

Grace Episcopal
Church

The Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

August 9, 2020

Everyone is welcome here at Grace! While these times may call for social distancing, we gather in Spirit and in worship to greet one another and praise our Sovereign God. If you are our guest this morning, we would like to hear from you. If you are tuning in online, please email or call us and tell us a bit about yourself. You may reach us through the church office at 828-254-1086 or at grace.church.asheville@gmail.com. Also feel free to email our new Rector Rev. Milly Morrow at Rev.Milly4Grace@gmail.com or call her between 7 am and 7 pm at 828.772.1429.

10:30 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST RITE!

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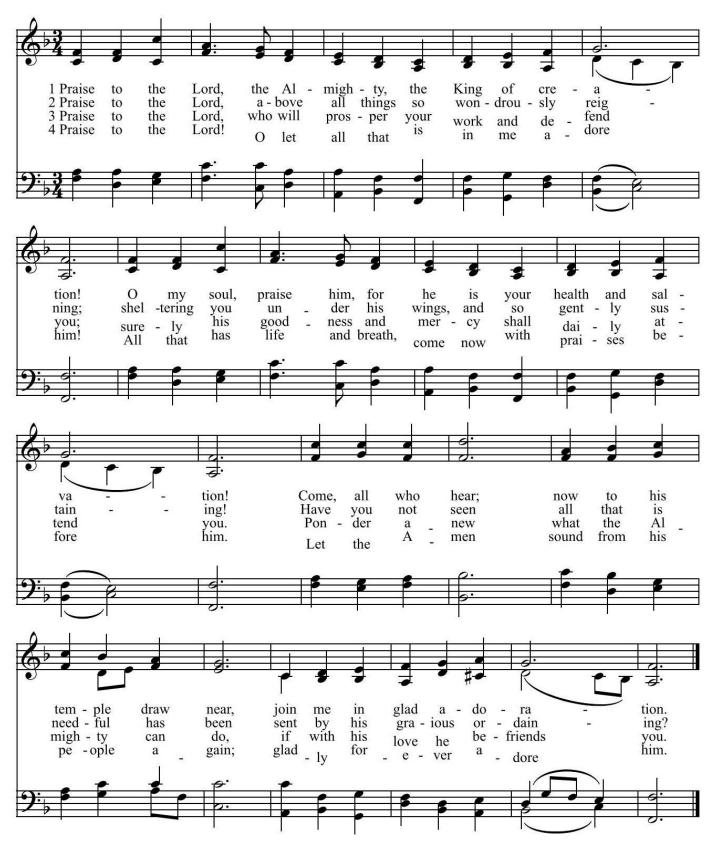
WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND BAPTISMAL REMEMBRANCE

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



OPENING HYMN:

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen

THE HYMN OF PRAISE: S-280 Gloria in excelsis

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to all 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 WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST READING: Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob.

Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him.

Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron.

He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him"—that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

Reader The Word of the Lord.People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 139: 105, 1-6, 16-22, 45B (Said in unison)

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; *
make known his deeds among the peoples.
Sing to him, sing praises to him, *
and speak of all his marvelous works.

Glory in his holy Name; *

let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

Search for the Lord and his strength; * continually seek his face.

Remember the marvels he has done, *

his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,

O offspring of Abraham his servant, *

O children of Jacob his chosen.

Then he called for a famine in the land * and destroyed the supply of bread.

He sent a man before them, *

Joseph, who was sold as a slave.

They bruised his feet in fetters; *

his neck they put in an iron collar.

Until his prediction came to pass, *

the word of the Lord tested him.

The king sent and released him; *

the ruler of the peoples set him free.

He set him as a master over his household, as a ruler over all his possessions,

To instruct his princes according to his will and to teach his elders wisdom.

Hallelujah!

THE SECOND READING: Romans 10:5-15

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

"The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart"

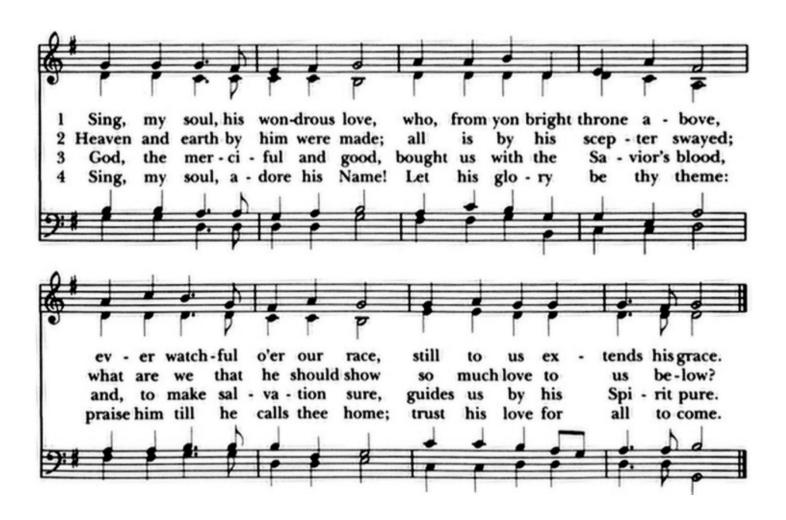
(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the

mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

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

THE GOSPEL HYMN: 467 Sing My Soul His Wondrous Love



Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 14:22-33

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

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

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Rev. Milly

THE HOMILY Rev. Milly

(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,
eternally begotten of the Father,
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
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,

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,

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Form IV

Book of Common Prayer 388

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

and his kingdom will have no end.

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.

PRAYER FOR NEW MINISTRY

- The Rev. Bill Edwards, The Rev. Gary Coffey, and The Rev. Dr. Gary Butterworth

Clergy The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Clergy Let us pray.

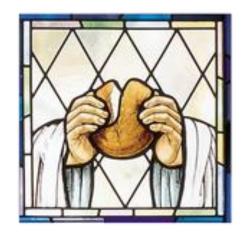
Everliving God, strengthen and sustain *Milly* that with patience and understanding she may love and care for your people; and grant that together they may follow the life-giving liberating way of Jesus Christ, offering to you their gifts and talents; through Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

BLESSINGS FROM VESTRY

Celebrant Let us, with glad hearts, offer to God the fruits of our labor and our love.

THE HOLY COMMUNION



THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

Precious Lord, Take My Hand



DOXOLOGY: 380, *V.* 3

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

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Eucharistic Prayer A (standing)

BCP 361

Celebrant The Lord be with you.People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.People It is right to give God 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

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

Celebrant and People

SANCTUS Hurd, S 124

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.

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,

All 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)

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

All Therefore let us keep the feast.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

POST COMMUNION PRAYER (standing)

Celebrant Let us pray.

All Lord 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

Friends, Life is short, and we don't have much time to gladden the hearts of those who walk the way with us.

So, be swift to love and make haste to show mercy and may the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with us and remain with us forever.

THE HYMN IN PROCESSION:

216 • Praise, My Soul, The King Of Heaven

Tune: LAUDA ANIMA (87 87 87) Text: Henry Francis Lyte (†1847)



THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Friends our liturgy has ended and now our service begins. Let us go out to

love and serve the lord. Alleluia, Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia

THE POSTLUDE



The flowers are given to the Glory of God by the Grace Church Flower and Altar Guilds in celebration of the arrival of The Reverend Milly Morrow.

The flowers are also given by Joe Aull in thanksgiving for Cheryl, Michael, Da-ae, Bill, Debbie, Harrison, Mallory, Chelsea, Joel and Daniel.

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 www.graceavl.com and see more information below.



TODAY! THE REV. MILLY MORROW LEADS HER FIRST SERVICE AT **GRACE!** We are so happy that you are here with us, Rev. Milly! Please go to *Rev. Milly's Pastoral Message* on YouTube. A link is also on our website.

New Program Offerings!

WOMEN WALKING THE WAY:

Women of Grace, please consider joining Rev. Milly for a weekly walk at Beaver Lake. This time together (while socially distancing and wearing masks) will be devoted to deep listening to how we as women walk the way of



Jesus, in the world and in our community of Grace. No need to register or even email her, just show up!

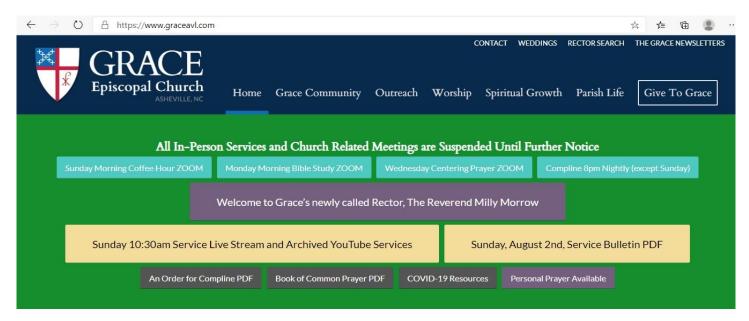
Thursday at 8:00 am meet at the Bird Sanctuary parking lot. It is located just past the library at 1030 Merrimon Avenue, going north.



PRAYING TOGETHER: Rev. Milly will be holding open spiritual direction sessions for individuals or couples weekly Wednesdays 1-3 pm in the sanctuary. This is a time to receive pastoral care and to let yourself rest in the comfort of the sacred sanctuary space. Masks and social distancing are required.

Please email Rev. Milly to schedule your time with her. Rev. Milly 4Grace@gmail.com

VIRTUAL SERVICES AND MEETINGS



Go to www.graceavl.com and look for buttons near the top of the page that link to most of our online services and bulletins, and to many parish-wide Zoom meetings. 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 ~ <u>facebook.com/pg/graceasheville/videos/</u> See button near top of website at <u>graceavl.com/</u> for the Compline PDF.

Monday Morning Bible Study, Mondays, 10:30 a.m., Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting – click turquoise button on website.

Worship Committee Meeting, Monday, August 10, 6 p.m., Zoom

Grace TEAM Committee Meeting, Wednesday, August 12, 10 a.m., Zoom

ON HIATUS: Holy Eucharist with Prayers for Healing, Wednesdays, 12:15 p.m.

Praying Together with Rev. Milly: Wednesdays. 1 – 3 p.m.

in Grace Sanctuary, by appointment.

Email Rev. Milly to schedule your time with her. at

Rev.Milly4Grace@gmail.com

Centering Prayer, Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m., Zoom

To join the Zoom Meeting, click on the button near the top of graceavl.com.

Women Walking the Way, Thursdays at 8 a.m., Beaver Lake

Meet at the Bird Sanctuary parking lot just north of the library located at 1030 Merrimon Avenue.

Rector and Wardens Meeting, Thursdays, 10:30 a.m., Zoom ON HIATUS: Friday Night Lights, Fridays at Dusk on the lawn.



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

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 are doing Compline:

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

Two pinch hitters and/or rotational folks:

- Cliff Albertson
- Sydnor Thompson



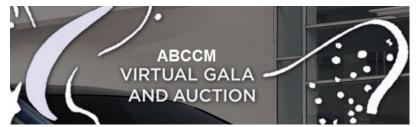
MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY IS ON ZOOM: On Mondays at 10:30 AM, we meet as a group online through Zoom, and study the scriptures for the upcoming Sunday service. EVERYONE can join in. We welcome you and want to

see your lovely faces. Please join us by clicking on the button at graceavl.com/.

ON HIATUS ~ FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS: Due to concerns about COVID-19, Friday Night Lights will be on hiatus as we give thought to other ways of "letting our light shine" at Grace. Meanwhile, on Friday evenings around sunset, we hope you will still take a moment to enjoy the beauty of God's creation from the safety of your own home and say a little prayer for this world we share.



VIRTUAL GALA HAPPENING SOON! ABCCM invites you to join their



"Transformation Celebration Virtual Gala and Auction" on Friday, August 28, at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom and on Facebook.

Annually, this event raises much-needed funds in support of ABCCM's five ministries that provide immediate, critical assistance to individuals and families in crisis, homeless women and children, and Veterans. Virtual attendees will have an opportunity to pre-order BBQ dinners, sponsor virtual tables, and of course, participate in another exciting Transformation Celebration (online) auction.

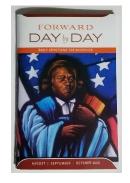
This year's goal is \$250,000, and you can learn more and register free to attend at https://www.abccm.org/gala Let's help ABCCM celebrate transformed lives while raising funds to equip and empower others. Make plans now to join the party!

THERE'S STILL TIME TO HELP US PURCHASE SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR AREA

FOSTER CHILDREN! Our matching program continues through the end of August when members of Grace Outreach will use your donations plus \$300 from Outreach to shop for school supplies that will assist local foster families. Simply estimate what you think you would spend on those supplies if we were requesting in-kind donations at church, and



then, contribute that amount to Outreach on the Grace Church web site or by sending a check to the church office (don't forget to put BTS Match in the "Notes" section online or on the memo line of your check). Thank you in advance because every gift we receive adds to what we can spend on our back-to-school shopping list!



It's Time to Get Your Next "Forward Day by Day!" The

August, September and October Edition is here, and it would be great to send it out to you! If you usually pick one up, or if you'd like to have one for the first time, please email us at grace.church.asheville@gmail.com or call Valerie at the church at 828-254-1086, extension 10 and leave her a message with your current address, if you think we may not have it.

OUR PRAYER LIST

<u>For Parishioners</u>: Chris Carson (son of Martha & Randy); Nancy Clark; Cheryl Deyton; Cuyler Dupree; Eva Dupree; Dorothy Engel; Eunice Ferguson; Doug Haldane; Marzy Israel; Marion Mayfield-Johnson; Shari Lane; Don and Ann Lewis; Nancy Porter; Sonny Rawls; Jeanne & Ray Robertson; Laura & Tsz-yan Snyder; Corinne Spencer; Rita Spragg; Sydnor and Kelly Thompson; Mickey Trinite; Pat Walters; Judy Warner; Katie Warren; Don Wills; Pat; Chrissy.

<u>For Homebound Parishioners and Those in Healthcare Facilities</u>: Henny Caldwell; Bobbie Eblen; Ed Denison, Straudia Luedtke; Rita Lyda; Tom Paine; Deb Pegel; Cal Remmers; Laura Stephens.

For Others (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); Sherry Tenney (sister-in-law of Barbara Wilcox); Danny & Leslie Wagner (friends of Lorie Tola); Allison Waigand (daughter of Jennifer Witt); David Wills and his EMT colleagues (nephew of Don Wills); Lee Zak (president of Eva Dupree's alma mater Agnes Scott College); Charlotte (daughter of Pam Stein); 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

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. Please get permission from anyone you would like to add to this list and contact Kathleen Griffin at 337-8241 or <u>gkcgriffin7@gmail.com</u> or the church office.



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