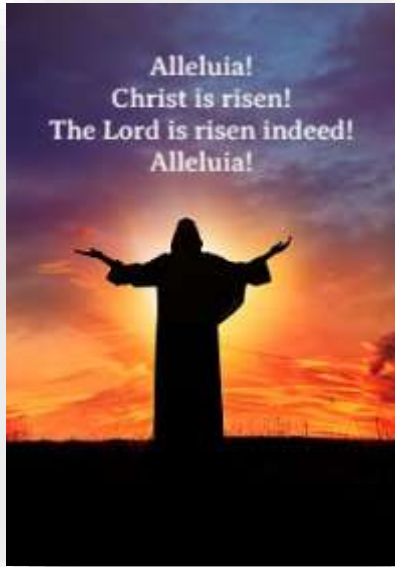


APRIL 2024 GRACE NOTES



A NOTE FROM REVEREND BETSY+

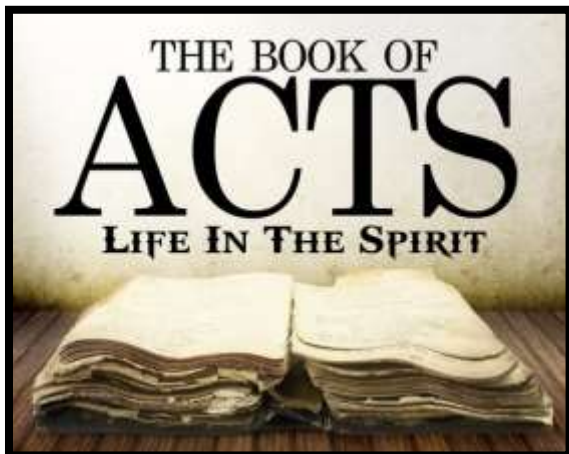
As we enter the Easter season, we will read and hear stories of Jesus' resurrection appearances to his disciples. In these forty days with their Lord, their eyes will be opened, and they will begin to understand God's plan of salvation for the world. They will learn how they are to live and how they are to proclaim the gospel. I pray that you too will experience Jesus resurrected in your life; that you will find new ways to live and proclaim that Christ is alive; that he is alive in you and alive in Grace Church.

Happy Easter! Rev. Betsy+

A NOTE FROM THE SENIOR WARDEN: DR. JANICE PRUESSNER

From *Practicing the Way* that we are reading in Sunday school, Comer uses a phrase credited to Rosaria Butterfield. That is "Radically ordinary hospitality- those who live it see strangers as neighbors and neighbors as family of God. They recoil at reducing a person to a category or a label." What a tremendous goal for which we can all strive! It is far too easy in today's political climate to group many different persons under one label, then make assumptions about their thinking, their motives. I am most definitely guilty of this. I need this reminder that we are all children of God and deserve respect. If more people kept this in mind, I believe the fervor of conflicts would be at least lessened. We are being taught to welcome, and to listen even when that's hard.

Northern Convocation Study of the Books of Acts on Zoom



Beginning Wednesday, April 10, the clergy of the Northern Convocation will lead a study of the Book of Acts on Zoom. The study will run from April 10 through May 29, with each week being led by a different member of the clergy. This is a great way to study Acts from the comfort of your own home, and it is a great way to connect with other people in the convocation. Classes will begin promptly at 7 pm. You just need your Bible and something to take notes with if you want to do that. When you register, you will be sent an email inviting you into the Zoom meeting.

Here is the link to register:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAvOyhrj8iGdxcPZczbvi4CtI9gBYG6JY2>

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Many thanks to John and Jo Williams for all their hard work in the playground. They trimmed trees/bushes and took out all the dead vines. Thanks also to Nicky, Gail, Judy and Bunny and Kenneth Doubrava for their work in the courtyard and other flowerbeds.

Please contact one of the committee members if you know of someone in need. Thanks so much for your support,

Judy Waddell—325-248-4867; Ginger Kirchhof— 512-705-6547;

Lisa Pheil— 325-248-4065; Lynda Jones



Ways to give financially to Grace Episcopal Church

- Here are some different ways you can give to the church. The newest way is via using our QR code. This is a great way for people to give online, and it only costs \$0.25 per transaction debiting directly from your bank.
- Credit card processing is 2.9% plus \$0.30. So a \$30 credit card donation would have a \$1.20 fee, while \$30 (or any other amount) donation from your bank account is a \$0.25 fee.



People can give by cash or check, direct deposit (you must get the church bank info for that), through Churchtrac (QR code) or <https://llanograce.churchtrac.com> and by PayPal. The church is not set up for Venmo or Zelle.

People over 70-1/2 can make tax-free distributions from their regular IRAs. The donation must be sent from the financial institution directly to Grace Church. This is a great way to give. Regular distributions are taxable but qualified charitable contributions are tax-free.

LLANO FOOD PANTY UPDATE

This local ministry distributes food to people every The Food Pantry is open every month on the 1st and 3rd Fridays 9AM-Noon, and 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 3PM-5:30PM. They now serve more than 100 households most weeks!

Non-perishable food items are needed - ranch dressing, and canned protein items (specifically SPAM and Vienna sausages), canned fruit, peanut butter, toilet paper, low-sugar cereals, and canned milk are big hits.

Financial contributions are also needed. Last year, the Food Pantry paid to insulate its building, and this year they bought new freezers to improve the ability to store perishable items.

Perishable items are obtained from Capital Area Food Bank.



Vestry Members:

Dr. Janice Pruessner, Sr. Warden;

John Williams, Jr. Warden;

Howard Balsdon, Suzan Leggett, and Judy Waddell



DOK will be April 17th. We will gather after Morning Prayer approximately at 10:15 in the activities building. Come with a happy smile and ready to praise our Lord for our many Blessings.

Highlights from The Great Easter Vigil on Saturday evening and
Easter Morning Worship



April 2024 Grace Episcopal Church



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
	1 3:30-5:30- After-school	2 3:30-5:30- After-school	3 9:30 am – Holy Eucharist 3:30-5:30- After-school	4 3:30-5:30- After-school
7 th Sunday of EASTER 9:30 am –SS book pgs 158-173 discuss 10:30 am – Holy Eucharist After Church Fellowship-Parish Hall	8 NO After-school Program 	9 3:30-5:30- After-school	10 9:30 am – Morning Prayer 3:30-5:30- After-school	11 3:30-5:30- After-school
14 th Sunday of EASTER 9:30 am –SS book pgs 174-190 discuss 10:30 am – Holy Eucharist After Church Fellowship-Parish Hall	15 3:30-5:30- After-school	16 3:30-5:30- After-school	17 9:30 am – Morning Prayer 10:15 am – DOK meeting 3:30-5:30- After-school	18 3:30-5:30- After-school
21 st Sunday of EASTER 9:30 am – Parish Breakfast 10:30 am – Holy Eucharist After Church Fellowship-Parish Hall <i>Food Bank Donations</i>	22 3:30-5:30- After-school	23 3:30-5:30- After-school	24 9:30 am – Morning Prayer 3:30-5:30- After-school	25 3:30-5:30- After-school
28 th Sunday of EASTER 9:30 am –SS book pgs 191-205 discuss 10:30 am – Holy Eucharist After Church Fellowship-Parish Hall	29 3:30-5:30- After-school	30 3:30-5:30- After-school	MAY 1 9:30 am – Holy Eucharist 3:30-5:30- After-school	2 3:30-5:30- After-school
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