

GRACE  150
150 Years of Service

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY
10 AM, MAY 11TH, 2025
CHORAL EUCHARIST — ORDER OF SERVICE

Welcome!

Whether you're visiting for the first time or a long-time member, this community is enriched by your presence. A few notes on the service: this leaflet and the blue hymnal in the pews guide the worship. The bolded text is said by the congregation, and the hymns are sung by all. The priest will give further instructions. If you're unsure about something, ask one of the sidespeople or a neighbour—they'd be glad to help. After most services we share refreshments and coffee in the parish hall. Please come! If you're not able to stay the clergy would be glad to greet you at the door.

Our worship centres on the celebration of Holy Eucharist. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the sacrament. You may receive both the Bread and the Wine, or if you'd prefer, the Bread only. If you'd like to receive a blessing instead, place your arms across your chest.

Jesus was known for welcoming children. At Grace we try to follow his example. Nursery care is available for infants and toddlers upstairs. Children's Church is also upstairs. If you need directions, ask one of the sidespeople or greeters. Children are also welcome to stay in the service, and the colouring corner is available every Sunday.

There's more to Grace than just Sunday morning, of course. Take a look at the announcements at back of the service leaflet to see what else is going on. You can also subscribe to our bi-weekly email update on our website 'Welcome' page. Or follow this QR code to sign up and receive information about concerts, life events, and digital giving.



It's a joy to gather with you at Grace Church.

**An asterisk invites you to stand as able.
Hymns can be found in the blue hymnals in the pews.*

PRELUDE *Prelude and Chaconne BuxWV 137*

BUXTEHUDE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN* CP 520 *The King of Love My Shepherd Is*

GREETING*

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

May his grace and peace be with you.

May he fill our hearts with joy.

WELCOME*

COLLECT FOR PURITY*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. 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* *from Communion Service*

MATHIAS

*Glory to God in the highest! 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, for 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.*

COLLECT OF THE DAY*

O God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make us perfect in every good work to do your will, and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *Acts 9:36-43*

VATHSALA THOMAS

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 23

The Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing.

He shall feed me in a green pasture: and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

He shall convert my soul: and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me: thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

SECOND READING *Revelation 7:9-17*

SARA THOMAS

Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honour and glory and blessing!" Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honour and glory and might forever and ever!" And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshipped.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN* CP 454 *Revive Thy Work, O Lord*

GOSPEL* *John 10:22-30*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY

THE REV. MICAH LATIMER-DENNIS

NICENE CREED*

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. 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE*

SUSAN GREEN

CONFESSION*

Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

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 neighbours 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.

ABSOLUTION*

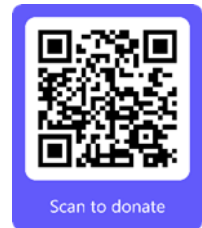
Almighty God, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

An offering is taken to support the ongoing mission of Grace Church on-the-Hill. Scan the QR code to make an offering online.



OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Jubilate

HOWELLS

*O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands :
serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.
Be ye sure that the Lord he is God : it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,
and into his courts with praise : be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.
For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting : and his truth endureth from generation
to generation.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.*

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS*

God of loving care, you spread before us the table of life, and give us the cup of salvation to drink. Keep us always in the fold of your Son Jesus Christ, our Saviour and our shepherd. **Amen.**

ABOUT THIS EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

This prayer is a 20th century composition. It is rooted in the tradition of Apostolic Constitutions VIII (c. 380) and aims at a rich expression of the history of salvation.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right that we should praise you, gracious God, for you created all things. You formed us in your own image: male and female you created us. When we turned away from you in sin, you did not cease to care for us, but opened a path of salvation for all people. You made a covenant with Israel, and through your servants Abraham and Sarah gave the promise of a blessing to all nations. Through Moses you led your people from bondage into freedom; through the prophets you renewed your promise of salvation. Therefore, with them, and with all your saints who have served you in every age, we give thanks and raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS* *Communion Service*

MATHIAS

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

Heav'n 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.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER*

Holy God, source of life and goodness, all creation rightly gives you praise. In the fullness of time, you sent your Son Jesus Christ, 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 healed the sick and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners; he opened the eyes of the blind and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom to the poor and to those in need. In all things he fulfilled your gracious will. On the night he freely gave himself to 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.” Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice destroys the power of sin and death; by raising him to life you give us life for evermore.

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Recalling his death, proclaiming his resurrection, and looking for his coming again in glory, we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup. Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who eat and drink at this table may be one body and one holy people, a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord. Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER*

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD*

Lord, we died with you on the cross.

Now we are raised to new life.

We were buried in your tomb.

Now we share in your resurrection.

Live in us, that we may live in you.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

AGNUS DEI* *Communion Service*

MATHIAS

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.

THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION MOTET

Surexit pastor bonus

ASOLA

*The good shepherd has arisen, who laid down his life for his sheep,
and for his flock deigned to die, alleluia,*

And for our Passover was sacrificed for us: Christ. Alleluia.

And stood in the midst of his disciples and said: Peace be with you.

The disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.

PRAYERS AFTER COMMUNION*

God of steadfast love, watch over the Church redeemed by the blood of your Son. May we who share in these holy mysteries come safely to your eternal kingdom, where there is one flock and one shepherd. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen.**

Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING*

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

HYMN* CP 444 *Your Hand, O God has Guided*

DISMISSAL*

Go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Finale Jubilante

WILLAN

THE ALTAR FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD
AND IN RECOGNITION OF:

DR. ALEC STURGEON & PHYLIS STURGEON

AND

VERA TACKABERRY

UPCOMING AT GRACE CHURCH ON-THE-HILL

Join us after the service for coffee, treats, and a time of fellowship.

Revive The Rectory | As the move in day of our new Priest-in-Charge, Rev. Don Beyers, approaches, please help us raise funds to give the Rectory some much needed TLC. Stay tuned for more announcements on the Rectory's special projects and financial needs.

Book Study | On **Thursdays in May at 4 pm** explore the essentials of Christian life alongside others at Grace through Rowan Williams' brief and engaging *Being Christian: Baptism, Bible, Eucharist, Prayer*. The group will meet on the Russell Hill patio when it's warm and dry, and indoors when it isn't. Expect tea, light refreshments, and a lively discussion of the life of faith.

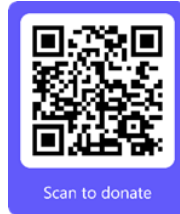
Spring Cleanup Fun! | Everyone, young and young at heart, are encouraged to help wake up our beloved church lawns and gardens! What a perfect family activity! Come and help whenever you have any time on most Tuesdays. For further information, please reach out to Sandra at sandra.doblinger@gmail.com.

Children's Choir Camp | Registration is open **now** for our Children's Choir Camp 2025! Join us for this fun and learning-filled week of music, singing, art, activities, and a field trip to Casa Loma. The camp runs from **August 25-29** from 9:00-3:00, and is for ages 6-12. \$75 registration fee. Visit our website to register.

*Morning Prayer is prayed Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:00 am in the chapel.
The Midweek Communion is celebrated Wednesdays at 10:30 am.*

GIVING TO GRACE

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