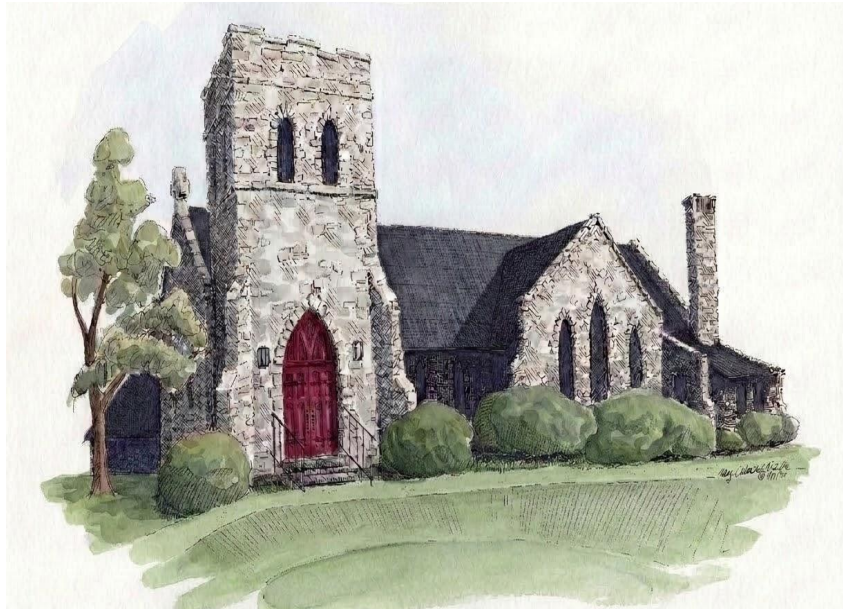




Grace Episcopal Church

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 30, 2026

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist II

Prelude: *All Hail the Power*

Jason Payne

Welcome and Announcements

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

The Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be the One, Holy, Living God.

People **Glory to God forever and ever.**

Opening Hymn: *All hail the power of Jesus' Name!*

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Collect for Purity

Gloria

Cassarino

Glo-ry to God in the Highest and peace to his peo-ple on earth.

Lord God, Hea-ven-ly King, Al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we

wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry. Lord Je-sus

Christ, On-ly son of the fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you

take a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy on us; you are seated at the

right hand of the Fa-ther; re - ceive our prayer, for you a-lone are the

ho-ly one, you a-lone are the Lord, you a-lone are the most high,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi-rit in the Glo-ry of God the

Fa - ther. A - - - - - men.

The Collect of the Day

BCP 233

The people sit.

Children's Moment

Music in Procession: *I have decided to follow Jesus (Songs of Grace)* *verse 1* **25**

Stewardship Announcement

*"You have given all to me, to you O Lord I return it.
Everything I have is yours, do with it what You will."*

THE WORD OF GOD

The First Lesson: Exodus 3:1-15

Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian; he led his flock beyond the wilderness, and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, "I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up." When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." He said further, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, "I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt."

But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" He said, "I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain." But Moses said to God, "If I come to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your ancestors has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." He said further, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" God also said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you':

This is my name forever,
and this my title for all generations.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people remain seated.

Psalms 105:1-6, 23-26 (*chanted*)

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon / **his Name**;
make known his deeds a-mong the peoples.
Sing praises / **to the Lord**,
and speak of all his / **mighty works**.

Glory in his ho-ly **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 judgments / **of his mouth**,
O offspring of Abra-ham **his servant**,
O children of Jacob his / **chosen one**.

He led out his people with silver / **and gold;**
in all their tribes there was not / **one that stumbled.**
Egypt was glad / **of their going,**
because they were a-fraid of them.

He spread out a cloud for / **a covering**
and fire to give light / **in the night.**
They asked, and / **quails appeared,**
and he satisfied them with / **bread from heaven.**

He opened the rock, and wa-ter flowed,
so the river ran in / **the dry places.**
For God remembered his / **holy word**
and Abra-ham **his servant.**

So he led forth his people / **with gladness,**
his chosen with / **shouts of joy.**
He gave his people the lands / **of the nations,**
and they inherited the labor / **of the people.**

That they might keep / **his statutes**
and ob-serve **his laws.**
Praise / **ye the Lord,**
Praise / **ye the Lord!**

Gospel Hymn: *Praise the Lord through every nation*

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

The Gospel: Matthew 6:21-28

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?"

"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Homily

The Reverend Timothy McRee

The Prayers of the People

The people stand.

Leader We give you thanks and praise, O God of creation, for the
 grandeur of all that you have made, saying

People **We thank you, God.**

Leader For the healing waters of creation, which bring pleasure and
 health, purity and life,

People **We thank you, God.**

Leader For the richness of the good Earth that brings forth fruits and flowers, a pleasure to taste and a joy to behold,

People **We thank you, God.**

Leader For the soaring birds of the air, the crawling creatures on the Earth, the gliding fishes in the seas, for all creatures great and small with whom we share this precious web of life,

People **We thank you, God.**

Leader For the invigorating sunlight of day, the deepening mystery of night, the wonder of the stars, and the call of the unknown in the universe,

People **We thank you, God.**

Leader For those of your creation who are in sickness or trouble, especially: Linda & David Adams, Joan Aldrich, Judy Rhodes Baroody, Carol Booth, Martha Boyette, James Cannon, Anne Jarema, Muriel & John Kimbrough, Walt, Joyce & Diana Noble, Natalie & Andrew Owens, Gael Paschall, Wayne & Laura Parton, Kyle Rhodes, Debra Rice, Ann Robinson, Jeff Russell, Guy Sayles, Nancy Sink, Becky Smith, Laura, Tsz-yan (G-Yen) and Roger Snyder, Rita Spragg, Laurie Strickland, Lydia Vander Voort & Andy Steele, Barbara Wilcox, Jennifer Witt, Marla Woeckener, and all those you now name... (*All are invited to pray silently or aloud*)

We remember those who have recently died, Especially Dolly Rebecca Parton, and on the anniversary of their deaths we pray for Arnold Clark, Don Lewis, Rusk Henry, and Mary Leigh Shaw, and for those who still grieve for them...Are there others? (*All are invited to pray silently or aloud*)

Priest Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Leader From squandering resources, abusing our companion species,
and polluting the habitat we all share,

People **Good Lord, deliver us.**

Leader From the folly of imagining ourselves free from the fate of your
whole creation,

People **Good Lord, deliver us.**

Leader For the courage and wisdom to confess how little we have cared
for your gifts,

People **Strengthen us, O Spirit.**

Leader For the conviction that you have called us to love and restore the
Earth,

People **Strengthen us, O Spirit.**

Leader For repentance and the determination to begin our stewardship
anew,

People **Strengthen us, O Spirit.**

Priest O merciful Creator, your hand is open wide to satisfy the needs of
every living creature: Make us always thankful for your loving
providence; and grant that we, remembering the account that we
must one day give, may be faithful stewards of your good gifts;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit
lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever, Amen.

The Peace

Presider 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

Offertory Anthem: *How Firm a Foundation*

arr. Kevin Hildebrand

Doxology

Old 100th

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 B

BCP 367

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:



The Presider continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Presider and People

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

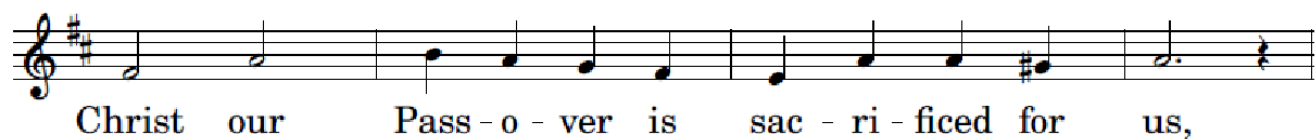
The Lord's Prayer *(Traditional)*

BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

Cassarino



An Invitation to Communion

All are invited to receive communion. Your participation is a blessing to us, and we want you to feel welcome and at ease to participate. The ushers will direct you from your pew. When you arrive at the communion rail, you are welcome to kneel or stand. As the priest comes to you, they will provide the host in wafer form; if you need gluten free, indicate this by placing your right hand over your heart. You may consume the host or hold it to dip in the chalice. If you would like to receive a blessing instead of the host, cross both hands over your chest. Next, the Chalice Bearer will come to you, and they will offer real wine consecrated from a common cup. You can drink from the cup, allowing the chalice bearer to guide the cup to your mouth. If you wish to dip your host wafer, hand that to the chalice bearer and they will do it for you. It is considered full communion to only receive the host if you do not wish to drink from the cup.

Communion Hymn: *How sweet the Name of Jesus sounds*

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Sending Forth of the Lay Eucharistic Visitors

When a Eucharistic Minister is to be sent forth, the following is said

Presider (Cliff/Lorie/James), in the name of God and this congregation,
we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom
You go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's body
and blood.

People **We who are many are one body because we all share
one bread and one cup.**

The people stand.

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: *All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine*

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Dismissal

Postlude: *Toccata in Seven*

John Rutter



The Aumbry Candle is given to the Glory of God by
Mary Foster in loving memory of her husband, Edward Michael Foster.

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by
~ Hannah Buckner & Richard Jacobs
in honor of all their children and grandchildren;

~ In loving memory of Don Lewis: faithful husband, father, grandfather,
brother, uncle and friend, by his family.

LAY MINISTERS

Crucifer: Sally Withers Torches: Jack Frue, Sarah Beasley

Chalicerist: Alex Thwaites Lectors: Vicki Vest Intercessor: Elise Cassarino

Presenters: Patrice & Steve Crabtree Ushers: Elaine Potter, Kyle Rhodes

Greeters: Diane Wilkey, Kim Hayes Coffee Hour: Vestry

Streaming: Ben Scales Vestry Person of the Day: Elaine Potter



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Contacting Rev. Robert

Rev. Robert can be reached at hartmansrobert@gmail.com or by his cell: 423-400-0826 for any pastoral care concerns or to set up an appointment.

Wiggle Church

Wiggle Church is available during the service. Children aged 5-12 are welcome to join two adult supervisors for fun on the playground or in the parish hall, depending on weather. The group will come back for communion.

Stewardship Envelopes

Please stop by the Greeter's table after the service today to pick up the envelope with your name on it, containing a pledge card and Rev. Robert's letter. There will also be unaddressed envelopes available.

Advocacy and Action

Join us today at noon in the downstairs conference room. All are welcome. If you're interested in meeting with a group of like-minded Grace members and friends to discuss how we might help bring justice in a more effective and joyful way, together rather than alone, please send an email or text to Tahani Sticpewich (828-301-0550; tahaniweb@gmail.com).

Adult Formation – The Way of Love

"Turn. Learn. Pray. Worship. Bless. Go. Rest." These six verbs define *The Way of Love*. Next Sunday at 9:15 a.m., come explore and discuss how we can live these verbs and follow the way of love in our personal lives and in our corporate life as Grace Church. Join us next week!

Garden Prayer Gathering

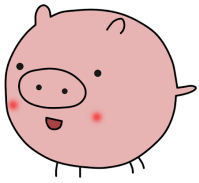
Mark Sudimak, a fellow member of Grace, will begin leading a weekly Intercessory Prayer Gathering in the Urban Garden next to the church beginning on Thursday, September 3 at 6:00 p.m. Prayers will be lifted up for the spiritual, mental and physical needs of our families, friends, church, community, city, country and the world. During inclement weather, it will be held inside the church. If you are interested, please contact Mark at 302-242-6807 or msudimak60@gmail.com.

Acolyte & Chalicist Training – September 13 or 20, 9:00 a.m.

There are some changes coming to how lay ministers serve at the altar during church. Current and interested acolytes and chalicists should attend one of the sessions to learn about these updates. Meet in the library.

A Piano for the Chancel

Guided by the leadership of Jim Cassarino, the music program is looking to add an acoustic piano to our sanctuary. We anticipate a smaller grand piano that will be placed in the chancel opposite the pipe organ, late in the year. We are working to develop renderings that will show you how the changes will look. The piano will allow us to expand our music repertoire and be accommodating to outside musicians, especially at weddings and funerals. If you know of a quality instrument that is available, or if you have questions please reach out to Jim Cassarino or Robert Hartmans.



Pig Pickin' is Coming Up on September 26

Ready for some mouth-watering barbecue with all the tasty sides? Then make your plans now to come to the Parish Hall on September 26 at 5:30 p.m. for Grace's Annual Pig Pickin' Feast offered by the Men of the Church. You can enjoy a tasty, sit-down meal inside a comfortable, weather-proof setting with your fellow parishioners.

Your meal will be cafeteria-style where you move through a line, select from pre-made items, choose your scrumptious dessert and drinks, and then pay our cashier before sitting down.

Menu items include smoked pork, coleslaw, baked beans, cornbread and dessert. Gallon and quart bags of pork will also be available to take home. Adult meals are \$17.50. Children's plates are \$10. No phone orders please.

Proceeds from the Pig Pickin' will go directly to the church. Parishioners are also encouraged to round their meals up to the nearest dollar to help the Men of the Church contribute toward improvement projects at Grace.

Let's Help ABCCM Beat Seasonal Hunger with Our Food Donations

It's almost impossible not to have heard that more people in our area are falling into food insecurity. However, all of us at Grace can help by donating food to ABCCM throughout the month of September.

What's especially needed are:

- Canned meat, veggies and fruit
- Canned hearty soups (beef stew, potato, bean & chicken)
- Ramen noodles; Macaroni & cheese
- Boxes of cereals; Breakfast bars; Snack foods
- Basics (dried beans, peanut butter & jelly, self-rising flour, sugar)

Food donations in both kitchen-sized and pop-top cans are welcome.

Canned foods with no-salt and low-sugar are especially needed.

Feel free to bring your donations to the lobby at Grace in boxes, sacks, and other containers that work best for you.

Parking

Our staff and leadership recognizes that we do not have an abundance of parking. We are working on potential solutions for this problem. We ask that if you are not dealing with mobility issues that you park in the upper lot. We have enough parking for approximately 150 people. In the event that you find the lot full, please stay!! One temporary solution is to park across Merrimon ave and take a brief walk across to the church.

Grace's Prayer List

Over the months, Grace's prayer list has grown extremely long. Names on our Other's list are supposed to be updated every six weeks, but it hasn't been updated in months. Therefore, unless the Pastoral Care Team hears from you by September 15 concerning your loved one's name on the Other's list, they will be removed.

Landscaping Changes

You may have noticed that landscapers are currently working to build paths to direct water away from our building. They are doing their best to be gentle with our bushes and trees, but some damage is anticipated. Grace's buildings and grounds team under the leadership of Ron Sims, has worked to identify and diagnose maintenance needs across our campus. One major issue identified is the penetration of water into the building in many places. To mitigate this problem we are adding substantial french drains, waterproofing the basement of the sanctuary, and changing the grade of the beds that are adjacent to our buildings. If you have questions or concerns please reach out to Robert Hartmans or Ron Sims.



Rosette Chamber Concert at Grace

September 19 at 7:30 p.m. The theme is *Autumn in Leipzig*. Tickets are \$25.00. For inquiries, email rosette.asheville@gmail.com.



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WEEKLY GATHERINGS

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd: *Sundays a.m.; Mondays p.m.*

We offer Catechesis for our children *Sundays 9:00-10:15 a.m.*, and *Monday afternoon 3:30-4:30 p.m.* Children may attend either one or both. Contact Shannon Townsend for further information at gstownsend@att.net or 828-713-5081.

Monday Morning Bible Study: *Mondays at 10:30 a.m.*

We study the scriptures for the upcoming Sunday service. Please join us virtually by clicking on the button at graceavl.com.



A Peals for Peace: *Mondays at 6:00 p.m.*

Beginning September 7: Stop by and hear the bells ring every Monday at 6:00 p.m. until election day.

Chair Aerobics: *Tuesdays at 1:15 p.m.*

All are invited! Join Susan Robinson for a chair exercise class in the Parish Hall. Bring a pair of dumbbells. There is no fee to participate. If you have questions, email Susan at SusanMac2@gmail.com.

Taizé: *Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.*

Weekly Taizé services are held in the sanctuary. Healing prayer is offered throughout the service for oneself or on behalf of someone else. For more information on Taizé at Grace, visit: graceavl.com/taize-grace.

Soaking Prayer: *Wednesdays at 12:00 noon*

Our Soaking Prayer Service meets every Wednesday from noon to 12:45. See if this might be that special spiritual discipline that you have been looking for. All are welcome.

Women Walking the Way: *Thursdays at 8:20 a.m.*

Meet in the Bird Sanctuary parking lot by Beaver Lake for a walk around the lake and some spiritual reflection with like-minded women. For more information, contact Ann Lewis at annaflewis7@gmail.com or call her at 815-441-2282.

GRACE'S PRAYER LIST

For Congregants: **Linda & David Adams, Carol Booth, Judy Rhodes Baroody, James Cannon, Anne Jarema, Muriel & John Kimbrough, Natalie & Andrew Owens, Wayne & Laura Parton, Gael Paschall, Kyle Rhodes, Debra Rice, Ann Robinson, Jeff Russell, Guy Sayles, Becky Smith, Laura, Tsz-yan and Roger Snyder, Laurie Strickland, Lydia Vander Voort & Andy Steele, Barbara Wilcox, Jennifer Witt.**

For Homebound Congregants and Those in Healthcare Facilities: **Joan Aldrich, Martha Boyette, Walt, Joyce & Diana Noble, Nancy Sink, Rita Spragg.**

For Others: (Names will remain on the list for six weeks unless we hear otherwise). **Allen** (brother of Cheryl Aull); **Geraldine Allen** (aunt of Carole McClellan); **Aubrey** (friend of Joe & Cheryl Aull); **Mike Baldwin** (friend of Beth & John Woodson); **Ann Brown** (mother of Katherine Johnson), **Channon, Mark & Tiffany Brown** (friends of Robert Hartmans); **the Brongel family** (daughter and family of Jackie Schauer); **Cathy** (friend of Elaine Potter); **Christa Brigman** (friend of Ginny Moser); **Betty Ann Bryant** (friend of Rusty Herman); **Marcie Coleman** (friend of Lynda McCredie); **Elizabeth & Mike Cogsdale** (friends of Fr. Timothy); **Anne Bentzen** (friend of Cliff Albertson);

Kathy Gerhardt (daughter of Nancy Clark); **Nick & Gerry** (Bea Russell's sister-in-law); **Tom Hunnicutt** (friend of Rusty Herman); **Ashley Israel** (daughter of Jennifer Witt); **Isabel Lewis** (daughter-in-law of Ann Lewis); **Lisa & Ford** (friends of the Knights); **Sally Mackay** (mother of Leslie Heiser); **Daniel McRee** (son of Fr. Timothy McRee) and **David** (husband of Daniel McRee); **Judy Wells Meehan** (friend of Rusty Herman); **Brian Moore** (nephew of Rusty Herman); **Robert Noble, Jr.** (brother of Walt Noble); **Steve Noble** (brother of Walt Noble); **Carol Peindel** (friend of (Anne Jarema); **Matthew Pennell** (son of Hannah Buckner); **Meredith Peppers** (aunt of Carol McClellan); **Kevin Randall** (friend of Ron & Jeanne Sims); **Sarah Ray** (cousin of Doug McClellan); the **Roberts Family** (friends of Vicki & Paul Vest); **Sarah Schuman** (niece of Fr. Timothy McRee); **Susie Shaw** (wife of Chris Shaw); **Bill Staton** (friend of Jennifer Witt); **Wiley Thornton** (cousin of Carol McClellan); **Tom & Joan** (friends of James Cannon); **Stephanie Tugurian** (daughter of Jeanne & Ron Sims); **Lynn Whitehead** (friend of Ann Lewis); **Bev Whiting** (friend of Rusty Herman).

For the recently departed: **Dolly Rebecca Parton.**

For those celebrating birthdays: **Ron Sims, John Cort, Hannah Booth, Beth Woodson, Julia Anne Dawson, Martha Woeckener.**

For those celebrating anniversaries: **Julia Anne & Al Dawson.**

For those in service to our country: **Danny Brossart** (grand-nephew of Louise Cate Wernicke); **Tommy Brown** (grandson of Marla Woeckener); **Matt & Martha Cardenas** (daughter & son-in-law of Hannah Buckner); **John Davids** (nephew of Elaine Potter); **Matthew George** (son of Zoe Davis); **Jason Marino** (son of Lynda McCredie); **John Massey** (son-in-law of Mary Foster); **Brady Paschall** (granddaughter of Gael Paschall); **Jude Waigand** (grandson of Jennifer Witt); **Sarah Jane Wilkey** (daughter of Diane & Tony Wilkey).

For those in the Episcopal Church: Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our presiding Bishop; José, our Bishop; the clergy, vestry, staff, ministries, and people of this parish; in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Church of South India (United); and in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, All Saints, Linville; Resurrection, Little Switzerland.

For our Nation and the Wider World: For the President and his Cabinet; for Congress; and for our country; for victims of violence around the world; for local agencies and those who work for relief of the poor; for stewardship of the environment; for resolution of crises throughout our world.



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Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

The Standing & Search Committees for the New Bishop

The Reverend Robert Hartmans

Priest in Charge

The Reverend Timothy McRee; The Reverend John Rice

Clergy

James Cassarino, *Director of Music*

Cathy Adkins, *Organist*

Judy Rhodes Baroody, *Taizé Music Coordinator*

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Katie Douglas, *Finance Manager*

Angel Stoudt, *Sexton*

Paula Foggo, *Nursery Care Leader*

Caroline Parson-Chambliss, Trinity Mickens

Nursery Workers



If you would like to donate to Dolly Parton's Imagination Library initiative, please go to donate.imaginationlibrary.com.



Welcome to Grace Episcopal Church

Founded in 1867 as Beaverdam Mission, we are members of the Body of Christ, the worldwide Anglican Communion, the Episcopal Church in the USA, and the Diocese of Western North Carolina. Grace Episcopal Church is a gathering place of those seeking to follow Jesus and to serve the world.

We would be happy to have you join our journey!

Our liturgy follows the 1979 Book of Common Prayer. We use the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible, the Hymnal 1982, and Songs of Grace (SOG). We print as much of the service in the bulletin as we can, so that it is easier to follow. There are also notations in italics about when to stand, kneel or sit.

Children are welcome and encouraged to join us in worship. There is also a nursery for children aged 0-4, and during July - August, Wiggle Church is available for people aged 5-12.

Everyone is welcome to join us for coffee and refreshments after the service.

Use the QR code below to link to Grace's Welcome Newcomer's page.

