

The Seventh Sunday of Easter Companion Diocese Sunday



May 16, 2021
10:15 a.m. Mass

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*The Mission of Grace Church is:
To love God, to love others and serve God's world.*

Welcome!

We are glad you are worshipping with us today.
If you are looking for a parish home, we hope you will find one here with us.

If you are a guest visiting today, please consider signing our Guest Register located on the podium at the entrance to St. Nicholas Hall and complete a red Visitors Card. The cards can be given to an Usher or placed in the offering plate.

- ❖ We ask that you sit where pews are marked off with an X.
- ❖ We ask that you refrain from singing the hymns.
- ❖ When you approach the altar for communion, please keep social distance; stop at the hand sanitizing station to sanitize before approaching to receive the Bread from the priest.
- ❖ After you receive Communion, turn left to go down the pulpit (left) side aisle, going to the back and up to your seat again.
- ❖ When you exit the building, please leave through the wooden doors at the back of church.
- ❖ All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion at Grace Church.
 - For those not receiving Communion today, please feel welcome to come forward for a blessing during this time; simply cross your arms across your chest as you come forward.
 - For those physically unable to come to the altar, please share this with an Usher; Communion will be brought to you.
- ❖ Grace Church **rejoices** in celebrating God's love and presence with children in attendance at Mass.
- ❖ Christian Formation (Sunday School) for adults and children is offered throughout the year on Sundays from 9:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. The next adult session begins on April 18 and details may be found in the Parish Notices section of this bulletin. Formation for children is suspended until further notice.

Please do not hesitate to contact the parish office at (920) 452-9659 to find out more about us or make an appointment with clergy. You can also visit our website www.gracesheboygan.com

Video images of this service are recorded and broadcast live under this parish's outreach initiative *Grace Abounds*.

Please silence your cell phone during the service.

The Holy Eucharist

The Liturgy for the
Proclamation of the Word of God and
Celebration of the Holy Communion

According to the rite of the
Diocese of Masvingo
Anglican Church of Zimbabwe

Approved for use in the
Diocese of Fond du Lac
For Companion Diocese Sunday
By the Rt. Rev. Matthew Gunter
Eighth Bishop of Fond du Lac

Concerning the Celebration

The rite presented here is of The Order of Holy Communion according to the practices of the Diocese of Masvingo, Anglican Church of Zimbabwe, Companion Diocese of the Diocese of Fond du Lac.

Approval for use on Companion Diocese Sunday, being the Seventh Sunday After Easter, has been made by the Bishop of the Diocese of Fond du Lac for the congregations of the diocese. When this liturgy is used in the local setting, it is expected the local customs will be followed, as much as possible, when the liturgy does not specify words or rubric.

The Masvingo liturgy is quite like the Episcopal Book of Common Prayer because both Churches are part of the Anglican Communion. The similarity comes from having the same roots as part of the Communion. Books of prayer of the various churches of the Anglican Communion have been altered, abridged, enlarged, and amended as seemed most convenient for the edification of the people, according to the various exigency of times and occasions. Even so, while there are different worship forms and usages, the substance of the Faith is kept. Those wanting to know more about this may refer to the Preface of the Book Common Prayer, page 9.

Usage of the Liturgy

The services are similar but also have differences. Those leading worship are encouraged to read through the service well in advance of its use to become aware of differences and consider alterations to meet local custom. Some differences to note include: 1) the Collect for Purity recited by all (not just the Celebrant); 2) the Companion Diocese collect is prayed immediately before the Collect of the Day; 3) wording around the lessons and Gospel are slightly different; 4) the preparation of the table involves the congregation; 8) The Lord's Prayer is primarily contemporary language with use of some traditional language as well.

Placement of musical selections is not included here so that use of appropriate hymns may be according to local custom. However, use of Service Music is discouraged because of differences in wording.

Lessons are those appointed for the Seventh Sunday of Easter.

The congregation is asked to designate its loose offering on this Sunday to benefit the Companion Relationship in a way the congregation decides.

Use of this liturgy can provide an experience similar to what our brothers and sisters have in the Diocese of Masvingo.

The Order for Holy Communion

At the sound of the bells, all stand as able as hymn 215 is played.



1 See the Con - queror mounts in tri - umph; see the King in
2 He who on the cross did suf - fer, he who from the
3 Thou hast raised our hu - man na - ture on the clouds to



roy - al state, rid - ing on the clouds, his
grave a - rose, he has van - quished sin and
God's right hand: there we sit in heaven - ly



char - iot, to his heaven - ly pal - ace gate!
Sa - tan; he by death has spoiled his foes.
plac - es, there with thee in glo - ry stand.



Hark! the choirs of an - gel voic - es joy - ful
While he lifts his hands in bless - ing, he is
Je - sus reigns, a - dored by an - gels; Man with



al - le - lu - ias sing, and the por - tals
part - ed from his friends; while their ea - ger
God is on the throne; might - y Lord, in



high are lift - ed to re - ceive their heaven - ly King.
eyes be - hold him, he up - on the clouds a - scends.
thine as - cen - sion, we by faith be - hold our own.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen
People He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

The following is said, all standing as able.

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.

Celebrant O God, who created all peoples in your image, we thank you for the wonderful diversity of races and cultures in this world. Enrich our lives by the ever-widening circles of fellowship, thru our companion relationship with the Diocese of Masvingo in Zimbabwe and the Diocese of Fond du Lac in Wisconsin, USA. Help us to learn about each other to grow in love for each other. And show us your presence in those who differ most from us, and allow us to learn from each other with open hearts and minds; through Christ our lord.

People Amen.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

First Reading

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

All sit.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became

a guide for those who arrested Jesus-- for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us-- one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

Reader The Word of the LORD.
People Thanks be to God.

Remain seated.

Psalm 1

Beatus vir qui non abiit

1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
2 Their delight is in the law of the LORD, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.
3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.
4 It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

Second Reading

John 5:9-13

A Reading from the First Letter of John.

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.

Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

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

All stand as able.

Holy Gospel

John 17:6-19

Deacon The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People Glory to Christ our Saviour.

Jesus prayed for his disciples, "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

Deacon This is the Gospel of Christ.
People Praise to Christ, our Lord.

Sermon

Deacon Michael Burg

The Nicene Creed

All 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 of Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit.
He became incarnate of 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 worshipped 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.

The Intercessions

Deacon Let us pray for the Church and for the world, and let us thank God for
his goodness.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, you promised through your Son Jesus Christ to hear us when we pray in faith.

Strengthen our Bishops, and all your Church in the service of Christ, that those who confess your name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord in your mercy

People *Hear our prayer.*

Deacon Bless and guide the Presidents of our countries and all in authority in this land, including Joseph, our President, Tony our Governor and Ryan, our Mayor, and direct this and every nation in the ways of justice and of peace; that men may honour one another and seek the common good.

Lord in your mercy

People *Hear our prayer.*

Deacon Give grace to us, our families and friends and to all our neighbours; that we may serve Christ in one another, and love as he loves us. For Jeffery Solinger, Scott Gedemer, John Kalk, Lisa Krueger and Sarah Clabots-Kim, who celebrate birthdays, John and Louise Davis and David and Leslie Bronson who celebrate anniversaries, and for all who celebrate birthdays and anniversaries this week.

Lord in your mercy

People *Hear our prayer.*

Deacon Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind or spirit, especially, Ed Clabots, Eric Meulemans, Greg Burgett, Barb MacEwen, Alex Hammes, Jon Whitford, Margaret Knocke, Wayne Knocke, and Nancy Imig. *Shut ins:* Mary Evans, Marjorie Buttz. *Family & Friends of Grace:* Barbara S., Natalie, Katie, Emma, Maxwell, Stacy, Bob, Becky, James, Lydia, Nancy H., James A., Ellen, Kelly and Jesus; give them courage and hope in their troubles and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Lord in your mercy

People *Hear our prayer.*

Deacon We pray for the repose of the soul of Thomas Steffen. Hear us as we remember those who have died in the faith of Christ according to your promises, grant us with them a share in your eternal kingdom. Rejoicing in the fellowship of all your saints, we Commend ourselves and all Christian people to your unfailing love.

Lord in your mercy

People *Hear our prayer.*

Deacon
People

Merciful Father.
Accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Ministry of the Sacrament

The Peace

Celebrant
People
Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you.
Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn

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1 Lord, en - throned in heaven - ly splen - dor, first - be -
*2 Here our hum - blest hom - age pay we, here in
*3 Though the low - lest form doth veil thee as of
4 Pas - chal Lamb, thine of - fering, fi - nished once for
5 Life - im - part - ing heaven - ly Man - na, smit - ten

1 got - ten from the dead, Thou a - lone, our strong de -
2 lov - ing rev - erence bow; here for faith's dis - cern - ment
3 old in Beth - le - hem, here as there thine an - gels
4 all when thou wast slain, in its full - ness un - di -
5 Rock with stream - ing side, heaven and earth with loud ho -

Al - le -

1 fend - er, lift - est up thy peo - ple's head.
2 pray we, lest we fail to know thee now.
3 hail thee, branch and flower of Jes - se's stem.
4 min - ished shall for ev - er - more re - main.
5 san - na wor - ship thee, the Lamb who died.

lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia!

1 Je - sus, true and liv - ing
2 Thou art here, we ask not
3 We in wor - ship join with
4 Cleans - ing us from ev - ery
5 Risen, a - scend - ed, glo - ri -

1 bread! Je - sus, true and liv - ing bread!
2 how. Thou art here, we ask not how.
3 them. We in wor - ship join with them.
4 stain. Cleans - ing us from ev - ery stain.
5 fied! Risen, a - scend - ed, glo - ri - fied!

The Second Eucharistic Prayer

Celebrant

The Lord is here.

People

His Spirit is with us.

Celebrant

Lift up your hearts.

People

We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant

It is indeed right, it is our duty and our joy, at all times and in all places to give thanks and praise, holy Father, heavenly King, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord.

For he is your living Word; through him you have created all things from the beginning, and formed us in your own image. Through him you have freed us from the slavery of sin, giving him to be born as man and to die on the cross; you raised him from the dead and exalted him to your right hand on high.

Through him you have sent upon us your Holy and life-giving Spirit, and made us a people for your own possession.

And now we give you thanks because you have highly exalted him, and given him the name which is above all other names, that at the name of Jesus every knee shall bow.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and saying

People Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Celebrant Hear us, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
Through him accept our sacrifice of praise; and grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood, who in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you, do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks, he gave it to them saying, 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. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith.

People Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again

Celebrant Therefore, Lord and heavenly Father, having in remembrance his death once for all upon the cross, his resurrection from the dead and his ascension into heaven, and looking for the coming of his kingdom, we make with this bread and this cup the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Accept through him this offering of our duty and service and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty, fill us with your grace and heavenly blessing nourish us with the body and

blood of your Son, that we may grow into his likeness and made one by your Spirit, become a living temple of your glory.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, from all who stand before you in earth and heaven, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

The Communion

The Breaking of the Bread

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant As our Saviour taught, so we pray

Celebrant and People

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread saying

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

People Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

Celebrant and People Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, give us your peace.

People We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We

are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord, whose nature is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us, Amen.

Celebrant Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

People Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Celebrant Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

The Celebrant and people receive the Communion. At the distribution, the minister says to each communicant

The body of Christ keep you in eternal life.

The communicant replies each time Amen, and then receives the body of Christ.

1 When Christ was lift - ed from the earth, his
 2 Still east and west his love ex - tends and
 3 Where gen - er - a - tion, class, or race di -
 4 Thus free - ly loved, though ful - ly known, may

arms stretched out a - bove through ev - ery cul - ture,
 al - ways, near or far, he calls and claims us
 vide us to our shame, he sees not la - bels
 I in Christ be free to wel - come and ac -

ev - ery birth, to draw an an - swering love.
 as his friends and loves us as we are.
 but a face, a per - son, and a name.
 cept his own as Christ ac - cept - ed me.

Concluding Rite

Celebrant Give thanks to the Lord for he is gracious
People His mercy endures for ever.

People Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our Souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Sending Out

Deacon Let those who will bring Holy Communion to our brothers and sisters come forward.

Celebrant As you go to the sick and the homebound, take with you the sacrament we have celebrated, the Word of God which we have heard,

the affection of this parish, and our prayers; in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

The Blessing

Celebrant The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always, Amen.

The Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord Alleluia, Alleluia.
People In the name of Christ, Amen. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Closing Hymn

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1 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the
*2 Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we
3 Al - le - lu - ia! bread of Hea - ven, Thou on
4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the
*5 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the

1 scap - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the
2 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is
3 earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia! here the
4 Lord of lords we own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of
5 scap - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the

1 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the
2 near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how: though the
3 sin - ful flee to thee from day to day: In - ter -
4 Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne; thou with -
5 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the

1 songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a
 2 cloud from sight re - ceived him, when the for - ty
 3 ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er,
 4 in the veil hast en - tered, robed in flesh, our
 5 songs of ho - ly Zi - on thun - der like a

1 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery
 2 days were o'er, shall our hearts for - get his
 3 plead for me, where the songs of all the
 4 great High Priest: thou on earth both Priest and
 5 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery

1 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.
 2 prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more?"
 3 sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
 4 Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.
 5 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.

Postlude

Prelude on *Bryn Calfaria*

Winter

A Note on Today's Readings

The Seventh Sunday of Easter—Year B

Today we begin the final week of celebrating the Lord's resurrection. Each Sunday during these fifty days, we have explored some aspect of our baptism into the dying and rising of Jesus. Today's Gospel reading is a portion of Jesus' prayer for his disciples on the night before he died. In that prayer, he asked the Father to unite us with him and to give us the same mission and grace the Father gave to him.

The sense of unity within the fellowship of Jesus' disciples was reflected in the period between his ascension and the day of Pentecost. We hear about the most significant event during that period in the first reading today when, under Peter's leadership, the disciples chose a replacement for Judas.

The reading from I John also reflects the theme of unity between Jesus and the Father, and between Jesus and us.

Our life in Christ is the gift of God in and through the resurrection. That new life by water and the Holy Spirit will be our theme next week when, on the fiftieth day of Easter, we rejoice that we are filled with the Spirit of God.

Daily Offices, Masses and Happenings at Grace this week

The Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 16, 2021

9:00 a.m. Adult Christian Formation class-St. Nicholas Hall and via Zoom
10:15 a.m. Mass, registration required

Monday, May 17, 2021

7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer
5:00 p.m. Corporate Rosary
5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer and Shrine Prayers
6:00 p.m. Scouts Meeting-St. Nicholas Hall

Tuesday, May 18, 2021

7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer
5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer & Shrine Prayers
6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts meeting

Wednesday, May 19, 2021

7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer
5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer & Shrine Prayers

Thursday, May 20, 2021

7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer
10:00 a.m. AA meeting-St. Nicholas Hall
5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer & Shrine Prayers
5:30 p.m. Fencing class-St. Nicholas Hall

Friday, May 21, 2021

Fr. William's weekly day off; no Morning or Evening Prayer

Saturday, May 22, 2021

Office Closed

The Day of Pentecost

May 23, 2021

9:00 a.m. Adult Christian Formation class-St. Nicholas Hall and via Zoom
10:15 a.m. Mass with Fr. Chris Arnold as Celebrant, registration required

Parish Notices

Sign up for Sunday Masses at 10:15 a.m. through SignUpGenius

www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0c45a8ab22a5fa7-1015

Fr. William will be away on Sunday, March 23

Grace Church welcomes back Fr. Chris Arnold as Celebrant.

In 2018, Fr. Chris offered the Quiet Day meditations at the 66th Annual Pilgrimage to the American Proto Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham.

All Saints Chapel closed for Sunday worship 2021

Due to gathering size restrictions at this time, only **12 people** would be able to participate in Sunday worship, including clergy. After prayerful consideration, a decision has been made to close the Chapel for another summer. If you have questions or concerns about this, please contact Fr. William in the parish office.

Weekday Mass to resume in June

Beginning on June 2, Mass will be held every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

There will not be online sign-up for this, as weekday attendance is not expected to reach more than 50. The Diocesan guidelines set in place for Sunday apply to weekday Mass, as well. If you have any questions, please contact Fr. William in the parish office.

NEW in our Angelus Newsletter: Grace Church Q & A

Every month, the Angelus will now feature a question spiritually relevant to The Episcopal Church and/or life at Grace. If you've ever wondered "why", this is your opportunity to ask!

Question(s) may be emailed to the office, office@gracesheboygan.com or anonymously placed into the suggestion box in the parish office. Names will be protected, if shared.

Sunday Morning Christian Formation, 9:00-9:45 am, in St Nicholas Hall and via Zoom

Reading together NT Wright's *Surprised By Hope*.

Because of the richness of the book we are reading and the popularity of this course, *we will be reading this book through July 25*.

We proclaim the Resurrection of Jesus and say our own hope for eternal life is the resurrection of the dead. And St Paul even says, "If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished." (I Cor 15:17-18).

What does all this mean and what is the Resurrection in our faith?

We will read one of the most respected and most accessible biblical scholars in the Anglican Communion, Bp NT Wright, to dig in to the heart of the apostles' proclamation and our faith.

The Zoom link for this Easter formation group is:

<https://zoom.us/j/93247049800?pwd=bzVGbXRRc052WHJVVkEwaE9lYVpXZz09>

Overflow Seating Available in St Nicholas Hall on Sunday Mornings

Thanks be to God, our attendance is going up and we are hitting our maximum of 50 per service some Sundays. When we exceed 50, we'll ask those people to take part and have seats in St Nicholas Hall. They'll be invited to receive communion in the church proper at communion time. We'll find places for as many as we can! One thing we ask: if you are a regular and an usher asks you to offer your seat to a guest or newcomer, please consider being seated in St Nicholas Hall and allowing the newcomer to be with the larger group during Mass. Thank you for your generosity.

Our doors are now open for daily prayer and reflection

The Ontario Avenue wooden doors are joyfully open to those who seek to enter for prayer and reflection. Fr. William opens the doors for Morning Prayer, Sunday through Thursday, and closes them after Evening Prayer. On Fridays, staff will open/close the doors during their working hours.

Dr. Ben Dobey Retires on May 31! Mr. Caleb Klinzing Will Serve as Interim Choirmaster!

With the grief that attends partings, and with joy and great thanksgiving for all we have received, we will bid Dr. Ben Dobey farewell as organist and choirmaster at Grace. Be sure to thank him heartily for all the years he has led us to sing God's praises through his direction, planning, prayer, and performing. He has asked that there be no reception or party in his honor. But thank him heartily in whatever way you can!

And we will welcome Mr. Caleb Klinzing as interim choirmaster on a part-time basis, starting June 1! We are so very blessed to have someone so readily available after Dr. Ben retires. Caleb will be with us about one year and will lead us faithfully and expertly in our offering of praise and thanksgiving to God. Caleb is currently an undergraduate student of sacred music and organ. He will pursue graduate studies after completing his undergraduate work. Please welcome him warmly when he begins to serve with us.

During Caleb's time with us we will have a great opportunity to reflect on the place of music in our life at Grace and imagine how in future we can continue to offer music for our praises and God's glory, given our resources, our tradition, and the desires the Spirit plants in our hearts.

Let's Meet and Listen to What God Calls for in our Children and Youth Ministry

Please join us on Wednesday, June 9 at 6:30pm for a socially-distanced discussion in our St. Nicholas Hall. We would like to gather with those families that have children ages 3 - Seniors in high school to hear about all our hopes for our youth and children's ministry programs. If you are a Grace member who does not have children in those ranges but would like to be involved in the discussion or in volunteering with the children, you are also more than welcome to join! We are at a unique point in Grace's history where we can transform our approach into something we are excited about and the children of Grace can flourish in. We hope you can join us!

Corporate Rosary and Shrine prayers

Join us Monday nights at 5:00 pm., as the service is prayed in the Lady Chapel, starting with the Angelus.

Service Booklet link:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1yj1WpgzmC1TEFzjbgZmIVWQgPe54grfl>

God willing, in-person Summer Camp

The Diocese of Fond du Lac Summer Camp is for kids age 4 through graduating 12th graders. Camp is an opportunity for campers and staff to learn more about God, about community, about themselves and have fun!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tQeML7AmvoQ>

Online Registration is now open. ****Scholarships are available, contact the Parish Office.***

Compassion Fund Assistance Still Available

Grace Church instituted the Compassion Fund in 2020 to financially assist church members affected by the economic effects of Covid. Funds remain to assist parishioners. Please contact Deacon Paul Aparicio for information and assistance. (PAparicio@gracesheboygan.com)

Something Extra for Grace

Envelopes are available in the pews if you are moved to give an extra gift, beyond your pledge or regular plate donation, toward the life of the church. Gifts are tax deductible if you write your name on the envelope.

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