# Grace Episcopal Church

Institute for Worship Studies Commencement • Pentecost 4 Holy Eucharist Rite II ● June 16, 2002

## **Preparation for Worship**

"Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy"

"Welcome Into This Place"

Greetings from the President of the Institute for Worship Studies, Dr. Robert E. Webber

## The Word of God

Fanfare Jim Hart

**Processional Hymn 390** 

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" arr. by John Ferguson

The People standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

The Celebrant and People pray together

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.

## Songs of Praise and Worship

"Because We Believe"

"Knowing You"

## The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the People

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, by your Holy Spirit you give to some the word of wisdom, to others the word of knowledge, and to others the word of faith: We praise your name for the gifts of grace manifested in your servants graduating today, and we pray that your Church may never be destitute of such gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with You and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, forever

and ever. Amen.

**The Lessons** The People sit as the appointed lessons are read.

First Lesson Proverbs 3:1-7 Pew Bible p. 482

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

#### Psalm 99 Dominus regnavit

1 The Lord is King; let the people | tremble; \* he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth | shake.

2 The Lord is great in | Zion; \* he is high above all | peoples.

3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and | awesome; \* he is the Holy | One.

4 "O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established | equity; \* you have executed justice and righteousness in | Jacob."

5 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and fall down before his | footstool; \* he is the Holy | One.

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his | Name, \* they called upon the Lord, and he | answered them.

7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; \* they kept his testimonies and the decree that he | gave them.

8 "O Lord our God, you answered them | indeed; \* you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil | deeds."

9 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and worship him upon his holy | hill; \* for the Lord our God is the | Holy One.

(Bowing)

Glory to the Father, and to the | Son, and to the Holy | Spirit:\* (Rising)

as it was in the beginning, is | now, and will be forever. A| men.

Then, all standing, the Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ. People

Pew Bible p. 751 The Gospel Matthew 16:24-27

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ. People

The Sermon Dr. Robert E. Webber President of IWS

### **The Commencement**

The Presentation of the Candidates Dr. Gerald Borchert Director of IWS

The Conferring of Degrees Dr. Robert E. Webber

President of IWS

The Hooding Dr. Samuel C. Pascoe Vice Chairman of the Board

The Prayer of Commissioning Mr. Darrell A. Harris Chaplain of IWS

The Peace

The Celebrant says to the People

The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

People

# **The Holy Communion**

## The Offertory

Tonight's offering will benefit the ongoing ministry of the Institute for Worship Studies. Checks should be made payable to the Institute, not to Grace Church.

**Anthem** 

"O God Beyond All Praising" Adult Choir, Brass, Organ and Timpani

Gustav Holst/ Richard Proulx

O God, beyond all praising, we worship you today And sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay; For we can only wonder at every gift you send, At blessings without number and mercies without end: We lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word, We honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord. The flow'r of earthly splendor in time must surely die, Its fragile bloom surrender to you, the Lord most high; But hidden from all nature the eternal seed is sown Though small in mortal stature, to heaven's garden grown: For Christ the man from heaven from death has set us free, And we through him are given the final victory. Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring, That we who know your favor May serve you as our King; And whether to morrows be filled with good or ill, We will triumph through sorrows and bless you still: To marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways, And make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

The Doxology

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

The Great Thanksgiving The People remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings

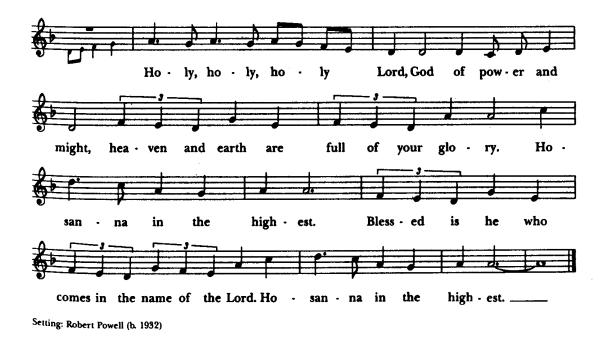
The People stand.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia.

Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.



#### Sanctus and Benedictus



The People kneel.

# The Prayer of Consecration

#### Then the Celebrant continues

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:

#### The Acclamation

Celebrant and People together:



#### The Celebrant continues

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 for ever. AMEN.

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

## The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: And now, with the Apostle Paul, we proclaim,

"Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast." Alleluia.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

#### Fraction Anthem

## We Behold You

Words & Music by Jim Hart

*Verse:* With all the saints and angels we gather before you;

Our hearts filled with thankfulness, we lift up your Holy Name.

With all of the saints who have gone before us, we feast at your table;

We eat of your body and drink of your Holy blood.

Chorus: And we behold You, and we behold You

Lamb of God, slain for our sins. (Repeat chorus)

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## The Communion of the People

Visitors who have been baptized, who know Christ to be their Savior, and who would be welcome to receive Communion in their home church, are welcome at the Lord's Table in this church. Children

whose parents do not want them to receive Communion, or others who do not wish to do so, are encouraged to come forward, cross their arms across their chests, and receive a prayer of blessing.

#### Communion Music

"You Are My All in All"

"Holy Is His Name (Magnificat)"

"Draw Me Close"

"Now Unto the King"

After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.

## The Prayer of Discipleship

Celebrant and People

Almighty and ever living 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.

The Priest blesses the People.

## Processional Hymn 397

"Now Thank We All Our God" arr. by John Rutter

The people are dismissed with this charge

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God!

Postlude

"Festival Te Deum"" Brass, Organ and Timpani

by Marc-Antoine Charpentier