

Grace Episcopal Church

The Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

July 5, 2020

Everyone is welcome here at Grace! All who seek God and are drawn to know Christ in a deeper way are welcome to receive the bread and wine of Holy Communion. If you are our guest this morning, we would like to hear about your hopes and dreams. Please fill out the Welcome card in the pew pocket and place it in the offering plate. Fr. Butterworth would enjoy getting to know you better. You may reach him through the church office at 254-1086.

10:30 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST RITE ||

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND BAPTISMAL REMEMBRANCE

At the tolling of the tower bell, the congregation is asked to stand.



OPENING HYMN: This Day God Gives Me

THIS DAY GOD GIVES ME

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THE ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

- *Celebrant* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.
- All Amen

THE HYMN OF PRAISE: S-280 Gloria in excelsis

Glory to god in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father, Amen

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

| Celebrant | The Lord be with you. |
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| People | And also with you. |
| Celebrant | Let us pray. |

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST READING: Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67

The servant said to Laban, "I am Abraham's servant. The Lord has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. My master made me swear, saying, 'You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; but you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son.' "I came today to the spring, and said, 'O Lord, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, "Please give me a little water from your jar to drink," and who will say to me, "Drink, and I will draw for your camels also" —let her be the woman whom the Lord has appointed for my master's son.'

"Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, 'Please let me drink.' She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, 'Drink, and I will also water your camels.' So I drank, and she also watered the camels. Then I asked her, 'Whose daughter are you?' She said, 'The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bore to him.' So I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. Then I bowed my head and worshiped the Lord, and blessed the Lord, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master's kinsman for his son. Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left."

And they called Rebekah, and said to her, "Will you go with this man?" She said, "I will." So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham's servant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, "May you, our sister, become thousands of myriads; may your offspring gain possession of the gates of their foes." Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus the servant took Rebekah, and went his way. Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was settled in the Negeb. Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, and said to the servant, "Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?" The servant said, "It is my master." So she took her veil and covered herself. And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's

tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

PSALM 45: 11-18 (Said in unison)

"Hear, O daughter; consider and listen closely; * forget your people and your father's house.

The king will have pleasure in your beauty; * he is your master; therefore do him honor.

The people of Tyre are here with a gift; * the rich among the people seek your favor."

All glorious is the princess as she enters; * her gown is cloth-of-gold.

In embroidered apparel she is brought to the king; * after her the bridesmaids follow in procession.

With joy and gladness they are brought, * and enter into the palace of the king.

"In place of fathers, O king, you shall have sons; * you shall make them princes over all the earth.

I will make your name to be remembered from one generation to another; * therefore nations will praise you for ever and ever."

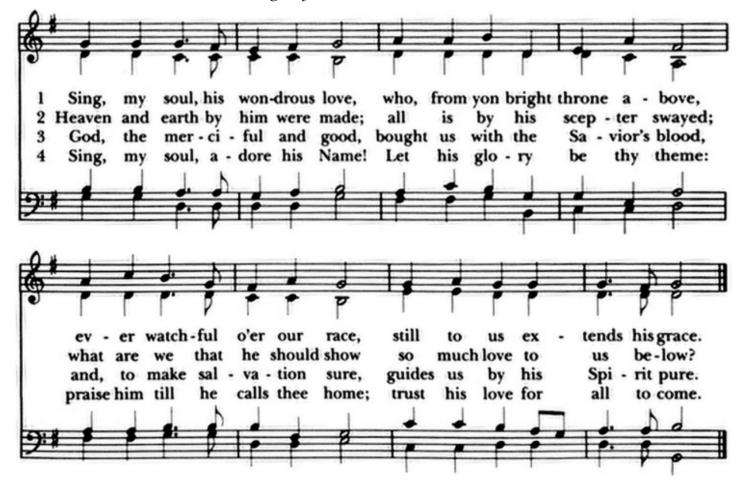
THE SECOND READING: Romans 7:15-25a

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

| Reader | The word of the Lord. |
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| People | Thanks be to God. |

THE GOSPEL HYMN: 467 Sing My Soul His Wondrous Love



CelebrantThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Jesus said to the crowd, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

| People | Praise to you, Lord Christ. |
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| Celebrant | The Gospel of the Lord. |

| TIME WITH CHILDREN | Fr. Gary |
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| THE HOMILY | Fr. Gary |
| (Quiet Time for Reflection) | |
| THE NICENE CREED (standing) | |
| We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, | |
| maker of heaven and earth, | |
| of all that is, seen and unseen. | |
| We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, | |

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit

eternally begotten of the Father,

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Form IV

Book of Common Prayer 388

The response to "Lord, in your mercy" is "Hear our prayer."



PRAYER FOR THE COMPLETION OF OUR SEARCH

Intercessor invites congregation to say together:

All Almighty God, giver of every good gift: We thank you for guiding the minds of those who assisted in choosing our new rector; we pray for our new Rector, Milly, who will be our faithful pastor, who will care for us and equip us for our ministries, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor

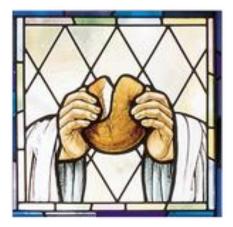
- All Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.
- *Celebrant* Almighty God, have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*

THE PEACE

- *Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.
- *People* And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION



THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM: 692 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

"Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." Matthew 11:29



TEXT: Horatius Bonar, 1846 MUSIC: English Country Songs, 1893; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906 KINGSFOLD CMD

BCP 361

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A (standing)

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them to the Lord.CelebrantLet us give thanks to the Lord our God.PeopleIt is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

A Proper Preface is inserted.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

SANCTUS

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Holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional Version)

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM: (recited)

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CelebrantChrist our Passover is sacrificed for us;AllTherefore let us keep the feast.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

POST COMMUNION PRAYER (standing)

Celebrant Let us pray.

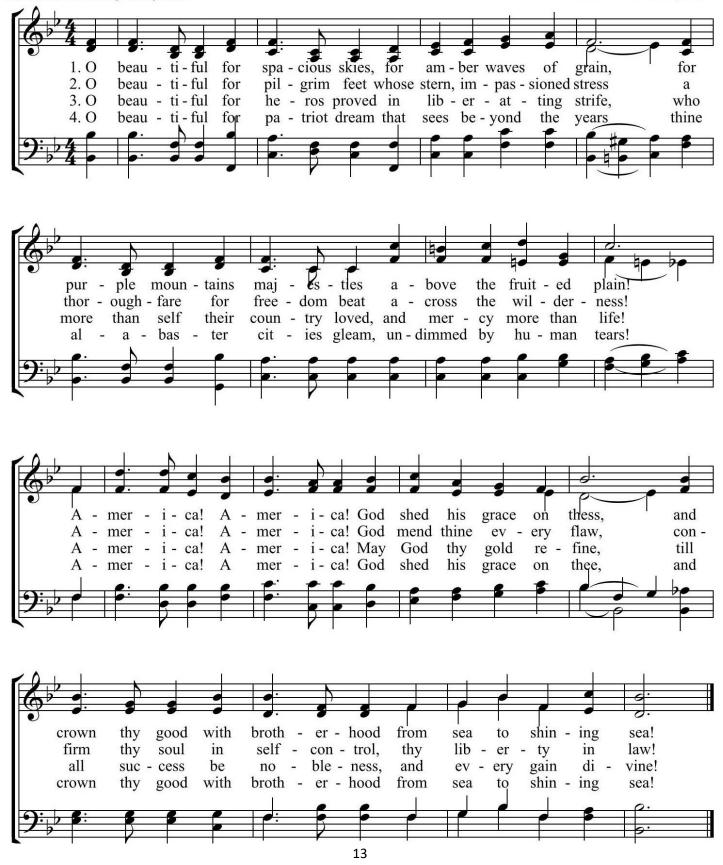
AllLord of the Feast,
we thank you for gathering us as your people.
We call to remembrance the many times
we have been fed at your table
and we lament our distance now.
Be present Lord Jesus
as you were present with your disciples,
be known to us in the breaking of the bread,
and may your Holy Spirit sustain us
and all your Church
until we can gather together again.
We ask this for the sake of your love.
Amen.

THE BLESSING

THE HYMN IN PROCESSION: America the Beautiful (vs. 1 & 4)

Katharine L. Bates, 1893, 1904

Samuel A. Ward, 1882



THE DISMISSAL

CelebrantLet us go forth in the name of Christ.PeopleThanks be to God.

THE POSTLUDE

The Aumbry Candle is given to the Glory of God by Nora and Steve Jones in thanksgiving for their parents.

The flowers are given to the Glory of God in memory of Heber and June Peacock by the Duncan and Drake families.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our physical Church building is closed due to recommendations made regarding protecting us all from the COVID-19 virus. Therefore, all in-person meetings are cancelled or postponed until further notice. Join us online at our YouTube Channel, Facebook page, or via Zoom Web Conferencing. Access a link at the top of our webpage at <u>www.graceavl.com</u> and see more information below.



FATHER GARY'S LAST SUNDAY ~ JULY 19TH From the Grace Gatherings #15 letter, Fr. Gary says: "I want to share with you my timeline for the remainder of my time at Grace. My last day with you will be Sunday, July 19th. Between now and then I will be wrapping up some loose ends, ... getting things ready for your new rector to come aboard on August 3rd. I will continue to be in the office on Wednesdays so if you want or need to stop by just send the church or Gary an e-mail.

See the front page of the July Grace TEAM Newsletter at <u>https://www.graceavl.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/07_2020_GT.pdf</u> for a message from Gary, along with his contact info on the last page. There on page 4 you will also find a tribute from Kim Hayes, which I've also published below.

THANK YOU, GARY BUTTERWORTH. Over the last twenty-one months, as promised, you have challenged us, you have asked the hard questions, you have aggravated us, you have made us laugh, and you have encouraged us. Before we even knew how much we would need it, you were also instrumental in equipping Grace with the technology we would need to continue being church today. You have truly been a "disrupter extraordinaire" as you have helped us prepare for the arrival of a new rector. You have done your job well.

You were ready to leave us this past spring. Your work was done. Who could have anticipated the unexpected and frightening arrival of a disrupter far greater than anything we had dealt with before? A global pandemic swept across our country and the world, and in a matter of weeks, everything—our way of doing church, our way of communicating, our way of living our lives—changed.

We're so grateful you were willing to stay with us, Fr. Gary, helping us find our way in this new and disturbing landscape. Since then, your role as disrupter has morphed into the role of guide. You, too, were disrupted, but you stayed on, walking with us, sharing your insights and wisdom, and revealing your own struggles.

Today, as streets already decimated by the impact of COVID-19 erupt in violence and protest, and as the nation grieves, your message of hope and "Eastering" resonates deep within us. You have proclaimed a hard message of love, forgiveness, peace and compassion. You have reminded us that we are all family, no matter what color we are, and that we are all called to respect and care for one another. We will do our best to hold that message in our hearts and minds.

So now, after many unexpected bends in our road together, we are about to send you off into a well-deserved retirement. Go with our thanks, our blessings and our love, Fr. Gary.

In your own words, we give you this benediction: "Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us, so be swift to love and make haste to be kind. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord."

HAVE YOU BORROWED A BOOK FROM FR. GARY+? As Fr. Gary is packing up his office, he is reminded of all the books he has loaned out and have not been returned. If Gary+ loaned you a book, please return it before he leaves.

LET'S WRITE THE NEXT CHAPTER OF GRACE



I wish you all could have been in the Parish Hall when the Vestry voted unanimously to call the **Rev. Milly Morrow** to be our next Rector.

The day itself had been a full one for the Vestry and Rev. Milly, starting with breakfast at Pat and Nancy Walters' house, followed by a lunch in the Parish Hall, and finally a dinner that Friday night with Rev. Milly and her husband, Bill.

At each gathering, our appreciation for her leadership, energy and heart grew more and more as did our thanks for the year

of commitment and hard work the Discernment Committee had spent helping to get the Vestry to this moment.

Then following dinner on Friday night and after she and Bill had left for home, it was time for the Vestry to vote on calling Rev. Milly to be our next Rector.

As I put the motion forward, the Vestry voted "Yes!" unanimously and enthusiastically! The room was electric with the Holy Spirit present!

Then <u>the</u> moment came. It was time to call Rev. Milly. At first the room was silent. But when I called her and told her we had voted and wanted her to be our new Rector, the room erupted in cheering, applause, and celebration!

It was as if your favorite team had scored the winning touchdown for the national championship with three seconds left on the clock.

I hope you're feeling the Holy Spirit stirring you up right now, just as it did the Vestry.

Let's grasp this moment together! Let's write the next chapter of Grace guided by the Holy Spirit, and move forward in faith and love, serving each person in God's name.

Faithfully yours,

Doug McClellan Senior Warden

FAREWELL, BOB AND JEANNETTE!

Bob and Jeannette, thank you for everything you did for all of us at Grace.

You were and still are much more than clergy to us—you are our friends.

We appreciate your time with us and the words you spoke in the hallways, in the Parish Hall and from the pulpit. Your words



guided us, nourished us, and encouraged us to press on, both in the good times and bad.

We especially appreciate when you sat with us in the waiting rooms of hospitals and bedsides of nursing homes, giving us hope and comfort by your very presence. So many times, you were the first ones there—God's arms around us as we prayed for loved ones who were injured, suffering and at death's door.

On Sundays, your taking the lead with breakfast was the gift we needed to come together as one community again. In the afternoons, your picking and fiddling kept our feet tapping and our hands clapping down by the river and on the hardwood floors at church and venues around town.

On Mondays, you gave us the great gifts of learning, humor and fellowship as you brought us together in the Word at our Monday Morning Bible Study Class.

And although you had to leave in a hurry, we respect and support you as you remain faithful servants to the Lord in your call in Georgia.

You've returned to those familiar marshes and ocean where you preached, taught and healed for so many years. And you're back by the side of Bishop Frank Logue who reached out to you, asking for your help as the new Bishop of the Diocese of Georgia. You are where God wants you now, loved by Grace and with our blessings.

Doug McClellan Senior Warden

VIRTUAL SERVICES AND MEETINGS

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| All In-Person Services and Church Related Meetings are Suspended Until Further Notice | | | | | | | | | |
| - | Sunday Morning Coffee Hour ZOOM | Monday Morning Bible Study ZOOM | Wednesday Center | ring Prayer ZOOM | Compline 8pm Nightly | (except Sunday) | | | |
| Welcome to Grace's newly called Rector, The Reverend Milly Morrow | | | | | | | | | |
| Sunday 10:30am and Wednesday 12:15pm Services Live Stream Sunday, June 14, Bulletin PDF | | | | | | | | | |
| | Holy Eucharist with Heali | ing Prayers PDF An Order for Compli | ine PDF Book of C | Common Prayer PDF | COVID-19 Resource | s | | | |
| | Fr. | Gary's Latest "Grace Gatherings" Letter #1 | 14, June 10, 2020 | Personal Prayer Availab | le | | | | |
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Sunday Holy Eucharist Service, 10:30 a.m.

Live Streamed: Find buttons to the service, bulletin and Book of Common Prayer near the top of our homepage at <u>graceavl.com</u>. Note: If you miss the Live Stream at 10:30, it will take some time to post on the Grace YouTube Channel. However, just go to YouTube and put Grace Church Asheville in the search field. Scroll down beyond the "Latest from Grace Church Asheville" and the video should be there. Sunday Morning Virtual Coffee Hour, 11:30 a.m. via Zoom Join Zoom Meeting: See button near top of website. Compline: Every Evening except Sunday at 8 p.m. On Facebook Live ~ facebook.com/pg/graceasheville/videos/ See button near top of website at graceavl.com/ for the Compline PDF. Monday Morning Bible Study Mondays, 10:30 a.m., Zoom Join Zoom Meeting – click turquoise button on website. Outreach Meeting, Tuesday, July 7, 5:30 p.m., Zoom To join the Zoom Meeting, go to https://zoom.us/, Click "Join a Meeting" Meeting ID: 810 2004 9709; Password: 521898 Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing, Wednesdays, at 12:15 p.m. Live Streamed on our YouTube Channel; Link & bulletin at graceavl.com. Centering Prayer, Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m., Zoom To join the Zoom Meeting, click on the button near the top of graceavl.com. 18

Lay Leadership & Rector Meeting, Thursdays, 10:30 a.m., Zoom Education for Ministry ~ EfM~ Thursdays, 6 p.m., Zoom Nancy Remmers Memorial Service, Saturday, July 1^{8th} at 11 a.m.

Email <u>grace.church.asheville@gmail.com</u> or call the church office to request a spot to attend in person (Limited to 20 between the church and the parish hall). Live Streamed on our YouTube Channel: See link at <u>graceavl.com</u>; Use gold "...Services Live Stream" button or see link in red on lower right side of website home page. Also, look for a button on our website for the bulletin to Nancy's service.

COMPLINE EVERY EVENING AT 8 P.M. except Sunday

on Grace's Facebook Page. Join us at <u>facebook.com/pg/graceasheville/videos/</u>. Access a link and **An Order for Compline Booklet** at <u>graceavl.com/</u> which you can download or read online.



We are grateful to the following folks who will be doing Compline starting Monday, July $6^{\rm th}.$

- Mondays: Bill & Becky Smith
- Tuesdays: Nancy & Pat Walters
- Wednesdays: Fr. Gary & Mother Milly
- Thursday: Jim & Elise Cassarino
- Fridays: Elaine Potter
- Saturdays: James Cannon

Two pinch hitters and/or rotational folks:

- Cliff Albertson
- Sydnor Thompson



ELECTRONIC GIVING: Grace Church can now receive electronic giving via our website at <u>www.graceavl.com</u>. There is a "Give to Grace" button on the top blue banner of our home page, in the right hand corner.

MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY IS ON ZOOM:

On Mondays at 10:30 AM, we meet as a group online through Zoom, and study the scriptures for the upcoming Sunday service. EVERYONE can join in. We welcome you and want to see your lovely faces. Please join us by clicking on the button at <u>graceavl.com/</u>.



READERS AND INTERCESSORS WELCOME! According to our Bishop's direction, we are now able to have up to 10 people in our indoor worship space. Therefore, Fr. Gary is inviting everyone (no requirement to have been a reader or intercessor before) to let us know if you would like to come to church on Sunday to read a scripture selection or the prayers of the people during our LiveStreamed services. You will also be invited to receive the consecrated bread.



We are making a list of those interested and Fr. Gary will contact you to see about availability for a particular Sunday. To keep everyone safe, you will be required to wear a mask while in service except while you are reading, sanitize your hands upon entering the building, and sit in a pew at least 6 feet away from others in the church unless you are with your family members. If you develop any symptoms of Covid-19, you are asked to not come to the church and let us know if you are unable to read on the Sunday you are scheduled to do so. We hope to enrich our service with more people who will read, so if you are interested, please let us know.

FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS: As followers of Jesus, there is no better time than now in



the midst of a global pandemic, killings, riots, and so much anger, fear and grief to let our light shine! **Friday Night Lights** is a time when we can safely, informally gather outside at sunset as a small, visible sign of Christ in a troubled world.

For everyone's protection, social distancing will be practiced, masks will be required and the group will be limited to 25 participants. A

table near the church parking lot will have hand sanitizer and masks for your use. Bring your own chairs or blankets and a candle, flashlight, cellphone light, etc.

Again this summer, something is happening on the front lawn of Grace Church on Friday nights. If you arrive around 8:30 p.m., the sun will be about to set. Please join us if you are able and let your light shine! ~ Peace, Kim Hayes

SPECIAL APPEAL FOR HELP WITH OUR TECHNOLOGY! Grace is blessed



through the foresight of our Interim Rector and an enlightened Vestry to possess a state-of-the-art audio video streaming system. There was no way to foresee when it was installed the value it now carries. Whether we like it or not this technology is now the "new normal" and the sole way many folks are able to experience church in these social distancing times. We are so thankful and glad to be able to offer streaming. This week marked our third

month of streaming live services (30) to YouTube and FaceBook (76). A **critical need now exists for "streaming technicians" to operate the cameras for the church-based services.** Please prayerfully consider making an appointment to get a first-hand look into what makes the Sunday "live" service happen and possibly discover if you might be called to this special ministry. This is a multi-generational ministry open to youth with a gaming skill set and adults who are now bored after having wired-out their smart phones. Please contact James Cannon or the church office to explore this exciting new ministry opportunity.

MATCH A MONTH: Your generosity has made it possible for Grace Outreach to continue helping those most impacted by COVID-19 over the past months. We have given to ABCCM Crisis Ministry, MANNA Food Bank, Homeward Bound/Room In the Inn, Church of

the Advocate, Southside Kitchen/Give a Share, the ACS Family Resource Center, and most recently, the ABCCM Medical Ministry (\$907 from the GO Box project!). Thank you so very much!

Moving forward, we invite you to join us again in supporting the agencies doing the most to help our community. "Match-A-Month" will match your total donations up to \$300 at the end of this month and again next month, and those funds will be donated to an agency you can help Grace Outreach select. To give, use the online giving option on the Grace website (go to graceavl.com, click on "Give to Grace," choose the "Outreach" fund, put "Match" in the "Note" box, and enter the amount you wish to give). You may also send a check to the church with "Match" on the memo line. A recipient agency will be selected at the end of the month, and we'll be glad to consider suggestions you might have (email kimhys53@gmail.com). Donations are already coming in, so again – thank you, Grace Parish!



PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY: In this time of social distancing and people staying



home to avoid possible infection we would like to remind you that we have a cards and calls ministry that can help those who are in need of a friendly call or a chance to talk with someone. If you know of anyone who would be cheered by such a call, please email me and I or one of our volunteers will be happy to give that person a call. My email is: <u>Clifford.albertson@verizon.net.</u>

~ Cliff Albertson, Pastoral Care Ministry Leader

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO NEEDS HELP WITH THE

INTERNET? If you or someone in the parish that you know would like to have a meeting on ZOOM, our online meeting portal, or would like to join a meeting or see a service, but is having a



challenge, let us know! Perhaps they don't have the equipment they need, or they aren't sure how to set it up. **This might be a Ministry you'd like be involved with, to help others get internet connected.** To set up a time for a Zoom meeting, get some training, let us know about challenges or to ask a question or two, contact Valerie at <u>grace.church.asheville@gmail.com</u> or Fr. Gary at <u>gary.butterworth@gmail.com</u>.

OUR PRAYER LIST

For Parishioners: Chris Carson (son of Martha & Randy); Nancy Clark; Cheryl Deyton; Cuyler Dupree; Eva Dupree; Dorothy Engel; Eunice Ferguson; Doug Haldane; Marzy Israel; Don and Ann Lewis; Gael Paschall; Nancy Porter; Sonny Rawls; Laura & Tsz-yan Snyder; Corinne Spencer; Rita Spragg; Sydnor and Kelly Thompson; Greg Townsend; Mickey Trinite; Pat Walters; Judy Warner; Katie Warren; Jane Whitman; Don Wills; Pat; Chrissy.

For Homebound Parishioners and Those in Healthcare Facilities: Henny Caldwell; Bobbie Eblen; Ed Denison, Straudia Luedtke; Rita Lyda; Marion Mayfield-Johnson; Tom Paine; Deb Pegel; Cal Remmers; Laura Stephens.

<u>For Others</u> (names will stay on the list for six weeks; call Kathleen Griffin or the office to keep names on the list for a longer time): Jayne Bowersox; Carolyn Brown (friend of Ray & Jeanne Robertson); Deane Brown (brother of Barbara Wilcox); Melinda Franks (sister of Becky Smith); William Fredericksen (brother of Barbara Wilcox); Robin Fulk (niece of Charlotte & Travers Chiott); Judy Hinman (sister of Barbara Wilcox); Suzanne LaCour (friend of Becky and Bill Smith); Jennifer Martin (friend of Diane Wilkey); Bob Noble (brother of Walt Noble); Janice Orson (friend of Rusty Herman); Joanne Poston (sister-in-law of Corinne Spencer); John Schnedl (nephew of Walt & Joyce Noble); Alice Smith (friend of Don Wills); Allison Waigand (daughter of Jennifer Witt); David Wills and his EMT colleagues (nephew of Don Wills); Patricia (friend of Kathleen Griffin);

For Those in Service to Our Country: **Tommy & Danny Brown** (grandsons of Ed & Marla Woeckener); **David Ely** (son of Dave Ely); **Matthew George** (son of Zoe Davis); **Spencer & Erica High; Jason Marino** (son of Lynda McCredie); **Daniel Schultz** (son of Judy Rhodes); **Nancy Smith; Charlotte** (daughter of Pam Stein); **Sarah Jane Wilkey** (daughter of Diane & Tony Wilkey); **Gus Whitman** (grandson of Jane Whitman).

For Those in the Episcopal Church: Michael (our presiding Bishop); José (our Bishop); the clergy vestry, staff, ministries and people of this parish; Church of the Advocate.

For our President Donald Trump, his Cabinet, Congress & our country; for victims of violence across the world; for local agencies & those who work for relief of the poor; for better stewardship of the environment; for resolution of crises throughout our world.

For Protection from COVID-19: Protect all who have been or are being affected by this virus spreading around the world. Be with those who are sick and those who are caring for them. Be with those who have died. Be with those people who we often have ignored in the past, who are now proving to be our heroes: grocery store workers, baggers, cashiers, those who stock the shelves; pharmacy workers and pharmacists, truck drivers who ensure the goods and supplies we need are delivered. Be with our Healthcare workers, nurses, doctors, those who cook, clean and do the laundry. Be with the scientists and researchers who are working on a cure so that this virus may be eradicated.

This is one of many prayer lists. Please go to <u>www.graceavl.com/spiritual-growth/prayer-ministries/</u> for more opportunities to request prayer. This list is published in the bulletin and in the Grace TEAM Newsletter. Please get permission from anyone you would like to add to the list and contact Kathleen Griffin at 337-8241 or <u>gkcgriffin7@gmail.com</u> or the church office at <u>grace.church.asheville@gmail.com</u>.



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