

Grace Episcopal Church

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The First Sunday in Lent
March 9, 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.

The First Sunday in Lent



10:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST: Rite II

Prelude

Pavel Petrov

The Word of God

The Great Litany

BCP p. 148

Opening Acclamation

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Laurel McKenzie

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and

honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

Lector: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 *Qui Habitat* Anglican Chant

- 1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, *
abides under the shadow of the Almighty.
- 2 He shall say to the LORD,
"You are my refuge and my stronghold, *
my God in whom I put my trust."
- 9 Because you have made the LORD your refuge, *
and the Most High your habitation,
- 10 There shall no evil happen to you, *
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.
- 11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, *
to keep you in all your ways.
- 12 They shall bear you in their hands, *
lest you dash your foot against a stone.
- 13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder; *
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under
your feet.
- 14 Because he is bound to me in love,
therefore will I deliver him; *
I will protect him, because he knows my Name.
- 15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; *
I am with him in trouble;
I will rescue him and bring him to honor.
- 16 With long life will I satisfy him, *
and show him my salvation.

The Second Lesson: Romans 10:8b-11

Micah Palpant

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart"
(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Lector: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 152

A la venue de Noel

"Kind Maker of the world"

The Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

The Rev. Susan Scranton

After his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "

It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him,

"If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you to protect you,'

And 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Lector: The Gospel of the Lord

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

Sermon _____ The Rev. Susan Scranton

The Nicene Creed _____ BCP p. 358

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 _____ Carl F Mueller

“Create in me a clean heart, O God”
Grace Parish Choir

Presentation Hymn 149 v. 1 _____ *Old 124th*

“Eternal Lord of love, behold your Church”

Great Thanksgiving (Prayer A) _____ BCP p. 361

Sanctus & Benedictus S124 _____ David Hurd

The Lord’s Prayer _____ BCP p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread _____ BCP p. 364

Fraction Anthem: S161 _____ David Hurd

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.)

<u>Communion Hymn 143</u>	<u><i>Erhalt uns, Herr</i></u>
"The glory of these forty days"	
Postcommunion Prayer	BCP p. 365
The Blessing	
<u>Recessional Hymn 142</u>	<u><i>St. Flavian</i></u>
"Lord, who through-out these forty days"	
The Dismissal	BCP p. 366
<u>Postlude</u>	<u>Pavel Petrov</u>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Group Meeting - March 9. Come and welcome Jade back!!

Youth Group Meeting - March 23 after the 10 AM service.

Adopt-a-Lunch - March 23. If you would like to donate food items for sandwiches and lunches for Union Station, the sign-up sheet is in the narthex. Please see Debbie Pullen if you have any questions.

Sherry McKeithen Memorial - March 23 at 2 PM. There will be a reception following the service. All are welcome!

Hospitality Coffee Hour - March 30. Please come and join us for coffee, treats and fellowship.



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



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Thank you!

Serving at 10 AM

Celebrant The Rev. Susan Scranton
Lay Eucharistic Minister..... Jared Anders
Lectors..... Laurel McKenzie, Micah Palpant
Acolyte..... McKenna Parra, Amelie Palpant, April Moore
Choirmaster David Aldrete
OrganistPavel Petrov
Flower Guild..... Todd & Nancy Rice
Altar Guild ... Janese Grady, Dawn Mellon, Patricia Meyer,
Debbie Pullen, Cathy St. Onge
Hymn Board ManagerTrevor Barcelo
Ushers Alex McKenzie, Rob Van Derbur
GEC Stream Team..... Karen Williamson, Mizuki Williamson
Vestry Person of the Week Frank Boyd



Prayer List

For healing and comfort: Edie Noland, Grace Boyd, Jackson Clune, Jessie Barrett, Michelle, Laverne Tradel, Sam Luna, Jessica Moran, Frank Boyd, Susie Seielstad, Penelope Burger, Don Dexter, Chris Malet

For strength & guidance: Audra Montoya, Stephanie Luna, Steve & Debra Clune, those affected by the fires

For those who have died: Sherry McKeithen

For those in mourning: Pat Meyer & Family

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, Seth Tradel ~ U.S. Navy, Mitchell Mann ~ U.S. Marines

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

8 – Marylen Hart	18 – Mitchell Patterson	22 - Rosann Kindt
9 – John Boyd	18 – Morgan Patterson	25 – The Rev. Susan Scranton
16 – Debbi England	19 – Matthew Boyd	26 – Jacqueline Stong
	19 - Joe Goetz	