

## Welcome to Grace Episcopal Church!

*In your daily prayers this week please remember those who have asked for continued prayer:*

**Lloyd and Mary, Joan, Bob and Pat, Stefani & Ayla Rose, Vince and Carol, Larry and Joan, Candace, Dan and Gail, Mark, John and Nancy, Russ, Gretchen, Trey, John, Carol, Delphine, Christian, John, Mary June, Hannah and Alex, Margherita and family, Lowell, Kitty, Joyce, Ward, Jonathan, Ron and Connie, Bernie, Brittany, Robert, Gene, Rick, Roger, Robert, Eugene, Murray, Paulette, Jobie, Dom, Eddie, Carla, Kit and Carlos, Trish, Nathan, Robin, RaeDean, Kathy, Audrey and family, Nancy and family, David, Billye, Ellen.**

*Those in need of prayer this week:* **Carol Ann, Matthew, Nigel, Barbara, Glenn, Roberto & family, Joan & family, Jeanette, Chase, Phoebe, Chris, Peggy, John, Brogan, Mary, Gerry, Laura, Dennis, Robin, Jeff, Bob, Steve, Lola, Gabrielle, Jacob, Gail, Walt, Marjorie, and Wendy.**  
**Pray for David, Flo and Don departed this life.**

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**April 27/28:** Friday and Saturday, Diocesan Convention in Price.

**May 10:** National Day of Prayer Breakfast.

**May 11:** Special Concert to Benefit Grace Episcopal Church more details coming. Yeah Susan Talley!

**May 21:** Monday– Sixth Annual Golf Tournament to benefit Switch Point and the Community Soup Kitchen will be held at Sand Hollow Resort Golf Course.

**May 22:** Fr. Tom out of the office attending a meeting in Salt Lake.

### *Scripture Forecast:*

<b>April 29 – 5 EASTER</b> Isaiah 45: 11-13, 18-19 Psalm 22:24-30 1 John 4:7-21	<b>May 6 – Ascension Sunday</b> Acts 1:1-11 Psalm 93 Ephesians 1:15-23
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### *Stewards of the Service Next Saturday 5:30pm 4-28*

TBD	Crucifer
Bob Shepard	Chalice
TBD	Usher
Yvonne Lambros	Server
TBD	Lectors
Flicka Scott	Prayer Team
TBD	Fellowship

Welcome to Grace Episcopal Church! This Sunday of Easter is traditionally called “Good Shepherd Sunday.” Each year we hear a part of Jesus’ discourse on his relationship to us in the image of the Good Shepherd. The Good Shepherd loves his sheep so much that he lays down his life for them. We are called by him into his life which he has given for us.



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In our 1st Reading from Deuteronomy, Moses exhorted the people to obey God's Law. The best reason lay in the nature of Israel's God. Unlike their neighbors' gods (that existed in the powers of nature and seasonal cycles), the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob exercised power through events. Yahweh is the God of human History.

In the 1st Epistle from John the author argues we need to love actively, “in truth and action”, not hypocritically “in word or speech”. Truth and faith are synonyms. It is by “this” (i.e. truth) love that we will know that we are Christ-like “from the truth”: our consciences “hearts” will be reassured whenever we are conscious of sinning “our hearts condemn us”, for God knows us better than we do ourselves.

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### *Stewards of the Service NEXT Sunday 4-29*

Patrick Schwab	Crucifer
Amy J/Phoebe L	Chalice Bearers
Carolyn Barnett	Server
Sarah U/Marcia B	Lectors
Walt Brickwedel	Intercessor
Ray Kattler	Prayer Team
Eve Brickwedel	Coffee Hour & Clean up