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SUNG EUCHARIST

August 9, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

Focus on Me.
NOT THE STORM

MATTHEW 14:22-33

CELEBRATING JAMAICA'S



**YEARS OF INDEPENDENCE WITH THE
JAMAICANS OF THE PALM BEACHES**

“Pray that our Church structures promote justice, its laws foster integrity of heart
and its ministry model compassion and forgiveness.”

Prelude

Entrance H-625

"Ye Holy Angels Bright"

Darwall's 148th

1. Ye holy angels bright, who wait at God's right hand, or through the realms of light fly at your Lord's command, assist our song, for else the theme too high doth seem for mortal tongue.
2. Ye blessed souls at rest, who ran this earthly race and now, from sin released, behold your Savior's face, God's praises sound, as in his sight with sweet delight Ye do abound.
3. Ye saints, who toil below, adore your heavenly King, and onward as ye go some joyful anthem sing; Take what he gives and praise him still, through good or ill, who ever lives!
4. My soul, bear thou thy part, triumph in God above: And with a well-tuned heart sing thou the songs of love! Let all thy days till life shall end, whate'er he send, be filled with praise.

Liturgy

BCP-355

Celebrant: *Blessed be God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.*

People: *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

Collect for Purity: 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. **Amen.**

Glory To You

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Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; you are worthy of praise; glory to you. Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever. Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; on the throne of your majesty, glory to you. Glory to you, seated between the cherubim; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.. Glory to you, beholding the depths; in the high vault of heaven, glory to you. Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Collect of the Day: Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

(Lector – Myron Edwards)

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob.

Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him.

Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron.

He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him" —that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

The Word Of The Lord

Thanks Be To God

Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; make known his deeds among the peoples.
- 2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, and speak of all his marvelous works.
- 3 Glory in his holy Name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
- 4 Search for the Lord and his strength; continually seek his face.
- 5 Remember the marvels he has done, his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,
- 6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, O children of Jacob his chosen.

16 Then he called for a famine in the land and destroyed the supply of bread.
17 He sent a man before them, Joseph, who was sold as a slave.
18 They bruised his feet in fetters; his neck they put in an iron collar.
19 Until his prediction came to pass, the word of the Lord tested him.
20 The king sent and released him; the ruler of the peoples set him free.
21 He set him as a master over his household, as a ruler over all his possessions,
22 To instruct his princes according to his will and to teach his elders wisdom.
45 Hallelujah!

Selection

“Give Thanks and Praises”

Roy Rayon

"Let us give thanks and praise to the father for guiding us through 64 years of Independence"

Give thanks and praises we are 64 for the road was Rocky and the hills were steep still we survived
we put we faith and trust in the father who's keeping us alive so give thanks, and praises, we are 64.

How good and how pleasant it is that we can live in harmony that all races, color and creed can live in peace,
and unity Jamaica, our homeland given from our father's hand to him we give the glory and praise continually.
So give thanks, and praises, we are 64 though we walk through the valley of the shadow of death still we
survived with our hand in the hand of the father our country will stay alive so give thanks, and praises, we are
64.

So put you hand in the air and praise Him for we pretty little island, praise Him for the love in the nation,
praise Him let all the people, praise Him Praise Him, Praise Him Wheel....

Let's remember those who struggled for us our heroes true and great they give their life in service for us now
we are free and no more slave remember Marcus Garvey, Sam Sharpe, Gordon, Nanny Busta, Bogle, Manley
they fight so we are free so give thanks, and praises, we are 64.

Though the road was Rocky and the hills were steep still we survived we put we faith and trust in the father
It's keeping us alive so give thanks, and praises, we are 64

So put your hand in the air and praise Him for we pretty little island praise Him for the love in the nation
praise Him let all the people praise Him I praise Him I praise Him Blow.....

So it is forward ever backward never let's give thanks to the father and praise continually so, give thanks, and
praises, we are 64 though the road was Rocky and the hills were steep still we survived we put we faith and
trust in the father he is keeping us alive so give thanks, and praises, we are 64.

So put your hand in the air and praise Him for we pretty little island praise Him for the love in the nation
praise Him let all the people praise Him go down on your knees and praise Him for the pretty little children,
praise Him for our national heroes, praise Him let all Jamaicans, praise Him.

Second Lesson

Romans 10:5-15

(Lector – Allyson Bodden)

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

“The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

The Word Of The Lord

Thanks Be To God

Sequence H-436

“Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates”

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1. Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates; behold the King of glory waits! The King of kings is drawing near; the Savior of the world is here.

2. O blest the land, the city blest, where Christ the ruler is confessed! O happy hearts and happy homes to whom this King of triumph comes!

3. Fling wide the portals of your heart; make it a temple, set apart from earthly use for heaven’s employ, adorned with prayer and love and joy.

4. Redeemer come! I open wide my heart to thee: here, Lord, abide! Let me thy inner presence feel: thy grace and love in me reveal.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 14:22-33

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

The Gospel Of The Lord

Praise To You, Lord Christ

5. So come, my Sovereign; enter in! let new and nobler life begin; thy Holy Spirit guide us on, until the glorious crown be won.

Sermon

Father Winston

Prayers of the People

From "Intercessions for Christian People"

(Mary Barnes)

Leader: *Who can separate us from the love of God? What can separate us from the love of Christ? Let our hearts now respond to such overwhelming love as we pray together in Spirit, saying: **Hear us, O Lord.***

That the bread of life may be shared one day by all Christians at a common table of praise, *we pray saying: **Lord, help us to live in unity with all people.***

For the sick, the suffering and shut-in in our world, that God's ever healing hands will be over them, *we pray saying: **Lord of all, heal us as a people.***

For the leaders of nations, the President and those given the public trust. For the poor of our world, and for governments called to assist them in their need, *we pray saying: **Lord of all justice and compassion, help us to respect the dignity of all human beings.***

For the people of Todos Los Santos, La Romana, and for all people. For those preparing for baptism, that they may hear the invitation of God to come to the waters of regeneration and there find abundant life, *we pray saying: **Lord you are always with us as our constant refuge.***

For those who have gone out of glory, that they may come into the fullness of life, united with God in the communion of the faithful, we pray saying: **May all our loved ones find peace in God's kingdom.**

For Jamaica the Land of Wood and Water, may God continue to supply all our needs. Thank God for emancipation and independence, giving us freedom and peace. Bless Jamaica land we love and all its people, we pray saying: **Send us your blessing O Lord.**

Together: *O God, your loving care for us calls for our gratitude. Multiply once again your abundant mercy toward us; renew your covenant with us; and let our hearts overflow with godly love for others. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Rabbi and Lord, now in the Spirit and forever. Amen.*

Parish Prayer: *Gracious and loving God, bless all the people of Grace to be truly a community of prayer and love. Raise up faithful people for your service. Bless us with abundant resources and compassionate leadership. Open our hearts to a generosity of spirit and kind, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Confession of Sin and Absolution

Exchange of the Peace

Selection – Jamaica Land Of Beauty - Soloist - Steve Higgins

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by The Jamaicans of the Palm Beaches in celebration of Jamaica's 64th Year of Independence.

Please remember, elections are upon us! We will have a speaker, following the 8:00 and 10:00 services, on August 16 who will explain the importance of voting and why state and local elections are as important - if not more important - than national elections.

SAVE THE DATE: Grace Episcopal Church (GEC) MEN'S MINISTRY 15TH ANNUAL SUMMER JAMBOREE, Friday, August 21, 2026, at 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Fellowship, Dinner, DJ Music, Dancing, 50/50 Raffle. Come and join us at this fundraising summer celebration. Donation \$35.00. Contact/see any GEC Men's representative for tickets and any information.

Next Baptism – Sunday, September 13, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

Starting Sunday, September 27, 2026 and every fourth Sunday thereafter, there will be a sponsored coffee hour for 8:00 a.m. worshipers.

There will be a Parish Retreat at Camp Weed & Cerveney Conference Center at Live Oak, Florida on Friday and Saturday, December 4 & 5, 2026. See Christa Knowles at 8:00 a.m. and Mary Barnes at 10:00 a.m. for more information and to register your interest.

Offering via Zelle – Operating: gracechurchwpb@gmail.com
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Greetings from The Jamaicans of the Palm Beaches President - Delcie Clarke
Reading of Proclamations from West Palm Beach, Riviera Beach & Palm Beach Gardens
Presentation of the Marcus Garvey Scholarship to Annalise Cervero
Selection - Elijah Raymond

Offertory MP-954 **“We Are Marching In The Light Of God”** *South African Traditional*

1. We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God. We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God. We are marching, marching, we are marching, Oo-oo, we are marching in the light of God, we are marching, marching, we are marching, Oo-oo, we are marching in the light of God.
2. We are dancing in the light of God, we are dancing in the light of God. We are dancing in the light of God, we are dancing in the light of God. We are dancing, dancing, we are dancing, Oo-oo, we are dancing in the light of God, we are dancing, dancing, we are dancing, Oo-oo, we are dancing in the light of God.
3. We are singing in the light of God, we are singing in the light of God. We are singing in the light of God, we are singing in the light of God. We are singing, singing, we are singing, Oo-oo, we are singing in the light of God, we are singing, singing, we are singing, Oo-oo, we are singing in the light of God.
4. We are praying in the light of God, we are praying in the light of God. We are praying in the light of God, we are praying in the light of God. We are praying, praying, we are praying, Oo-oo, we are praying in the light of God, we are praying, praying, we are praying, Oo-oo, we are praying in the light of God.

Doxology **“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”** *Old 100th*

Eucharistic Prayer A

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 right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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:

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

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, 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 stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and 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."***

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

"Jesus Christ has died; Jesus Christ is risen. Jesus Christ will come again. Deep in my heart I do believe Jesus Christ will come again."

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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 forever. ***Amen.***

Lord's Prayer

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Agnus Dei S-164

"Jesus Lamb of God "

Powell

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

Breaking of the Bread

Communion A&M-579

LV-151
CPWI-604

“I Vow To Thee My Country”

“One Bread, One Body”
“Let Us Enter Into Covenant With Christ”

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John B. Foley
Norbert Farrell

Choir Selection

I Vow To Thee My Country

1. I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above, entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love: The love that asks no questions, the love that stands the test, that lays upon the altar the dearest and the best; The love that never falters, the love that pays the price, the love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

2. And there's another country, I've heard of long ago, most dear to them that love her, more great to them that know; We may not count her armies, we may not see her King; Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering; And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase, and her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are peace.

One Bread, One Body

Refrain: One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

1. Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. **Refrain:**

2. Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. **Refrain:**

3. Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one for all. **Refrain:**

Let Us Enter Into Covenant With Christ

1. Let us enter into covenant with Christ, celebrating the eucharist of love. Take a little bread and wine, lift up the chalice of the King.

Refrain: Alleluia! It's a sign of love! Alleluia! It's a sign of peace! Alleluia! It's the mystery of faith! Alleluia! Amen!

2. Take the body and the blood of Christ, in divine revelation of his love. Be transformed, O my people, from your sins, and eat and drink and live! **Refrain:**

3. He is lifted to the throne on high and will come again to rule all the world. The saints who sleep in Christ shall rise. Rejoice, O Zion, and be glad! **Refrain:**

4 Jesus Christ is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. 'He who comes to me I shall not turn away. **Refrain:**

5 Come, you faithful, to the paradise of God, to the marriage feast of the Lamb. Eat manna from the tree of life; you are washed in the blood of Christ! **Refrain:**

Post Communion Prayer

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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.**

National Anthem – United States of America

National Anthem – Jamaica

Blessing

H-618

“Ye Watchers And Ye Holy Ones”

Last uns erfreuen

1. Ye watchers and ye holy ones, bright seraphs, cherubim and thrones, raise the glad strain, Alleluia! Cry out, dominions, principedoms, powers, virtues, archangels, angels' choirs,

Refrain: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

2. O higher than the cherubim, more glorious than the seraphim, lead their praises, Alleluia! Thou bearer of the eternal Word, most gracious, magnify the Lord, **Refrain:**

3. Respond, ye souls in endless rest, ye patriarchs and prophets blest, Alleluia! Alleluia! Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong, all saints triumpha raise the song, **Refrain:**

4. O friends, in gladness let us sing, supernal anthems echoing, Alleluia! Alleluia! To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One, **Refrain:**

Postlude

SICK AND SHUT-INS: Cameron Williams, Gary & Barbara Breakenridge, Irving Simpkins, Millicent Logan, Vilma Pindling, Cora McLeod, Morris & Zerna Anderson, Vandary Chin, Rosita Cowart, Ruthlyn Daniel, Elizabeth Curry, Dennis Francis, Ike Robinson, Bill Turner, Johnny Davis, Jackie McDonald, Robin Vaughan, Ruthlyn Daniels.