, our Governor; and Patrick, our Mayor.

Lord, have mercy.

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

People: Ched, Falling family, Kelli, Cedric, Ricky, Sharon, Brent, Robert, Mike, Ann, Fred,

Wesley, Taylor, Ky, Stuart, Leland, Adrian, Mike, Dustin, those impacted by war and violence, 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: Pamela Jean Carter, Eula Faye Wilson, and Nancy Medlin. Lord, have mercy.

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

especially ...

People: Carrie, Elijah, Noah, Josh, Criss, James, Kathryn, and Faith.

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.

Please stand as you are able.

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

People: And also with you.

Greet one another in the name of Christ.

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

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

Ephesians 5:2

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

Offertory Hymn: #421 All glory be to God on high Please remain seated & sing.

Doxology: #380 v. 3

Please stand & sing as you are able.

Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

Please remain standing.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you. Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

> Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

> 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-125 Please sit or kneel after the Sanctus.

Celebrant: † Holy and gracious Father: 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 faith:

Celebrant & People: 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.

Celebrant: 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 Father, now and forever. 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 Hymn: #321 My God thy table now is spread

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.

Pentecost Blessing

Celebrant: May the Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, giving you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, and to proclaim the wonderful works of God; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn: #635 If thou but trust in God to guide thee Please stand & sing as you are able.

Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God. People:



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