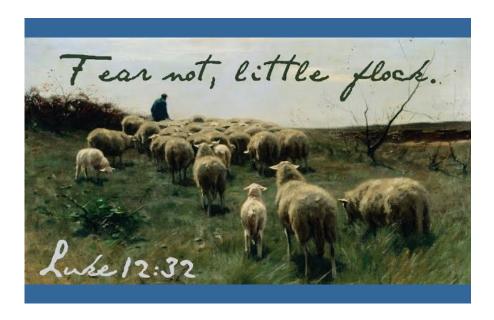
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~ The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost ~
Proper 14
August 10, 2025

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 427

"When morning gilds the skies"

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation BCP p. 355
Collect for Purity BCP p. 355
Gloria [S278] Mathias

Collect of the Day

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Lesson: Genesis 15:1-6 Micah Palpant

The word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the Lord came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." He brought him outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and the Lord reckoned it to him as righteousness.

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

<u>Psalm 33:12-22</u> Exultate, justi Micah Palpant

12 Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord! * happy the people he has chosen to be his own!

- 13 The Lord looks down from heaven, * and beholds all the people in the world.
- 14 From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze * on all who dwell on the earth.
- 15 He fashions all the hearts of them * and understands all their works.
- 16 There is no king that can be saved by a mighty army; * a strong man is not delivered by his great strength.
- 17 The horse is a vain hope for deliverance; * for all its strength it cannot save.
- 18 Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon those who fear him, * on those who wait upon his love,
- 19 To pluck their lives from death, * and to feed them in time of famine.
- 20 Our soul waits for the Lord; * he is our help and our shield.
- 21 Indeed, our heart rejoices in him, * for in his holy Name we put our trust.
- 22 Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us, * as we have put our trust in you.

The Second Lesson: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 Lucie Pelleriti

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old—and Sarah herself was barren—because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as

many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

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

Sequence Hymn 558

St. Catherine

"Faith of our fathers!"

The Gospel: Luke 12:32-40

The Rev. Susan Scranton

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your

Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your

possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not

wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes

near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your

heart will be also.

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

Sermon

The Rev. Susan Scranton

The Nicene Creed

BCP p. 358

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

Bobbi Patterson

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 your Name may 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

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 thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of his life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Holy Communion

| Offertory Anthem | Pavel Petrov | |
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| Presentation Hymn 380 v. 3 "Praise God, from whom all ble | Old 100th | |
| 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 635 | Wer nur den lieben Gott | |
| "If thou but trust in God to guide thee" | | |
| Postcommunion Prayer | BCP p. 365 | |
| The Blessing | | |
| Recessional Hymn 637 | Lyons | |
| "How firm a foundation" | | |
| The Dismissal | BCP p. 366 | |
| Postlude | Pavel Petrov | |

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hospitality & Fellowship - Today after the 10 AM service hosted by the Bobbi & Steven Patterson.

Summer Bible Study - We will be meeting Thursday, August 14 at 7:00 PM in the Fireside Room in Baxter Hall.



Grace Fellowship is now called Holy Chow! Come join us for dinner on August 18. The group will be meeting for dinner at El Canton De La Patrona located at 1164 E Huntington Drive in

Blessing of the Backpacks ~ Sunday, August 24. We will be offering blessings as we begin a new school year. You are invited to bring your backpack, work bag, diaper bag, briefcase, laptop, music bag, teacher's bag, or anything that represents you and receive a blessing and a tag for your bag. Blessings will be offered at both 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM. Bring a friend!

Adopt-a-Lunch - August 24. Please sign up to donate food items that are needed for the lunches that we donate to Union Station homeless shelter. The sign-up sheet is located in the narthex.



Grace Episcopal Church Night for the Quakes!! Come join us on Thursday, September 4 at 6:30 PM in Rancho Cucamonga at the Loanmart Field. You may buy tickets online and sit in the Grace Church section. Tickets are \$15.30 and it's Thirsty Thursday

with cheaper soda and beer options available. Please speak with Liz Sandona if you have any questions or need help buying your tickets.

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: | |
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| Celebrant | The Rev. Susan Scranton |
| Lay Eucharistic Minister | Jared Anders |
| Lectors | Micah Palpant, Lucie Pelleriti, Bobbi Patterson |
| Acolytes | Ethan Seielstad, Mitchell Patterson |
| GEC Stream Team | Karen Williamson, Mizuki Williamson |
| Hospitality | Steven & Bobbi Patterson |
| Flower Guild | Liz Sandona, Julie Schonland |
| Altar Guild Patricia Meyer | , Dawn Mellon, Debbie Pullen, Cathy St. Onge |
| Hymn Board Manager | Trevor Barcelo |
| Ushers | Alex McKenzie, Robert Van Derbur |
| Vestry Person of the Week | Kathi Ferris |



Prayer List

For healing and comfort: Edie Noland, Michelle, Sam Luna, Frank Boyd, Susie Seielstad, Rick, Gaylaird, Lucy, Jon Sharp. Lindsay, Manette Thomas, Liz Hernandez, Andy Lambert, Margo Keller, Larry Mayle

For successful surgery & healing: Gabriel Valenzuela
For strength & guidance: Gayle, Jennifer & Justin, Brock,
The Hernandez 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

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

5 - Trevor Camargo 9 – Patricia Coppack 23 – Carl Colley

6 – Nancy Rice 9 – Rick England 25 – Patrick McAlmond

8 - Donte Apperwhite 20 - Rob Van Derbur 26 - David Moore

AUGUST WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Debbi and Rick England – 17 ~ Bobbi and Steven Patterson – 7 Liz and Rick Sandona – 25 ~ Cathy and Al St. Onge - 27