Grace Presbyterian Church

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Springfield, Virginia 22150

**Live-Streamed Worship**

**May 24, 2020**

Greeting

Lighting of the Peace Candle

Call to Worship

One Voice: We gather as God’s beloved children ―

Many Voices: However glad we are, however out of sorts we are.

One Voice: We come together as a people whom Jesus calls into community ―

Many Voices: So this becomes a place where all are welcomed.

One Voice: We have come to give thanks, to pray and sing,

 to be with others.

Many Voices: Let us worship God.

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Hymn #1 *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!* Heber/Dykes

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.

Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,

Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;

Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,

Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,

Though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,

Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,

Perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.

Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

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Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we open our hearts to you this day,

 and offer the truth of our lives:

The fear that stifles us,

The prejudice that blinds us,

The ignorance that hobbles us,

The doubt that plagues us.

Help us, we pray, that we will

Find courage in unlikely places,

See the world with new and gracious eyes,

Move to those places where love is needed,

Have faith that you are with us.

This we pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.

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Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The good news is that Christ calls us to new life and enables us to begin again and again and again and again. Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God.

Children’s Sermon *The Story of Jonah*

Hymn #450 *Be Thou My Vision* Evans/Byrne/Hull

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;

Naught be all else to me, save that thou art;

Thou my best thought, by day or by night,

Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;

I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;

Thou my soul’s shelter, and thou my high tower;

Raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;

Thou mine inheritance, now and always;

Thou and thou only, first in my heart,

High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of Heaven, my victory won,

May I reach heaven’s joys, O bright heaven’s Sun!

Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,

Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

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Sermon *Whale Belly* Rev. Dr. Ben Trawick

Offering *(A word about ways to support Grace’s ministry)*

Prayer of Dedication

Stories that Sustain Us Philip Spiess

Prayers of the People/The Lord’s Prayer

 (*Please submit your joys and concerns online.)*

Parting Hymn #742 *We Will Walk with God* Bell

We will walk with God, my brothers; we will walk with God.

We will walk with God, my sisters; we will walk with God.

We will go rejoicing till the kingdom has come.

We will go rejoicing till the kingdom has come. *(Sung 3 times)*

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Benediction

Response 541

 *God Be with You Till We Meet Again*

God be with you till we meet again; Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again.