Grace Episcopal Church

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~ The Third Sunday of Pentecost ~ Proper 8 June 29, 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 359	Toulon	
"God of the prophets"		
The Word of God		
Opening Acclamation	BCP p. 355	
Collect for Purity	BCP p. 355	
Gloria [S278]	Mathias	

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson: 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21 Mizuki Williamson

The Lord said to Elijah, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place."

So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." Then Elijah said to him, "Go back again; for what have I done to you?" He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

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

Psalm 16 Conserva me, Domine	Say together
1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;	
I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord,	
my good above all other."	
2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land,	
upon those who are noble among the people.	
3 But those who run after other gods	
shall have their troubles multiplied.	
4 Their libations of blood I will not offer,	
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.	
5 O Lord, you are my portion and my cup;	
it is you who uphold my lot.	
6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;	
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.	
7 I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel;	
my heart teaches me, night after night.	
8 I have set the Lord always before me;	
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.	
9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;	
my body also shall rest I hope.	
10 For you will not abandon me to the grave,	
nor let your holy one see the Pit.	
11 You will show me the path of life;	
in your presence there is fullness of joy	
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore	2.

The Second Lesson: Galatians 5:1, 13-25

Laurel McKenzie

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Lector:The Word of the LordPeople:Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 655

Nyland

"O Jesus, I have promised"

The Gospel: Luke 9:51-62The Rev. Susan Scranton

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

Sermon	The Rev. Susan L. Scranton

The Nicene Creed

Prayers of the People-Form III (BCP p. 387) Jared Anders

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That you Name my be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

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

BCP p. 358

The Peace

 \sim Welcome, Announcements and Special Blessings \sim

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	Pavel Petrov	
Presentation Hymn 380 v. 3 "Praise God, from whom all blessing flow	<u>Old 100th</u> v"	
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 660	Maryton	
"O Mater, let me walk with thee"		
Postcommunion Prayer	BCP p. 365	
The Blessing		
Recessional Hymn 525	Aurelia	
"The Church's on foundation"		
The Dismissal	BCP p. 366	
Postlude	Pavel Petrov	



Summer Coaster Craze with Donte - August 3 after the 10 AM service traveling to Six Flags Magic Mountain. All are welcome ~ children must be accompanied by an adult. Please see Donte Apperwhite if you are interested.

<u>Jenn & Tonic Band</u> - Playing at Grace Friday, August 8 at 6:00 PM on the front lawn.

Episcopal Night at Dodger Stadium - Friday, August 26 at 7:10 PM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Summer Bible Study</u> - Our summer group began June 26! We will be meeting every Thursday at 7:00 PM in Fireside Room in Baxter Hall. Please join us as we will be studying the Gospel of Luke. Please see Rev. Susan if you have any questions!

<u>Grace Fellowship Dinner</u> - Monday, July 7 at 5:30 PM at Lordsburg Taphouse & Grill in La Verne. Come enjoy a relaxing evening of food, fun, and fellowship! This is a great chance to connect, catch up, and share a meal together. All are welcome bring a friend!



<u>Grace Fellowship</u> invites you to join us for **Paint & Pizza** on Friday, July 18 at 6:00 - 8:PM at Grace Episcopal Church in Baxter Hall.

Enjoy learning how to paint a canvas while indulging in delicious pizza.

The price is \$25 per person. (Cash only!)



Vacation Bible School ~ Monday, July 21 – Thursday, July 24 from 5:30 – 8:00 PM - Calling all rising kindergarteners through 5th graders. VBS is back!

VBS Donations Requested - If you'd like to contribute to this year's VBS program, please take a post it from the poster board in the narthex and place the item in the bin. We are also looking for 4 volunteers to provide dinner on one of the 3 VBS nights. Sign up on the poster board in the narthex. All contributions are gratefully appreciated!



Memorial Service for Marylen Hart Sunday, August 3 at 2:00 PM Please join us as we celebrate the life of Marylen and her loving commitment to our church. There will be a reception following the service. All are welcome!

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Serving today:

Celebrant	. The Rev. Susan Scranton
Lay Eucharistic Minister	Frank Boyd
Lectors MIzuki Williamson, Laur	el McKenzie, Jared Anders
Acolytes Amelie Palpant, Mitchell	Patterson, McKenna Parra
GEC Stream Team	Volunteers
Altar Guild Patricia Meyer, Dawn Mellon, De	bbie Pullen, Cathy St. Onge
Hymn Board Manager	Trevor Barcelo
Ushers Alex Mc	Kenzie, Robert Van Derbur
Vestry Person of the Week	Janet Kawamoto

Prayer List

For healing and comfort: Edie Noland, Michelle, Sam Luna, Frank Boyd, Susie Seielstad, Marcia Goetz, Rick, Carol Treacy, Becki Potter, Gaylaird, Lucy, Jon Sharp. Lindsay, Manette Thomas, Liz Hernandez, Lisa Tone, Melissa Vera, Linda Crisp
For strength & guidance: Gayle, Jennifer & Justin, Brock, The Hernandez Family
For those who died: Debbie Megna, Marylen Hart
For those in mourning: The Megna Family, Marylen Hart's Family & Friends
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,



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 1 David Aldrete
- 8 McKenna Para
- 10 Betsy Davis
- 12 Sophie Moreno
- 12 Micah Palpant

13 – Liz Sandona

- 21 Crystal Young 25 – Lynn Colley
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- 12 Courtney Young 25 The Rev. James Seipel

JUNE WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Ruth and David Aldrete – 26 ~ Rosann and Gary Kindt - 22 Micah and Hannah Palpant - 17