



GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

9 Harrington Avenue, Westwood, New Jersey

*Sixth Sunday of Easter  
and Holy Baptism  
May 5, 2024 10:00 AM*

*The Holy Eucharist*

**THE WORD OF GOD**

- *The service is Rite II with Eucharistic Prayer D* •
- *All stand as are able.* •

Hymn 292..... *Kingsfold*

Opening Acclamation ..... BCP Page 299

*Gloria in excelsis Deo* ..... BCP Page 356, Hymnal S-280

**The Collect of the Day**

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## The Lessons

• *All may be seated for the readings and Psalm* •

The First Reading: Acts 10:44-48..... (see readings insert)  
Psalm 98..... (see readings insert)  
The Second Reading: 1 John 5:1-6 ..... (see readings insert)

• *All stand as are able* •

Hymn 183 ..... *Victimae Paschali laudes*  
The Holy Gospel: John 15:9-17 ..... (see readings insert)

• *All may be seated* •

**The Sermon** ..... The Rev. Anthony Puca, Jr.

• *All stand as are able* •

Hymn 295..... *Christus, der ist mein Leben*

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates..... BCP Page 301  
The Baptismal Covenant ..... BCP Page 304  
Prayers for the Candidate ..... BCP Page 305  
Thanksgiving over the Water..... BCP Page 306  
The Baptism and Chrismation ..... BCP Page 307  
Welcome of the Newly Baptized ..... BCP Page 308  
The Peace ..... BCP Page 308

• *After the Peace, all may be seated for announcements.* •

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

*As the Altar is prepared, the Choir sings* If ye love me, Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

*If ye love me, keep my commandments,  
and I will pray the Father and he shall give you another comforter,  
that he may abide with you forever, ev'n the spirit of truth.*

• All stand as are able •

## The Great Thanksgiving –

*Sursum Corda*..... BCP Page 372, Hymnal S-120  
*Sanctus & Benedictus*..... BCP Page 373, Hymnal S-130

• All stand or kneel as are able. •

The Eucharistic Prayer continues ..... BCP Page 373  
*The Lord's Prayer*..... BCP Page 364, Hymnal S-119

## The Breaking of the Bread

*Agnus Dei*..... Hymnal S-164  
The Invitation ..... BCP Page 364

### *Reception of Holy Communion*

*All baptized persons are welcome and encouraged to receive Christ's Body and Blood at this altar. If for any reason you are unable or do not wish to receive communion, you are still welcome to come to the altar rail to receive a blessing and indicate this preference by crossing your arms over your chest. If you are physically unable to come forward, please notify an usher and the Sacrament will be brought to you.*

Hymn 577 ..... *Ubi caritas (Murray)*  
*Post Communion Prayer*..... BCP Page 365

• All stand as are able •

*The Priest blesses the people with the following Easter blessing.*

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. *Amen.*

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever. *Amen.*

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. *Amen.*

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

Hymn 455..... *Dunedin*  
The Dismissal..... BCP Page 366, Hymnal S-175

A warm welcome to the newest members of the Body of Christ: August, Miles Patrick, Teresa Marie and Shannon Beth Birmingham. We congratulate Erin and Matthew Birmingham on the baptism of their children and rejoice with them on this holy occasion. Your family is a blessing to Grace Church, and we give thanks for all your contributions to our community. May God bless all of you on this special day and always.

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