



# GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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PONCA CITY, OKLAHOMA

NOVEMBER 28, 2021

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

10:30AM | SUNG MASS

# WELCOME TO GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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GRACE CHURCH is an Episcopal Church, and serves as the local presence of the worldwide Anglican Communion here in Ponca City and Kay County – and we're so glad you're here!

If you're a newcomer, please find the Liturgy Booklet in the pew rack in front of you, as it will guide you through the service. You'll also find the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) and the Hymnal there as well. This bulletin will give you the appointed Scripture lessons and hymns for today.

Again, we're delighted to have you worshiping with us here at Grace Church!

# THE ENTRANCE RITE

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## PRELUDE

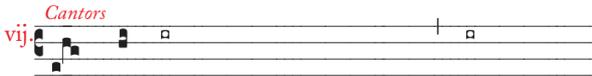
*Once He Came in Blessing*

Johann Walther

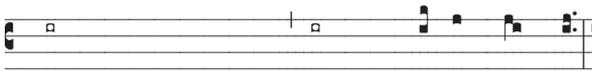
## INTROIT

*Ad te levávi*

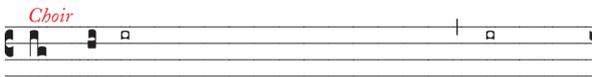
Psalms 25: 1-3



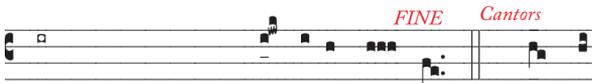
**U**N- TO thee, O LORD, lift I up my soul; O my



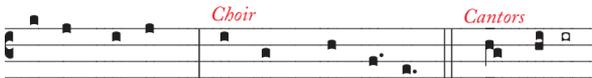
God, in thee have I trusted, let me not be con- foun- ded:



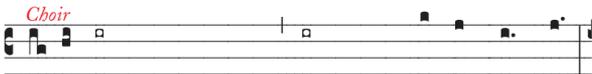
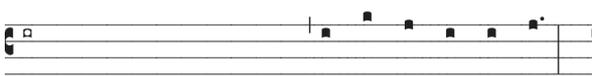
nei- ther let mine enemies triumph over me; for all they



that look for thee shall not be a- sham- ed. *Ps.* Shew me



thy ways, O LORD: and teach me thy paths. Glo- ry be



As it was in the beginning, is now, and ev- er shall be:



world with- out end. A- men. Un- to thee,..., (*etc.*)

# THE ENTRANCE RITE

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## PROCESSION WITH HYMN

*St. Stephen*

Hymnal 73

## OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 323

*Celebrant*

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

*People*

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

## THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 323

## THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

BCP 324

## KYRIE ELEISON

Hymnal S 91

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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## THE FIRST LESSON

Zechariah 14:4-9

On the day of the Lord his feet shall stand on the Mount of Olives which lies before Jerusalem on the east; and the Mount of Olives shall be split in two from east to west by a very wide valley; so that one half of the Mount shall withdraw northward, and the other half southward. And the valley of my mountains shall be stopped up, for the valley of the mountains shall touch the side of it; and you shall flee as you fled from the earthquake in the days of Uzzi'ah king of Judah. Then the Lord your God will come, and all the holy ones with him. On that day there shall be neither cold nor frost. And there shall be continuous day (it is known to the Lord), not day and not night, for at evening time there shall be light. On that day living waters shall flow out from Jerusalem, half of them to the eastern sea and half of them to the western sea; it shall continue in summer as in winter. And the Lord will become king over all the earth; on that day the Lord will be one and his name one.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

*Congregation*    Thanks be to God.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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PSALM 50:1-6

BCP 722



- 1 The LORD, the God of gods, has | spoken; \*  
he has called the earth from the rising of the sun | to  
its setting.
- 2 Out of Zion, perfect in its | beauty, \*  
God reveals him|self in glory.
- 3 Our God will come and will not keep | silence; \*  
before him there is a consuming flame,  
and round about him a ra|ging storm.
- 4 He calls the heavens and the earth | from above \*  
to witness the judgment | of his people.
- 5 “Gather before me my loyal | followers, \*  
those who have made a covenant with me  
and sealed it | with sacrifice.”
- 6 Let the heavens declare the rightness | of his cause; \*  
for God | himself is judge.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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## THE SECOND LESSON

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

What thanksgiving can we render to God for you, for all the joy which we feel for your sake before our God, praying earnestly night and day that we may see you face to face and supply what is lacking in your faith? Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you; and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love to one another and to all men, as we do to you, so that he may establish your hearts unblameable in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            Thanks be to God.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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## GRADUAL

*Universi qui te expectant*

Psalm 25:3,4



**F**OR all they that look for thee: shall not be a- sham-



ed, O LORD. **∇** Make known to me thy ways, O LORD:



and teach me thy paths.

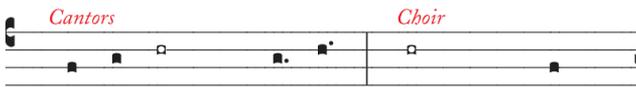
## ALLELUIA

*Ostende nobis*

Psalm 85:8



**A**L - LE - LU - IA. Al - le - lu - ia.



**∇** Shew us thy mercy, O LORD: and grant us thy



sal - va - tion. Al - le - lu - ia.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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## THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 21:25-31

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

*People*            Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said, "There will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and upon the earth distress of nations in perplexity at the roaring of the sea and the waves, men fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world; for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." And he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree, and all the trees; as soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near.

*Deacon*            The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*            Praise be to thee, O Christ.

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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THE SERMON

Fr. Caleb Roberts

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BCP 326

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

BCP 328

CONFESSION OF SIN

BCP 330

THE PEACE

BCP 332

ANNOUNCEMENTS

# THE LITURGY OF THE ALTAR

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## THE OFFERTORY

*O Very God*

Robert Edward Smith

## THE OFFERTORY BLESSING

*Celebrant*

All things come of thee, O Lord.

*Congregation*

And of thine own have we given thee.

## SURSUM CORDA

Hymnal S 112

## SANCTUS

Hymnal S 114

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

BCP 333

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 336

## AGNUS DEI

Hymnal S 158

## THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

BCP 337

## INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

*Celebrant*

Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that taketh away the  
sins of the world.

## COMMUNION HYMNS

*Lowry*

Hymnal 454

## THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BCP 339

## BLESSING

BCP 339

## PROCESSION WITH HYMN

*Helmsey*

Hymnal 57

# THE LITURGY OF THE ALTAR

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DISMISSAL

BCP 339

POSTLUDE

*Once He Came in Blessing*

Heinrich Buttstedt

# THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

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## THE DAILY OFFICE & WEEKDAY SERVICES

Monday, November 29

8:30am: Morning Prayer

5:00pm: Evening Prayer

Tuesday, November 30

The Feast of St. Andrew the Apostle

8:30am: Morning Prayer

5:00pm: Evening Prayer

Wednesday, December 1

The Feast of Nicholas Ferrar

8:30am: Morning Prayer

10:00am: Low Mass

5:00pm: Evening Prayer

Thursday, December 2

8:30am: Morning Prayer

4:00pm: Confessions

5:00pm: Evening Prayer

# ALTAR FLOWERS & SANCTUARY LAMP

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This week, the altar flowers are given...

- Ann Armstrong in loving memory of Fr. Kenneth Armstrong;
- Jackie Stevenson and Skylar Swords in thanksgiving for the birthday of their grandmother, Teresa Rutherford.

This week, the sanctuary lamp is given...

- Linda and Tom Yant in thanksgiving for their grandchildren, Avery and Savannah Barnes.

## PRAYERS & INTERCESSIONS

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This week, we pray specifically for the following in our parish:

<i>Those celebrating birthdays this week</i>	<i>Those celebrating anniversaries this week</i>	<i>Those who are ill</i>	<i>The departed and their bereaved</i>
Jettson McCoy		Jeff Clark	Norma Buffalow Danny Duncan

To add someone to the prayer list – whether the public list above or the confidential list kept by the Parish Office – please get their permission first and then contact the Parish Office. We will need at least their first name as well as your name and contact information. Individuals remain on the prayer lists for two weeks, unless otherwise extended at request.

## PASTORAL CARE

Fr. Caleb is always available to provide pastoral care to those who need it, whatever the situation. If something comes up with you or a loved one, please don't hesitate to contact him directly either by his cell phone – 405.921.8142 – or by email – [frcaleb@gracechurchponcacity.org](mailto:frcaleb@gracechurchponcacity.org) – and he will get back in contact with you as soon as he is able.





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Jenny Creech | 2022

Jamie Wells, Junior Warden

Lynda Clark, Christian Formation |  
2022

Glenn Cassity, Budget & Finance |  
2021

Judy Branch, Fellowship | 2023

Marcia Davis, Communications | 2021

Dan Flanigin, Church Growth &  
Evangelism | 2023

Nga Wells, Stewardship | 2021

Randy Hales, Outreach | 2023