



## Grace Episcopal Church

The Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Sunday

April 5, 2025

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist II

**Prelude** *Fantasy on an Easter Hymn*

William H. Harris

### **Welcome and Announcements**

*At the tolling of the tower bell, the congregation is asked to stand.*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is Risen.

*People* **The Lord is Risen indeed. Alleluia.** (*Ring Bells*)

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Collect for Purity

Song of Praise: *He is risen*



1. He is ris - en, he is ris - en! Tell it out with joy - ful voice:  
2. Come, ye sad and fear - ful heart - ed, with glad smile and ra - diant brow!  
4. He is ris - en, he is ris - en! He hath o - pened hea - ven's gate:  
he hath burst his three days' pris - on; let the whole wide world re - joice:  
Death's long sha - dows have de - part - ed; Je - sus' woes are o - ver now,  
we are free from sin's dark pris - on, ris - en to a ho - lier state;  
death is con - quered, we are free, Christ has won the vic - to - ry.  
and the pas - sion that he bore— sin and pain can vex no more.  
and a bright - er Eas - ter beam on our long - ing eyes shall stream.

The Collect of the Day

BCP 222

*The people sit.*

Children's Moment

Candle Prayer

*The priest lights the Christ Candle from the Altar*

*Celebrant* We send you forth with the light of Christ;

*People* **We are bound together: one congregation, one Lord, one worship.**

Music in Procession: *This is the day* (from *Songs of Grace*)

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## THE WORD OF GOD

### The First Lesson: Jeremiah 31:1-6

At that time, says the LORD, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.

Thus says the LORD:

The people who survived the sword  
found grace in the wilderness;  
when Israel sought for rest,  
the LORD appeared to him from far away.  
I have loved you with an everlasting love;  
therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.  
Again I will build you, and you shall be built,  
O virgin Israel!  
Again you shall take your tambourines,  
and go forth in the dance of the merry-makers.  
Again you shall plant vineyards  
on the mountains of Samaria;  
the planters shall plant,  
and shall enjoy the fruit.  
For there shall be a day when sentinels will call  
in the hill country of Ephraim:  
“Come, let us go up to Zion,  
to the LORD our God.”

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## The Psalm: 118:1-2, 14-24



Give thanks to the Lord, for he / **is good**;  
his mercy en-dures **for ever**.  
Let Israel / **now proclaim**,  
"His mercy en-dures **for ever**."

The right hand of the lord has struck / **with power**;  
the right hand of the Lord / **is exalted**.  
I shall not / **die but live**,  
and declare the works / **of the Lord**.

The stone which the builders / **rejected**,  
has become the chief / **cornerstone**.  
By the Lord has / **this been done**,  
we will rejoice and be / **glad in it**.

## The Second Reading: Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he

rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

*Reader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Hymn:** *Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia!*



1. Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2. Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3. Love's re - deem - ing work is done, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - le - lu - ia!



All on earth with an - gels say, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Where, O death, is now your sting? Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Fought the fight, the bat - tle won. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Fol - l'wing our ex - alt - ed head; Al - le - lu - ia!



Raise your joys and tri - umphs high, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Once he died our souls to save, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Death in vain for - bids him rise; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Made like him, like him we rise, Al - le - lu - ia!



Sing, O heav'ns, and earth re - ply, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Where your vic - to - ry, O grave? Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Christ has o - pened par - a - dise. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Al - le - lu - ia!

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

### **The Gospel: Matthew 28:1-10**

After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

### **The Homily**

The Reverend Robert Hartmans

*Celebrant* Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, now that our Lenten observance is ended, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy Catholic Church.

## The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

BCP 292

*Celebrant* Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and review your commitment to Jesus Christ?

*People* **I do.**

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Father?

*People* **I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

*Celebrant* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People* **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People* **I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body  
And the life everlasting.**

*Celebrant* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

## **The Asperges of the People**

### **The Prayers of the People**

*Reader* In the Glory of the Paschal light, we pray to God.

*Reader* God, awake those who sleep, raise us from death.

*People* **Christ will give us life!**

*Reader* God, you walked with the Disciples on the road to Emmaus, in this season of resurrection, give the Church the grace to recognize you anew, that we might serve you with courage and grace.

*People*     **In the new Easter light we proclaim your redeeming work.**

*Reader*     You redeemed Peter at breakfast by the fire.  
Bring new hope to your world, O God, that all might know the  
goodness of your Love.

*People*     **Make us instruments of your peace.**

*Reader*     Lead us from the empty tomb to proclaim your grace in this  
nation, and inspire our leaders toward peace and cooperation.

*People*     **In Easter we learn to honor one another and serve the common  
good.**

*Reader*     The courageous women ran from the empty tomb to proclaim  
new life. The resurrected Christ is a mission of hope to those who  
suffer, we especially pray for Linda & David Adams, Joan &  
Allyn Aldrich, Judy Rhodes Baroody, Martha Boyette, Nancy  
Clark, Anne Jarema, Todd Kaderabek, Walt & Joyce Noble,  
Natalie & Andrew Owens, Wayne & Laura Parton, Elaine Potter,  
Kyle Rhodes, Ann Robinson, Jeff Russell, Nancy Sink, Becky &  
Bill Smith, Laura, Tsz-yan (G-Yen) and Roger Snyder, Rita Spragg,  
Micky Trinité, Lydia Vander Voort & Andy Steele, Jennifer Witt,  
Ed & Marla Woeckener... and all those you now name.

*(All are invited to pray silently or aloud)*

God, resurrect us.

*People*     **So that we may know the healing power of your love!**

*Reader*     After you were raised you ate and drank with the disciples.  
Bring us, and all who have died, peace and assurance of the  
Resurrection. We especially pray for Ed Denison, Nancy Lewis,  
and Georgi Bruce, and on the anniversary of their deaths we pray  
for Lynn Melancon, Nancy Remmers, Elizabeth Urban, Sara  
Folger, Samuel David Knisley, and Bob Ray, and for those who  
still grieve them...Are there others?

*People* **Remind us daily to share in your eternal Kingdom.**

*Reader* In the Easter light, change our hearts that we might grow larger in faith and hope.

*People* **Help us to reach out with Christ's life-giving hands.**

*Priest* Christ has burst forth from the tomb, making all things new. Grant that we may now live by faith, and with joy behold the coming of your resurrection work in the world around us.

### **The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

*Children are welcomed back from Children's Chapel.*

### **Flowering of the Cross**

*All are welcome to come forward with cut flowers. Servers will assist in flowering the cross. If you did not bring cut flowers, the servers will provide some for you to use.*

## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

**Offertory Anthem** *The Day of Resurrection*

Richard Shephard

### **Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,

Praise God all creatures here below. Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God above you heavenly host, Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost,

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

## The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer 3

(from *Enriching Our Worship*)

*Presider* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Presider* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

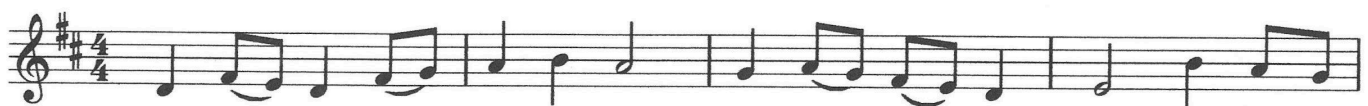
*People* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Presider*

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

## Sanctus

Cassarino



Ho - ly, — Ho - ly, — Ho - ly Lord, God of — pow'ꝛ and might, Hea - ven and



earth are full — of your glo-ry: Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He who —



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high — est.

*The Presider continues*

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

*Presider and People*

**Dying, you destroyed our death. Rising, you restored our life. Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

*The Presider continues*

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

*Presider and People*

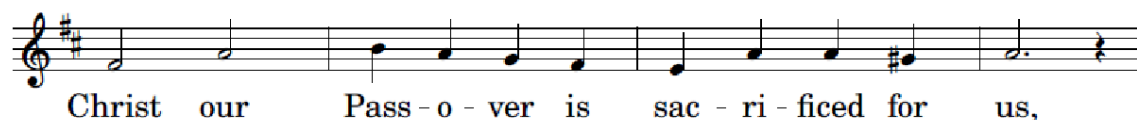
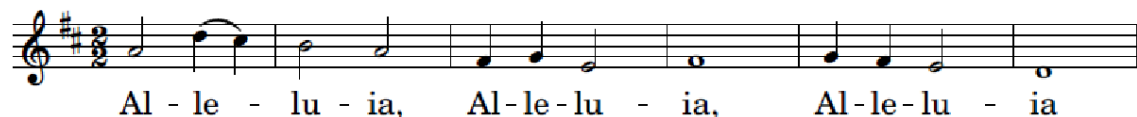
**Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.**

**The Lord's Prayer (Traditional)      BCP 364**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

**Fraction Anthem**

Cassarino



**Invitation to Communion**

*(gluten free wafers available upon request)*

**Communion Anthem: Awake Thou Wintry Earth**

J.S. Bach

**Communion Hymns:**

*Alleluia! Give Thanks to the Risen Lord*

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*The Strife is O'er, the battle done*

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## **Sending Forth of the Lay Eucharistic Visitors**

*When a Eucharistic Minister is to be sent forth, the following is said*

*Celebrant* (Cliff/Lorie/James), in the name of God and this congregation,  
we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom  
You go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's body  
and blood.

*People* **We who are many are one body because we all share  
one bread and one cup.**

### **Post Communion Prayer**

**BCP 365**

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **The Easter Blessing**

**Closing Hymn:** *Jesus Christ is Risen Today*

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### **Dismissal**

*Celebrant* Alleluia, Alleluia, Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord!

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**Postlude:** *Christ the Lord is Risen Today, Alleluia!*

Wayne Wold

The Aumbry Candle is given to the Glory of God by Cathy Adkins in loving memory of her sister, Linda Adkins Swaim.

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Jennifer Witt in loving memory of her brother, Kenneth Matthews.



### LAY MINISTERS

Crucifer: Steve Birkhofer

Chalicerist: Lorie Tola Lectors: Bonnie Kistler, Sara Howard

Intercessor: Vicki Vest Presenters: Courtney & Hannah Booth

Ushers: Jeanne & Ron Sims

Greeters: Louise Cate Wernicke, Carole Lentz, Melanie Druckenmiller

Streaming: Ben Scales Vestry Member of the Day: Ron Sims

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### First Sunday Offering

Today is the first Sunday of the month, when our open plate offering (undesigned cash, change and checks) goes to support the clergy's discretionary fund, enabling them to respond quickly to the emergency needs of others. Please be generous.

#### Rev. Robert's Office Hours

Rev. Robert can be found at the church on Tuesday afternoons, Monday and Thursday mornings, and by appointment. He can be reached in person or at [hartmansrobert@gmail.com](mailto:hartmansrobert@gmail.com) or by his cell 423-400-0826 for any pastoral care concerns. **Rev. Robert will be out of town with family from Monday, April 6 until Friday, April 10. For pastoral emergencies, please contact Lorie Tola or John Rice.**

## **Children's Chapel**

Beginning today, children ages 5-12 are welcome to join a liturgical, musical chapel service in the Children's Chapel. Every Sunday, the 10:30 service will begin with a Children's Moment followed by a procession to the children's chapel. Children will return during the passing of the peace. Children are welcome to join the chapel or remain with their grown-ups in the congregation. If you would like to get involved please reach out to Casey Miller, [casandra.miller@gmail.com](mailto:casandra.miller@gmail.com).



## **Refreshments and Easter Egg Hunt**

Please join us for refreshments and fellowship after the service. Children will gather in the Parish Hall, then proceed to the Urban Garden area to hunt eggs.

## **Advocacy and Action**

Join us at noon in the downstairs conference room on the fourth Sunday of each month. All are welcome. If you're interested in meeting with a group of like-minded Grace members and friends to discuss how we might help bring justice in a more effective and joyful way, together rather than alone, please send an email or text to Tahani Sticpewich ([tahaniweb@gmail.com](mailto:tahaniweb@gmail.com); 828-301-0550).

## **Pastoral Care Team**

You might not know that there is a dedicated group of lay people who meet every week to pray for those on our parish prayer list and coordinate pastoral care. They are led by Lorie Tola and Cliff Albertson and they direct our clergy and other resources to meet people at Grace in difficult moments. If you are interested in their work please talk to Cliff, Lorie, or to Rev. Robert. We would love to plug you into the care network at Grace.



## ECW – Save This Date

ECW will hold its annual Derby Day Potluck Luncheon in the parish hall on Saturday, May 2, at 12:00 noon. All women of the church are members of ECW, and we look forward to seeing you. We especially encourage our newcomers to attend. Please bring your favorite dish and wear a hat or fascinator if you wish! This will mainly be a social event, but we will also have a short business meeting. Looking forward to gathering with you all!

## WEEKLY GATHERINGS

**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:** *Sundays a.m.; Mondays p.m.* We offer the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for our children *Sundays between 9:00 and 10:15 a.m.*, and a *Monday afternoon class from 3:30-4:30 p.m.* Children may attend either one or both at any time. Contact Shannon Townsend for further information at [gstownsend@att.net](mailto:gstownsend@att.net) or 828-713-5081.

**Monday Morning Bible Study:** *Mondays at 10:30 a.m.*

We study the scriptures for the upcoming Sunday service. Please join us virtually by clicking on the button at [graceavl.com](http://graceavl.com).

**Chair Aerobics:** *Tuesdays at 1:15 p.m. (no class on April 14)*

All are invited! Join Susan Robinson for a chair exercise class in the Parish Hall. Bring a pair of dumbbells. There is no fee to participate. This class is appropriate for people of all abilities. It can be done standing or seated. If you have questions, email Susan at [SusanMac2@gmail.com](mailto:SusanMac2@gmail.com).

**Taizé:** *Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.*

Weekly Taizé services are held in the sanctuary. Healing prayer is offered throughout the service for oneself or on behalf of someone else. For more information on Taizé at Grace, visit: [graceavl.com/taize-grace](http://graceavl.com/taize-grace).

**Soaking Prayer:** *Wednesdays at 12:00 noon*

Our Soaking Prayer Service continues every Wednesday from noon to 12:45. Those who have been attending this service describe it as: *“a special time to be in God’s presence;” “I often come with many concerns and worries about our world and leave filled with God’s peace;” “The blending of holy silence and holy spirit in prayer has been healing for me.”* Come and see if this might be that special spiritual discipline that you have been looking for. All are welcome!

**Women Walking the Way:** *Thursdays at 8:20 a.m.*

Meet in the Bird Sanctuary parking lot by Beaver Lake for a walk around the lake and some spiritual reflection with like-minded women. For more information, contact Ann Lewis at [annaflewis7@gmail.com](mailto:annaflewis7@gmail.com) or call her at 815-441-2282.

### **GRACE’S PRAYER LIST**

*For Congregants:* **Linda & David Adams, Judy Rhodes Barody, Nancy Clark, Anne Jarema, Todd Kaderabek, Natalie & Andrew Owens, Wayne & Laura Parton, Elaine Potter, Kyle Rhodes, Ann Robinson, Jeff Russell, Becky & Bill Smith, Laura, Tsz-yan (G-Yen) and Roger Snyder, Micky Trinité, Lydia Vander Voort & Andy Steele, Jennifer Witt.**

*For Homebound Congregants and Those in Healthcare Facilities:* **Joan & Allyn Aldrich, Martha Boyette, Walt & Joyce Noble, Nancy Sink, Rita Spragg, Ed & Marla Woeckener.**

*For Others: (Names will remain on the list for six weeks unless we hear otherwise).* **Allen** (brother of Cheryl Aull); **Geraldine Allen** (aunt of Carole McClellan); **the Anderson Family** (friends of Bonnie Kistler); **Aubrey** (friend of Joe & Cheryl Aull); **Bridget Black** (cousin of Lorie Tola); **Betty Ann Bryant** (friend of Rusty Herman); **the Brongel family** (daughter and family of Jackie Schauer); **Bob Brennan** (relative of Anne Jarema); **Marcie Coleman** (cousin of Linda McCredie); **Presley Foxx** (granddaughter of Susan & Mark

Sudimak); **Kathy Gerhardt** (daughter of Nancy Clark); **Tom Hunnicutt** (friend of Rusty Herman); **Jim Kaderabek**, (father of Todd Kaderabek); **Robert & Katie Lyons** (friends of Ginny Moser); **Sally Mackay** (mother of Leslie Heiser); **Daniel McRee** (son of Fr. Timothy McRee) and **David** (husband of Daniel McRee); **Judy Wells Meehan** (friend of Rusty Herman); **Robert Noble, Jr.** (brother of Walt Noble); **Meredith Peppers** (aunt of Carol McClellan); **Kevin Randall** (friend of Ron & Jeanne Sims); **Sarah Ray** (cousin of Doug McClellan); **Sarah Schuman** (niece of Fr. Timothy McRee); **Susan Thigpen** (cousin of Jennifer Witt); **Wiley Thornton** (cousin of Carol McClellan); **Tom & Joan** (friends of James Cannon); **Stephanie Tugurian** (daughter of Ron & Jeanne Sims).

*For the recently departed:* **Ed Denison, Nancy Lewis, Georgi Bruce.**

*For those celebrating birthdays:* **Ben Scales, Jade Cress, Chris Thompson.**

*For Those in Service to Our Country:* **Tommy Brown** (grandson of Ed & Marla Woeckener); **Matt & Martha Cardenas** (daughter & son-in-law of Hannah Buckner); **John Davids** (nephew of Elaine Potter); **Matthew George** (son of Zoe Davis); **Jason Marino** (son of Lynda McCredie); **John Massey** (son-in-law of Mary Foster); **Brady Paschall** (granddaughter of Gael Paschall); **Sarah Jane Wilkey** (daughter of Diane & Tony Wilkey).

*For Those in the Episcopal Church:* **Sarah**, Archbishop of Canterbury; **Sean**, our presiding Bishop; **José**, our Bishop; **the clergy, vestry, staff, ministries, and people of this parish**; in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for **Inglesia Anglicana de Chile**; and in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, **Calvary, Fletcher.**

*For our Nation and the Wider World:* For the President and his Cabinet; for Congress; and for our country; for victims of violence around the world; for local agencies and those who work for relief of the poor; for stewardship of the environment; for resolution of crises throughout our world.



## **Grace's Mission Statement**

*Grace Church exists as a diverse community of the Body of Christ, to serve Jesus Christ our Lord. Our mission is to nurture and develop each individual to reach out and share God's love.*



## **Grace Episcopal Church**

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The Right Reverend José McLoughlin, *Bishop of WNC*

The Reverend Robert Hartmans

The Reverend Timothy McRee

The Reverend John Rice

*Clergy*

Dr. James Cassarino, *Director of Music*

Cathy Adkins, *Organist*

Anne Spruance, *Office Administrator*

Katie Douglas, *Finance Manager*

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