

Grace Episcopal Church

A Parish of the Episcopal Diocese of Ohio
Serving the Community of Sandusky, Ohio since 1835



Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m.
October 2, 2022

HOLY EUCHARIST

ORGAN PRELUDE

STRENGTHEN FOR SERVICE, LORD

WOLFGANG RUBSAM

OPENING HYMN

"AWAKE, MY SOUL"

HYMNAL 1982, #11

OPENING ACCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Presider: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

Please stand as you are able

Presider: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

GLORY TO GOD

HAMPTON MASS - SEE PEW CARD

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People: Amen.

THE FIRST READING: LAMENTATIONS 1:1-6

Please be seated

How lonely sits the city that once was full of people! How like a widow she has become, she that was great among the nations! She that was a princess among the provinces has become a vassal. She weeps bitterly in the night, with tears on her cheeks; among all her lovers she has no one to comfort her; all her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they have become her enemies. Judah has gone into exile with suffering and hard servitude; she lives now among the nations, and finds no resting place; her pursuers have all overtaken her in the midst of her distress. The roads to Zion mourn, for no one comes to the festivals; all her gates are desolate, her priests groan; her young girls grieve, and her lot is bitter. Her foes have become the masters, her enemies prosper, because the Lord has made her suffer for the multitude of her transgressions; her children have gone away, captives before the foe. From daughter Zion has departed all her majesty. Her princes have become like stags that find no pasture; they fled without strength before the pursuer.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 137 (SPOKEN IN UNISON)

**By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept, *
when we remembered you, O Zion.**

**As for our harps, we hung them up *
on the trees in the midst of that land.**

**For those who led us away captive asked us for a song,
and our oppressors called for mirth: *
"Sing us one of the songs of Zion."**

**How shall we sing God's holy song *
upon a foreign soil?**

**If I forget you, O Jerusalem, *
let my right hand forget its skill.**

**Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth
if I do not remember you, *
if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy.**

**Remember the day of Jerusalem, O God,
against the people of Edom, *
who said, "Down with it! Down with it!
even to the ground!"**

**O Offspring of Babylon, doomed to destruction, *
happy the one who pays you back
for what you have done to us!**

THE SECOND READING: 2 TIMOTHY 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I am grateful to God-- whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did-- when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able

GOSPEL GRADUAL

"AMAZING GRACE"

HYMNAL 1982, #671

GOSPEL: LUKE 17:5-10

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: **Glory to You, Lord Christ.**

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. "Who among you would say to your servant who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the servant for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless servants; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

Presider: The Gospel of Our Lord.

People: **Praise to You, Lord Christ.**

Please be seated

SERMON

THE REVEREND DR. BRIAN K. WILBERT

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand as you are able

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

**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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please stand or kneel as you are able

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; and Mark, Arthur, and William, our Bishops; and all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own intercessions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

Presider: We pray for the forgiveness of our sins.

All: **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your 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.**

ABSOLUTION

Presider: Almighty God have mercy on you,
forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,
strengthen you in all goodness,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People: Amen.

THE PEACE

Presider: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be seated

PRAYER FOR OUR CHILDREN AND FOR BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Together: **Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase;**

bless and guide them wherever they may be.

Strengthen them when they stand;

comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up when they fall;

and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding

abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

And now, let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

OFFERTORY MUSIC

THE OLD HUNDREDTH PSALM TUNE

R. VAUGHAN WILLIAMS

TRUMPET: BRANDON JOHNSON

(COMPOSED FOR THE CORONATION OF HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH II IN WESTMINSTER ABBEY ON TUESDAY, 2 JUNE 1953)

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION

"GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS"

LEVAS, #189

1. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther,
2. Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

1. There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee;
2. Sun, moon and stars in their cours - es a - bove,
3. Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;

1. Thou chang - est not, thy com - pas - sions, they fail not,
2. Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness,
3. Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,

1. As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
2. To thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy and love.
3. Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Presider: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, for by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS

HAMPTON MASS – SEE PEW CARD

Please stand or kneel as you are able

Presider: We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Presider and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

Presider: And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.



A - MEN.

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.**

AGNUS DEI

HAMPTON MASS – SEE PEW CARD

Please be seated

COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive the bread and wine of communion, or to refrain from receiving.
If you choose to receive the bread and wine,
please come forward to the communion rail remembering to maintain social distancing.
Consume the host and then sip wine from the common cup.
If for any reason you feel uncomfortable sipping from the common cup,
remember that receiving only the host,
as we have been doing for the past two years, is efficacious.
We are not reinstating the practice on intinction (dipping the host in the common cup).
If you cannot come forward to the communion rail,
and would like to receive communion,
please speak with an usher and we will bring Eucharist to you.

*If you choose not to receive the consecrated bread today,
or are unable to do so because you are worshipping via live-stream, we offer this prayer.
It comes to us from the Prayer Book for the Armed Services
and is used by those whose military service prevents them from joining a eucharistic celebration.
May you know the blessing of our connectedness and find peace.*

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Gracious and generous God, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church,
where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated,
I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving.
I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory.
Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood,
I beseech you to 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.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Please stand as you are able

Presider: Let us pray.

All: **Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

BLESSING

Presider: Life is short and we do not have too much time
to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us.
So be swift to love and make haste to be kind.
And the blessing of God:
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be with you and those you love this day and always.

People: Amen.

MISSION HYMN

"YE SERVANTS OF GOD"

HYMNAL 1982, #535

DISMISSAL

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

People: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

TRUMPET TUNE

FREDERICK SWANN

ASSISTING IN GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

Presider: The Rev. Dr. Brian K. Wilbert
Lector: Jeff Mettert
Livestreaming: Brandon Johnson
Organist: Randy Ruthsatz
Altar Guild: Ellen Mettert
Lemonade on
the Lawn: Lisa Fowler

Sunday Servers for October 9th

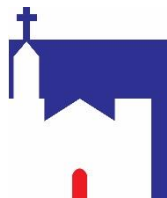
Presider:	The Rev. Dr. Brian K. Wilbert
Lector:	Ellen Mettert
Acolyte:	Rick Doyan
Usher:	
Livestreaming:	Jeff Fowler
Organist:	Randy Ruthsatz
Altar Guild:	Barby Gravengaard
Lemonade on The Lawn:	Lisa Fournier

*The Altar Flowers have been given to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of Lee Jewett and the amazing work his hands crafted in Sandusky
and for his imagination that dreamt the whimsical skyline across Sandusky Bay
by Friends of the Jewett Family*

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Debbie Chase, Parish Administrator
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Dr. Robert Speers, Parish Historiographer

Vestry Members
Scott Fais
Kathleen Floyd
Jeff Fowler, Junior Warden
Chris Gardner
Judith Gerlach

Barby Gravengaard, Senior Warden
Jim Hart
Ellen Mettert, Member-at-Large
Becky Montague, Clerk

The Ministers:
All the Members of Grace Church

Grace Church Search Committee 2021

Co-Chair, Mary Ellen Hart	Julie Geiger
Co-Chair, Scott Fais	Jo Pankow
Julie Eastlake	Terrin Schnee
Chris Gardner	Mary Toney

Dear Lord, be with us on our journey to find a new priest. Let us listen to each other about our needs and the needs of each member. May you guide us in this process and show us the best choice for Grace Church. *Amen.*

Church Office Hours
8am to 3pm, Monday - Friday

Sunday, October 2	8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist – in the Chapel
	10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist – in the Church
	11:00 a.m.	Lemonade on the Lawn – weather permitting
Monday, October 3	7:00 p.m.	Sandusky Choral Society practice
Tuesday, October 4	5:30 p.m.	Mid-Week Eucharist – in the Chapel
	6:00 p.m.	Supper and Scripture Study – MSR/Zoom Room
Wednesday, October 5	7:00 p.m.	Choir practice
Sunday, October 9	8:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist – in the Chapel
	10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist – in the Church
	11:00 a.m.	Lemonade on the Lawn – weather permitting

A local chapter is being organized. A meeting is being planned soon. If you would like to attend or have any questions, please contact Judith Gerlach at 419-616-3053 or jger@bex.net.

You can also go to their website for more information:
<https://www.doknational.org/>



OUTREACH GRANTS: The 2022 Fall Outreach Grant program has started. Applications can be obtained from our website gracesandusky.org or from the Parish Office. Deadline for submissions is **October 11th**.

BISHOP SEARCH UPDATE from the Transition Committee: The Meet & Greet sub-committee is soliciting questions from the diocese from which we will formulate a series of questions that address the issues of interest and concern to you. Please know that we value your input and hope to have candidates answer as many of your questions as possible. Go to <https://form.jotform.com/222444879136059> (Meet and Greet Candidate Questions form) to submit your questions by Friday, September 16, 2022 at 5pm.

Our Meet & Greet time together will also include prayer led by our hosting clergy and a reception with refreshments.

Your Grace Vestry is organizing a carpool for those interested in attending the October 26th Meet & Greet at St. Timothy's in Perrysburg from 6-8pm.

If you would like to attend and be part of a carpool, please contact BECKY MONTAGUE at: Rmontague47@gmail.com / call-text: 419-271-1085. We will leave Grace by 5pm.

Our prayers have been asked for

Alexander Lawson Family, Amelia, Barbara, Beth, Betty & Mike, Bob, Bruce, Caine & Owen, Connie, Dan & Sue, David, Greg E., Jaime & Mark, James H., Jean, Jim and Judy, Jimmy, Jo, JoAnn, Joea & Neill, Karen, Kate, Lauren, Lester, Linda, Liz, Lois, Matthew, Matthew S., Mia, Mike, Shelly & Derrick, Nancy, Nathan, Rena Ron & Alice, Ron & Rene, Ruth, Steve & Kathy, Sue D., Susan, Wayne, and Wendy

Prayers for those who have died, especially

Cherry Koester (August 29, 2022)

Marjorie Dyer (August 26, 2022)

Lee C. Jewett (September 24, 2022)

Prayers for those in our community

For the homeless

Prayers for me and my family and friends. I have a baby on the way - *Anonymous*

Please pray for me to find a good paying job and for my well-being - *Ron*

Please pray for my health - *Gabriel*

Those Who Serve and Protect

Ted Bertsch
Cameron Brace
Chris Cheek
Sam Freeman
Adam Hagelberger
Joel Hagy
Craig Lambert

Vance Lambert
Brian Michael Laws
Luke Lipomi
Marcus Mettert
Vincent Parenti-Herner
Kevin Poyer
Sean Poyer

Cameren Scholl
Jamison Shriver
Ayden Swinehart
Jacob Tetzloff
Matt Trautman

In the Diocese of Ohio, pray for the Cuyahoga Mission Area

St. John's Church, Cleveland

St. Luke's Church, Cleveland

Trinity Cathedral, Cleveland

“Supper and Scripture Study”

Tuesdays 6:00 - 7:15 p.m.

We invite you to attend our Tuesday 5:30pm Eucharist
in the Chapel.

After the service we will have a simple supper
at 6pm in the Mary Simpson Room.

We will then gather in the Zoom Room for Bible Study
(of the upcoming Sunday readings) at 6:30pm.

Below is the Zoom information for the meetings
if you cannot attend in person.

Time: Sep 13, 2022 06:30 PM Eastern Time
Every week on Tue, until Nov 22, 2022, 11 occurrence(s)

Oct 4, 2022 06:30 PM

Oct 11, 2022 06:30 PM

Oct 18, 2022 06:30 PM

Oct 25, 2022 06:30 PM

Nov 1, 2022 06:30 PM

Nov 8, 2022 06:30 PM

Nov 15, 2022 06:30 PM

Nov 22, 2022 06:30 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86827259244>

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This will be a weekly occurrence until November 22nd.



**BULLETIN
INSERTS**

October 2, 2022 – Pentecost 17 (C) United Thank Offering Grants

The United Thank Offering (UTO) Board is pleased to announce the availability of its 2023 UTO Annual Grants, with a focus on the worldwide incarceration crisis. These grants are awarded for projects in The Episcopal Church and throughout the Anglican Communion, each year with a different focus.

Grant application deadlines are 5 p.m. ET Jan. 6, for Anglican Communion partners, and 5 p.m. ET March 10, for dioceses of The Episcopal Church.

More information—including criteria for applicants, sample budgets and timelines, and helpful hints—as well as application and other forms are available online in English and Spanish at <https://unitedthankoffering.com/apply/>.

The United Thank Offering was founded to support innovative mission and ministry in The Episcopal Church and to promote thankfulness and mission in the whole church. One hundred percent of UTO thank offerings—given by individuals and churches—are granted the following year. These awards support a wide range of projects, positions, educational resources, and more.

For the next three years, the United Thank Offering, in the spirit of Matthew 25:36, will focus on those whom society has left out or behind. The 2023 grant focus will be on innovative mission and ministry projects addressing all aspects of global incarceration, specifically preventative programs and intervention, prisoner support outreach, prison reform, or post-prison re-entry into society.



Informational webinars

Register to learn more about the application process and ask questions during the following webinars (<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/publicaffairs/united-thank-offering-invites-2023-annual-grants/>):

- Oct. 11, 7 p.m.
How to Understand the 2023 Focus
- Nov. 15, noon and 7 p.m.
Helpful Hints Regarding the Budget and Application
- Jan. 10, noon and 7 p.m.
Helpful Hints Regarding the Timeline and a Complete Application
- Feb. 14, 12 p.m.
Drop-in Q&A time

