

Grace Episcopal Church

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The Third Sunday of Easter April 14, 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 Third Sunday of Easter



10:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST: Rite II

Prelude _____ Thomas Mellan

Processional Hymn 180 _____ *Unser Herrscher*

“He is risen, he is risen!”

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation _____ BCP p. 355

Collect for Purity _____ BCP p. 355

Gloria (Pew Card) _____ Tuuk

Collect of the Day

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson: Acts 3:12-19 _____ Jade Petteruto

Peter addressed the people, “You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

“And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.”

Lector: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; *

you set me free when I am hard-pressed;
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

2 "You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; *

how long will you worship dumb idols
and run after false gods?"

3 Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful; *

when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.

4 Tremble, then, and do not sin; *

speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

5 Offer the appointed sacrifices *

and put your trust in the Lord.

6 Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!" *

Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.

7 You have put gladness in my heart, *

more than when grain and wine and oil increase.

8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; *

for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

The Second Lesson: 1 John 3:1-7

Lucie Pelleriti

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Lector: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 192

Vruechten

“This joyful Eastertide”

The Gospel: Luke 24:36b-48

The Rev. Susan Scranton

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

People: Glory to you Lord Christ.

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, “Peace be with you.” They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

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)

David Aldrete

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

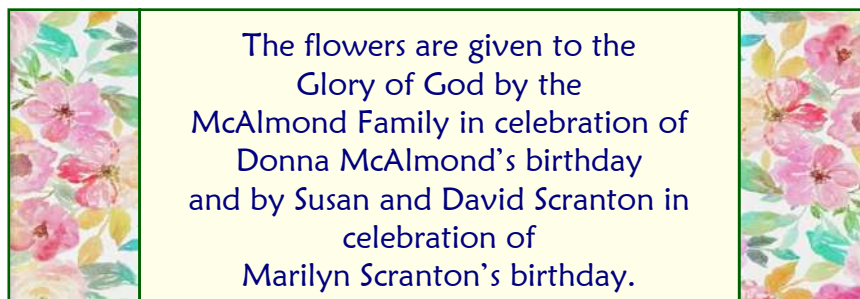
The Peace

~ 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	Lani Smith
“Alleluia for Easter” Grace Parish Choir	
Presentation Hymn 305 v. 1	Rosedale
“Come, risen Lord”	
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
<i>(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.)</i>	
Communion Hymn 325	Let Us Break Bread
“Let us break bread together on our knees”	
Postcommunion Prayer	BCP p. 365
The Blessing	
Recessional Hymn 182	Truro
“Christ is alive!”	
The Dismissal	BCP p. 366
Postlude	Thomas Mellan



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Group Meeting and lunch ~ April 14

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

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



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Thank you!

Serving at 10 AM

Celebrant The Rev. Susan Scranton
Lay Eucharistic Minister..... Janet Kawamoto
Lectors..... Jade Petteruto, Lucie Pelleriti, David Aldrete
Acolytes.... Claire Wainwright, Oliver Wainwright, Ethan Seielstad
Choirmaster David Aldrete
OrganistThomas Mellan
Flower Guild..... Liz Sandona, Susie Seielstad
Altar Guild Janese Grady, Dawn Mellon, Patricia Meyer,
Debbie Pullen, Cathy St. Onge
Ushers Carl Colley, Alex McKenzie
Stream Team Karen Williamson, Mizuki Williamson
Vestry Person of the Week Frank Boyd



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, Francisco Ortego, Sheila Tierney, Marie, Judy, Pam Bryant, Bill McKeithen

For successful surgery and healing: Bill Deom

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

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

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