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The Grace TEAM

is published monthly.

Sunday Worship

7:45AM - Rite I 9:00AM - Family Eucharist 11:15AM - Festival Eucharist

Healing Prayer

Every Sunday at
9:00AM and 11:15AM
there is a Prayer Station
available with
Lay Healing Prayer Ministers.

Healing Prayer Services

Tuesdays, 7:00PM - Healing Prayer Service; Eucharist with Generational Healing Service first Tuesday monthly.

Wednesdays at 12:15PM

Healing Prayer Service and Eucharist - laying on of hands by the priest for God's Healing.

Taizé

Third Sunday of each month at 8:00pm there is a Taizé service attended by an ecumenical congregation who enjoy the reflective form of worship using candles, incense, chants, meditative readings, and prayers. Healing Prayer is also offered at the service.



Parson to Person

Gary Coffey

Dear People of Grace,

Once again, Beloved, as I write that salutation, I pray, "May it be so! May it be so!" What I am referring to are the words "People of Grace." Certainly, that refers to our association with Grace Church. But more than that, people of grace are those who acknowledge that everything we have received from God is grace or gift. A gift is something we haven't earned and something we don't necessarily deserve. God's gifts to us are offerings to us from God that help define us as God's children and God as our loving heavenly parent.

Our faith or trust in God is a gift. Our quiet ourselves an understanding of who God is and how God operates in our lives is a gift. The reassurance of God's presence with us always is a gift from God. The air

we breathe, this beautiful

creation we enjoy and others with whom we enjoy it are all God's gifts. All and everything for which we are thankful is a gift from God. I spoke with someone this week who said that each day she makes a list of ten things for which she is thankful. Such a daily practice could possibly change our lives as we are reminded each day of all the gifts from God that come our way.

Perhaps the greatest gift people of grace have been given is the gift of God's indwelling presence. Jesus told His disciples that He was not going to leave them as orphans to negotiate life on their own. Rather, He said that, after He ascended into heaven, the Father would send the Holy Spirit to dwell within them and to lead them into all truth.

In fact Jesus told them it would be better when He went away because then, the Father would send the Holy Spirit that does not have the limitations of a human body as Jesus did, but can indwell in each of God's people throughout the world at one and the same time. In Old Testament times, the Holy Spirit came upon God's servants for times and tasks that they accomplished. Jesus said that when God poured out the Holy Spirit this time, the Spirit would indwell us forever.

What this means is that the Holy Spirit, which has often been thought of in terms of wind or breath, is as close to us as our very breath. Since this is true, it is also true that, when we think of something, the Holy Spirit hears it with us. When we ask for God's direction in a situation in our lives, we can quiet ourselves and listen for that "still small"

voice within us" who directed Elijah the prophet and who directs us as well.

Being led by the Holy Spirit within us is probably much less complicated than we think

it is. If you are like me, you may sometimes tie yourself into a knot seeking to hear from God about this or that, sometimes over-thinking everything. It may well be that hearing from and being directed by God is truly effortless. Perhaps being directed by the Holy Spirit is, as someone has said, "just doing the next right thing that is in front of us to do." And after that, we do the next right thing and the next and the next, trusting that God is directing us because that is our great desire.

Pentecost Sunday is June 8. It is the day in the Church year when we celebrate that great day when God poured out the Holy Spirit on those first disciples and moving on from them, continued to pour out the Holy Spirit upon all the baptized forever. On the Day of Pentecost, we will gather in celebration and receptivity, rejoicing in the power of God's Holy Spirit.

God's Peace and Joy!

Fr. Gary Coffey

Events at a Glance

(Start-back dates for events recessed for summer are included where available.)

Weekly Gospel Bible Study

Recessed for summer

Early Birds Men's Book Study

Tuesdays, 8:15 a.m., LI

Centering Prayer

Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m., OF

Generational Healing Eucharist (limited for summer) *Tuesday, June 3, 7:00 p.m., CH*

Healing Prayer Services (limited for summer) *July 1 and August 5*

Purls of Grace

Recessed for summer

PubSing and Potluck Supper

Sunday, June 8, 6:00 p.m., French Broad Brewery

Men of the Church

Tuesday, June 10, 6:00 p.m.

TEAM Meeting

Wednesday, June 11, 11:00 a.m., OF

Order of St. Luke Program Meeting

Next meeting, August 14

Steadfast House Meal

Friday, June 13, 6:00 p.m.

Father's Day

Sunday, June 15

Taizé Worship Service

Sunday, June 15, 8:00 p.m., CH

Vestry Meeting

Monday, June 16, 5:30 p.m., LI

SMOKED BARBEQUE FOR SALE

Our Men of the Church are Smokin' More BBQ for your July 4th holiday! It's the same delicious BBQ they smoke for our annual Pig Pickin', so get your order in now! Pulled pork BBQ will be available in small bags for \$5.00 and in large bags for \$20.00. Pick up your order at the church on Wednesday or Thursday, July 2 or 3, between 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Remember, you need to **order in advance** by contacting Ron Sims at 255-8894.

Parish News

Centering Prayer meets on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. in Fr. Gary's office. All are welcome.

Lectors, Intercessors and Presenters for the 9:00 service, please email Carol Booth at carolbooth@mindspring.com if you would like to be added to the list or taken off the list for July, August and September.

The **Men of the Church** will meet on Tuesday, June 10 at 6:00 p.m. We will meet at the home of Ron Sims at 2 Kimberly Knoll Road. Ron and Ed Woeckener will be our hosts and cooks. The cost is \$10.00. Please sign up on the blue sheet on the kiosk in the foyer.

The **Monday Morning Bible Study** has recessed until late summer or early fall. We'll keep you posted.

The next **Order of St. Luke** program meeting will be Thursday, August 14, at 6:30 p.m. Mark your calendars for the resumption date.

The **OSL Healing Prayer Services** will be offered on only the first Tuesday of each month during the summer. Services will take place on June 3, July 1 and August 5.

Jeanne Robertson will offer the **OSL study group**, *The Healing Miracles of Jesus*, on Saturdays, July 12, 19 and 26. It is an intensive DVD-based instruction and discussion study that prepares one for full membership in the Order of St. Luke. Please contact Jeanne at 683-7701 if you are interested or if you would like more information.

Come and join us for the monthly **PubSing**, an informal gathering on the second Sunday of each month to sing hymns, old time Gospel and Americana inspirational music. We will meet on Sunday evening, June 8, at the French Broad Brewery, 101 Fairview Avenue. Potluck at 5:00, singing from 6:00-8:00 p.m. For directions, go to http://frenchbroadbrewery.com/directions/. For more information contact Monty Wooten at info@ forestguide.com or 828-254-1114.

Purls of Grace has recessed for the summer.

Note from Beth Stahl to Former Choir and Handbell Members:

Please return any vestments you may have to the church office as soon as possible!

Congratulations, Fr. Gary!

Friday, May 23, was **the 30th anniversary of Fr. Gary Coffey's ordination to the priesthood.** The communicants of Grace are so grateful that God called Gary to this vocation, that he answered that call, and that he now serves God and God's people at Grace.

Fr. Gary is truly a spiritual leader and a shepherd who guides and teaches us with wisdom and comforts and supports us in times of need with compassion and love.

We thank you, Gary, for all you do in His name, and we will continue to pray for God to lead you and to richly bless you in all ways.

Celebrating Two Baptisms

Through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Emmie Lou Anne Elder,

daughter of Wade and Lily Elder, was welcomed into the Church on Sunday, April 27 during the 9:00 worship service.

Emmie

was sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever.

Through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Helen Dean Rouse,

daughter of Jordan and Sarah Rouse and granddaughter of Pat Starnes, was welcomed into the Church on Sunday, May 11 during the 11:15 worship service.

Helen

was sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever.

Recognizing Grace Scholars

Miller Kaderabek, the son of Todd and Katherine Kaderabek, has earned a Headmaster's Scholarship to attend Christ School. The scholarship is merit-based and Miller was selected "based on a demonstrated capacity for leadership, high academic achievement, and exceptional personal character." Miller is looking forward to the opportunity and is very grateful to all who supported his efforts.

Chatham Hall is proud to announce that **Catherine Cullen** has been awarded the school's Nilsen Scholarship. Catherine has just completed her eighth-grade year at Hanger Hall and is the daughter of Glenn and Angela Cullen.

Chatham Hall's Nilsen Scholarship Program was made possible by a gift of \$31 million from the estate of alumna Bettie Beckwith Nilsen, Class of 1931. Mrs. Nilsen's gift is the largest in the history of girls' schools. This unparalleled level of support was inspired by Mrs. Nilsen's lifelong appreciation for – and fond memories of – her student days at Chatham Hall. Mrs. Nilsen's generosity allows Chatham Hall to expand its tradition of educating exceptional girls.

Georgia Scales, daughter of Ben and Cate, will be attending Philips Exeter Academy in Exeter, New Hampshire, in the fall. Exeter is a boarding school for grades nine through twelve with a strong history of academic excellence and social consciousness. Students from all over the world and the United States attend. The school's motto is *Non Sibi* "Not for Oneself," and that really resonated with Georgia. She was encouraged to apply by her grandfather, a scholarship student ('57), and realized, after visiting the campus and experiencing the environment, that it was the right school for her. In particular, she was drawn to the Harkness Method. At the Harkness table (a dozen students and one teacher), classmates learn by discussing their thoughts and ideas rather than just by taking notes. Teachers are participants in the discussion, guiding students in significant ways without lecturing.

Georgia was granted a full scholarship and will work toward earning a Classical Diploma (Latin and Greek studies) by the time she graduates in 2018. It's an exciting time for Georgia, and she's ready to soar!

Please join with the proud of families of Miller, Catherine and Georgia in congratulating them and wishing them all the best in the exciting years to come.

Cheers to Grace Grads

Alyssa Jones, daughter of Debbie Jones, will graduate from North Buncombe High School. She will attend Western Carolina University this summer immediately following Camp Henry. Alyssa will major in music education and plans to be a band director.

Brad Smith, son of Randy and Susan Smith, graduated from Enka High School as a top Buncombe County scholar. He is a member of the National Honor Society and was named an all-region and all-conference soccer player during his junior and senior years. He was also a musician in the school band. He will attend Virginia Tech (Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University) in the fall and plans to major in aerospace engineering.

Patrick Bohan, son of Judy and Mike Bohan, graduated from Chapel Hill on Mother's Day with a major in chemistry. He will begin the Ph.D. program in chemistry at the University of California-Berkeley in the fall.

Sarah Jane Wilkey, daughter of Tony and Diane Wilkey, graduated with honors in exercise and sport science from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill on May 11. She plans to work as a personal trainer in Charlottesville, Virginia, next year and to pursue a Master's degree in kinesiology in the fall of 2015.

Benjamin Clifford Newton, son of Betsy Schieber and grandson of Ben and Peggy Grimes, graduated from the University of Louisville with a bachelor's degree of Arts. Cliff is a former Marine who served twice in Iraq.

Jonathan Ellington, grandson of Ann Robinson, recently graduated from Berkley School of Music in Boston.

Will Warren Schierhorn, son of Maria Mason, will graduate from the School of Inquiry and Life Sciences at Asheville High School on Friday, June 13, at Kimmel Arena at UNC-Asheville. He is a member of the National Honor Society. This fall he will attend the University of North Carolina-Asheville in their "2plus2" program. Will plans to major in nuclear engineering and, after one to two years, to transfer and to graduate from North Carolina State University.

Matthew Davis George, son of Zoe Ann Davis and Lloyd Davis George, graduated from Ole Miss (University of Mississippi) in Oxford, Mississippi, on May 10, with a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice and a minor in Naval Science. Matt is now a second lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps and will report to Quantico, Virginia, in April for further training and career development. He will work this summer as an aquatic director at a summer camp in Florida.

Anna-Kate Hall, daughter of Travis and Angela Hall, is graduating from Enka High School and will attend Appalachian State University.

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR FLOOD VICTIMS. As many of you know, twelve families in Woodfin were recently flooded out of their homes. Eleven of those families lost everything in the flood. Three families are asking for help. They are currently being helped with emergency services by the American Red Cross. Newbridge Baptist Church has partnered with the Red Cross to provide items that will be needed to help the families to establish new homes. At this point they have all the clothes, household items, televisions, and linens they need.

They are, however, looking for furniture — dining room tables and chairs, bed frames, box springs and mattresses, dressers, chairs, and sofas — any items of furniture that would usually be found in a household. One family is also in need of a car since theirs was destroyed. They hope to have all items ready to give to the families by the middle of June. If you have any items you would like to donate to this cause, please call the Reverend Allen Pounders at 775-9849 Monday-Thursday between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

A Note from the Backpackers



As another school year draws to a close, the Grace Backpackers are already looking ahead to next fall. This past year, in a partnership with MANNA Food Bank, we were able to help forty-three families with children at Jones Elementary School. Based on past years, we expect to serve as many or more in the year to come. The following is a quick overview of this rewarding ministry:

- Grace Church's involvement with MANNA's Packs for Kids program dates back to the early days of the initiative.
- We provide bags to children at Jones Elementary School whose need has been identified by the school social worker. To protect the privacy of the families we serve, we do not have direct contact with the children who receive our bags. We also send a "snack box" to the guidance department at Asheville High School.

• Originally, we planned to simply deliver the bags provided by MANNA, but quickly realized we wanted to do more. With Outreach funds from the Grace annual budget and individual support from parishioners, we have been able to supplement the bags with additional food, usually purchased directly from MANNA.

- There are four basic elements to the program at Grace: a volunteer places food orders online; volunteers go to MANNA to pick up food deliveries; packers fill the bags and stock the shelves in the Grace kitchen pantry; and volunteers deliver the bags to Jones. With this coordination and division of labor, volunteers rarely invest more than an hour a week.
- A few things we've learned: (1) elementary school children are small and too much food in one bag can be hard to carry, so we now pack two smaller bags one for Friday and one for the following Monday; (2) the children, themselves, often prepare the food at home, so what we pack needs to be easy to make; (3) it's hard to find food that is both easy to prepare and nutritious; we're always on the lookout; (4) actual backpacks get lost or forgotten too easily and paper bags tear, so plastic bags provided by MANNA work best; (5) fresh fruit is a special treat and we try to include it whenever possible; and (6) school holidays, snow days and summer vacation are times when many of these children simply don't get enough to eat; we continue trying to find ways of helping during these "off" periods.
- New this past year, we enjoyed working with an intern from UNC-Asheville. We hope to do this more often.

We'll begin packing again in September. Your continued support - as a volunteer (new folks are always welcome!) or financially - is greatly appreciated. To learn more or to get involved, contact Kim Hayes at kimhys53@gmail.com or Carol Booth at carolbooth@mindspring.com.

What Happens Next?

The coming weeks following Pentecost are sometimes refered to as "Ordinary Time." The article below by the Rev. Melody Wilson Shobe was published in The Episcopal Café in 2008. It is still timely, however, and suggests that, in spite of its name, Ordinary Time is anything <u>but</u> ordinary...

Well, here we are. Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent and Easter are all behind us. We've walked together from the mountain top of Christ's birth, to the valley of death, and back up again to the pinnacle of the Resurrection. We have seen the colors of the church change from blue to white to celebration to purple to white to red, a rainbow of color as we pass from one important season to the next. And now all of that is over, and all that we can see stretching ahead of us is a sea of green. Out on the horizon lies week after week of "the Season after Pentecost" coming in an endless succession until we reach the next year in the church and begin the cycle again.

How silly it is that this time in the church doesn't have its own name; it is merely called "the season after Pentecost." The time itself is not given the importance of being named, but instead is marked only in relation to Pentecost, a day of actual importance. And this lengthy, unnamed, seemingly unimportant season is often also called "Ordinary Time." Rather than meaning "common" or "mundane," this term comes from the word "ordinal," which simply means "counted time," because we number the Sundays from here on out in order from the First Sunday after Pentecost, all the way up to the Last Sunday after Pentecost, twenty eight Sundays from now. That's right; twenty eight weeks of this church year will be spent in Ordinary Time.

And in some ways, it might be right to think of this time as common or mundane. Because this is the usual time in the church, the time that is not marked by a constant stream of high points and low points, ups and downs, but is instead the normal, day-in, day-out life of the church. This time is a time to grapple with the nuts and bolts of our faith, not coasting on the joy and elation of Christmas, or wallowing in the penitential feel of Lent, but instead just being exactly where we are, and trying to live our faith in that moment.

Traditionally the color for this season of "Ordinary Time" has been green, and it is a fitting choice. Green has long been associated with new life and growth. Even in Hebrew in the Old Testament, the same word for the color "green" also means "young." The green of this season speaks to us as a reminder that it is in the midst

of ordinary time that we are given the opportunity to grow. Only when the hustle and bustle of Advent, Easter, and Lent has calmed down can we really focus on what it means to live and grow as Christians in this ordinary time in this ordinary world. It is a time to nurture our faith with opportunities for fellowship and reflection. It is a time to feed and water our faith with chances for education and personal study. It is a time to weed and prune our faith, cutting off the parts that may be dead and leaving them behind. And we have a lot of growing to do, so God has given us most of the church year in which to do it.

The very fact that the church has a time called "Ordinary" is a profound theological statement. It is a reminder of the presence of God in and through the most mundane and ordinary seasons of our lives. God is not only on the mountaintop or in the valley, but walking alongside each of us when the flat road stretches interminably into the horizon. In fact, the gospel reading for one of the first Sundays in ordinary time reminds us of this very fact. In Matthew 6:24-34, Jesus tells us to remember the birds of the air and the lilies of the field. They are ordinary and seemingly insignificant parts of the natural world, small and unimportant compared to us. And yet God remembers and cares for each of them. It is a reminder that when God came and lived among us in the person of Jesus Christ, he experienced the same ordinary reality that we all experience. And that God, in Christ, offered us the opportunity to transform the most ordinary, mundane experiences into extraordinary events infused with the presence of God. God is there, present in the midst of the ordinary, just waiting for us to recognize it.

The Rev. Melody Wilson Shobe is an Episcopal priest who has served parishes in Texas and Rhode Island. She is a graduate of Virginia Theological Seminary and is married to fellow priest the Rev. Casey Shobe.

A Reflection from Bishop Taylor

The Rev. Becca Stevens, founder of Magdalene & Thistle Farms, a community for women who have survived prostitution, trafficking, and addiction, was keynote speaker for the recent 2014 Ministry & Mission Conference. The following is the Bishop's reflection on her ministry and what it means to us as Christians.

"Without love the Church becomes a still life." Those words from Becca Stevens on Saturday at the Ministry & Mission Conference keep encouraging me and haunting me. Becca's words were so piercing because she showed what they meant. Two of the graduates of the program at Magdalene house were there and they both said, "Without this program, I would be dead." Both were on the streets and both were addicts. They got saved because people like Becca Stevens loved them from death into life.

I am so glad for the people who were fortunate to be there with Becca and I pray they will spread the word to those not in attendance. Becca wasn't just talking about a program in Nashville. She was talking about the program of salvation, which is our primary calling. Everything else is a means to that end.

In all the cultural turmoil, my fear is that we forget why we as followers of the Risen Lord are here. My fear is that we will limit our focus on structures and finances and all the stuff that is about "the Church machine" and forget that at the center of everything is the grace and love of Jesus Christ. If we are connected to that, then everything else will fall in place, and if we don't, then nothing else matters. We will fix all of our structural problems and have a Church that is a still life. But if we are connected to the radical love of the Lord, then God will use us as God will — which is what we are here for anyway.

"Love is the most powerful force for change in the world." That's Becca's mantra. It needs to be ours.

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And in the Aftermath, Simply Starting...

"Magdalene House is a tangible sign of what it means to love one another," writes Bishop Taylor. "It's a place where everyone remembers who we are as creatures of God. It moves women from degradation and despair into dignity and community. It truly is a miracle, but what I learned from Becca is that it's all about intention and dedication. She didn't know how to make a difference for these women, but she knew that God did not want them to live this way. So she simply started."

Lisa Sarasohn attended the recent Ministry & Mission Conference featuring the Rev. Becca Stevens, whose Magdalene house is a residential program for women who have survived lives of prostitution, trafficking, addiction and life on the streets.

As a result, she is looking for anyone in the Asheville area interested in establishing a house inspired by the Magdalene model. For more information, contact Lisa at sarasohn@att.net.

To learn more about Magdalene House and the ministry begun by Rev. Stevens, visit the Magdalene House website: www.thistlefarms.org/index.php/about-magdalene

June 2014 Ministry Schedule

Date	Service Time	Acolyte C	Acolyte G	Acolyte E	Lector, Intercessor & Presenters	Healing Team	Ushers	Chalicists	Coffee Hour	Scripture	Lesson
1-Jun											
	7:45						Jim Black	James Cannon			
	00:6	Gavin Knapp	Alyssa Jones	Cuyler Dupree	LIP - Cuyler Dupree and Jenny Knapp, Gavin Knapp	Louise Wernicke Patricia Hargrove	Tricia and Mickey Trinite	 Jenny Knapp Cuyler Dupree 	Katherine Kaderabek	Acts 1:1-14	1st Lesson
	11:15	Cheryl Aull	Sally Withers	Bob Grimes	L I P - Cal and Nancy Remmers	Pat Davis Karen Compton	Mark and Jonah Silvers	 Charles Carter Kimberly Kneier 	Sallie Hunter	Ephesians 1:15-23	2nd Lesson
8-Jun											
	7:45						Steve Jones	James Cannon			
	9:00	Cade Wooten	Andrew Best	Harrison Best	L - Robert Green I - Robert Green P - Green Family	Sherry Coward Jeanne Robertson	Ray and Wendy Kuykendall	Scott Best Cuyler Dupree	Micki Newton	Acts 2:1-21	1st Lesson
	11:15	Mark Silvers	Jonah Silvers	Eric Howell	LIP - Lyn Burkett and Mark Silvers	Alternate and Corinne Spencer	Ron Sims Ed Woeckener	Eric Howell Sally Coburn	Lelia Cort	I Corinthians 12:3b-13	2nd Lesson
15-Jun											
	7:45						Andrew Dahm	Margaret Dahm			
	9:00	Daphne Urquhart	Moira Stewart	Zoe Davis	L - Anne Simmons I - Greg Townsend P - Townsend Family	Pat Davis Jane Whitman	Larry Harris Jim Siemens	Carol Booth Anne Simmons	Elaine Dephouse	Genesis 1:1-2:4a	1st Lesson
	11:15	Rusty McCredie	Sally Withers	Lani Anderson	LIP - Rusty McCredie, Jenny Thomas, Sally Coburn	Lyn Burkett Karen Compton	Henry Watts Elaine Potter	 Nancy Clark Mary Cozine 	Peggy Grimes	II Corinthians 13:11-13	2nd Lesson
- 8	Taizé 8:00 PM				P - James Cannon I - Henry Watts	Deb Gravatt					
22-Jun											
	7:45						Ed Duncan	Jack Frue			
	9:00	Sam Ellington	Laura Ellington	Louise Wernicke	LIP - Sherry and Bill Coward	Jeanne Robertson Shari Lane	Tom and Liz Barr	 Greg Townsend Ann Robinson 	Cuyler Dupree	Jeremiah 20:7- 13	1st Lesson
	11:15	Mark Silvers	Jonah Silvers	Grace Miller	LIP - Elaine Potter, Kristen Dusenbery, Sally Coburn	Sonny Rawls Lyn Burkett	Paul Stewart John Rigsby	Carol McMichael Bill Warren	Georgi Bruce	Romans 6:1b- 11	2nd Lesson
29-Jun	1										
	7:45						Jim Black	Jack Frue			
	9:00	Noah Clary	Naomi Green	Cuyler Dupree	L - Jeanne Robertson I - Louise Wernicke P - Robertson Family	Brenda Haller Ann Robinson	Paul and Vicki Vest	 Zoe Davis Jennifer Clary 	Paul Vest	Jeremiah 28:5-9	1st Lesson
	11:15	Rusty McCredie	Sally Withers	Bob Grimes	LIP - Charles Carter and Kimberly Kneier	Sonny Rawls Lyn Burkett	Larry and LuAnn Harris	Sally Withers Bill Spencer	Georgi Bruce	Romans 6:12-23	2nd Lesson

Date	Counters	Depositors	Date	Flower Arrangers	Altar Guild
1-Jun	Steve Birkhofer	James Cannon	1-Jun	Buchanan, Newton - 5/31 Phillips/Deltgen Wed- we do flowers	Group 1 - May 31 - June 6
8-Jun	8-Jun Martha Boyette	Judy Bohan	unr-8	Davis, Newton - PENTECOST	Group 2 - June 7 - June 13
15-Jun	15-Jun Sally Withers	Chal and Hugh Vaughn	15-Jun	Dawson, Buchanan - TRINITY - White Flowers	Group 3 - June 14 - June 20
22-Jun	22-Jun Georgi Bruce	Anne Simmons	22-Jun	Dawson, Buchanan	Group 4 - June 21 - Jun 27
29-Jun	29-Jun Georgi Bruce	Anne Simmons	29-Jun	Jones, Davis	Group 5 - June 28 - July 4

Our Prayer List

<u>June</u>

We publish the Parish Prayer List each month so you may include those listed in your daily prayers. We have included the last names of people with their permission, so you will have a better idea for whom you are praying and so you may contact that person if you desire.

For Parishioners: Jo Brokenshire; Arnold Clark; Sherry Coward; Eunice & Rhea Ferguson; Catherine Godfrey; Buddy Greenwood; Jess Gregory; Olivia & the Haller family; Mary Hayes; Joyce Noble; Nancy Porter; Nancy Remmers; Doris Rigsby; Donna Trimnal; Lucinda Watkins; Chuck Wilcox.

For Homebound Parishioners and Those in Healthcare Facilities: Henny Caldwell; Edith Cook; Bob Hall; Marion Mayfield-Johnson; June Kelley; Neill Mason; Dot Morgan; Frances Payne; Maryli Perkins; Laura Stephens; John Sumner; Jo-An Ward; Bobbie Webster; Pat Woodard.

For Others (names to stay on the list for four weeks; call the church office to keep names on the list for a longer time):

Nancy Bailey & daughters Allison & Kristen (friends of Barbara Wilcox); Robert Baker (father of Donna Trimnal);

Bethany (daughter of Joan); Bobbie Bradshaw (grandmother of Geoff Bradshaw); Chris Carson (son of Martha & Randy); Gladys, Bill & Steve Creasman, Carolyn Creasman (friends of Chuck & Barbara Wilcox); Debbie D.

(friend of Lynda McCredie); Kelli Davis (daughter of George & Pat Davis); Lynn Gordon (friend of Vicki & Paul Vest);

Meg Karayiannis (niece of Nancy Ackermann Cole); Don Kitchens (brother of Cheryl Aull); Roger & Sherry Martin

(parents of Wendy Kuykendall); Beverly McRee (wife of Fr. Tim McRee); Morgan Miller (friend of Jeanne Sims); Jim

& DiAnne Monroe; Johnny Nettles (cousin of Eva Dupree); Cynthia Nolan (former parishioner); Laurey Oates

(mother-in-law of Kevin Vest); Dan Powell (friend of Kathleen Griffin); Forrest Renfro (grandson of Becky Barker);

Ann Sparks (mother of Angela Taylor); Erik & Susan Stoops (brother-in-law & sister of Wendy Kuykendall); Jennifer

Svenstrup (friend of Paul & Vicki Vest); Harriet & Sydnor Thompson (mother & father of Sydnor Thompson);

Ashley (daughter of Henry Watts); Bonnie Wiggen (daughter of Nancy Remmers); Alicia; David & Mitchell (friends of Charlotte & Travers Chiott); Elizabeth; Ellen; Jean & Mary Dee (sister & cousin of Walt Noble); Jessica & Coty; Judah & Rachel; Julie (daughter of Rita Spragg); Richard; Sue; Susan; Will; for all those affected by our struggling economy.

For Those Who Have Died and Their Families: **Dennis Creasman** (friend of Chuck and Barbara Wilcox).

For Those in the Episcopal Church: Katharine, our Presiding Bishop; Porter & Robert, our Bishops; the clergy; the vestry; the staff; the ministries of this Parish; Church of the Advocate; ABCCM; Consider Haiti; Episcopal Relief & Development; Food for the Poor; Manna Food Bank; Meals on Wheels.

For Those in Service to Our Country: Ryan & Danny Brown (grandsons of Ed & Marla Woeckener); Matthew George (son of Zoe Davis); Steven Grenier (son-in-law of Jean & Doug Haldane); Austin Harrison (grandson of Joan Sanderson); Jon Holland (parishioner); Spencer & Erica High; Gregory Melson (grandson of Charlotte Melson); Jason Marino (son of Lynda McCredie); Daniel Schultz (son of Judy Rhodes); Karl Tenney (nephew of Chuck & Barbara Wilcox); Fr. Rick Tiff (friend of Ray & Jeanne Robertson); Caitlin Vest (niece of Vicki & Paul Vest).

For our President Barack Obama, his Cabinet, Congress and our country; for victims of violence across the world; for local agencies & those who work for relief of the poor; for better stewardship of water.

June Anniversaries

Bill and Sue Dismukes	3
Rob and Cheri Potter	5
Scott and Joanna Best	7
Hobart and Jane Whitman	7
John and Patricia Tweed	10
Todd and Katherine Kaderabek	11
Ben and Deb Gravatt	12
John and Vicki Sanderson	15
Alex and Kippy Comfort	20
Greg and Shannon Townsend	22
Frank and Rebecca Wartman	23
Joe and Cheryl Aull	25

<u>June Birthdays</u>

12 Chloe Lyda

13 Nancy Smith

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2	Miller Kaderabek	4	Georgia Snead
2	Emma Plank	14	Jennifer Spencer
2	Sophia Siemens	14	Robert Townsend
3	Steve Booth	16	Betsy Dreger
3	Heather Path	16	Sam Lyda
4	Bailey Gregory	16	Hugh Vaughn
4	Makayla Gregory	16	Tony Wilkey
4	Straudia Luedtke	18	Eleanore Brown
4	Virginia Wiltshire	18	Cindy Karl
7	Ben Grimes	18	Randy Smith
7	Jay Wallace	19	Joyce Milling
8	Zoe Davis	20	Andrew Dahm
8	Matt Engelbrecht	21	Hayden Israel
8	Sally Withers	24	Nicholas Sanderson
9	Wade Elder	26	Jeanne Robertson
9	Sean Green	27	David Withers
9	Bob Hall	28	Terry Ellington
10	Courtney Booth	28	Jenny Knapp
11	June Thorne	28	Anne Simmons

29 Deb Pegel

29 Mickey Trinite

Gifts to Appreciate

The Aumbry Candle is given to the Glory of God by Corinne and Bill Spencer in thanksgiving for their children Clark, David and Jennifer.

The flowers are given to the Glory of God by

Pat and George Davis in loving memory of their son Mike;

their children and grandchildren in loving memory of Grace Walker and in thanksgiving for Phil Walker;

Joanna and Scott Best in celebration of their wedding anniversary;

Bobbie Eblen in memory of her husband Joe and her daughter Margie;

the Israel family in thanksgiving for fathers, grandfathers and sons;

Eva Dupree in memory of her parents Louis & Mildred Gantt.;

Dr. William B. Dismukes, Jr., in loving memory of his father Dr. William B. Dismukes, Sr.



Additional Eastertide Donors

Jeff Cook in thanksgiving for Hamilton Parker Fairfield Cook;

Kristen Dusenbery in memory of Rhoda Larsen and in thanksgiving for her life;

Betsy Buchanan in memory of her family;

The Peter Sprague family.

Continued Lag in Pledges

Under-budget income continues to be an issue. Our year-to-date income deficit has grown to a shortfall of \$11,252. Income from all sources for the months ending April 30, 2014 is \$140,221, and our projected income for that period is \$151,473.

Year-to-date expenses of \$147,723 were \$3750 under budget, resulting in a positive financial position this month for the parish. Many of the programmed expenses are yet to occur, and we should not anticipate that savings here will continue to offset pledged income deficits.

If you are behind in your pledge and are able to bring it up to date, we would greatly appreciate it. It is our prayer that all financial needs will be met as the year progresses.

Your Vestry

Statement of Activities - Grace Church Year to Date - April 2014

	Actual	Budget	Over/Under
Income:			
Pledges	106,587	119,668	(13,080)
Prior Year Pledges	6,290	-	6,290
Non-pledged Offerings	14,850	20,495	(5,645)
Open Offering	2,904	3,333	(430)
Interest	20	50	(30)
Misc.	9,569	7,927	1,642
Total Income:	140,221	151,473	(11,252)
Expenses:			
Outreach/Mission	16,527	19,044	(2,517)
Parish Programs	4,365	4,333	32
Operations	21,666	24,217	(2,551)
Personnel	105,164	103,879	1,285
Credit Card Charges		·	·
to be classified	-	-	-
Total Expenses:	147,723	151,473	(3,750)
Income - Expense:	(7,502)	_	(7,502)



We are family; what we do lest, we do together...

Endowment Report

Alex Comfort

I think of May as the "unofficial will-making month." National statistics show that almost sixty percent of wills are written in May and early June. The reason? People are booking vacations for the summer and many of those include flights on planes.

While this fact is a bit amusing, it is true that all of us should have wills and that we should revise them about every five years. Everyone who loves Grace Church and wants it to succeed in the future should consider a gift of one percent, two percent or more to Grace in his or her will. Your attorney can add a quick and easy codicil if you'd like to do so. It could mean a world of difference to our programs and facilities in the decades to come.

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