

Grace Episcopal Church

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The Last Sunday after Pentecost

~ Christ the King ~

November 23, 2025

The Rev. Susan L. Scranton, Rector

The Rev James Seipel, Assisting

David Aldrete, Choirmaster ~ Pavel Petrov, Organist

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.

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10:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST: Rite II

Prelude Pavel Petrov

Processional Hymn 544 Duke Street

“Jesus shall reign where’er”

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation BCP p. 355

Collect for Purity BCP p. 355

Gloria [S278] Mathias

Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson: Jeremiah 23:1-6 Lucie Pelleriti

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Lector: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 46 *Deus noster refugium* Anglican Chant

- 1 God is our refuge and strength, * a very present help in trouble.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, *
and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;
- 3 Though its waters rage and foam, *
and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.
- 4 The LORD of hosts is with us; * the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
- 5 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, *
the holy habitation of the Most High.
- 6 God is in the midst of her; she shall not be overthrown; *
God shall help her at the break of day.
- 7 The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken; *
God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.
- 8 The LORD of hosts is with us; * the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
- 9 Come now and look upon the works of the LORD, *
what awesome things he has done on earth.
- 10 It is he who makes war to cease in all the world; *
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear,
and burns the shields with fire.
- 11 "Be still, then, and know that I am God; *
I will be exalted among the nations;
I will be exalted in the earth."
- 12 The LORD of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Second Reading: Colossians 1:11-20 Karen Huss

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-- all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Lector: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 435 vv. 1-4

King's Weston

“At the Name of Jesus”

The Gospel: Luke 23:33-43

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When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. The people stood by, watching Jesus on the cross; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Susan Scranton

Prayers of the People ~ Christ the King

Miles Bresee

By Christina Brennan Lee

He has made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God, our God, our Lord for ever and for evermore.

LET US, GOD'S PEOPLE, PRAY

O God, our Refuge and our Strength, rescue us from the power of darkness whenever we tremble at earthly tumult, in nature and among the nations. Turn us again toward the Kingdom of our Christ, in whom we have the joy of redemption and the forgiveness of sins. O Christ, our King: **Our Strength and our Redeemer.**

O God, our Refuge and our Strength, for all who are governed by power or throne, by force or dominion by grant, on our Planet, in our Country, and in our Community, we implore you to infuse the wisdom, sanity, and humanity of Jesus into all who lead your people. O Christ, our King: **Our Strength and our Redeemer.**

O God, our Refuge and our Strength, send healing grace to all who suffer in spirit, in mind, or in body, and grace-filled endurance to all who give them care. We now join our voices to pray aloud for those in need. We pray especially for those on our parish prayer list. Are there others? O Christ, our King: **Our Strength and our Redeemer**

O God, our Refuge and our Strength, lighten our grieving hearts with joy, as the souls of our cherished departed are with you today, in the ceaseless joy of Your Eternal Paradise.

O Christ, our King: **Our Strength and our Redeemer**

O God, our Refuge and our Strength, we pause in this moment to offer you our other heartfelt thanksgivings, intercessions, petitions, and memorials, aloud or silently... *add your own petitions.*

O Christ, our King: **Our Strength and our Redeemer.**

O God, our Refuge and our Strength, guide our earthly Shepherds chosen to gather and lead us to Your Holy Habitation, giving thanks to the Lord of Hosts who is always with us. We pray especially for Sean, our Presiding Bishop, for John, our bishop, Antonio our bishop elect, and for Susan and Jim, our priests.

O Christ, our King: **Our Strength and our Redeemer.**

Celebrant: Jesus, our Christ, Firstborn of all Creation, arouse us from our daily complacency and prepare us to endure everything with patience. Keep us striving toward your purpose and enable us to share in the full inheritance of the saints in the light. We ask through the Holy Spirit, the very Breath of Love; and the Almighty LORD of Righteousness, who together with You are One God, now and forever. **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 fall; and in his heart may they peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of his life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem “Shout the Glad Tidings” *George F. Handel*
Grace Parish Choir arr. Hal H. Hopson

Presentation Hymn 380 v. 3 *Old 100th*
“Praise God, from whom all blessing flow”

Great Thanksgiving (Prayer A) BCP p. 361

Sanctus & Benedictus [S128] Mathias

The Lord’s Prayer BCP p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread BCP p. 364

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 335 *I am the Bread of Life*
“I am the Bread of Life”

Postcommunion Prayer BCP p. 365

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn 494

Diademata

“Crown him with many crowns ”

The Dismissal

BCP p. 366

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Pavel Petrov



The flowers are given to the Glory of God by
Miles, Denise, April and Emily Bresee in loving
memory of Emma Gabrielle Bresee
(November 15, 1989).



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hospitality - Today after the 10 AM service hosted by Donte Apperwhite.

Youth Group - Meeting today after the 10 AM service.

Adopt-a-Lunch - Today in Baxter Hall after the 10 AM service.

Advent Afternoon - November 30 after 10 AM service. Start our season of Advent with food, crafts and fellowship. Please bring a food item to share.



Cookie Exchange & Parish Dinner - Friday, December 12 at 6:00 PM. Please sign up in the narthex so we can plan for the Italian dinner. Please bring 2-3 dozen cookies for the cookie exchange.

Grace Episcopal Church Vestry Members 2025

Rev. Susan L. Scranton,
Frank Boyd - Senior Warden, Heather Moore - Junior Warden
Miles Bresee - Treasurer, Todd Rice - Buildings & Grounds,
Kathi Ferris, Janet Kawamoto,
Hannah Palpant, Jade Petteruto, Linda Rice

Serving today:

Celebrant..... The Rev. Susan Scranton
Lay Eucharistic Minister..... Bobbi Patterson
Lector..... Lucie Pelleriti, Karen Huss, Miles Bresee
Acolytes..... Ethan Seielstad, April Moore, Morgan Aldrete
Choirmaster David Aldrete
Organ Pavel Petrov
GEC Stream Team Karen Williamson, Mizuki Williamson
Flower Guild Rosann Kindt, Nancy Rice
Hymnboard Manager Trevor Camargo
Altar Guild..... Dawn Mellon, Patricia Meyer, Debbie Pullen,
Janese Grady, Cathy St. Onge
Ushers Alex McKenzie, Robert Van Derbur
Hospitality Donte Apperwhite
Vestry Person of the Week Janet Kawamoto

Prayer List

For healing and comfort: Edie Noland, Sam Luna, Rick, Lucy,
Lindsay, Manette Thomas, Ken Mayle, Liz Hernandez,
Lawrence Everett, Rosalie Lack, Barbara Dexter, Lisa Taylor,
Sissy Wheeler, Marshall Meyer, Sharon W., Amanda Van Derbur,
Chad Camou, Anita Baker, Paulina Wells, Scott Martin

For strength & guidance: Jennifer & Justin, Brock, The Hernandez
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 ~ U.S. Marines

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

5 - Jordan Wang	17 – Bill Grady	27 - Amelie Palpant
6 – Jared Anders	19 – Patricia Meyer	28 – Ikuko Williamson
7 - Iswari Camou	22 – Bobbi Patterson	29 – Robert Hess
8 – Rebecca Hess	23 – Kim Boyd	30 – Janese Grady

NOVEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Tricia and John Coppack – 2 ~ Janet and Wayne Kawamoto – 10
Nancy and Todd Rice – 4 ~ Kathy and Jerry Seielstad – 12