



ST. GREGORY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

radiates God's grace, equipping all people to change the world.



Trinity Sunday

May 26, 2024 | 9:30am

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Welcome to St. Gregory's

We are truly thankful for your presence.

We're Here to Help

If you need anything, please ask the Greeter who handed you this bulletin.

Children & Parents

We are glad you are here.

On the left-hand side of the Altar is our **Children's Pray-ground**, a space made especially for kids, stocked with toys, books, and art supplies.

We expect kids will make noise. Don't sweat it. However, if your child — or you — need a break in a more quiet space, we have a **Cry Room** downstairs with a changing table.

Praying with Us

We encourage you to participate fully in our service, as you are comfortable. We invite you to read aloud the **bold text**. Wherever you see (+), you are invited to cross yourself. Other actions are indicated during the service, but none of them is required.

Let's Get Connected

Please fill out a **Welcome Card**, found in the backs of the pews. You can hand your completed card to one of the Greeters or place it in the basket at the back of the Sanctuary.

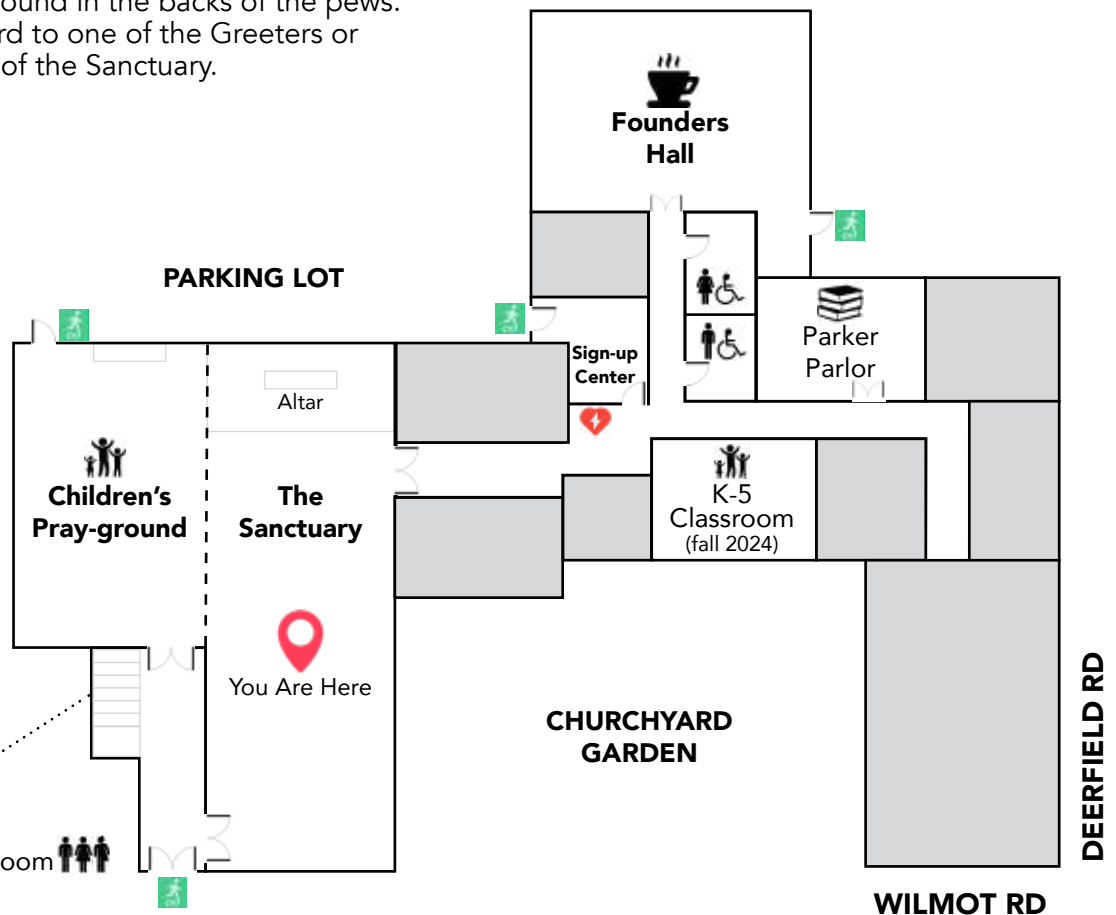
Find Your Way

Use this map to find key areas in the building. If you want help, please ask.

← NORTH

- AED, First Aid Kit, NARCAN
- Emergency Exits
- Coffee & Tea Service
- Children's Facilities

Stairs Down to
Cry Room
Gender-Neutral Restroom



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Altar flowers given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Debbie Welker by her children, Amy and Jonathan, and her husband, John.

THE WORD OF GOD

When the bells ring, the people stand as they are able.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Blessed be God: (+) Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

PROCESSIONAL

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee:
though the sin - ful hu - man eye thy glo - ry may not see,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.
per - fect in power, in love, and pu - ri - ty.



During the season after Pentecost, the collects cover the wide variety of human longing and responsibilities of the church and humanity.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people sit.

We follow a three-year cycle of readings called a Lectionary. These are lessons being heard in congregations from many denominations throughout the world on this day. The first reading is from the Hebrew Scriptures, which tell us the story of God's love and faithfulness to God's people from the beginning of time to just before Christ.

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!”

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!”

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 29

The Psalm is a hymn or poem. The psalms cover the whole range of the relationship between God and God's people. The Book of Psalms, while a “book” of the Bible, consists of 150 hymns intended to be sung.

- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you gods,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2 **Ascribe to the Lord the glory that is due the holy Name;
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.**
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders; the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 **The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice;
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.**
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 **The Lord makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**
- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire;
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 **The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.**
- 9 And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, “Glory!”



**10 The Lord sits enthroned above the flood;
the Lord sits enthroned as Sovereign for evermore.**

11 The Lord shall give strength to the chosen people;
the Lord shall give the people the blessing of peace.

The people stand, as they are able. Children are invited to join the procession in the aisle for the reading of the Gospel.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Verse 1-4 sung before the gospel reading, verse 5-6 after.

1. Glo - ry to you, _____ Lord
 God of our fa - thers; _____ you are wor - thy of praise;
 glo - ry to you. _____ 2. Glo - ry to you _____
 _ for the ra - di-ance of your ho - ly Name; _____ we will
 praise you and high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____
 3. Glo - ry to you _____ in the splen - dor of your
 tem - ple; _____ on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to
 you. _____ 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -
 ween the Cher - u - bim; _____ we will praise you and
 high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____



During the Holy Eucharist, there is always a reading from a Gospel. We stand to indicate the importance we place on Jesus' words and actions. The deacon or priest proclaims the Gospel in the midst of the people to represent the Good News that Jesus has come among us, and we all turn toward it.

THE GOSPEL

JOHN 3:1-17

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

(+++) **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God."

Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SEQUENCE HYMN

5. Glo - ry to you, _____ be - hold - ing the
 depths; _____ in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to
 you. _____ 6. Glo - ry to you, _____ Fa - ther,
 Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; _____ we will praise you and
 high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. _____

The people sit.

HOMILY

The Rev. Dan Puchalla, Priest-in-Charge

The homily is meant to help us make the Word of God a living and transforming reality of our lives today.



In the Nicene Creed, we respond to the proclamation of God's Word by affirming the historic faith of the Church. We "believe" (from the Latin credere, literally "to put one's heart into") because we offer our trust in the story of God's creating, redeeming, and remaining with the world. "We" believe because the church as a whole, the Body of Christ, carries and strengthens the faith of each individual. Also note that when it is not capitalized, the word "catholic" is defined as universal or inclusive.

NICENE CREED

The people stand, as they 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: was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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. who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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 Prayers of the People are always responsive, because everyone gives voice to the supplications. We include prayers for others throughout the world, in our diocese, and those connected to our congregation. This is the part of the liturgy where it is most evident that we would be noticeably less without the contributions of each person present. We voice prayers from our parish prayer list, as well as requests from the onsite and online worshippers.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, CONFESSION, AND ABSOLUTION

Come, Holy Spirit, and open our eyes to see your glory shining from the sky above, from the earth below, and from every creature. *We offer prayers of joy and gratitude.*
We pray to the Spirit: **Come, and make us new.**

Come, Divine Breath, and fill us with life even when we are afflicted in mind, body, spirit, and conscience. *We offer prayers of intercession.*
We pray to the Spirit: **Come, and give us life.**

Come, Fiery Dove, and guide us boldly through death itself to eternal life. *We offer prayers for the dead.*
We pray to the Spirit: **Come, and raise us up.**

Come, Wisdom and Compassion, and give us courage to confess our failings and to walk in your ways of justice, love, and truth.
Have mercy upon us, most merciful God; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us, O Holy Spirit, that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



The Presider offers the absolution.

Almighty God grant us (+) forgiveness of our sins and strength to work and to pray for all people according to their need, that we, burning with the Spirit's endless fire, may radiate Christ's unquenchable grace, to the ends of the earth and the end of the age. **Amen.**

The Peace has been exchanged at the Eucharist since the time of the first Christians. It is a profound act to offer the miraculous peace of God to one another before we join in communion with God and each other.

THE PEACE

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

The congregation greets each other in the peace of Christ.

The people sit.

PRAYERS FOR BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND TRAVELS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Fair is the sunlight, fair is the moonlight,
and all the stars in heaven above,
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer,
and brings to all the world his love.
Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands,
robed in the flowers of blooming spring.
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,
he makes the sorrowing spirit sing.
Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations!
Son of God and Son of man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration
now and forevermore be thine! Amen.*

*"Beautiful Savior"
arr. Sally DeFord*

The Offertory is when we bring our gifts of bread, wine, money, and our very selves to present to the Lord as our initial act of thanksgiving. This collection is a visible reminder that our whole lives are God's, and a part of what God has given us we give back in thanksgiving for all that we have and all that we are. You can use this QR code to give to StGs online.



THE HOLY COMMUNION

The people stand, as they are able.

OFFERTORY HYMN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here be - low;
Praise God a - bove ye heaven - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.



The Eucharist, or Communion, is the act of offering, breaking bread, and sharing in Christ's life, death, and resurrection. It also reminds us that we are Christ's body in our world today. As Episcopalians, the Eucharist is the principal act of worship, in which we always have a full proclamation of the heart of the Gospel. Celebrating Eucharist is something we do together, so we all take part in the prayers.

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 God thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks and praise. For with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Therefore with the apostles and prophets and all the saints, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

The Sanctus (holy, holy, holy) recalls the words of the prophet Isaiah, overwhelmed by the presence of God in the sanctuary, and these words were sung by the people as Jesus entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. The Sanctus reminds us that this is an offering of the whole creation, which joins in singing these praises.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heav-en and earth,
 heav-en and earth are full of your glo - - ry. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal: You we praise and glorify, you we worship and adore. You formed the earth from chaos; you encircled the globe with breath; you created fire for warmth and light; you nourish the lands with water.

You molded us in your image, and with mercy, higher than the mountains, with grace deeper than the seas, you blessed the Israelites and cherished them as your own. That also we who are Gentiles, estranged and dying, might be adopted to live in your Spirit, you called to us through the life and death of Jesus.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.



Together as the Body of Christ, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

With this bread and cup we remember your Son, the first-born of your new creation. We remember his life lived for others, and his death and resurrection, which renews the face of the earth. We await his coming, when, with the world made perfect through your Wisdom, all our sins and sorrows will be no more.

Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and compassionate, send upon us and this meal your Holy Spirit, whose breath revives us for life, whose fire rouses us to love. Enfold in your arms all who share this holy food. Nurture in us the fruits of the Spirit, that we may be a living vine, sharing your bounty with all the world.

Holy and benevolent God, receive our praise and petitions, as Jesus received the cry of the needy, and (+) fill us with your blessing, until, needy no longer and bound to you in love, we feast for ever in the triumph of the Lamb: through whom all glory and honor is yours, O God, O Living One, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior 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, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread.

When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we pro -
claim your re - sur - rec - tion, un - til you come a - gain.

The Great Amen is the only word in our Book of Common Prayer that is in all capital letters. It emphasizes that we all join together in asking Jesus to be present in the bread and wine, in boldly affirming our desire to receive God. It is appropriate to say this with enthusiasm!

The Lord's Prayer is the prayer that Jesus gave to his followers when they asked him to teach them to pray. It links our daily bread to the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist.

The Fraction recalls Jesus breaking the bread at the Last Supper to share with the disciples, and reminds us that Jesus' body was broken on the cross for us to be shared with the world. Therefore we keep a moment of silence for prayers of awe and gratitude.



RECEIVING COMMUNION

Where To Go: Please join the line closest to you to receive Communion. When you get to the front, fill in along the rail, from left to right. You are welcome to stand or kneel.

Receiving: Hold out your hands to receive bread. Then indicate to the other ministers if you would like wine from the shared chalice or an individual cup. Used cups may be placed on the stand nearest you.

Gluten-free Option: Please ask for a gluten-free wafer from the priest when they come to you.

Non-alcoholic Option: Please ask for juice from the minister holding the tray of cups. You also have the option to take only the bread to receive Communion.

Not Receiving: If you will not be receiving Communion, you are invited to come forward for a blessing. Please join your line and cross your arms over your chest when you get to the front.

For those worshipping remotely, you may read the Prayer for Spiritual Communion: In union, gracious God, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we offer to you praise and thanksgiving. We remember your death, O Christ; we proclaim your resurrection; we await your coming in glory. Since we cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. Cleanse and strengthen us with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let us never be separated from you. May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

The Prayer for Spiritual Communion articulates a hunger for unity with Jesus Christ when you cannot physically receive the Body and Blood of Christ. This prayer connects the one(s) praying with the reception of Holy Communion. Those worshipping online are invited to say this prayer as those onsite receive Communion.

COMMUNION HYMN



1 O Ho - ly Spi - rit, by whose breath life ris - es
2 You are the seek - er's sure re - source, of burn - ing
3 In you God's en - er - gy is shown, to us your
4 Flood our dull sens - es with your light; in mu - tual
5 From in - ner strife grant us re - lease; turn na - tions
6 Praise to the Fa - ther, Christ, his Word, and to the



1 vi - brant out of death; come to cre - ate,
2 love the liv - ing source, pro - tec - tor in
3 var - ied gifts make known. Teach us to speak,
4 love our hearts u - nite. Your power the whole
5 to the ways of peace. To ful - ler life
6 Spi - rit: God the Lord, to whom all ho -



1 re - new, in - spire; come, kin - dle in our hearts your fire.
2 the midst of strife, the giv - er and the Lord of life.
3 teach us to hear; yours is the tongue and yours the ear.
4 cre - a - tion fills; con - firm our weak, un - cer - tain wills.
5 your peo - ple bring that as one bo - dy we may sing:
6 nor, glo - ry be both now and for e - ter - ni - ty.



COMMUNION HYMN

1. I bind un - to my - self to - day the strong Name
of the Trin - i - ty, by in - vo - ca - tion
of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three.

*6. Christ be with me, Christ with - in me, Christ be - hind me,
Christ be - neath me, Christ a - bove me, Christ in qui - et,

Christ be - fore me, Christ be - side me, Christ to
Christ in dan - ger, Christ in hearts of all that

win me, Christ to com - fort and re - store me,
love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stran - ger.



7. I bind un - to my - self the Name, the strong Name
of the Trin - i - ty, by in - vo - ca - tion
of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three.
Of whom all na - ture hath cre - a - tion, e - ter - nal
Fa - ther, Spi - rit, Word: praise to the Lord of
my sal - va - tion, sal - va - tion is of Christ the Lord.

After Communion, we give thanks for being part of the communion of God's life and for being fed so that we may go out to feed and serve others in our world.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

The people stand, as they are able.

**God of abundance,
you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

The people sit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The people stand, as they are able.

BLESSING

The grace of our Savior Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you and everyone who loves you now and for ever. **Amen.**

One of the roles of the priest is to declare the eternal truth of God's ever-present blessing to God's people.



EXIT HYMN

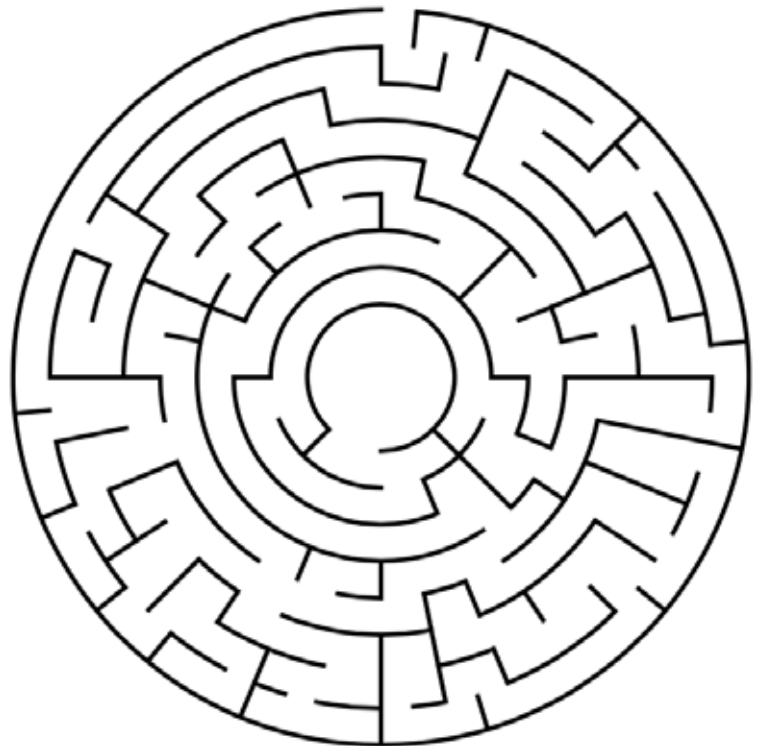
Having heard the Gospel and having been fed at communion, the final act of our common worship is the Dismissal. It is not an afterthought, but an integral part of the service. Jesus' final action on earth was to send his followers into the world to make disciples, baptizing and teaching them to obey all he had commanded. And so we are sent out into the world to proclaim the Good News and be Christ's hands and feet on earth.

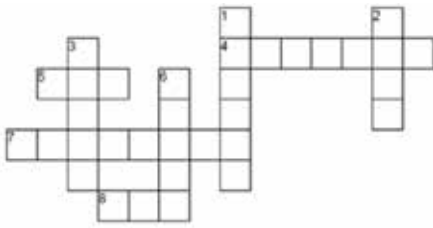
The Priest or Deacon dismisses the people, and the people respond,

Thanks be to God.

M L I Z D Q X P T H R O U G H
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ACROSS

- 4. Lasting forever, without end
- 5. Male offspring
- 7. Accept something as being true, genuine, or real
- 8. The creator of heaven and earth

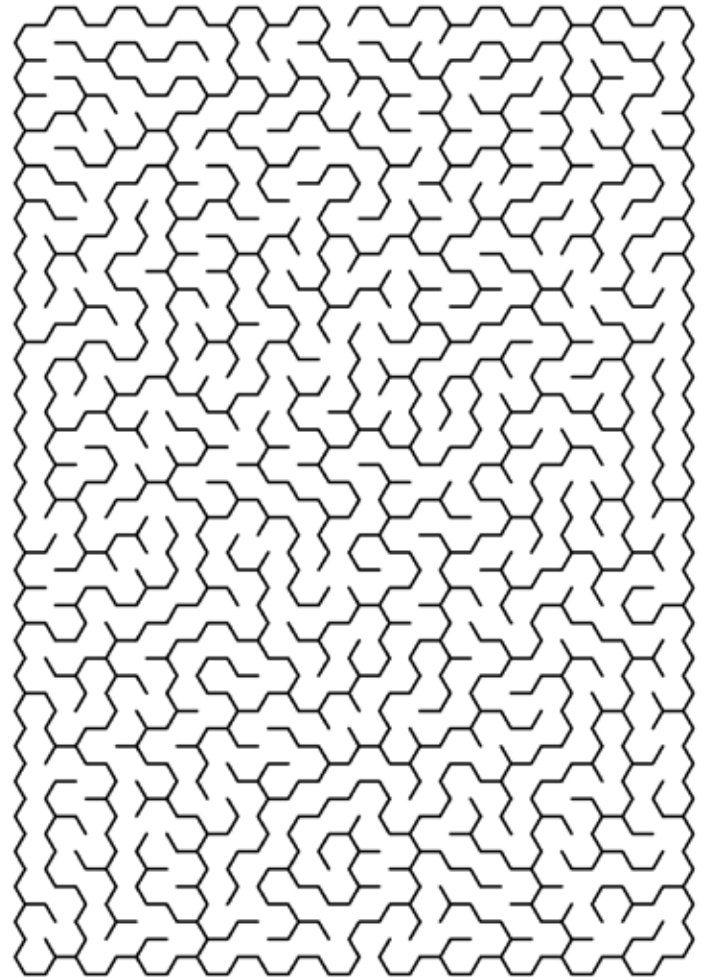
DOWN

- 1. To die or be destroyed
- 2. To rescue from danger or harm
- 3. The earth with its inhabitants and everything on it
- 6. Cared very deeply for someone

ETERNAL	WORLD	PERISH	SAVE
LOVED	GOD	BELIEVES	SON

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- 1. 2-25-1-15-17-15-16 _____
- 2. 2-1-16-23-5 _____
- 3. 4-1-5 _____
- 4. 18-15-23-7-15-17-15-3 _____
- 5. 4-20-17-15 _____
- 6. 23-7-14-15 _____
- 7. 3-1-24 _____
- 8. 15-9-15-16-24-20-23 _____
- 9. 23-1-17-15-5 _____
- 10. 12-15-16-7-3-25 _____
- 11. 1-24-23-26 _____



THANK YOU!

Thank you SO much to all who made our incredible Day of Pentecost celebration such a success! From those who decorated the sanctuary and Founder's Hall so beautifully, those who read the Lord's Prayer in the languages of their ancestors, who provided the ethereal music, who helped set up and clean up for the potluck, and who brought delicious recipes from their countries of origin... what an absolute delight! Extra special thanks to Holly Grasch and the Agyeman family for hosting. Weekly coffee hours will continue every Sunday, but our next coffee brunch is June 23 - if you'd like to sign up to host, please check the Sign-Up Center! Debbie at debbie.kinjo@gmail.com or Sharon at slgramer@comcast.net



COMING UP...



Love in a Dish

Welcome, Thomas Donald Orsi! We invite you to help Melissa, Rafael, and Gabi Orsi welcome their new baby into the family by signing up to bring them supper during these first couple of weeks. You are welcome either to cook or to order out for them (got DoorDash or UberEats?). When you sign up, Cissy Singleton will be in touch to coordinate details with you. Signup at the Signup Center or via the QR code at right.



Youth: Be Heard!

All youth who will be in 6th through 12th grade next school year are invited and encouraged to come to a forum especially for them to generate ideas for a new Youth Group. What kinds of fun do we want to have together? What are your favorite games and activities? What outings might we do together? What topics do you want to learn and talk more about? Be part of creating your future at this forum on Sunday, June 2, right after church. We will provide lunch. Parents: please RSVP via the QR code at right.



Save the Date: Town Hall on Children & Youth

We will hold a special Town Hall on Sunday, June 23 after church, where the Children & Youth Taskforce will be unveiling our new programming for the fall. Everyone, not just parents, are encouraged to attend, so that we can support these important ministries as a whole community. Childcare will be provided during the meeting. This will also be a Coffee Brunch Sunday, so there will be plenty of lovely food to enjoy!

Community Meals: May 26 and June 23!

Community Meals will take place this Sunday, May 26th at 12 noon. At this time we are fully staffed and have a full complement of bakers! Sign up now to join us on Sunday, June 23rd. Sign up via the clipboard in the Sign-Up Center. 🗋️ Barb: bschaper7@aol.com or (847)948-8989



Rector Discernment Committee Update

RDC The Rector Discernment Committee (RDC) had its first meeting on May 14th. We started our meeting with prayer and spiritual sharing, knowing that our work must be intentional and guided by the Holy Spirit. In that meeting we shared our roles and responsibilities in the discernment process and discussed how those could come to life in the next several months. The committee is working with the high-level schedule shown below. We're cognizant of summer travel and challenges it poses in this process, and will make sure points of engagement for the parish are offered at multiple times and/or online as well as in person to ensure everyone has an opportunity to participate!

Please keep the RDC in your prayers as we lead and guide this work. If you have any questions about the process, please contact Jon Dutcher or LoriLee Bielski, co-chairs of the committee.

Major activities/milestones by month:

- **May:** Convene RDC; develop survey strategy; begin planning for small group meetings
- **June:** Launch the Congregational Assessment Tool (CAT) survey for all parishioners. Survey will be available for approximately 3 weeks and is completed online
- **July:** Hold small group sessions at various times (in person and online) to foster open discussions about key areas of interest/concern for discernment
- **August:** Review and synthesize CAT survey results and small group feedback; conduct Town Hall in late August/early September to review CAT and small group findings and recommendations; prepare a final report that is a profile of St. Gregory's people, goals and desires, resources, and challenges, and share with the wardens, vestry, Dan, and the diocese
- **September:** Finalize parish profile report and submit to diocese as well as share with St. Gregory's parishioners; finalize discernment committee recommendations