

Grace Episcopal Church

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The Second Sunday of Easter April 7, 2024

The Rev. Susan L. Scranton, Rector
The Rev James Seipel, Assisting
David Aldrete, Choirmaster ~ Thomas Mellan, Organist
Marilyn Scranton, Handbell Director

Welcome to Grace Parish! We are glad that you have answered God's call to worship, and we are honored that you have chosen to be with us. In addition to the service, we offer childcare for children age 4 and under, and Sunday School for preschool through 5th grade.

Visitors, we would like to meet you! Please take a moment to fill out the "Voice from the Pew" found in the red folders and place it in the offertory plate.

The Second Sunday of Easter



10:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST: Rite II

Prelude _____ Thomas Mellan

Processional Hymn 199 _____ St. Kevin

“Come, ye faithful,”

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation _____ BCP p. 355

Collect for Purity _____ BCP p. 355

Kyrie (Pew Card) _____ Tuuk

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.**

First Lesson: Acts 4:32-35 _____ Bobbi Patterson

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

Lector: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

- 1 Oh, how good and pleasant it is, *
when brethren live together in unity!
- 2 It is like fine oil upon the head *
that runs down upon the beard,
- 3 Upon the beard of Aaron, *
and runs down upon the collar of his robe.
- 4 It is like the dew of Hermon *
that falls upon the hills of Zion.
- 5 For there the LORD has ordained the blessing: *
life for evermore.

The Second Lesson: 1 John 1:1-2:2

Jared Anders

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life-- this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us-- we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Lector: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn 178

Alleluia No. 1

“Jesus is Lord of all the earth”

The Gospel: John 20:19-31

The Rev. Susan Scranton

Celebrant: The holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: **Glory to you Lord Christ.**

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.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

Sermon The Rev. Susan Scranton

The Nicene Creed BCP p. 358

Prayers of the People - Form IV (BCP p. 388) Jade Petteruto

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray especially for those on our parish prayer list. Are there others?

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

BCP p. 360

The Peace

~ Welcome, Announcements and Special Blessings ~

Blessing (Said by all): Watch over thy child, O Lord, as his days increase, bless and guide him wherever he may be. Strengthen him when he stands; comfort him when discouraged or sorrowful; raise him up if he falls; and in his heart may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of his life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

Anne Krentz Organ

“O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing”

Grace Parish Choir

Presentation Hymn 174 vv. 1 & 4

Salzburg

“At the Lamb’s high feast we sing”

Great Thanksgiving (Prayer A)

BCP p. 361

Sanctus & Benedictus (Pew Card)

Tuuk

The Lord’s Prayer

BCP p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP p. 364

Fraction Anthem: Agnus Dei (Pew Card)

Proulx

Invitation to Communion

BCP p. 364

(All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Lord’s Table. If you have difficulty coming forward, please notify an usher, and we will be happy to bring Communion to you where you are seated.)

Communion Hymn 209

St. Botolph

“We walk by faith, and not by sight”

Postcommunion Prayer

BCP p. 365

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn 193

Puer nobis

“That Easter day with joy was bright”

The Dismissal

BCP p. 366

Postlude

Thomas Mellan

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scrip Sunday ~ Sunday, April 7 - Join us as Bobbi Patterson shares with us the blessings and fun of Scrip. Also today is our monthly opportunity to purchase scrip directly using cash or checks. But you can do it online on your own time schedule as well. Find out how this Sunday.

Hygiene Kits for Union Station Homeless Services - If you didn't have a chance to turn in your hygiene kits on Easter, you have one more Sunday. Final collection of all hygiene kits is this coming **Sunday, April 7**.

Glendora Mayor's Prayer Breakfast ~ Wednesday, April 24 @ 7:00 AM

The annual Glendora Mayor's Prayer Breakfast, as sponsored by the Glendora Ministerial Association (I'm treasurer), will host this year's breakfast at the Glendora Country Club. It is a wonderful opportunity to gather together and pray for the city and its citizens in a festive manner while enjoying good music (the GEC Handbell quartet is playing), prayer and a guest speaker. This year's featured speaker is Olympian Bryan Clay. Tickets are \$40. You can purchase them directly from me or go online through the Glendora Chamber of Commerce: www.GlendoraMayorsPB.com

Youth Group Meeting and lunch ~ April 14

Youth meet for fun, fellowship, and lunch from approximately 11:15 AM to 1:00 PM

Grace Episcopal Church Vestry Members 2024

Rev. Susan L. Scranton,
David Aldrete - Senior Warden, Lucie Pelleriti - Junior Warden
Miles Bresee - Treasurer, Todd Rice - Buildings & Grounds,
Frank Boyd, Kathi Ferris, Janet Kawamoto, Heather Moore,
Jade Petteruto, Linda Rice, Cassy Shields



The flowers are given to the
Glory of God by Carol Treacy
in loving memory of
her beloved brother, Dr. Larry Thum.



Serving at 10 AM

Celebrant The Rev. Susan Scranton
Lay Eucharistic Minister..... Bobbi Patterson
Lectors..... Bobbi Patterson, Jared Anders, Jade Petteruto
Acolytes..... Morgan Patterson, Amelie Palpant, April Moore
Choirmaster David Aldrete
OrganistThomas Mellan
Flower Guild.....Denise Barcelo, Rosann Kindt, Amelie Palpant,
Hannah Palpant, Liz Sandona, Marilyn Scranton, Susie Seielstad,
Nancy Rice, Todd Rice, Rob Van Derbur, Peggy Wallace
Altar Guild ... Janese Grady, Dawn Mellon, Patricia Meyer,
Debbie Pullen, Cathy St. Onge
Ushers Carl Colley, Alex McKenzie
Stream Team .. Ethan Seielstad, Karen Williamson, Mizuki Williamson
Vestry Person of the Week David Aldrete



Prayer List

For healing and comfort: Jimmy, Michele Woods, Betty Eckstein, Kelli Grace Kurtz, Doug Jones, Marilyn Scranton, Joe and Bea Martinez, Becki Potter, David & Dominick, Davila, Joe Goetz, Edie Noland, Tamara Collins

For strength & guidance: Kayla St. Onge, Audra Montoya

For those serving in the military: Chad Donohoe ~ U.S. Navy, Nelson Acosta ~ U.S. Air Force, Sgt. Mitchell Bennett ~ Army, Adam Corona Jr. ~ U.S. Air Force

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

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| 2 – Michael Moore | 6 – Karen Williamson | 15 – Katherine Rice |
| 3 - Everleigh Stone | 8 – Laurel McKenzie | 18 – Sherry McKeithen |
| 4 – April Moore | 10 – Marilyn Scranton | 28 – Matthew Young |
| 4 – Stephen Rice | 11 – Donna McAlmond | 29 – Rose Grady Daley |
| 5 – Randy Lakin | 13 – Sonja Lakin | 29 - Melissa Klinski |

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

Lynn and Carl Colley – 3