

Welcome. Truly—Welcome

We welcome you if you're here every Sunday, if it's been years, or if you're not sure how you ended up here today.

We welcome the faithful and the restless, the devout and the doubting, the curious, the cautious, and the quietly hopeful.

We welcome you whether you sing in the choir or can't carry a tune, whether you know the creeds by heart or have never opened a prayer book.

We welcome those who pray with ease and those who sit in silence, unsure how to begin.

We welcome the ones who arrive early and those who come late.

The polished and the weary. The ones who stand tall and the ones who feel small.

We welcome crying babies, spirited children, exhausted parents, and teenagers who'd rather be anywhere else.

We welcome elders who carry stories, and the young who carry questions.

We welcome you whether you're dressed for church or just rolled out of bed. Whether you came for God, for peace, for someone you love—or just to see what this place might be.

We welcome the health nuts and the fast food faithful, the latte loyal and the plain black coffee kind.

We welcome the overbooked, the burned out, the recovering and the still struggling.

We welcome you if you've been hurt by church, if you've stayed away on purpose, if you're skeptical of religion or unsure about God.

We welcome those who grieve and those who rejoice, those who laugh easily and those who are just trying to hold it together.

We welcome all whose lives don't fit neat categories, because none of ours do, really.

Because here's what we believe:
God meets us as we are—not as we wish we were.
Grace is not a prize for the perfect. It's a gift for the human.

This church opens its doors in the name of Jesus Christ, who welcomed saints and strangers, wanderers and wanderlust.

So come. Come with your wounds and your wonder, your longing and your laughter.

Come with your full self—heart, history, doubts, and dreams.

We welcome the joyful, the jaded, the lost, the found— and you.

We Gather

Processional Hymn: #390 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty 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. Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things

heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; 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 Please be seated. (Amos 8:4-7)

Reader: A reading from the Prophet Amos.

Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practice deceit with false balances, buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat." The Lord has sworn by the pride

of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

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

Psalm 113 Read responsively by whole verse.

Reader: Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the Lord; praise the Name of the Lord.

People: Let the Name of the Lord be blessed, from this time forth for evermore.

Reader: From the rising of the sun to its going down let the Name of the Lord be praised.

People: The Lord is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens.

Reader: Who is like the Lord our God, who sits enthroned on high but stoops to behold the

heavens and the earth?

People: He takes up the weak out of the dust and lifts up the poor from the ashes.

Reader: He sets them with the princes, with the princes of his people.

People: He makes the woman of a childless house to be a joyful mother of children.

Second Lesson (1 Timothy 2:1-7)

Reader: A reading from the first letter to Timothy.

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

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

Sequence Hymn: #488 Be thou my vision Please stand as you are able.

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

Gospel Reading Please remain standing.

(Luke 16:1-13)

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, `A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, `Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

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...

People: St. Patrick's, Broken Arrow; Diocese of El Camino Real; Diocese of Hawaii;

Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

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

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, Mike, Ann, Fred, Wesley,

Taylor, Ky, Stuart, Leland, Adrian, Mike, Dustin, Tom, Betty, Warren, Jim, Nancy, David, 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: Carlos Warren Wagner. Lord, have mercy.

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

especially ...

People: Pam, David, Emma, Marlena, Sharee, Ken, Nila, and Mary.

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 Please stand as you are able.

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

And also with you. People:

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.

Celebrant: O God, the giver of life and love: Look with favor upon those who celebrate this day. Grant them joy in your presence, growth in your Spirit, and a share in your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Offertory

Celebrant: Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the

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 Music:

Kaia Holder, Cello Shelley Smith, Violin 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.

We lift them to the Lord. People:

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.

> For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

> 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.

There is a balm in Gilead Communion Hymn: #676

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: May the Father from whom every family in earth and heaven receives its name strengthen you with his Spirit in your inner being so that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith and that, knowing his love, broad and long, deep and high beyond all knowledge, you may be filled with all the fullness 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.

God of grace and God of glory Recessional Hymn: #594 Please stand & sing.

Dismissal

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

Thanks be to God. People:



Sunday, 9/28/25 During Coffee Hour

FISH FRY POTLUCK

Bring your favorite sides and desserts.



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