



# *the* Grace TEAM

to each a ministry

AUGUST 2016

## Parson to Person

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#### The Grace TEAM

is published monthly. Deadline  
for articles is the 15th.

#### 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.

Dear People of Grace,

I am writing this month about the importance of our Children's Sunday School program here at Grace. When we baptize a child, the parents and godparents are asked to make vows regarding the spiritual wellbeing of the child that are similar in importance to the vows that two people make when they are married. These vows are stated as the answers to the following two questions: 1) Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life? and 2) Will you by your prayers and witness help this child grow into the full stature of Christ? To both these questions, the parents and godparents answer, "I will, with God's help."

Bringing the child up in the Christian faith and life and helping the child grow into the full stature of Christ involves at least these three things: 1) teaching the child the Christian faith; 2) living the Christian faith in front of the child; and 3) praying for the child as he or she is formed in the Christian faith.

Years ago, the Church changed the term "Christian Education" to "Christian Formation." Of course, there is an educational component to it. We must teach our children the tenets of the faith, what we believe and why we believe it. But, in order for them to be formed or better yet, *transformed* into a Christian, into the image of Christ, we must put them somewhere where this formation or transformation is likely to take place. A primary place where that happens for young children 3-11 years of age is in Sunday School on Sunday mornings.

With a large enough group bound by camaraderie developed through their younger years, middle school and high school age children may continue to attend Sunday School. Diocesan gatherings also

often provide this critical mass of young people in an atmosphere where middle school and high school children are touched by Christ through camp, conference, and service opportunities.

But, fulfilling the vows we made when we baptized our little ones *starts* in Children's Sunday School and, hopefully, will continue through adulthood.

**"BUT, and this is the 'critical but,' we can't teach them [your children] if they are not there."**

The teachers in our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Program are meeting and working hard to be ready to receive your children this fall. I am going to switch from Adult Education this year and will be teaching fourth and fifth graders downstairs in the classroom across from the Conference Room.

Those of us teaching Children's Sunday School need one thing from you parents. We need you to bring the children to us at

around 10:00 a.m. each Sunday morning when you are in town. We will do our best to help you keep your vows to God about seeing that your children are brought up in the Christian faith and life. BUT, and this is the "critical but," we can't teach them if they are not there.

So, I am asking you on behalf of our Lord Jesus Christ to give your children the gift of bringing them to Sunday School each week that you are able and we will do our best to help them on their journey to grow into the full stature of Christ.

Grace and Peace,  
Fr. Gary Coffey

*Help wanted! Teachers for middle school Sunday School needed. If you're interested in this exciting ministry, please contact Fr. Gary.*

# Events at a Glance

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## Weekly Gospel Bible Study

*Summer hiatus; study resumes Monday, September 12*

## Early Birds Men's Book Study

*Tuesdays, 8:15 a.m., LI*

## Centering Prayer

*Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m., CR*

## Bells and Choir Practice

*No practice for the summer*

## Backpacker Organizational Meeting

*Thursday, August 4, 5:00 p.m., Avenue M*

## Generational Healing Eucharist

*Tuesday, August 2, 7:00 p.m., CH*

## LunchBunch

*Tuesday, August 9, 11:30 a.m.*

## Men of the Church

*Tuesday, August 9, 6:00 p.m.*

## Healing Prayer Services

*Tuesday, August 9, 16, 23, & 30, 7:00 p.m., CH*

## TEAM Meeting

*Wednesday, August 10, 11:00 a.m., OF*

## Order of St. Luke Program Meeting

*Thursday, August 11, 6:30-8:30 p.m., PH*

## Steadfast House Meal

*Friday, August 12, 6:00 p.m.*

## PubSing

*Sunday, August 14: snacks 5:30 p.m.; singing 6:00 p.m.*

## Vestry

*Monday, August 15, 5:30 p.m., LI*

## Taizé Worship Service

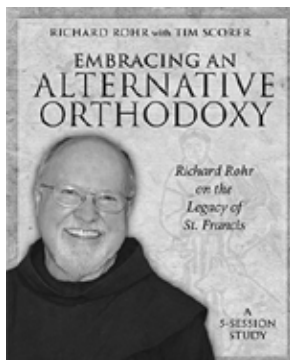
*Sunday, August 21, 8:00 p.m., CH*

## ABCCM Food Drive

*Sunday, August 28*

## All-Parish Potluck Brunch

*Sunday, August 28, 10:00 a.m.*



# Parish News

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**Centering Prayer** meets Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. in the downstairs conference room. All are welcome.

The Tuesday morning **Early Birds** meet at 8:15 on Tuesday mornings in the library and study the Word through book studies. All are welcome.

The **Grace Backpackers'** fall organizational meeting is Thursday, August 4, 5:00 p.m. at Avenue M to discuss the upcoming school year. Current participants as well as anyone interested in getting involved in this project to help provide food for kids in need at Jones Elementary are cordially invited to attend.

**The LunchBunch** meets at Grace on Tuesday, August 9, at 11:30 a.m. From there, we'll head across the street to Marco's for another great lunch get-together. We had a good turnout in July and look forward to seeing you all again! Please let Kathleen Griffin (258-2105 or 337-8241) know if you can come or if you have questions.

The **Men of the Church** meet Tuesday, August 9, 6:00 p.m., at the home of Larry Harris, 330 Stratford Road, Asheville. The meeting starts at 6:00 p.m., and there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the foyer.

The Mountain Chapter of the **Order of St. Luke** meets Thursday, August 11, 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the parish hall. Our program will be a DVD discussion of the Gospel account of Jesus healing the man born blind. We will also watch a DVD clip of Christians praying in Greece to heal a young woman's shoulder. With their invitation and encouragement, the young woman then invites Jesus into her heart.

All are welcome. One does not have to be an OSL member to attend.

Join us for **PubSing**, an informal gathering on the second Sunday evening of each month to sing hymns, old-time Gospel, and Americana inspirational music. We will meet this month on Sunday, August 14, at the French Broad Brewery, 101 Fairview Avenue. Please bring a snack at 5:30 p.m.; singing begins at 6:00 p.m. For more information, contact Monty Wooten at [info@forestguide.com](mailto:info@forestguide.com) or 828-254-1114. Get directions at [frenchbroadbrewery.com/directions/](http://frenchbroadbrewery.com/directions/).

**Ushers needed** for the 11:15 service. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact Ray Kuykendall, 828-231-3083 or 828-645-7766.

# Adult Sunday School

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Join us in the Parish Hall, where we will continue a five week video series featuring Richard Rohr, entitled *Embracing An Alternative Orthodoxy*. All are welcome. This study continues through August 21.

# All-Parish Potluck, August 28



It's another All-Parish Potluck Brunch, and you're invited. Bring your favorite breakfast food and join the fun Sunday, August 28, 10:00 a.m., in the parish hall. It's a great way to get ready for the start of fall Sunday school classes and to re-connect with everyone after the summer.

During our services that day, we will also welcome anyone who is new to our parish. You will be invited to the front of the church where we will welcome you, and share some prayers of welcome and blessing with you. Please call Fr. Coffey at 273-0635. He would love to get you on the welcome list!

# Pig Pickin' on Saturday, September 10

**The Annual Pig Pickin' Barbeque Dinner**, sponsored by the Men of the Church, will happen Saturday, September 10. Tickets are \$12.50 per person or \$37.50 for families of three or more. Admission includes drinks, desserts, and all your favorite pig pickin' trimmings. Leftover pork will be sold as available in quart and gallon bags. Quarts are \$7.50; gallons are \$30.00. Make plans now for this family fun outing. Any questions, please call Ron Sims at 255-8894.



## Consecration of Our New Bishop Saturday, October 1

Consecration of the Rev. Canon José A. McLoughlin as the Seventh Bishop of the Diocese of Western North Carolina will take place Saturday, October 1, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at UNCA's Kimmel Arena. Be watching for more information in the weeks to come.

# Rummage Sale is Closer Than You Think

The Rummage Sale is coming soon! Our annual Rummage Sale is set for Saturday, October 22, 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Please mark your calendars, and start saving your gently used clean clothing, small appliances in working condition, furniture, household items, lamps, art, linens, and much more. We'll start sorting and organizing Tuesday, October 18, and as always, many hands make light work. Helpers are needed! Please contact Nancy Remmers at 298-9789 to volunteer or for more information.

## Bishop Porter Taylor's Retirement Event



### NEW Information!

**Date:** Saturday, August 13

**Place:** Kanuga Conference Center (**changed from Christ School**); Lakeside Pavilion, Fireplace Lounge and outdoor chapel. Kanuga Conference Center is located at 130 Kanuga Chapel Drive, Hendersonville, NC 28739

**Time:** 1 - 4 p.m.

**Activities:** Swimming, face painting, live music by the Summer Chapel Band from Cashiers, snacks, ice cream and cookies, beer and wine, soda (1 - 3 p.m.)



**Schedule:** Begins at **1 p.m.** Car pool if possible. Golf carts will be available to transport those who have trouble walking or who park a distance away from the Pavilion.

**1 - 3 p.m.** Snacks, children's activities, live music, and a running PowerPoint presentation of Bishop Taylor's time with us (Fireplace Lounge in main building). A scrapbook of favorite memories will be done on site. Cards will be provided. Bring a photo you might like included.

**3 p.m.** Presentation of gifts to Bishop Taylor and Jo, unveiling of his portrait and comments from Master of Ceremonies, Canon Jim Pritchett.

**3:30 p.m.** Service of Thanksgiving by Bishop Taylor at the outdoor chapel that is adjacent to the pavilion. In the event of rain, we will use the main chapel.



**BACK-TO-SCHOOL Supplies Needed.** Once again, it's time to collect school supplies for foster children. We are doing a list of "general" school supplies for this year, and we hope to collect supplies for thirty children. There are both boys and girls of all ages and grades. You may purchase as many or as few items as you would like from the list that will be available in the foyer for you to take home and use. Suggested items for donation are pencils (regular and mechanical), pens, colored pencils, notebook paper, composition books, notebooks of all sizes, folders, spiral notebooks of all sizes, pencil cases, erasers, markers, wooden rulers, glue sticks, and backpacks of all sizes. Please return all items to the church no later than **AUGUST 14** so that they may be distributed before school starts.

The members of the Grace Outreach Committee would like to thank you for your support of this project. If you have any questions, please call Sue Thompkins at 828-230-9328.

**ABCCM FOOD DRIVE.** We will be having our summer food drive for the ABCCM shelters and food pantry on **Sunday, August 28**. The food will be delivered to ABCCM on the morning of **August 29**. ABCCM has requested the following items: peanut butter, jelly, canned tuna, and canned fruit. Help us continue to provide food to the hungry members of our community. Your donations are gratefully accepted and appreciated.

## Backpacker Planning Meeting, August 4

There are children right here in our North Asheville community who will be going back to school this fall hungry. In a long and committed partnership with Manna Food Bank, Grace Outreach, through the Backpacker Project, has been trying to make a difference for these kids, especially on weekends when school breakfasts and lunches are not available.

Now, your input is needed as we look ahead to the coming school year. If you are currently involved, please join this meeting **Thursday, August 4, 5:00 p.m. at Avenue M, 791 Merrimon Avenue, Asheville**, and let us know what you think. Also welcome, anyone who would like to know more about becoming a "backpacker."

## Mealtrain.com

Your Pastoral Care Committee at Grace will be using this website to help meet the needs of our parishioners who are ill or have had surgery or have other limitations for preparation of meals.

Mealtrain.com eliminates confusion, duplication, increases support and saves time. This is a free website that provides a shared Meal Train calendar and answers questions about the whats, whens and hows of meal preparation and delivery—and has information about allergies, etc. A unique web address is provided for each individual.

Please check it out. And then, call Kathleen Griffin to offer your input and to ask any questions.

## Healing Prayer Corner

*Jeanne Robertson*

Fall is approaching and it occurred to me to challenge each and every one of you to begin using the gifts that God has given to you. Some of you may be called to the ministry of healing prayer. If so, I would love to talk with you and encourage you to begin searching where you can best use the gift of prayer. One opportunity is coming up this September 17, October 8 and October 22. These three Saturdays have been set aside as a time for the teaching of the twenty-six major healing stories of Jesus. We will meet from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. each Saturday and will become better equipped to pray for others by studying the healing ministry of Jesus, himself. Jesus gives us many different examples of ways we can pray for others. Completion of this course also leads to full membership in The Order of St. Luke, an ecumenical organization dedicated to the Christian healing ministry. If you are interested in taking the course, please contact Jeanne Robertson, who will be facilitating the course, at 828-683-7701 or jrobertson38@me.com. Please tell your friends about the classes and invite them to come with you.

# God's Blessing on the Trail

*John Woodson*

God continues to bless my hike in so many ways, but this week was very special. We arrived in Millinocket, Maine, on Tuesday afternoon with a chance of rain forecasted every day for the rest of the week. One forecast showed the least chance (40%) on Thursday, and I was thinking that should be the day to climb Katahdin. We went to the Baxter State Park Headquarters to find out about making parking reservations and they were about to close at 4:00 p.m., so they couldn't give us much help and asked that we come back on Wednesday morning at 8:00 a.m. As we went outside, a lady who had been standing in the office (angels come in many shapes and forms) came out with us and told us that we could go to the park the next day if we wanted to, and that the weather would probably be better on Wednesday. She let us know that if people who have reservations for parking don't show up by 7:05 a.m., the gatekeeper will start giving away the unclaimed spaces on a first-come basis.

We had nothing to lose but a couple of hours of sleep, so we decided to take a chance the next morning and go. All that could happen is that we wouldn't get in, and we would go back the next day with a reservation. We got up early on Wednesday and drove out to the park. It just happened that we arrived in the line at the gatehouse a little before 7:00 a.m. As the few cars in front of us were being checked in and allowed to pass with their reservations in hand, we made our way up to the gate, looking all the while at the sign that said all parking lots were full. When we pulled up to the gatehouse, I explained to the gatekeeper what my hiking plan was and where I needed parking spaces. She looked at her list and at her clock, and said, "Well, it is now 7:05, so it looks like I can give you some open spaces we have." Then she filled out a permit card for us, looked at the Maine license plates on our rental car (it is a \$14 entrance fee for non-Maine residents, as determined by car registration) and let us pass through with no fees at all charged. I was able to do my planned hike from one side of the mountain to the other, with Beth driving to the other end to pick me up, and the weather stayed perfect all day, with only a little sprinkle of rain as I was coming down the final stretch of trail. I got great pictures and had one of the most memorable hikes of my life. God certainly works wonders if you trust and believe.



*From Beth on July 24: John called after he crossed the Kennebec River and climbed to high enough to get a signal. 3 more days to Strattan, MA. He seems to be in good spirits. The fellow that operates the canoe ferry noticed that John was good with a paddle. Told him he should consider being a Maine river guide. I think he will pass on that.*

*Enjoy more from John on Facebook.*

# New Leadership, New Ideas for Ushers

*(From Ray Kuykendall, new scheduler for 9:15 and 11:00 ushers)*

First, let me say “Well done!” to Larry Harris for conducting this ministry for us at Grace for the past twenty years. He is now ready to step back and let somebody else take a turn.

With that being said, I have agreed to attempt to fill his shoes. I’m sure I’ll make mistakes along the way and will struggle at times, but with Larry as a help and guide, I’m sure I’ll manage.

On another note, Father Gary, Father Bob and the Vestry have been discussing the creation of a response team in the event of a medical emergency, fire, lost child, somebody disrupting the services, etc. We feel that our ushers are our first line of defense/offense.

While we don’t want to discourage you or scare you into not ushering, we do think that a sense of awareness and a plan of action would help, and the ushers should be the first to act.

I would like to set up a meeting with as many of the ushers as possible to discuss our duties and ideas. Would early this month work? Maybe we could plan a meal or meet over dinner someplace.

I would love to here your thoughts. Please get in touch at 828-231-3083 or 828-645-7766.

*Thank you, Larry, for your many years of service! You deserve a break and we hope you’ll enjoy it. Also, thank you, Ray, for taking up the reins. We know you’ll do a great job of organizing and scheduling our 9:00 and 11:15 ushers. And speaking of the ushers, this seems to be an appropriate time to thank you as well, both past and present. As the first friendly faces our visitors see when they enter the church and as guides when seating is tight and during communion, you are the best!*

## Ministry Schedule “Glossary”

*Each monthly issue of the Grace TEAM includes a full-page “Ministry Schedule” for the month.*

*For those of you who serve in these ministries, it’s important to check this schedule carefully and maybe even stick it on the refrigerator as a reminder. For those of you who don’t serve, but may have wondered about some of the titles, abbreviations and acronyms, here are a few explanations you might find interesting.*

- Acolyte C: The acolyte who processes in and out carrying the cross; this person also holds the Bible for our Deacon when she reads the Gospel lesson.
- Acolyte G: The acolyte carrying a candle (also called a torch) on the Gospel or left side of the church if you’re facing the altar.
- Acolyte E: The acolyte carrying a candle on the Epistle or right side of the church facing the altar.
- L, I, P: The Lector reads the lessons; the Intercessor leads the Prayers of the People; the Presenters process to the altar with the bread and wine for the Eucharist.
- Chalicians: The Chalicians administer the wine at Communion.

*Also on our Ministry Schedule, you’ll find volunteers for the Healing Team, Ushers, Coffee Hour, Counters and Depositors, Flower Arrangers and the Altar Guild. All these ministries are important to the life of Grace Church and are so meaningful to those who serve. Thank you to each of you.*

*And if you’d like to learn more about getting involved, check with the church office for contact information.*

## August 2016 Ministry Schedule

Date	Service Time	Acolyte C	Acolyte G	Acolyte E	Lector, Intercessor & Presenters	Healing Team	Ushers	Chalicians	Coffee Hour	Scripture	Lesson
<b>Aug 7</b>											
	7:45				Deb Gravatt	Andrew Dahm	James Cannon				
	9:00	Harrison Best	Andrew Best	Cuyler Dupree	L,I,P - Walt Noble, Ray Kuykendall, Kuykendall family	Louise Wernicke Patricia Hargrove	Paul and Vicki Vest	1. Zoe Davis 2. Scott Best	Cuyler Dupree	Genesis 15:1-6	1st Lesson
	11:15	Rusty McCredie	Olivia Nery	Sally Withers	L,I,P - Kristen Dusenbery, Jenny Thomas	Pat Davis Karen Compton	Ron and Jeanne Sims	1. Carol McMichael 2. Cliff Albertson	Volunteer	Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16	2nd Lesson
<b>Aug 14</b>											
	7:45				Deb Gravatt	Ed Duncan	Margaret Dahm				
	9:00	Alternate	Helena Cullen	Daphne Urquhart	L,I,P - Vicki Vest, Bill Crownover, the Vest Family	Jeanne Robertson Kathy Oesterlin	Mickey and Tricia Trinite	1. Cuyler Dupree 2. Greg Townsend	Paul Vest	Jeremiah 23:23-29	1st Lesson
	11:15	Mark Silvers	Ellie Silvers	Jonah Silvers	L,I,P - Sally Coburn, Kimberly Kneier	Mary Israel Corinne Spencer	Elaine Potter Paul Stewart	1. Charles Carter 2. Kimberly Kneier	Volunteer	Hebrews 11:29-12:2	2nd Lesson
<b>Aug 21</b>											
	7:45				Deb Gravatt	Steve Jones	James Cannon				
	9:00	Cade Wooten	Cheryl Deaton	Louise Wernicke	L,I,P - Paul Urquhart, Daphne Urquhart, Daphne & Paul Urquhart	Pat Davis Jane Whitman	Doug Haidane Jim Siemens	1. Carol Booth 2. Cuyler Dupree	Katherine Kaderabek	Isaiah 58:9b-14	1st Lesson
	11:15	Cheryl Aull	Grace Miller	Eric Howell	L,I,P - Cal and Nancy Remmers	Sonny Rawls Karen Compton	Larry and LuAnn Harris	1. Bill Warren 2. Mark Silvers	Georgi Bruce	Hebrews 12:18-29	2nd Lesson
	Taizé 8:00 PM				I - James Cannon L - Monty Wooten	Deb Gravatt					
<b>Aug 28</b>											
	7:45				Deb Gravatt	Andrew Dahm	Jack Frue				
	9:00	Lisle Ellington	Maya Bell	Laura Ellington	L,I,P - Louise Cate, Cuyler Dupree, Louise & Cuyler	Jeanne Robertson Shari Lane	Derek and Wade Edwards	1. Greg Townsend 2. Ann Robinson	Micki Newton	Sirach 10:12-18	1st Lesson
	11:15	Bob Grimes	Ellie Silvers	Jonah Silvers	L,I,P - Eric Howell, Joel Rogers	Mary Israel Sonny Rawls	Bob Turner Ed Woechener	1. Sally Coburn 2. Bill Spencer	Mary Ann Warren	Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16	2nd Lesson
<b>Altar Guild</b>											
<b>Date</b>	<b>Counters</b>	<b>Depositors</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Flower Arrangers</b>	<b>Altar Guild</b>						
7-Aug	Steve Birkhofer	James Cannon	7-Aug	Davis/Jones	Group 1 - Aug 6 - Aug 12						
14-Aug	Martha Boyette	Judy Bohan	14-Aug	Newton/Israel	Group 2 - Aug 13 - Aug 19						
21-Aug	Sally Withers	Chal & Hugh Vaughn	21-Aug	Newton/Israel	Group 3 - Aug 20 - Aug 26						
28-Aug	Georgi Bruce	Anne Simmons	28-Aug	Shearouse	Group 4 - Aug 27 - Sept 2						



# Our Prayer List

August

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; Chris Carson** (*son of Martha & Randy*); **Molly Coffey; Barbara Crownover; Nathan Crownover** (*son of Bill & Barbara Crownover*); **Carol; Ed Denison; Eunice Ferguson; Rebecca Harris; Mary Hayes; Mary Israel; Wendy Kuykendall; Nancy Porter; Doris Rigsby; Corey & Tsz-yan Snyder & family; Corinne Spencer; Mike St. Clair; Barbara & Chuck Wilcox.**

*For Homebound Parishioners and Those in Healthcare Facilities:* **Henny Caldwell; David & Peggie Carey; Rusk Henry; June Kelley; Rita Lyda; Neill Mason; Joan Sanderson; Mary Ida Sprague; Laura Stephens; 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):* **Ashley** (*daughter of Henry Watts*); **Carolyn & Winn Baker** (*friends of Bob & Jeannette Reese*); **Jeanne; Deane Boggs** (*sister of Joyce Noble*); **Jenn Chenowith** (*friend of Joyce & Walt Noble*); **Ryan Conrad** (*friend of Julia Anne Dawson*); **Debbie D.** (*friend of Lynda McCredie*); **Kelli Davis** (*daughter of George & Pat Davis*); **Austin Drum** (*brother of Nancy Clark*); **Kacie Epley** (*cousin of Vicki & Paul Vest*); **Danny Hall** (*brother-in-law of David Gentry*); **Bill & Mary Hayes** (*parents of Rick Hayes*); **Priscilla Hickey** (*sister-in-law of Barbara & Chuck Wilcox*); **Donald Israel** (*brother-in-law of Mary Israel*); **Donna Johnson** (*friend of Suzanne & Doug Bowie*); **Jeff Johnston** (*cousin of Eva Dupree*); **Kathleen Johnson** (*friend of Barbara & Chuck Wilcox*); **Jeff Johnston** (*cousin of Eva Dupree*); **Jim Monroe** (*friend of Jeannette & Bob Reese*); **Jennifer Svenstrup** (*friend of Paul & Vicki Vest*); **Nancy Temple** (*friend of Billy Gray*); **Lara Weaver** (*daughter of Jackie Schauer*); **Vincent** (*friend of Jeannette & Bob Reese*); **Dee & Cindy** (*friends of Kathleen Griffin*); **Elizabeth; Lou** (*mother of Kim Hayes*); **Pam** (*friend of Cheryl Aull*); **Sue; Susan.**

*For Those in the Episcopal Church:* **Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Jose, our Bishop-elect; 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 Who Have Died and Their Families:* **Roberta Alexander** (*wife of Charles Alexander*); **Chad Lovett** (*friend of Tom & Liz Barr*).

*In Thanksgiving:* **For Those Who Serve to Protect Our Way of Life.**

*For Those in Service to Our Country:* **Tommy & Danny Brown** (*grandsons of Ed & Marla Woeckener*); **Matthew George** (*son of Zoe Davis*); **Austin Harrison** (*grandson of Joan Sanderson*); **Jon Holland** (*parishioner*); **Spencer & Erica High; Jason Marino** (*son of Lynda McCredie*); **Daniel Schultz** (*son of Judy Rhodes*); **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; for resolution of the crises throughout our world.**

## August Anniversaries

Ray and Jeanne Robertson	3
Bill and Corinne Spencer	3
Rita and Roger Lyda	5
Cal and Nancy Remmers	5
Derek and Elaine Dephouse	6
Paul and Vicki Vest	6
Gary and Astrid Coffey	11
Peter Oesterling and Kathy Oesterlin	22
Sylvia and Gordon Greenwood	23
Bill and Glenda Sanderson	25

## August Birthdays

3 Alyce Patrick	17 Cheryl Aull
4 Bill Coward	17 Casey Ward
5 Peter Sprague	18 Dave Ely
6 Ella Doran	18 Dorothy Engel
6 Beth Stahl	18 Anna-Kate Hall
8 Hamilton Cort	19 William Sanderson III
8 Clara Engelbrecht	20 Jean Haldane
8 Vicky Lopez	20 Hunter Israel
9 Cuyler Dupree	20 Wendy Kuykendall
10 Glenn Cullen	20 Carl Loftin
10 Todd Kaderabek	21 Brad Thorne
10 Micki Newton	24 Will Israel
11 Barb Bell	24 Kathy Oesterlin
12 Rita Lyda	26 Henry Watts
12 John Rigsby	27 Jack Frue
13 Bryn Whitner	28 Stephanie Cochran
14 Karen Compton	30 Ron Sims
15 Martha Bell	30 Lucinda Watkins

## Gifts to Appreciate

The Aumbry Candle is given to the Glory of God by Don Hawkins in memory of his wife, Martie.

The flowers are given to the Glory of God:

by Katie and Mike Nery in celebration and thanksgiving for their daughters, Natalie and Olivia;

by Ashley and Will Israel in loving memory of Ashley's father, Jon Clifton Witt;

by Joe Aull in thanksgiving for Cheryl, Michael, Da-AE, Bill, Debbie, Harrison, Mallory, and Chelsea;

by Georgi Bruce in memory of her husband, Robert Bruce;

in loving memory of Theresa Sabo;

by Grace Lynn Miller in loving memory of her mother, Kimberley McFarland.

*Sunday, July 3,  
during the 9:00 service, we welcomed  
Genevieve Claire Perez,  
daughter of Dave and Kristin Perez,  
granddaughter of  
Francisco and Eleesa Perez,  
and of Father Gary and Astrid Coffey,  
into the church through the sacrament of  
Holy Baptism.  
Genevieve is sealed by the Holy Spirit in  
Baptism and marked as Christ's own  
forever.*



# Positive Trend Continues

## Statement of Activities - Grace Church Year to Date - June 2016

	Actual	Budget	Variance
<b>Income:</b>			
Pledges	190,214	164,500	25,714
Prior Year Pledges	5,190	2,245	2,945
Non-pledged Offerings	25,055	20,598	4,457
Open Offering	9,642	5,221	4,421
Interest	40	35	5
Misc.	5,789	8,628	(2,839)
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>235,929</b>	<b>201,227</b>	<b>34,703</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>			
Outreach/Mission	22,121	25,707	(3,585)
Parish Programs	5,941	6,031	(90)
Operations	36,272	34,732	1,540
Personnel	138,483	134,757	3,725
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>202,817</b>	<b>201,227</b>	<b>1,590</b>
<b>Income Less Expenses:</b>	<b>33,112</b>	<b>(0)</b>	<b>33,112</b>

Pledge receipts through the end of June totaled \$190,214 compared to projected pledges of \$164,500. Considering all income sources, income received to date totaled \$235,929; while we projected income to be \$201,227. We ended the month with another positive variance in overall projected income of \$34,703. We continue to experience a very positive trend in overall income.

The positive income variance thus far was reduced somewhat by expenses which were greater than budgeted amounts by \$1590. When subtracted from the positive income variance of \$34,703, our income less expenses resulted in a still healthy surplus of more than \$33,112 for the year.

While we are still moving in a positive direction, we continue to encourage prayer and attention to our stewardship efforts.

Your Vestry

### HELPING THOSE IN NEED

On the third Sunday of each month, we collect the funds from our Loose Plate Offering for our Parish Ministry Fund to help people in need. We appreciate the generous donations that allow us to assist those who unexpectedly come to us in need.

