

# Grace Episcopal Church

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## THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER ~ April 12, 2026

Holy Eucharist ~ Rite II

### Prelude

**Processional Hymn 405** "All things bright and beautiful" *Royal Oak*

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### The Word of God

#### Opening Acclamation

**BCP: 355**

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

#### Collect for Purity

Celebrant: 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.**

**Hymn of Praise: Hymn 8** "Morning has broken" *Bunessan*

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#### The Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### The Lessons

#### First Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith-- being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire-- may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

**Psalm 8** *Domine, Dominus noster*

- 1 O Lord our Governor, \*  
how exalted is your Name in all the world!
- 2 Out of the mouths of infants and children \*  
your majesty is praised above the heavens.
- 3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, \*  
to quell the enemy and the avenger.
- 4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, \*  
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
- 5 What is man that you should be mindful of him? \*  
the son of man that you should seek him out?
- 6 You have made him but little lower than the angels; \*  
you adorn him with glory and honor;
- 7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands; \*  
you put all things under his feet:
- 8 All sheep and oxen, \*  
even the wild beasts of the field,
- 9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, \*  
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
- 10 O Lord our Governor, \*  
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

**Sequence Hymn 182, vv. 1, 2, 5**

"Christ is alive!"

*Truro*

**The Gospel: John 20:19-31**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in

my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

## **The Sermon**

The Rev. Susan Scranton

## **The Nicene Creed**

BCP: 358

## **Prayers of the People**

*From St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Medina, Washington*

We give you thanks and praise, O God of creation, for the grandeur of all that you have made, saying: **We thank you, God.**

For the healing waters of creation, which bring pleasure and health, purity and life,  
**We thank you, God.**

For the richness of the good Earth that brings forth fruits and flowers, a pleasure to taste and a joy to behold, **We thank you, God.**

For the soaring birds of the air, the crawling creatures on the Earth, the gliding fishes in the seas, for all creatures great and small with whom we share this precious web of life,  
**We thank you, God.**

For the invigorating sunlight of day, the deepening mystery of night, the wonder of the stars, and the call of the unknown in the universe, **We thank you, God.**

From heedless misuse and dishonoring of the wonders of your hand, **Good Lord deliver us.**

From squandering resources, abusing our companion species, and polluting the habitat we all share, **Good Lord deliver us.**

From the folly of imagining ourselves free from the fate of your whole creation,  
**Good Lord deliver us.**

For the courage and wisdom to confess how little we have cared for your gifts,  
**Strengthen us, O Spirit.**

For the conviction that you have called us to love and restore the Earth,  
**Strengthen us, O Spirit.**

For repentance and the determination to begin our stewardship anew,  
**Strengthen us, O Spirit.**

Celebrant: God of unchangeable power, when you fashioned the world, the morning stars sang together and the host of heaven shouted for joy: Open our souls to the wonders of creation and teach us to manage faithfully the riches of this good earth, to the honor of your glorious name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Confession and Absolution**

**BCP: 360**

**The Peace**

**Welcome, Announcements, Blessings**

## The Holy Communion

**Offertory Anthem**

Pavel Petrov

**Presentation Hymn: 380 v. 3**

**The Great Thanksgiving (Prayer C)**

**BCP: 369**

**Sanctus and Benedictus**

**BCP: 371**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**BCP: 364**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

**BCP: 364**

Alleluia Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
*Therefore let us keep the feast*

**Communion**

**Communion Hymn: 335**

"I am the bread of life

*I am the bread of life*

**Postcommunion Prayer**

**BCP: 365**

**Postlude**

### **Serving in today's service**

Celebrant: Rev. Susan Scranton

LEM: Bobbi Patterson

Lectors: Micah Palpant, Karen Huss

Acolytes: April Moore, Karen Williamson, David Moore

Stream Team: Mizuki Williamson

Altar Guild: Janese Grady, Debbie Pullen, Dawn Mellon, Catie Anders, Cathy St. Onge

Ushers: Alex McKenzie, Rob Van DerBur

Vestry Person: Hannah Palpant

### Prayer List

**For healing and comfort:** Edie Noland, Rick, Lucy, Lindsay, Liz Hernandez, Lisa Taylor, Sharon W., Anita Baker, Scott Martin, Frank Boyd, Frank Ortega, Jessica, Gary Kindt, Jayam Rutnam, Elaine, Rene Rocha, Mikel Jones, Mandy Macaluso, Christine De Souza, Bill Owen, April Moore, Keith Vakerics, Kim Boyd, Joe Goetz

**For healing & successful surgery:** Marti S.

**For strength & guidance:** The Hernandez Family, Mireya Rivera & Family

**For those serving in the military:** Chad Donohoe ~ U.S. Navy, Nelson Acosta ~ U.S. Air Force, Adam Corona Jr. ~ U.S. Air Force, Seth Tradel ~ U.S. Navy, Mitchell Mann ~ USMC