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**Prelude** – Improvisation on "King Weston"

Wolff von Roos

### Entrance Hymn 435

At the Name of Jesus

Please stand at the sound of the bells and join in singing the hymn. After the procession, the Priest sprinkles the people with holy water as a sign of their baptism.

#### Introit – Miserere mihi

Adapted by Samuel F. Weber (b. 1947)

The Cantor sings the Antiphon. The Priest kisses and censes the altar with frankincense and myrrh, the gifts of the Magi at Jesus's birth, in honor of Christ's sacrifice, and presence among us in the Blessed Sacrament.

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you. V. Incline your ear, O Lord, and hear me; for I am needy and poor. Psalm 86

### **Kyrie** – New Plainsong

David Hurd (b. 1950)

Please remain standing and join in singing the Kyrie & Gloria.



#### **Gloria in excelsis** – Mass of the Emmanuel

James McGregor (1930-2022)





## Collect of the Day

Please sing "Amen" on a monotone throughout the service unless otherwise indicated. This prayer sets the theme for the day, reflected in the Gregorian Chant, as well as the readings and post-communion prayer.

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

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

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Ecclesiasticus 10:7-18

Please be seated for the Readings and the Psalm.

Reader A Reading from the Book of Ecclesiasticus.

Arrogance is hateful to the Lord and to mortals, and injustice is outrageous to both. Sovereignty passes from nation to nation on account of injustice and insolence and wealth. How can dust and ashes be proud? Even in life the human body decays. A long illness baffles the physician; the king of today will die tomorrow. For when one is dead he inherits maggots and vermin and worms. The beginning of human pride is to forsake the Lord; the heart has withdrawn from its Maker. For the beginning of pride is sin, and the one who clings to it pours out abominations. Therefore the Lord brings upon them unheard-of calamities, and destroys them completely. The Lord overthrows the thrones of rulers, and enthrones the lowly in their place. The Lord plucks up the roots of the nations, and plants the humble in their place. The Lord lays waste the lands of the nations, and destroys them to the foundations of the earth. He removes some of them and destroys them, and erases the memory of them from the earth. Pride was not created for human beings, or violent anger for those born of women.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

#### **Gradual** – Psalm 112: 1-10

George J. Elvey (1816-1893)

The Cantor sings the Gradual alone.

- 1 Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord \* and have great delight in his commandments!
- 2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; \* the generation of the upright will be blessed.
- Wealth and riches will be in their house, \* and their righteousness will last forever.
- 4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; \* the righteous are merciful and full of compassion..
- 5 It is good for them to be generous in lending \* and to manage their affairs with justice.
- 6 For they will never be shaken; \* the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.
- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; \* their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.
- 8 Their heart established and will not shrink, \* until they see their desire up on their enemies.
- They have given freely to the poor. \* and their righteousness stands fast forever; they will hold up their head with honor.
- The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; \* the desires of the wicked will perish.

Second Reading Hebrews 13:1-8

Reader A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

#### Alleluia

Please stand. The Cantor sings the Alleluia, then all repeat.



Cantor Take my yoke upon you says the Lord, and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart.

All repeat Alleluia.

Holy Gospel Luke 14:1, 7-14

Please remain standing for the Gospel, which is censed with frankincense and myrrh as a way of giving honor to the ancient account of the life, death, and resurrection of Our Lord. It is customary to make three small signs of the cross with one's thumb on the forehead, lips, and heart, asking God for the Gospel to be in our minds, on our lips, and in our hearts.

Priest The \*\* Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.



People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble

themselves will be exalted." He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ

### Homily

Father J. Brent Bates, Rector

Please be seated when the homilist says "\* In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

#### Nicene Creed

Please stand for the Creed. The music can be found inside the back cover of the blue Hymnal.

### **Prayer Biddings**

Please remain standing for the Prayers of the People. The Priest makes special prayer biddings.

- The Church: Pray for Stephen Cottrell, Archbishop of York, Sean Rowe our Primate, Carlye Hughes our Bishop, and Leo and Bartholomew, primates of the other branches of the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. Pray for the growth and sustainability of our parish, our various ministries, and our leaders, the Members of Vestry, Andre and Tracy, our Wardens, Michael our Ministry Fellow, Wolff our Director of Music, Luke our Postulant for the Priesthood in seminary, Egan our Aspirant for the Priesthood, and Brent our Rector.
- The Nation & World: Pray for *Donald*, the President, Members of Congress, Justices of the Supreme Court, *Phil*, the Governor, and *Ras*, the Mayor. Pray for the people of the nations of the world, especially Palestine, Israel, Sudan, Nigeria, Ghana, Liberia, Haiti, Ukraine, and Russia. Pray for peace and justice in the Middle East, for those who are suffering, and all who have been killed.
- **Parish Prayer List:** Pray for our parishioners, especially *Peter Woolley*, and for our family and friends, *Gabriel Bowman*, husband of Rose, *Damion H. Arthur*, son of Pat Arthur, *Wendell Fraizer*, spouse of Rosemary Kearney's co-worker, and *Madihah Kearney*, daughter of Tony Kearney.
- **Birthdays:** Give thanks for those whose birthdays are this week, especially *William Peguero* (9/1), and this past week, especially *Carl Bellamy* (8/24), *Robin McCoy* (8/25), *Father Bates* (8/25), *Tia Bourne* (8/26), and *Lucy Smith* (8/27).
- **Departed:** Pray for the departed, especially, *Donna Cummings* (8/22/25), mother of Tracy, *Esther Olufemi Shodimu* (8/5/25), mother of Comfort Abogan, and in previous years, *Darryl Pigott* (8/21/16), father of Darriea, *Mercina Baptiste* (8/31/96) mother of Sylvia Christie, and *Raphael Baptiste* (8/31/95), brother of Sylvia Christie.

### Prayers of the People

The Cantor leads the Prayers of the People.

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world

Here and after every petition is sung



Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

We commend to your mercy all who have died \*, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

The Priest adds a concluding Collect.

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

#### Confession of Sin

Priest Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Please kneel or bow profoundly for the Confession and say

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest proclaims God's absolution of sin saying

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. *Amen.* 

#### The Peace

Please stand for the peace.



Priest The peace of the Lord be al- ways with you. People And al- so with you.

#### Announcements

### THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Please be seated during the preparation of the Altar, stand for the hymn, then stand or kneel for the Eucharistic Prayer.

All baptized Christians of any tradition are welcome to receive the Blessed Sacrament; Speak to the priest to discuss baptism.

Please receive the bread on the tongue or folded hands with palms up. Wine may be sipped, but dipping bread is not allowed.

If you need the Blessed Sacrament brought to your pew, please signal an usher.

### Offertory Antiphon – Domine, in auxilium

Adapted by Samuel F. Weber (b. 1947)

The Cantor sings the Offertory Antiphon.

Look down, O Lord, to help me; let them be confounded and ashamed who see after my soul to take it away; look down, O Lord, to help me. V. With expectation I have waited for the Lord, and he was attentive to me. Psalm 40

### Offertory Hymn 477

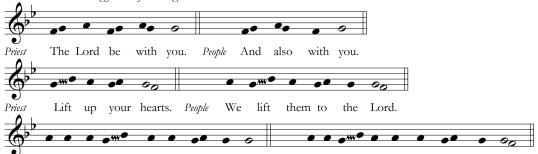
All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine

Please stand and join in singing the hymn.

### **Eucharistic Prayer II**

Sanctus - Mass of the Emmanuel, James McGregor (1930-2022)

Please remain standing for the following.



Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

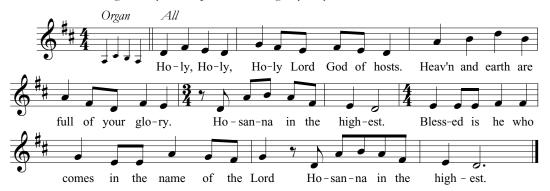
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth,

through Jesus Christ our Lord;

who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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:



Please kneel or remain standing as the Priest continues.

All glory be to you, O Lord our God,

for you created heaven and earth, and made us in your own image;

and, of your tender mercy, gave your only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death on the cross for our redemption.

He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world;

and instituted, and in his holy Gospel commanded us to continue,

a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread;

and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.'

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup;

and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying,

'Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant,

which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins.

Do this, as often as you shall drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Therefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we your people celebrate and make,

with these your holy gifts which we now offer to you,

the memorial your Son has commanded us to make;

having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death,

his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;

and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech you, O merciful Father, to hear us, and,

with your Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire your fatherly goodness to accept this

our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, by which we offer and present to you, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies.

Grant, we beseech you, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and be \* filled with your grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all your whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory be to you, O Father Almighty, world without end.

Please affirm the consecration of the Bread & Wine as the Body & Blood of Christ by exclaiming the Great Amen.

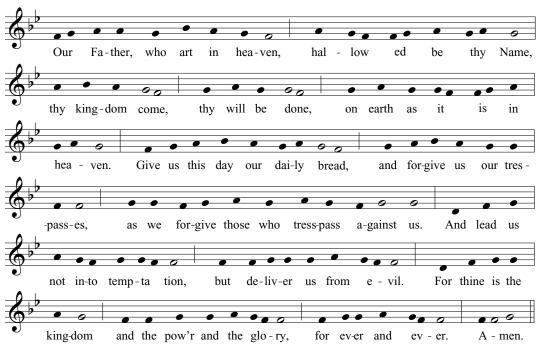


### The Lord's Prayer

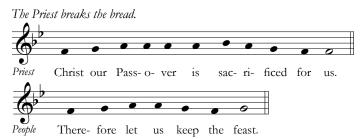
The Priest begins

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Please continue

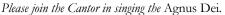


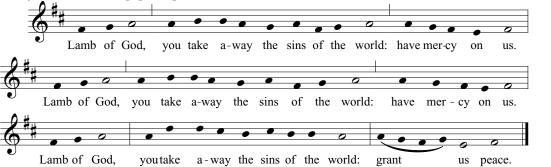
#### The Fraction



### **Agnus Dei** – New Plainsong Mass

David Hurd (b. 1950)





#### Invitation to Receive the Blessed Sacrament

Please come forward immediately after the following invitation in order to receive the Blessed Sacrament. Please be seated after receiving the Blessed Sacrament.

\* Behold the Lamb of God. Behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

The people may privately say the Prayer of Humble Access for preparation to receive the Blessed Sacrament.

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him and he in us. Amen.

A Prayer of Spiritual Communion for all who worship remotely or do not want to receive the Blessed Sacrament

In union, O Dear Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church, where your blessed Body and Blood are being offered to the Father, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body, with the earnest wish that I may ever be united to you. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. O let nothing ever separate me from you. Let me live and die in your love. Amen.

### Communion Antiphon – Quam magna

Adapted by Samuel F. Weber (b. 1947)

The Cantor sings the Communion Antiphon alone.

How great is the greatness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you. Ps. In you, O Lord, have I hoped, let me never be confounded deliver me in your justice. Psalm 30

### Communion Hymn 656

Blest are the pure in heart

Please stand, join in the singing of the hymn, and remain standing until the dismissal.

### Postcommunion Prayer

After any remaining Sacrament has been consumed and the Altar has been cleared, the Priest says

Almighty and everlasting God, you have refreshed us with bread from your heavenly table: mercifully grant that this bread may strengthen our hearts in love and stir up in us the will to minister to you by serving one another; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

### Blessing

The Priest offers a blessing.

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.



People A- men.

#### Dismissal

The Priest dismisses the people. Please remain standing until the end of the exit hymn, then be seated for the organ piece.

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.



People Thanks be to God.

Exit Hymn 344

Lord dismiss us with thy blessing

**Postlude** – Batalla de Clarines Wolff von Roos José Blasco de Nebra (1702-1768)

### **GRACE NOTES**

Welcome to our visitors this morning. We hope you will fill out a visitor's card located in your pew. All are welcome to join us at Coffee Hour upstairs in the Parish House after Mass. We are very glad to have new families worshipping with us! If you are in need of childcare, ask an usher.

Online giving is easy at <a href="mailto:bit.ly/GraceOnlineGiving">bit.ly/GraceOnlineGiving</a> or Venmo (@GraceNewark)

#### FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We warmly invite you to join us in serving our neighbors in need at our weekly Food Ministry. Every Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., we gather to provide nourishment and support to those facing hunger in our community. Your hands and heart can make a difference. Whether you're new to serving or a regular participant, your presence is a blessing to those we serve. Come and be a part of this meaningful work, as we show God's love through action. Please contact Michael Banks for more information at mtbanks@gracechurchinnewark.org.

### CLEANUP DAY ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Join us Saturday, September 6, for a fall cleanup of the grounds. We will gather at 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. The parish will provide trash bags. Please bring a pair of gloves. Please contact Michael Banks for more information at <a href="mailto:mtbanks@gracechurchinnewark.org">mtbanks@gracechurchinnewark.org</a>.

#### BROAD STREET MELODIES CONCERT SERIES AT GRACE CHURCH IN NEWARK

September 21st, 5 p.m.

Introducing Rachel Nicastro, Soprano, Cantor at Grace Church, "Marian Songs" Featuring George Davey, Organist/Accompanist

October 12th, 5 p.m.

International Concert Organist, Lauma Akmene, "Classics & Diversity"

November 9th, 5 p.m.

Concert Organist, Jessie Zixi Deng, "The Power & Art of the French"

December 21st, 5 p.m. Duo Organists Peter Krasinski & Wolff von Roos

"Christmas Hymn Sing & Holiday Improvisations"

#### AUGUST & SEPTEMBER COFFEE HOUR HOSTS

Coffee hour hosts are needed for the months of August and September. Consider signing up to bring a small dish (coffee cake, Dunkin Donuts, bagels, etc.) for us to share during this time of fellowship. Friends can team up to cook or bring a dish as well. The sign-up sheet is located in the Parish Hall.

#### PRAYER LIST

Active members of our parish – Cornell H. Bell; Mark McFadzean and family; Ethelyn Washington; Mother Susy and Scott Norris; Alman Clarke; The Elisee Family; Dolores Carter-Brown; Beverly Brathwaite; Comfort Abogan; Monique Williams; Bernice Tillis; Valerie Munro; West Ambrose; Akintoye Lapite; Oyinkansola Lapite; Aidan Mandigora, and his parents Grant and Nezile; Allie Ulrich; Monique Elisée; Andy Phillips and Nadia; Fred Gaspard; Madison Pigott; Winifred Langevine; Jordan Elisée; James Porter; Joan Knowles; Beatrice Breton; Brisco Kayjay; William Carter; Paola Breton.

Friends of our parish - Gabriel Bowman, husband of Rose; Damion H. Arthur, son of Pat Arthur; Wendell Fraizer, spouse of Rosemary Kearney's co-worker; Tiffany Blanco, niece of Judith Alexander-Edwards; Madihah Brown, daughter of Tony Kearney; Anthony Mack, Sr., cousin of Judith Alexander-Edwards; Ed & Linda Naskret, parents of Allie Ulrich; Aisha Lemon, wife of Rosemary Kearney's coworker; Frank Barber, Jr., friend of Courtney Dover; Orlan Springer, friend of Keith Beckles; Brandon Bates, brother of Father Bates; Joseph Johnston and his family; Geraldine Clarke, wife of Alman; Joanne Murray, mother of Andre Murray; Robert Alexander, brother of Judith Alexander-Edwards; Susan Webb, daughter of Sylvia Christie, and Isabelle Wiltshire, granddaughter of Sylvia Christie; Cliford 'Cliffy' Gunsam and Ellen Greenwood, friends of Sylvia Christie; Tiffany Colon, daughter-inlaw of, and Heather Hall Chambers, sister-in-law of, Jewel Lowe; Max Woolley, son of Peter Woolley; Christal Phillips, sister of Nadia; Kenneth J. Jones III, nephew of Courtney Dover; Marjorie & India Calloway, Laverne Poole, Henrietta Pemberton, Mary Carroll, Annie Myhand, friends of Joan Knowles; Nate Williams, Connie Jeffrey, Louis Neblett, Brooklyn Joan, nephews and niece of Joan Knowles; Shamar O'Neil, Ronney Davis, Charon Davis, Mike and Joan Knowles' grandsons; the Riddick family, relatives of Joan Knowles; Cheryl Abernathy; Elijah Lassiter, great-grandson of Daphine Turner; Ann Clay, Eunice Clay, and Sharon Robinson, sisters of Ernest; Tom Durrell, husband of Sandra; Jean Armand Gaspard & Nicole Brevil, brother and sister-in-law of, and Wilner Altidor, brother-in-law of, Fred Gaspard; Michelle Portee, Ariel Maldonado, and Stan Zilinski, friends of Fred Gaspard; Yvonne Dunn, sister of Alman Clarke; Joseph Jolly, husband of Deleena and father of Brisco and Mariyam.

# SERVICE TIMES

# **Sunday Services**

8:00 a.m. – Said Mass
A simple spoken service celebrated at a side altar
10:30 a.m. – High Mass
An elaborate sung service with music, acolytes, and incense

## Weekday Services - Tuesday through Friday

9:00 a.m. – Morning Prayer 12:10 p.m. – Midday Mass Anointing for Healing offered Thursdays 5:00 p.m. – Evening Prayer

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Judith Alexander-Edwards, Luis Sanchez, & Peter Woolley, Vestry Class of 2026
Rosemary Kearney, Allie Ulrich, & Jeff Ulrich, Vestry Class of 2027
Comfort Abogan, Shevon Armstrong, & Jason Scully