

# Grace Episcopal Church

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## The Sixth Sunday of Easter May 5, 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 Sixth Sunday of Easter



10:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST: Rite II

Prelude \_\_\_\_\_ Thomas Mellan

Processional Hymn 488 \_\_\_\_\_ *Slane*

“Be thou my vision”

## 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, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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 10:44-48** \_\_\_\_\_ Lucie Pelleriti

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Lector: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm 98** *Cantate Domino* \_\_\_\_\_ *Anglican Chant*

1 Sing to the Lord a new song, \*  
for he has done marvelous things.

- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm \*  
has he won for himself the victory.
- 3 The Lord has made known his victory; \*  
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, \*  
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; \*  
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, \*  
with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn \*  
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, \*  
the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, \*  
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,  
when he comes to judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the world \*  
and the peoples with equity.

**The Second Lesson: 1 John 5:1-6**

Jade Patteruto

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the

one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Lector: The Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn 455 Dunedin

“O Love of God, how strong and true”

**The Gospel: John 15:9-17** The Rev. Susan Scranton

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

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

Jesus said to his disciples, “As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

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) Jared Anders

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 Mark Hayes

“This Is the Day the Lord has Made”

Grace Parish Choir

Presentation Hymn 305 v. 1 Rosedale

“Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest”

**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 593 Dickinson College

“Lord, make us servants of your peace”

Postcommunion Prayer BCP p. 365

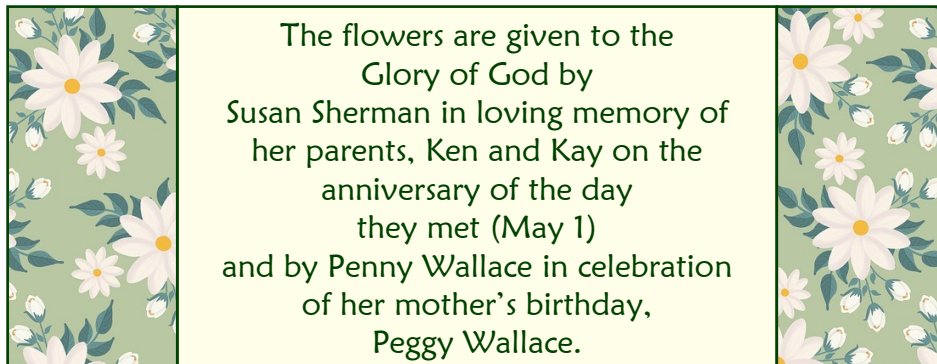
The Blessing

Recessional Hymn 400 vv. 1, 4, 5, 7 Camano

“To God with gladness sing”

The Dismissal BCP p. 366

Postlude Thomas Mellan



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Youth Group** - Meeting today from 11:30– 1:00 PM.

**Mother's Day Celebration ~ Sunday, May 12** ~ Join us for a special Sunday service in celebration of our mothers. Our youth and children will be assisting in the service and hospitality will include "Mom-mosas."

**Vestry Meeting** - Our next meeting is May 15 at 7:30 PM in the choir room.

**Adopt-a-Lunch** - We will be packing lunches on May 26. Please check the sign-up sheet in the narthex if you would like to donate food items.

### **Save the Date!**

#### **Senior Sunday & Church Picnic ~ June 2**

Please join us as we celebrate and honor our senior Mizuki Williamson and have our annual church picnic with a taco truck after the 10 AM service.



### **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



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Thank you!

Serving at 10 AM

Celebrant ..... The Rev. Susan Scranton  
Lay Eucharistic Minister..... Jared Anders  
Lectors ..... Lucie Pelleriti, Jade Petteruto, David Aldrete  
Acolytes .... Mitchell Patterson, Elizabeth Anders, Karen Williamson  
Choirmaster ..... David Aldrete  
Organist .....Thomas Mellan  
Flower Guild..... Denise Barcelo, Nancy Rice  
Altar Guild ..... Janese Grady, Dawn Mellon, Patricia Meyer,  
Debbie Pullen, Cathy St. Onge  
Ushers ..... Carl Colley, Alex McKenzie  
Stream Team ..... Ethan Seielstad, Mizuki Williamson  
Hospitality ..... Penny Wallace  
Vestry Person of the Week ..... Heather Moore

Prayer List

**For healing and comfort:** Jimmy, Michele Woods, Betty Eckstein,  
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, Larry  
Lucas, Addison Hoffman, David

**For those who have died:** Janice Blackwill , Nicole Gray

**For those in mourning:** Susan Sherman, The Blackwill Family, Jane Gray &  
Family

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

**For new opportunities & clarity:** Lucie Pelleriti, Todd Rice

**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

**MAY BIRTHDAYS**

3 – Peggy Wallace	9 – Carol Treacy	21 - Sarah Anders
4 - Hannah Palpant	13 – Pollie Longthorne	25 – Gail Haynes
8 - Ethan Seielstad	16 – Frank Boyd	28 – Heather Moore
9 – Catie Anders	19 – Crystal Hoffman	31 – Wayne Kawamoto

**MAY ANNIVERSARIES**

Crystal and Rich Young – 17 ~ Susie and Tim Seielstad - 1