



Grace Anglican CHURCH

PENTECOST
Memorial Day Sunday
May 24, 2026
10:00 AM

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Rev. Steven A. Savia – Rector | Rev. Malcolm Roberts, III – Assisting Priest | Rev. Frances McSorley Britt - Deacon

Welcome to Grace Anglican Church

Weekly Services and Studies

Wednesday, May 27, 2026

7:30 AM Morning Prayer - Zoom

2:00 PM Bible Study – Hebrews –
Fellowship Hall

Thursday, May 28, 2026

9:00 AM Women of Grace Bible
Study – 1 & 2 Peter– Fellowship
Hall

10:15 AM Crafters – Fellowship Hall

Saturday, May 30, 2026

8:00 AM Men of Grace Bible Study
– John

Sunday, May 31, 2026

8:00 AM Service – Sanctuary

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist Service –
Sanctuary and Zoom

11:30 AM – Forum – Fellowship
Hall

**For a full Calendar, check the
Church Website under Calendar.**

For emergencies 919-369-1925.

Appointments with:

Rev. Steve Savia, 919-369-1925.

Rev. Frances Britt, 252-671-3632.

Rev. Mal Roberts, 252-259-7841.

“Grace Anglican Church is a welcoming, Christ centered Church, committed to the truth and authority of Scripture, dedicated to service, and developing a vibrant and spiritually strong congregation.”

Holy Communion is open to all who are believers in Jesus Christ and have been baptized. Children are welcome to receive communion at their parent’s discretion. If you participate by Zoom and need communion elements, please call the office and leave a message.

For **infants**, we have a Nursery. For **toddlers & Elementary schoolers**, we have an Activity Room. Children in these rooms are accompanied by adults. They start in the Sanctuary and will be brought into the Sanctuary to receive a blessing during the Eucharist. **Middle and High School-aged children** should remain in the Sanctuary and sit with an adult throughout the Service.

ZOOM Connection Instructions:

*You can connect either by video (computer)
or by telephone.*

*The Meeting ID is **886444634***

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Processional Hymn #2 – Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 1 - 3

1 Come, Thou Fount of every blessing;
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise His name - I'm fixed upon it,
Name of God's redeeming love!

2 Hither to Thy love hast blessed me;
Thou hast bro't me to this place;
And I know Thy hand will bring me,
Safely home by Thy good grace.

Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Bought me with His precious blood.

3 O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to Thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart; O take and seal it;
Seal it for Thy courts above.

Robert Robinson

The Acclamation (*Standing*) Joel 2:27-28, 32; Acts 2:17, 21

Celebrant The Lord will pour out His Spirit upon all flesh,
People ***And your sons and daughters shall prophesy.***

Celebrant Your old men shall dream dreams,
People ***And your young men shall see visions.***

Celebrant You shall know that the Lord is in the midst of His people,
People ***That He is the Lord and there is none else.***

Celebrant And it shall come to pass

People ***That everyone who calls on the Name of the Lord shall be saved.***

People: 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.

The Summary of the Law (*Standing*)

Celebrant: Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets." *Matthew 22:37-40*

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: ***And also with you.***

Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Collect (*Remain Standing*)

Celebrant: Almighty God, on this day almost 2,000 years ago, through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, You revealed the way of eternal life to every race and nation: Pour out this gift anew, that by the preaching of the Gospel Your salvation may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with the Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

The Lessons (*Seated*)

Old Testament - Genesis 11:1-9.

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

The Psalm – Psalm 104:24-35 (*Read by whole verse*) (*Remain Seated*)

- 24 How many are Your works, LORD! In wisdom You made them all; the earth is full of Your creatures.
- 25 ***There is the sea, vast and spacious, teeming with creatures beyond number—living things both large and small.***
- 26 There the ships go to and fro, and Leviathan, which You formed to frolic there.
- 27 ***All creatures look to You to give them their food at the proper time.***
- 28 When You give it to them, they gather it up; when You open Your hand, they are satisfied with good things.
- 29 ***When You hide Your face, they are terrified; when You take away their breath, they die and return to the dust.***
- 30 When You send Your Spirit, they are created, and You renew the face of the ground.
- 31 ***May the glory of the LORD endure forever may the LORD rejoice in His works—***
- 32 He Who looks at the earth, and it trembles, Who touches the mountains, and they smoke.
- 33 ***I will sing to the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.***
- 34 May my meditation be pleasing to Him, as I rejoice in the LORD.
- 35 ***But may sinners vanish from the earth and the wicked be no more. Praise the LORD, my soul. Praise the LORD.***

****Hymn #623 - Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen.***

New Testament - Acts 2:1-21 (*Seated*)

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

The Gospel (*Standing*)

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People: ***Glory to You, Lord Christ.***

John 14:8-17

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: ***Praise to You, Lord Christ.***

Special Music – Hymn #252 – **Sweet, Sweet Spirit** (*Seated*)

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,
And I know it's the Spirit of the Lord; There
are sweet expressions on each face, And I
know that it's the presence of the Lord;
Sweet Holy Spirit, Sweet heavenly Dove,

Stay right here with us, Filling us with Your
love; And for these blessings We lift our
hearts in praise: Without a doubt we'll know
that we have been revived, When we shall
leave this place.

The Sermon - The Rev. Steven A. Savia

The Nicene Creed *(Standing)*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through Him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day, He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, Who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of God's People *(Seated or kneeling)*

Reader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Almighty and ever living God, Your Holy Word instructs us to offer prayers and supplications. We humbly ask You mercifully to receive our prayers. May Your Holy Spirit continually inspire the universal Church in truth, unity, and love; and grant that all who confess Your holy Name may agree in the truth of Your holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Reader: Lord, in Your mercy / *People: **Hear our prayer.***

Reader: We pray for the nations of the world, a world troubled with turmoil, conflict, violence, wars, disasters, and hatred. We pray they may be moved in the way of peace and righteousness for the sake of all people. We pray that our nation's leaders would seek and be guided by You, that Your people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace. Grant that our leaders may impartially administer justice, uphold integrity and truth, restrain wickedness and vice, and protect true religion and virtue.

Reader: Lord, in Your mercy / *People: **Hear our prayer.***

Reader: We pray for all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, especially Steve Wood, our Archbishop; David, Terrell, and Thad our Bishops; Steven our Priest, Mal our Assisting Priest, and Frances our Deacon, that by their lives and teaching, they may proclaim Your true and life-giving Word, and rightly and duly administer Your holy Sacraments. And to all Your people give Your heavenly grace, especially to this congregation, that with reverent and obedient hearts we may hear and receive Your holy Word, and serve You in holiness and righteousness all the days of our lives. This week we pray with churches throughout the Diocese for Grace Anglican Church, Gastonia, NC: The Rev. Jeremiah Caughran, Rector.

Reader: Lord, in Your mercy / *People: **Hear our prayer.***

Reader: We pray for all those who proclaim the Gospel of Your kingdom at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others.

Reader: Lord, in Your mercy / *People: **Hear our prayer.***

Reader: Look with favor on our students, that their knowledge may increase. Grant them wisdom and understanding in spite of the challenges they face. Bless those who teach, that in mind and spirit they may reach their students in new ways. Grant that in humility of heart they may all look to You, from Whom comes all wisdom and true understanding.

Reader: Lord, in Your mercy / *People: **Hear our prayer.***

Reader: We ask You in your goodness and mercy, O Lord, to comfort and sustain all who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially those on our prayer list.

Reader: Lord, in Your mercy / *People: **Hear our prayer.***

Reader: We remember always all Your servants who have departed this life in Your faith as they now live eternally in the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. Their faith has become sight. We pray that we follow You in such a way that all who come behind us may find that we were faithful.

Reader: Lord, in Your mercy / *People: **Hear our prayer.***

The Confession of Sin (*Seated or Kneeling*)

Reader: Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

*People: **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.***

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in Your will, and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Name. Amen.

The Absolution (*Seated or Kneeling*)

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Who in His great mercy promises forgiveness of sins to all His saints who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to Him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Holy Communion (*Seated*)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. | *People: **And also with you.***

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts. | *People: **We lift them up to the Lord.***

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.***

Celebrant: It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth through Jesus Christ our Lord; according to Whose most true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the

disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth, giving them boldness and fervent zeal constantly to preach the Gospel to all nations; by which we have been brought out of darkness and error into the clear light and true knowledge of You, and of Your Son Jesus Christ.

Therefore, we praise You, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever proclaim the glory of Your Name:

*People: **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.***

Celebrant: All praise and glory is Yours, O God our heavenly Father, for in Your tender mercy, You gave Your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption.

He made there, a full, perfect, and atoning sacrifice, offering, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world. We remember the institution of Your dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and we Your humble servants celebrate and make here before Your divine Majesty the memorial Your Son commanded us to make; remembering His blessed passion and precious death, His mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and His promise to come again.

So now, O merciful Father, in Your great goodness, we ask You to bless and sanctify, with Your Word and Holy Spirit, these gifts of bread and wine, that we, receiving them according to Your Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of His death and passion, may spiritually be partakers of His most blessed Body and Blood.

On the night that He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is My Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of Me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of Me."

Therefore, together we proclaim the mystery of our Faith:

*People: **Christ HAS died.
Christ IS risen
Christ WILL come again.***

Celebrant: And here we offer and present to You, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice. We humbly pray that we be filled with Your grace and heavenly benediction, and be made one body with Him, that He may dwell in us, and we in Him. 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 forever. **Amen.**

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

Celebrant: These are 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.

The Post Communion Prayer *(Seated)*

People: Almighty and ever living God, we thank You for feeding us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of Your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us, through this Sacrament, of Your favor and goodness towards us: that we are true members of the mystical body of Your Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, in confident expectation, of Your everlasting kingdom.

And we humbly ask You, heavenly Father, to assist us with Your grace; that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all the good works that You have prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to Whom with You and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

The Blessing *(Standing)*

Celebrant: May the indwelling Holy Spirit lead you, speak to you, and give you wisdom in all things. And may Almighty God protect, defend, and keep you, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. ***Amen***

Recessional Hymn – 52 – O God Our Help in Ages Past - Verses 1 – 3, 5, 6
(Standing)

1 O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home:

2 Under the shadow of Thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
And our defense is sure.

3 Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream
Bears all its sons away;
They fly, forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guide while life shall last,
And our eternal home!

Isaac Watts

Dismissal *(Standing)*

Celebrant: Alleluia! Let us go forth in the power of the Holy Spirit proclaiming Christ!

People: ***Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!***