



## **Worship: Sunday 10 AM**

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# GROOME CHURCH



*Giving thanks and celebrating  
120 years of faithful service to  
Christ and Community*



1904-2024

*"...if we walk in the light,  
as He is in the light,  
we have fellowship with one another..."*

**- I John 1:7**

**Historic Lewes Delaware**

GROOME CHURCH  
April 28, 2024, 10:00 a.m.  
Reverend. S. Willard Crossan III  
Associate Pastor: Reverend Rich Evans  
**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

### GATHERING AND REFLECTION

Parish Calendar and Greeting *Dr. Crossan*

Organ Prelude "Adagio" *by Franck*

Call to Worship:

Leader I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."

**People: Let me hear what God the Lord will speak, for he will speak peace to his people.**

Leader: Peace, peace, to the far and to the near, says the Lord.

**People: Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God.**

\* Hymn of Praise "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" 384

Prayer of Confession

**O Lord, you are of purer eyes than to behold evil. We pray that you enter not into judgment with your servants, for in your sight no one living is justified. You know our foolishness, and our sins are not hidden from you. But you, O Lord, are full of compassion and gracious, slow to anger and plenteous in mercy; there is forgiveness with you. Cleanse us from secret faults; keep us from hurtful sin; deliver us from our transgressions; draw near to our souls and redeem them; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Silent Meditation

Words of Assurance

The Lord's Prayer

Choir Anthem

### PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

Leader: O Lord, open our hearts and our minds;

**People: that we may behold wonderful things out of your word.**

First Lesson	Acts 8:26-40	<i>Yvonne Martz</i>
New Testament Lesson	1 John 4:7-21	<i>Nancy Killilea</i>
Gospel Lesson	John 15:1-8	<i>Dr. Crossan</i>
* Affirmation of Faith	"Korean"	884
* Gloria Patri		

### PETITIONS, INTERCESSIONS, AND OFFERING

The Collect

**Almighty God, you alone can order the unruly wills and affections of sinful people: Grant unto all people the will to love the things that you have commanded us to love; the desire to seek that which you have graciously promised; so that among the sundry and manifold challenges and changes of life, our hearts may surely be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Declarations of Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & Prayers of the People

*-Voicing of our Petitions-*

Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Words of Presentation

Offering *Organist/Pianist*

The Presentation Prayer

"Doxology" "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" 95

### THE VOICING OF SCRIPTURE

\* Hymn of Preparation "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian" 402

Sermon "The Tutorial" *Dr. Crossan*

### SENDING FORTH

\* Hymn of Dedication "In Christ There Is No East or West" 548

\* Words of Dedication

\* Benediction Response "He is Lord" 177

\* Postlude "Reverie" *by E. Mergargel*

\* *Please Stand*