



# Grace & Trinity Episcopal Churches

The Reverend Kathy Swain, Vicar

## Holy Eucharist Rite II

29th August 2021

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

### **Welcome to our Churches!**

If you are a newcomer, we hope that this time in worship will help you grow in the knowledge that you are a beloved Child of God.

If you are unfamiliar with the liturgy of the Episcopal Church, please allow our congregation to carry you in worship.

We're glad you are here.

Due to the rapid spread of the Delta variant of the Covid virus, out of love for our neighbor and ourselves, we have moved to worshipping outdoors. Our service next week is a combined service with Trinity & Grace at 10:00 am, Wilson Park Pavilion, Ark City.

We understand that the heat makes it more difficult, but we request that everyone who can, to please wear a mask.

## The Collect

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

### **OUR FIRST LESSON IS A READING FROM THE BOOK OF DEUTERONOMY, BEGINNING WITH THE 4TH CHAPTER AND THE 1ST VERSE.**

Moses said: So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the LORD, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the LORD your God with which I am charging you.

You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!" For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

The Word of the Lord

*People* Thanks be to God

**OUR RESPONSE IS FROM PSALM 15, WE WILL PRAY IT IN UNISON.**

**LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle?  
who may abide upon your holy hill?  
Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right,  
who speaks the truth from his heart.  
There is no guile upon his tongue;  
he does no evil to his friend;  
he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.  
In his sight the wicked is rejected,  
but he honors those who fear the LORD.  
He has sworn to do no wrong  
and does not take back his word.  
He does not give his money in hope of gain,  
nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.  
Whoever does these things  
shall never be overthrown.**

**OUR SECOND LESSON IS FROM THE EPISTLE OF JAMES, BEGINNING WITH  
THE 1ST CHAPTER & THE 17TH VERSE**

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror;

for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

The Word of the Lord

*People* Thanks be to God

## The Holy Gospel

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark+

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” He said to them, “Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

‘This people honors me with their lips,  
but their hearts are far from me;  
in vain do they worship me,  
teaching human precepts as doctrines.’

You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.”

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, “Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out

are what defile.” For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

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



### The Prayers of the People

*Leader*            We pray for The Most Reverend Michael Curry, our Presiding Bishop and for the Episcopal Branch of the Jesus Movement.  
We pray for The Right Reverend Cathleen Bascom, our Bishop and the Diocese of Kansas.  
In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Episcopal Church of Sudan and South Sudan.  
In the World Council of Churches Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the people of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.  
In the Kansas Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. John’s, Parsons.

*Leader*            Grant us wisdom and discernment as we attend to the Scriptures, O God, that we may neither forget the things we have seen nor let them slip from our minds, making them known to our children and to our children’s children:

*People*            Every generous act of giving is from above.

*Leader*            All good things come down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change, who has given us birth by the word of truth in fulfillment of the divine purpose:

***People*** Every perfect gift is from above.

***Leader*** Grant us true religion that we may care for orphans and widows in their distress and extend ourselves to all in need, being doers of the word and not merely hearers:

***People*** Every generous act of giving is from above.

***Leader*** Make your Church to look to the perfect law of liberty and to the proclamation of the truth which shall set the world free, that we may persevere in Good News:

***People*** Every perfect gift is from above.

***Leader*** Tend the sick, Lord Christ, especially those for whom we now pray (*the Prayer List is read, then the people may offer their petitions*); and we pray for those who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal Kingdom, (*those listed on the Necrology List are lifted in prayer, then the people may offer their own petitions*), that they may recall your kindness:

***People*** Every generous act of giving is from above.

***Leader*** Assist us to apply the teaching of the prophets and of our Lord Jesus Christ, the wisdom of the apostles and of the Church through the ages; that we may be alert to the Spirit's movement, and resist unworthy precepts:

***People*** Every generous act of giving and every perfect gift is from above.

***The priest says a concluding collect.***

## FOR THOSE AT HOME

*A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.*

### Spiritual Communion Prayer

**My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your resurrection. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot physically receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually+into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.**



### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

**9/25 - Holy Eucharist, 10:00 am, Wilson Park Pavilion, Ark City**

**9/11 - Saturday, 2 pm: Southwest Convocation meeting with Bishop & Diocesan Staff**

**9/12 - Holy Eucharist, 10:00, Lion Pavilion, Island Park, Winfield**

**9/12 - Sunday: Trinity Vestry, 12.30 pm; via Zoom**

**9/15 - Wednesday: 7 pm, Grace Vestry Meeting; via Zoom**

**9/28 - 9/30 - Tuesday-Thursday, Diocesan Gathering of the Clergy, Spiritual Life Center, Bel Air, KS,; Mother Kathy & Deacon Karen will attend.**

**Our Intercession List**

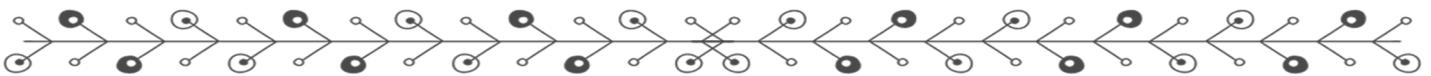
Dave and Gale, Patricia, Nan, Lynn, Jean, Christopher, David, Leabeth, Stan, Stephanie, Brian, Glenn, Nancy, Richard, LP & Rogena, Brian, Don, Jennifer, Diane, Barbara, Charlotte, Colette, Denny, Mary, Jordan, and Melissa

**Necrology**

The Rt. Rev. Robert C. Witcher, The Rev. Art Rathbun, The Rev. Steven Wayne Mues, Ty Freel, Louis Hoover and Carol Cameron

**THOSE WHO SERVE**

<b>Lector</b>	<b>Beth McCann</b>
<b>Prayers of the People</b>	<b>Daughters of the King</b>



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