

Faith Episcopal Church at Wheeler Chapel

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Please wear a mask & observe social distance even if you have been vaccinated. The CDC is now advising that everyone wear a mask indoors – this is because the "Delta Variant" is highly contagious and easily spread by vaccinated and unvaccinated people. The Episcopal Church in NH is following this guidance.

Also note: This color print signifies music. Bold, black Italics means "unison."

Gathering and Announcements - The Opening Hymn - # 400 - All creatures of our God and King

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead us, and bring us to your holy hill and to your dwelling. Lord, open our lips. And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

The Jubilate (Psalm 100) is said Responsively – Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;

*serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God;

*he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise;

*give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; *and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

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A Reading from 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14

David slept with his ancestors, and was buried in the city of David. The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David; and his kingdom was firmly established. & Solomon loved the Lord, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. Now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your people?" & It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor all your life; no other king shall compare with you. If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life."

The First Canticle - Make me an instrument (from The Prayer Attributed to St. Francis)



Make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.

Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord. And where there's doubt true faith in you.

Oh Master, grant that I may never seek, So much to be consoled as to console.

To be understood as to understand. To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me an instrument of your peace. Where there's despair in life let me bring hope.

Where there is darkness only light. And where there's sadness, ever joy.

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Make me an instrument of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned.

In giving of ourselves that we receive, And in dying that we are born to eternal life.

A Reading from Ephesians 5:15-20

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Second Canticle - The Song of Mary (see song sheet)

The Apostles' Creed — Officiant and People together, all standing
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

A Hymn Sing! More Commonly Known as "Stump the Organist" - Led by Nancy

→ When the Hymn Sing concludes, the Officiant says:

In the words our savior Christ has taught us we now pray,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Show us your mercy, O Lord; *And grant us your salvation*.
Clothe your ministers with righteousness; *Let your people sing with joy*.
Give peace, O Lord, in all the world; *For only in you can we live in safety*.
Lord, keep this nation under your care; *And guide us in the way of justice and truth*.
Let your way be known upon earth; *Your saving health among all nations*.
Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten; *Nor the hope of the poor be taken away*.
Create in us clean hearts, O God; *And sustain us with your Holy Spirit*.

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

A Prayer During the Pandemic by The Most Rev. Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury

God of compassion, be close to those who are ill, afraid or in isolation. In their loneliness, be their consolation; in their anxiety, be their hope; in their darkness, be their light; through him who suffered alone on the cross, but reigns with you in glory, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Peace

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Guidance

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Prayer for Mission is added

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. Amen.

Hymn # 602 - Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love

The Thank Offering, including intercessions and thanksgivings, follows, concluding with this prayer –

The General Thanksgiving

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Recessional Hymn # 594 – God of grace and God of glory

Dismissal: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Ukuthula. Thanks be to God. Ukuthula.

Collect for the Feast of Jonathan M. Daniels, August 14. During the Civil Rights movement, Jonathan (from Keene, NH) was a seminarian who was killed by a policeman's shotgun blast as he protected a young woman named Ruby Sales. O God of justice and compassion, who puts down the proud and mighty from their place, and lifts up the poor and the afflicted: We give you thanks for your faithful witness Jonathan Myrick Daniels, who, in the midst of injustice and violence, risked and gave his life for another; and we pray that we, following his example, may make no peace with oppression; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.