

Prelude

Confession & Absolution

P: In the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirt. **C: Amen.**

P: What love could remember no wrongs we have done;

C: Omniscient, all-knowing, He counts not their sum.

P: Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore;

C: Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.

P: Praise the Lord! His mercy is more.

C: Stronger than darkness; new every morn; Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.

P: What patience would wait as we constantly roam;

C: What Father, so tender, is calling us home.

P: He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor;

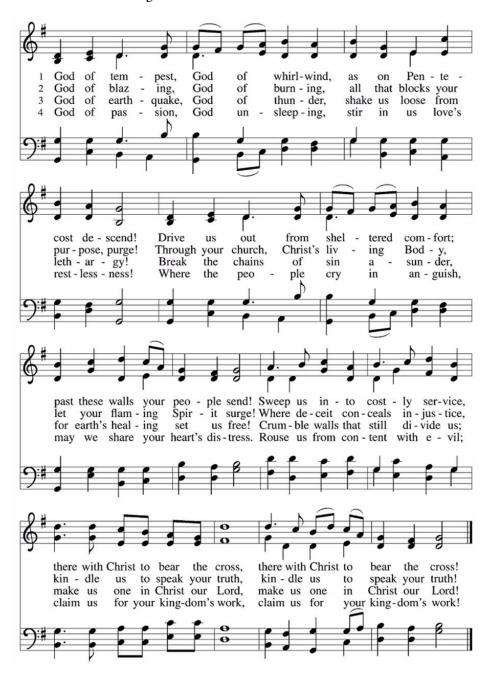
C: Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.

P: Praise the Lord! His mercy is more.

C: Stronger than darkness; new every morn; Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.

P: What riches of kindness He lavished on us;
C: His blood was the payment, His life was the cost.
P: We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford;
C: Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.

P: Praise the Lord! His mercy is more. C: Stronger than darkness; new every morn; Our sins, they are many, His mercy is more.



Greeting & Prayer of the Day

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray:

C: God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, as you once sent the promised gift of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples long ago, stir up that Spirit in us this day, that embracing our own empowerment, our passion for the faith will be rekindled, and we will eagerly turn to your Word, declare your Good News and witness to Your grace through our own works of mercy, love and compassion. We ask this through your Son, Jesus our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit as one God, now and forever. Amen.

<u>First Lesson</u>

<u>Genesis 11</u>

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. And as people migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there.

And they said to one another, "Let's do this – let's bake bricks and heat them until they are hard as stone!"

So, for them, these brick-stones were like our building stone, and rawbitumen was, for them, like our mortar.

Now they said, "Let's do this – let's build ourselves a city and a tower as tall as the heavens. This will be how we will make a name for ourselves and because of our fame, we will not need to scatter abroad over the face of the earth!"

As the people started their construction projects, Yahweh, God, came down to see the city and the tower that the humans were building. Yahweh said, "Well look what we have here, one people with one language for them all, and they decide that they want to make a name for themselves so they don't have to follow my plan and scatter abroad across the face of the earth. Well, this is only the beginning of what they will do. There is nothing to stop them in all that they might scheme to do. So, let's do this – let's go down there and let's baffle their language so that no one will understand the language of their neighbor!" In this way, Yahweh, God, scattered them abroad over the face of all the

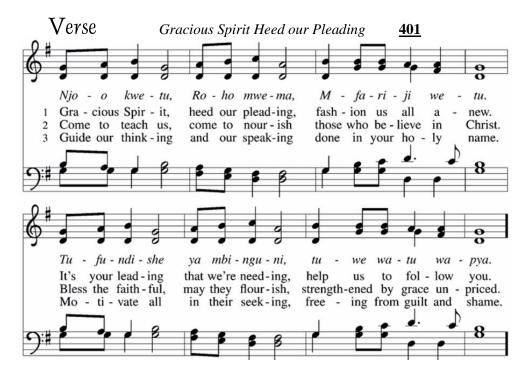
earth, and they had to stop building the city. Therefore, it was called Babel, for there Yahweh baffled the language of all the earth-folk, and from there, Yahweh scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

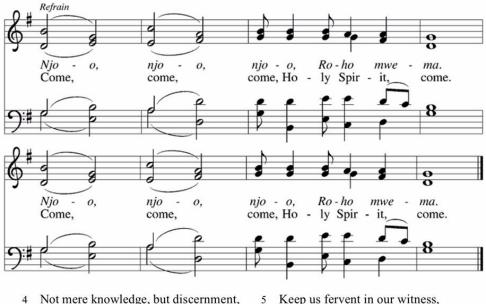


But about the "spiritual," brothers and sisters, I do not desire you to be unknowledgeable, for, do not forget that before you became followers of Jesus, you were being led in the wrong direction by guided

by speechless "idols." Therefore, I am teaching you that no one speaking in the Spirit of God says, "Jesus is nothing!" and, also, no one has the power to say "Lord Jesus" if not empowered by the Holy Spirit. However, even though there are varieties of giftedness, they come from the same Spirit. And even though there are a variety of "servant-roles," they serve the same Lord. And even though there are a variety of motivational energies, it is the same God energizing everyone and everything. So, each of us is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the sake of the common good of the community. One of us might be gifted with words of wisdom through the Spirit, and another of us may be gifted with the utterance of knowledge from the same Spirit, and another might be gifted with faith by the same Spirit, and another might have gifts of healing from the one Spirit, and another might be gifted with the working of miracles, to another might be gifted with prophecy, and another might be gifted with the discernment of spirits, and another might be gifted with various kinds of tongues, and another might be gifted with the interpretation of tongues. But all this energizing is by the one and the same Spirit who divides out these gifts to each of us individually as the Spirit determines. For, just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Reader: The Word of the Lord! C: Thanks be to God!





nor rootless liberty; turn disquiet to contentment, doubt into certainty. *Refrain* Keep us fervent in our witness, unswayed by earth's allure. Ever grant us zealous fitness, which you alone assure. *Refrain*

Third Lesson

<u>Acts 2:1-21</u>

When the Pentecost that was the fulfillment of what was promised came, Jesus' disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly, a noise came out of heaven! It was like someone breathing a tremendously dramatic breath. It filled the entire house where they were sitting. Their eyes were opened to see dividing tongues which, like when fire is divided, were not diminished when distributed. The tongues sat over each one of them and all of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak different tongues as the Spirit gave voice to them.

But there were devout Jews from every ethnicity under heaven living in Jerusalem and, this sound developing, many of them gathered and were confounded because each one heard their own dialect being spoken by the disciples. Ecstatic and amazed, these Jews were saying, "Look, aren't all those who are speaking Galileans? Then, how are we all hearing what they are saying in our own native dialects: Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—we are hearing them speaking in our own tongues of the greatness of God?"

Everyone was ecstatic and perplexed, saying to one another, "Whose will is this?"

But the were others who sneered and said, "They have been filled with sweet wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and declared to them, "People of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and let my words come into your ears! Those you hear speaking are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only the third hour of the day (9:00 a.m.). No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters will prophesy, and your young men will see visions, and your old men will dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they will prophesy. And I will give wonders in the heaven above and signs on the earth below: blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. And all who may call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

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Sermon





Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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: Let us Pray

C: Living God, we praise you for the abundant blessings of this life. In humble recognition of the love you always show to us, we bring these gifts and ourselves as our thanks. Use them and us to bear the fruit of goodness and grace so that your glory will be known to all. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



The Lord's Prayer

C: 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. 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 now and forever. Amen.

Distribution Hymns 627, 470 0 day full of grace that we see ap - pear - ing on 1 now 2 0 day full bless - ed Lord of grace, O time, our on the 3 For Christ bore our sins, and not his own, when he on the 4 God came to us then at Pen - te cost. the Spir - it new nal 5 When we that fi iour - nev on go that Christ is for earth's ho - ri bring light from our God that zon, we may came earth ar - riv ing; then to the world that light sub cross was hang ing; and then he a - rose and moved the life re - veal ing, that we might no more in death be us pre - par ing, we'll gath - er in song, our hearts a God, shine be a bun - dant in joy this sea son. for us lime, great joy for us all re - triev ing; for Je sus all stone, that un - to him be - long ing, might join with an we, dis - pel will the lost, its pow'r o - ver us ling. This flame will glow, all joy of the heav-ens shar ing, and there we







Sunday, May 19Pentecost Sunday8:30 a.m. Worship9:45 a.m. Sunday School & ConfirmationClasses11:00 a.m. Worship

Monday, May 20

9:30 a.m. Widowed Support Group7:00 p.m. Social Ministry/Green Team Meeting7:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting *Confirmands meet w/ Council members

Tuesday, May 21

6:30 a.m. Early Birds Bible Study & Breakfast
7:30 a.m. Finance Committee
11:00 a.m. Bible Study w/ Pastor Chris – hybrid
4:30 p.m. Confirmation Class
7:00 p.m. Bible Study w/ Pastor Chris – online

Wednesday, May 22 9:00 a.m. Peacemakers Quilting Group

Sunday, May 26 Trinity Sunday

Deadline to RSVP & Pay for May Dining Out Gathering @ Char 8:30 a.m. Worship No Sunday School or Confirmation Classes 11:00 a.m. Worship



DINING OUT WITH GRACE THURSDAY, MAY 30TH

PLEASE JOIN US AT CHAR STEAKHOUSE & BAR

151 BRYANT POND ROAD, SUITE 1, MAHOPAC, NEW YORK

New Time for this venue only

4:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.

\$43.00 PER PERSON INCLUDES: TAX & GRATUITY AND...

Glass of wine

Choice of Appetizer:

TERIYAKI CHICKEN DUMPLINGS(3), BAKED CLAMS(2), SLAB BACON, FRIED CALAMARI, ASIAN CALAMARI WEDGE SALAD, GORGONZOLA SALAD OR FIELD GREEN SALAD W/CHOICE OF DRESSING

Choice of Entree: ANGUS BEEF STEW, FILLET OF SOLE FRANCESE, ZUPPI DE PESCE, CHICKEN MARTINI, CHAR BURGER, SHRIMP SCAMPI OVER LINGUINE

Choice of Dessert:

TIRAMISU, SOUTHERN BREAD PUDDING, PEACH MELBA. CHOCOLATE MOUSSE, TOASTED ALMOND CAKE

PLEASE R.S.V.P. & PAY IN FULL BY SUNDAY, MAY 26TH

Payment accepted in 2 ways:

~ Include a check in the offering marked with "DINING OUT" in the memo line.

~ Pay online @ graceyorktown.org. Go to "DONATE TO GRACE", then choose "DINING OUT CLUB".

Additional drinks may be purchased separately before, during or after our dinner.



RSVP today to reserve your spot!

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