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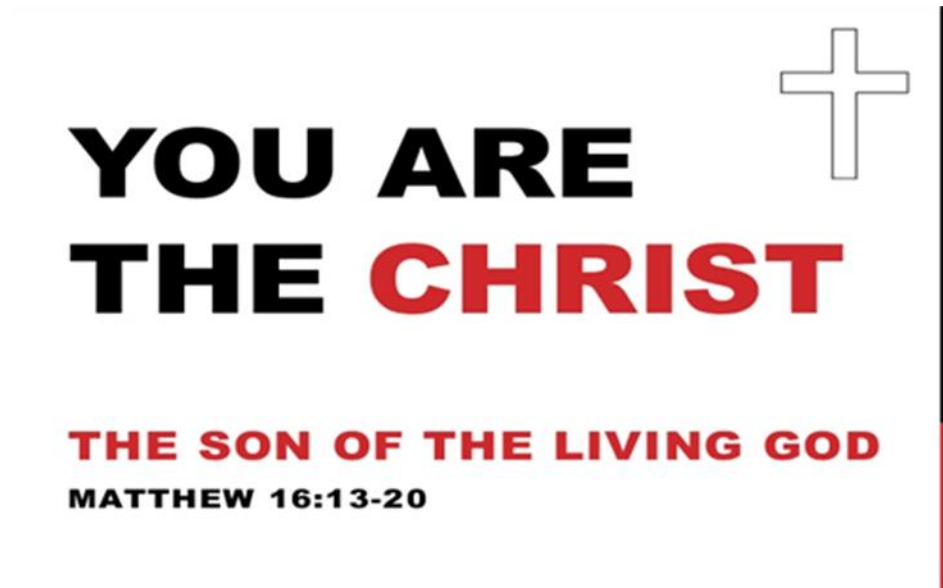
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SUNG EUCHARIST

August 23, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.

Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost



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

Prelude

Entrance H-427 “When Morning Gilds The Skies” *Laudes Domini, Joseph Barnby*

1. When morning gilds the skies, my heart, awaking cries, may Jesus Christ be praised! When evening shadows fall, this rings my curfew call, may Jesus Christ be praised!
2. When mirth for music longs, this is my song of songs: May Jesus Christ be praised! God’s holy house of prayer hath none that can compare with:
Jesus Christ be praised!
3. No lovelier antiphon in all high heaven is known than, Jesus Christ be praised! There to the eternal Word the eternal psalm is heard: May Jesus Christ be praised!
4. Ye nations of mankind, in this your concord find: May Jesus Christ be praised! Let all the earth around ring joyous with the sound: May Jesus Christ be praised!
5. Sing, suns and stars of space, sing, ye that see His face, sing, Jesus Christ be praised! God’s whole creation o’er, both now and evermore shall Jesus Christ be praised!

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

S-236

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, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, “Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.” Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labor. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labor. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them.

The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, “When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live.” But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, “Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?” The midwives said to Pharaoh, “Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.” So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, “Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live.”

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, “This must be one of the Hebrews’ children,” she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh’s daughter, “Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?” Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Yes.” So the girl went and called the child’s mother. Pharaoh’s daughter said to her, “Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.” So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh’s daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, “because,” she said, “I drew him out of the water.”

The Word Of The Lord***Thanks Be To God***

Psalm 124

- 1 If the Lord had not been on our side, let Israel now say;
- 2 If the Lord had not been on our side, when enemies rose up against us;
- 3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive in their fierce anger toward us;
- 4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us and the torrent gone over us;
- 5 Then would the raging waters have gone right over us.
- 6 Blessed be the Lord! he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
- 7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
- 8 Our help is in the Name of the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.

Second Lesson

Romans 12:1-8

(Lector –Maria Morrison)

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God-- what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

The Word Of The Lord

Thanks Be To God

Sequence H-304

"I Come With Joy To Meet My Lord"

Land of Rest

1. I come with joy to meet my Lord, forgiven, loved, and free, in awe and wonder to recall His life laid down for me.
2. I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed, the new community of love in Christ's communion bread.

3. As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud division ends. That love that made us makes us one, and strangers now are friends.

4. And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His presence, always near, is in such friendship better known: We see and praise him here.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 16:13-20

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

The Gospel Of The Lord

Praise To You, Lord Christ

5. Together met, together bound, we'll go our different ways, and as his people in the world we'll live and speak his praise.

Sermon

Father Winston

Prayers of the People

From "Intercessions for Christian People"

(Mary Barnes)

Leader: *Let us press upon Jesus and we will be heard. With expectant faith, let us place before God earnest petitions for ourselves and our world, saying: **Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days.***

For our world, in need of healing, in search of a savior, yet far from Jesus, let us call out to the Lord, saying: ***Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days.***

For the churches and their leaders, at times narrowed by institutional concerns and blind to differing manifestations of faith, let us call out to the Lord saying: ***Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days.***

For those who are troubled in heart, mind and body, for those who must watch others suffer, the sick and shut-in [especially N.], let us call out to the Lord saying: ***Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days.***

For all those whose faith is pushing them beyond the limits of society and the constraints of culture, let us call out to the Lord saying: ***Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days.***

For the leaders of nations, the President and those given the public trust. That they may build upon the solid rock of truth and justice and not upon the sands of self-interest and pride, let us call out to the Lord saying: ***Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days.***

For the people of Todos Los Santos, La Romana, and all people. For all of us here present, for those whose faith is known to God alone, and for those intentions we hold deep in our hearts, let us call out to the Lord saying: ***Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days.***

Together: Infinite God, we have no claim to your mercy; yet it is your mercy we so desperately need. Turn your ear toward our supplications and grant us your healing touch. We ask this with faith in the name of Jesus, who is savior of the world and one with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. **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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Altar Flowers given to the glory of God by Deacon Jorge in memory of his sister Mylvia Gutierrez.

All Middle and High Schoolers, this is a reminder to sign up on sheet in the vestibule to help with plans for your future at Grace. Questions, see Ameena or Mrs Barnes.

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

The Annual Parish Picnic will be held on Saturday, September 19, 2026 from noon to 5:30 p.m. at Loxahatchee Groves Park, 13901 Southern Boulevard.

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 Mary Barnes for more information and to register your interest, space is limited.

Offering via Zelle – Operating: gracechurchwpb@gmail.com
Building: gracebuildingfund@gmail.com

Offertory H-530

“The Church’s One Foundation”

Aurelia

1. The Church’s one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord; She is his new creation by water and the word: From heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride; With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

2. Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth, her charter of salvation, One Lord, one faith, one birth; One holy Name she blesses, partakes one holy food, and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

3. Though with a scornful wonder men see her sore oppressed, by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed; Yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, "How long?" And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

4. Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war she waits the consummation of peace for evermore; Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blessed, and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.

5. Yet she on earth hath union with God, the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won. O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

Doxology

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

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The Great Eucharistic Prayer

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 truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all Creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

S-130

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.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Saviour 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.”***

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all 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.”

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Saviour Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ’s Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, (especially with _____) we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Lord’s Prayer

Malotte

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 LV-99
LV-217

"My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less"
"He's Got The Whole World In His Hands"

William B. Bradbury
Spiritual

Choir Selection

My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less

1. My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness. I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly trust on Jesus' Name.

Refrain: On Christ the solid Rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand; All other ground is sinking sand.

2. When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace. In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil. ***Refrain:***

3. His oath, His covenant and blood, support me in the whelming flood. When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my Hope and Stay. ***Refrain:***

4. When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found. Dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne. ***Refrain:***

He's Got The Whole World In His Hands

1. He's got the whole world in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands.

2. He's got you and me, sister, in his hands. He's got you and me, sister, in his hands. He's got you and me, sister, in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands.

3. He's got you and me, brother, in his hands. He's got you and me, brother, in his hands. He's got you and me, brother, in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands.

4. He's got the pretty little baby in his hands. He's got the pretty little baby in his hands. He's got the pretty little baby in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands.

5. He's got everybody here in his hands. He's got everybody here in his hands. He's got everybody here in his hands. He's got the whole world in his hands.

Post Communion Prayer

BCP – 366

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

H-518 “Christ Is Made The Sure Foundation” *Westminster Abbey, Henry Purcell*

1. Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord, and precious, binding all the Church in one; holy Zion's help for ever, and her confidence alone.
2. All that dedicated city, dearly loved of God on high, in exultant jubilation pours perpetual melody; God the One in Three adoring in glad hymns eternally.
3. To this temple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of Hosts, today; with thy wonted loving-kindness hear thy servants as they pray, and thy fullest benediction shed within its walls always.
4. Here vouchsafe to all thy servants what they ask of thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ever with the blessed to retain, and hereafter in thy glory evermore with thee to reign.

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, Johnny Davis, Jackie McDonald, Robin Vaughan, Kevin Williams