

Grace Episcopal Church

The Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

October 18, 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 <u>grace.church.asheville@gmail.com</u>. Also feel free to email our new Rector Rev. Milly Morrow at <u>Rev.Milly4Grace@gmail.com</u> or call her between 7 am and 7 pm at 828.772.1429.

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: Praise to the Living God

Praise to the living God



Words: Medieval Jewish liturgy; tr. Max Landsberg (1845-1928) and Newton M. Mann (1836-1926) Music: *Leoni*, Hebrew melody; harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, alt.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLet us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; 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-277 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 OLD TESTAMENT READING: Exodus 33:12-23

Moses said to the Lord, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people'; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth." The Lord said to Moses, "I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." Moses said, "Show me your glory, I pray." And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, 'The Lord'; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But," he said, "you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live." And the Lord continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen."

ReaderThe word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

STEWARDSHIP STORY





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

THE GOSPEL: Matthew 22:15-22

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

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

THE HOMILY

(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. Rev. Milly

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 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

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

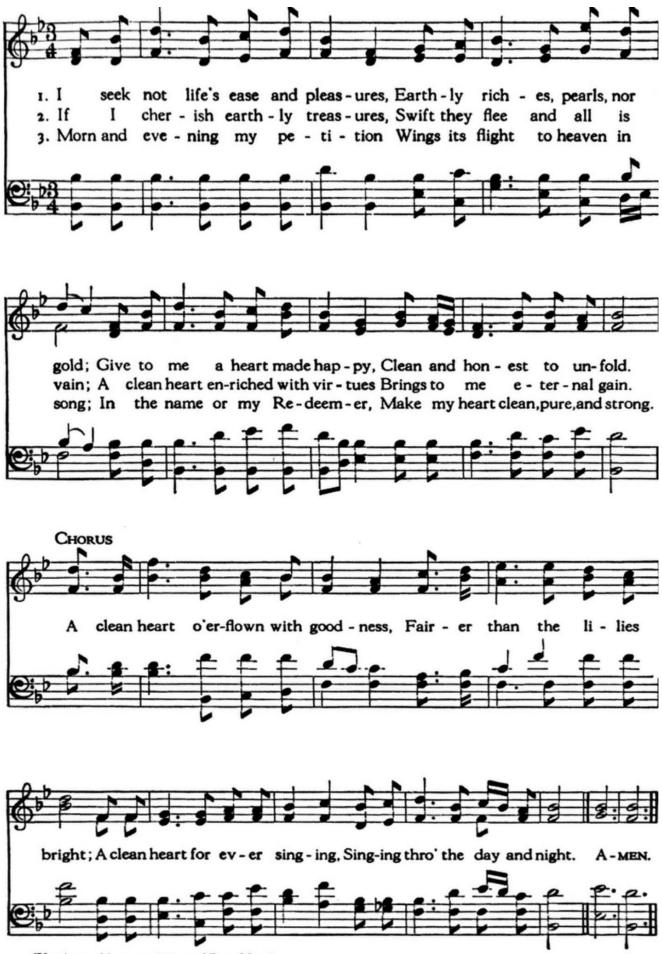
The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.



THE HOLY COMMUNION



THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM: A Clean Heart



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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)

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

Land of Rest tune

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,

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 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)

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

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: God of Grace and God of Glory

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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

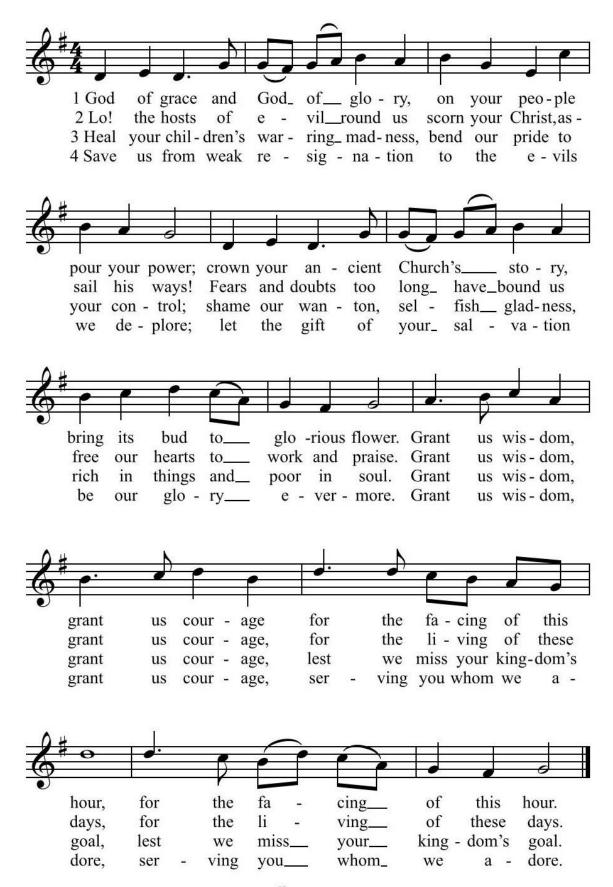
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God of Grace and God of Glory



ANNOUNCEMENTS

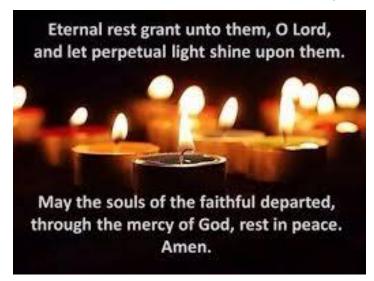
Join us online at our YouTube Channel, Facebook page, or via Zoom Web Conferencing. Access a link at the top of our webpage at <u>www.graceavl.com</u> and see more information below. Our physical Church building is mostly closed due to recommendations made regarding protecting us all from the COVID-19 virus. All inperson meetings are by appointment only.

CALLING FOR NAMES OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED FOR ALL SAINTS SUNDAY:

On Sunday November 1, 2020, during our principal service at 10:30 a.m., we will be celebrating the feast of All Saints. Therefore, **we are calling for names of the faithful departed**, family or loved ones of Grace Episcopal Church, to create prayer flags for our Sunday morning Service. Please email names to Lorie.Tola@gmail.com by October 26th. Blessings!



FAITHFUL DEPARTED VIGIL: Sunday, November 1, 2020 at 5:00pm



In just over 6 months the world has lost over a million lives due to Covid 19. As humans we cannot ignore or minimize the impact of that kind of loss and grief on our souls and bodies.

Grace invites our congregation to gather in vigil to acknowledge our collective lament on November 1, 2020 in celebration of The Faithful Departed. The service, held outdoors on our lawn, will be prayer and

Taizé, with a time to light candles in honor of those faithful departed.

We will begin with music at 5:00 pm on the lawn and will end by sunset around 6:00 pm. All are welcome. Masks are required. We will have candles, or you may bring your own. No need to register...just come as you are able.

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ADVENT OFFERING: This Advent season join your
community in a study of our Presiding Bishop's newest book;
"Love is the Way." Led by Rev. Milly - we will meet on zoom at
1:00 pm on Sundays, beginning Sunday, November 29th and
ending December 20th. All are welcome to attend but please
register here: <u>https://tinyurl.com/GraceAdvent</u> .

Book purchase and reading is required before the beginning of our group. What better way to prepare ourselves for the coming of Christ at Christmas than to prepare ourselves to walk the way of Love. (A search will find it easily at www.penguinrandomhouse.com or on www.amazon.com.)

Walk the path of love with one of the warmest, most beloved spiritual leaders of our time, and learn how to put faith into action.

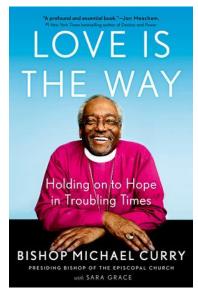
DO YOU NEED TO FILL OUT YOUR PLEDGE CARD? Feel free to call or email the

church and we'd be happy to mail one to you or drop by the church on Mondays or Wednesdays from 1-3 p.m. to pick one up. For a quick and easy way to pledge, please

Make Your 2021 Pledge Here

go to our website, <u>https://www.graceavl.com</u>, click on the "Give to Grace" button, then look for the green button shown here. It's also at <u>https://tinyurl.com/GracePledge.</u>

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COME ON OUT TO THE PUMPKIN PATCH! The annual Pumpkin Patch is now open at Grace, so hurry over and get pumpkins and gourds of all shapes and sizes for celebrating fall and the holidays ahead. The Pumpkin Patch is open from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and noon to 7:00 p.m. on Sunday. Safe practices for Covid-19 are being followed, including notouch, electronic payment options.



We Need People to Help Sell Pumpkins! If you're free to help out, please sign up for a shift at this website: <u>https://signup.com/go/UbxUQPU</u>

Annually, the Pumpkin Patch is **Consider Haiti's biggest fundraiser**, supporting programs in community health, sustainable nutrition, clean water, and medical care. Consider Haiti's single most urgent goal is promoting the health and welfare of Haitian children. This year, they will impact the lives of more than 2,000 children and their families.



HOMEWARD BOUND GIFT REGISTRIES! You've

done it with bridal registries and baby shower registries; now, you can do the same thing with three easy-to-use online gift registries to benefit Homeward Bound! Please visit their <u>Amazon Wish List</u>, and from

Target, the <u>AHOPE Day Center Registry</u> (to help the currently homeless, including women from Room in the Inn) and the <u>Welcome Home Donation Center Registry</u> (for clients now moving into their own housing). **Grace Outreach will also be clicking and shopping for these programs** using \$525 originally allocated to hosting Room in the Inn (on hiatus this year due to COVID). It's a no-touch, easy way to see exactly what is needed, make purchases and have them delivered. We hope you'll join us with your own personal "gifts" for Homeward Bound. You may also send a check or give online to Grace Outreach; please note "RITI" on your donation.

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. <u>Rev.Milly4Grace@gmail.com</u>





PLEDGE YOUR BEST TO GRACE 2021:

Let's do something special with our time, talent and treasure this year, especially as we live and worship in these extraordinary days.

As we continue our Stewardship Campaign, please consider your ability to pledge and also to increasing your pledge by even a small amount. Pledges are the only way we know what

we have to budget for our work of being the church.

Donations are wonderful, but by pledging you enable us to be good stewards of all the Lord has given us and especially our work together at Grace and in the Asheville community.

Here are some ways to pledge:

- You can fill in the new 2021 pledge card on our website and return the completed pledge card electronically. This is a printable form that you can keep for your records. Click on "Give to Grace" on our website.
- Also, you can download, print, and complete the new online pledge card and mail it to Grace.
- If you would prefer a printed pledge card, call or email the Grace Church Office and leave us a message. We'd be happy to mail one to you, or pick one up on Mondays and Wednesdays from 1 – 3 p.m.

The vestry of Grace invites you to prayerfully consider your pledge to Grace for 2021. If you would like to discuss your pledge with a vestry member, please email me at dougkmcclellan@gmail.com. I'll be happy to talk with you or connect you with another vestry member.

Doug McClellan, Senior Warden

To make your 2021 pledge, please go to https://tinyurl.com/GracePledge.

Please print this so you can use it regularly in prayer.

WE PRAY THAT WE WILL MAKE STEWARDSHIP A WAY OF LIFE

Eternal God, we pray that we will make stewardship a way of Life. We acknowledge you as the source of all we have and all we are.

Help us to place you, our loving Creator, first in our lives by becoming more prayerful, more focused on loving and caring for our families and our neighbors in need, and by becoming less preoccupied with material things.

Help us to hear your call to be good stewards, caretakers, and managers of all your gifts by sharing them for your purposes.

Help us make your priorities our priorities and to put our faith into action. Help us plan to "give back" the talents, treasures and time with which we have been blessed.

Help us plan to serve our church, our community, and our world with your gifts. May we serve you and pray with a joyful spirit of mind and heart.

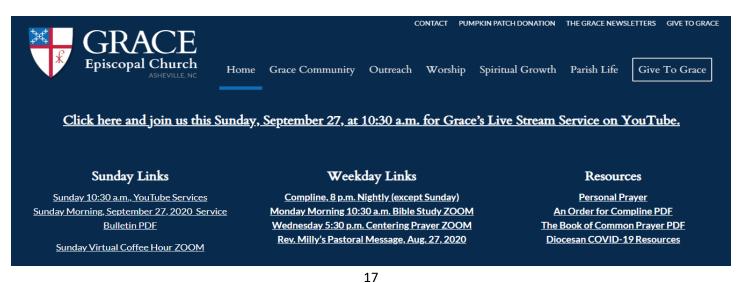
Amen.



WOMEN WALKING THE WAY: Thursday at 8:00 am meet at the Bird Sanctuary parking lot. 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! The Bird Sanctuary parking lot is located just past the library going north at 1030 Merrimon Avenue.

VIRTUAL SERVICES AND MEETINGS



Go to <u>www.graceavl.com</u> and look for links 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 links 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.

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.



Date and Time	Service or Meeting	Location
Nightly Except Sunday 8 PM	Compline *	Facebook Videos **
Sundays, 10:30 AM	Sunday Holy Eucharist Service	YouTube Channel **
Sundays after Service	Virtual Coffee Hour	Zoom **
Mondays, 10:30 AM	Monday Morning Bible Study	Zoom **
Wednesdays, 1-3 PM	Praying Together with Rev. Milly - by appointment	Sanctuary
Wednesdays, 5:30 PM	Centering Prayer	Zoom **
Thursdays, 8 AM	Women Walking the Way - Meet at Bird Sanctuary Lot	Beaver Lake
Thursdays, 10:30 AM	Leadership Meeting	Zoom
Thursdays, 6 PM	EfM ~ Education for Ministry	Zoom
	* BULLETIN AVAILABLE **LINK AT TOP OF HOME PAGE	graceavl.com

COMPLINE EVERY EVENING AT 8 P.M. except Sunday on Grace's Facebook Page.



Join us at facebook.com/pg/graceasheville/videos/. Access a link and An Order for Compline Booklet at graceavl.com/ which you can download or read online.

We are grateful to the following folks who do Compline:

- Mondays: Bill & Becky Smith
- Tuesdays: Nancy & Pat Walters
- Wednesdays: Sydnor Thompson Pinch hitter: Cliff Albertson

- Thursday: Jim & Elise Cassarino
- Fridays: Elaine Potter
- Saturdays: James Cannon

OUR PRAYER LIST

For Parishioners: Chris Carson (son of Martha & Randy); Randy and Martha Carson; 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; Walt and Joyce Noble; Nancy Porter; Sonny Rawls; Jeanne & Ray Robertson; Laura & Tsz-yan Snyder; Corinne Spencer; Rita Spragg; Laura Stephens; Sydnor and Kelly Thompson; Mickey Trinite; Judy Warner; Katie Warren; Don Wills; Pat; Chrissy.

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

<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): Jacob Blake; 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); Laura Julian (daughter of Rusty Herman); Suzanne LaCour (friend of Becky and Bill Smith); Jennifer Martin (friend of Diane Wilkey); Chuck Morrow (brother of Rev. Milly Morrow); Sally Morrow (mother of Rev. Milly Morrow); 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); Billy (friend of Elaine Potter); Charlotte (daughter of Pam Stein); Patricia (friend of Kathleen Griffin).

For Those Who Have Died and their Families: Cal Remmers; Audrey Lee Magner (mother of Chris Jaquette).

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.

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 the office.



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The Right Reverend José McLoughlin, Bishop The Reverend Milly Morrow, Rector James Cassarino, Director of Music Cathy Adkins, Organist Valerie Heavens, Office Manager Angel Randy Stoudt, Sexton Jayne Bowersox, Nursery Caregiver Tess Carter, Nursery Caregiver

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