# **Grace Episcopal Church**

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The Sixth Sunday of Easter May 25, 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 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



#### 10:00 AM HOLY EUCHARIST: Rite II

Prelude	Pavel Petrov		
Processional Hymn 405	Royal Oak		
"All things bright and beautiful"			
The Word of God			
Opening Acclamation	BCP p. 355		
Collect for Purity	BCP p. 355		
Gloria [Sung by all]	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 16:9-15 Miles Bresee

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what

was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

Lector: The Word of the Lord **People:** Thanks be to God.

### Psalm 67 Deus misereatur Anglican Chant

- 1 May God be merciful to us and bless us, \*
  show us the light of his countenance and come to us.
- 2 Let your ways be known upon earth, \* your saving health among all nations.
- 3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; \* let all the peoples praise you.
- 4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, \* for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth.
- 5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; \* let all the peoples praise you.
- 6 The earth has brought forth her increase; \* may God, our own God, give us his blessing.
- 7 May God give us his blessing, \* and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

### The Second Lesson: Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5 Jon Sharp

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day— and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of

the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Lector: The Word of the Lord **People:** Thanks be to God.

Seguence Hymn 505

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"O Spirit of Life, O Spirit of God"

The Gospel: John 14:23-29 The Rev. Susan Scranton

Jesus said to Judas (not Iscariot), "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

Sermon The Rev. Susan Scranton

The Nicene Creed

Lord Jesus Christ, O Prince of Peace, you have revealed to us the vision of one world where all live together as children of one Father: Let us pray on this Memorial Day Weekend for our families, our country, and all the nations of the world, that we may learn to honor and guard the peace that was intended for the world in which we are a part saying, Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.** 

We remember and give thanks for those who have given their lives in the service of our country. When the need was greatest, they stepped forward and did their duty to defend the freedoms we enjoy, and to win the same for others.

Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

O God, you have taught us that no love is greater than that which gives itself for another. These honored dead gave the most precious gift they had, life itself, for loved ones and neighbors, for comrades and country – for us. For this we offer thanksgiving.

Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

Help us to honor their memory by caring for the family members they have left behind, by ensuring that their wounded comrades are properly cared for, and by being watchful caretakers of the freedoms for which they gave their lives.

Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

Holy One, help us to remember that freedom is not free. There are times when its cost is, indeed, dear. Never let us forget those who paid so terrible a price to ensure that freedom would be our legacy. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.** 

We pray for those service men and women and for all our loved ones who are suffering in body, mind, or spirit. Bring healing and comfort, strength and courage. We pray either silently or aloud for our own needs and those of others. Are there others?

Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

We pray for the peace of our world and the reconciliation of all people, that we may work together to serve the common good. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.** 

Celebrant: Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel

for the nations of the earth; that in tranquility your dominion may increase, until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Confession and Absolution

BCP p. 360

The Peace

BCP p. 360

~ 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	Richard Proulx	
"Eastertide Carol"		
Grace Parish Choir		
Presentation Hymn 305 v. 1	<u>Rosedale</u>	
"Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest"		
Great Thanksgiving (Prayer A)	BCP p. 361	
Sanctus & Benedictus [Sung by all]	Tuuk	
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 579	Melita	
"Almighty Father, strong to save"		
Postcommunion Prayer	BCP p. 365	
The Blessing		
Recessional Hymn 718	National Hymn	
"God of our fathers, whose almighty hand"		
The Dismissal	BCP p. 366	
Postlude	Pavel Petrov	



The flowers are given to the Glory of God by Debbie Pullen in loving memory of her parents, Don and Emily Pullen.



### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

<u>Acolyte Meeting</u> - June 1 after the 10 AM service. If anyone is interested in serving as an acolyte, please see Jared Anders.



### Grace Parish Picnic - June 8!

We will be celebrating the birthday of our church! The church will be providing hot dogs, hamburgers, buns and drinks.

There will be a sign-up sheet for side dishes, chips and condiments!



If you would like to make an online donation to Grace Episcopal Church, please use the QR code.

Thank you!



### 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 at 8 AM	
Celebrant	The Rev. Susan Scranton
Lay Eucharistic Minister	Debbie Pullen
Serving at 10 AM	
Celebrant	The Rev. Susan Scranton
Lay Eucharistic Minister	Janet Kawamoto
Lectors	Miles Bresee, Jon Sharp, David Aldrete
Acolytes April M	oore, McKenna Parra, Elizabeth Anders
GEC Steam Team	Karen Williamson, Misuki Williamson
Altar Guild Patricia Meyer, Debb	oie Pullen, Janese Grady, Cathy St. Onge
Flower Guild	Rosann Kindt, Nancy Rice
Hymn Board Manager	Trevor Barcelo
Ushers	Alex McKenzie, Robert Van Derbur
Vestry Person of the Week	Susan Scranton



### Prayer List

For healing and comfort: Edie Noland, Grace Boyd, Michelle, Sam Luna, Frank Boyd, Susie Seielstad, Chris Maletz, Candace, Lisa Tone, Marcia Goetz, Rick, Marylen Hart, Carol Treacy, Becki Potter, Gaylaird, Lucy, Jon Sharp

For strength & guidance: Gayle, Jennifer & Justin

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

#### MAY BIRTHDAYS

4 - Hannah Palpant	10 – Michael Jones	20 - Will Anders
4 - Colette Palpant	13 – Pollie Longthorne	21 - Sarah Anders
8 - Ethan Seielstad	16 – Frank Boyd	25 – Gail Haynes
9 – Catie Anders	17 - Morgan Aldrete	28 – Heather Moore
9 – Carol Treacy	19 – Crystal Hoffman	31 – Wayne Kawamoto

### **MAY ANNIVERSARIES**

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