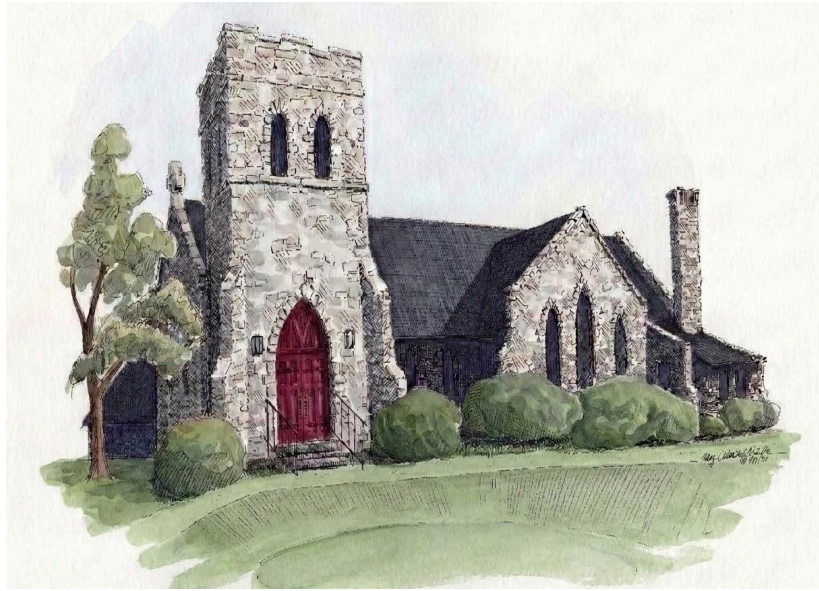




Grace Episcopal Church

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 11, 2026

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist II

Prelude: *Prelude* (from *Prelude, Fugue & Variations*)

César Franck

Welcome and Announcements

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

The Opening Acclamation

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

People **Blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Opening Hymn: *Come, Christians, join to sing*

1. Come, Chris-tians, join to sing: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 2. Come, lift your hearts on high: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 3. Praise yet the Lord a - gain: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

loud praise to Christ our King: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 Let prais - es fill the sky: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 Life shall not end the strain: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Let all, with heart and voice, be - fore his throne re - joice;
 He is our guide and friend; to us he'll con - de - scend;
 On heav - en's bliss - ful shore his good-ness we'll a - dore,

praise is his gra-cious choice. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 his love shall nev - er end: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 sing - ing for - ev - er - more: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Collect for Purity

Gloria

Rutter

1. Glo - ry to you, Lord
 God of our fa - thers; you are wor - thy of praise;
 glo - ry to you. 2. Glo - ry to you
 for the ra - di - ance of your ho - ly Name; we will
 praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.
 3. Glo - ry to you in the splen - dor of your
 tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to
 you. 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -
 ween the Cher - u - bim; we will praise you and
 high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.
 5. Glo - ry to you, be - hold - ing the
 depths; in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to
 you. 6. Glo - ry to you, Fa - ther,
 Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will praise you and
 high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

The Collect of the Day

(from *Enriching Our Worship*)

Beloved God, as we approach your Presence, guide and stir us with your Holy Spirit, that we may become one body, one spirit in Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

The people sit.

Children's Moment

Music in Procession: *This little light of mine*

G G7
This lit - tle light of mine, I'm gon - na let it shine.

5 C G
This lit - tle light of mine, I'm gon - na let it shine.

9 Em B7 C
This lit - tle light of mine, I'm gon - na let it shine, let it

13 G D7 G C G
shine, let it shine, let it shine.

THE WORD OF GOD

The First Lesson: Exodus 32:1-14

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took

the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the LORD." They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The people remain seated.

Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23 (*chanted*)

Give thanks to the Lord, for he / **is good:**
for his mercy en-**dures forever.**

Who can declare the mighty acts / **of the Lord,**
or show forth / **all his praise?**

Happy are those who act / **with justice**
and always do / **what is right.**

Remember me, Lord, when you show favor / **to your people,**
and come to me with your / **saving help.**

So that I may see the prosperity of / **your chosen:**
Rejoice with the / **nation's gladness,**
and exult / **with the people**
You have / **made your own.**

We have sinned like / **our ancestors;**
we have done wrong / **and dealt wickedly.**
They have made a / **bull in Horeb**
and worshipped that / **molten image.**

So they exchanged the glory / **of God**
for the image of an ox that / **feeds on grass.**
They forgot / **God their Savior,**
who had done great / **things in Egypt.**

Wonderful deeds in the land / **of Ham,**
and fearful things at / **the Red Sea.**

So he would have destroyed them but for Moses, your / **chosen one,**
who stood before you in the breach, to turn back your wrath from / **their**
destruction.

Gospel Hymn: *Fairest Lord Jesus***383**

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

The Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Prayers of the People

The people stand.

Priest I invite your prayers on behalf of this our human family, for communities, for leaders, and for the good creation.

Leader God and author of true religion, be present in the world through your church, bless and inspire its members, direct its mission, and promote the saints. Pray for the church.

All may add their own prayers and petitions silently or aloud.

Leader Father who guides, establish righteousness in this and every nation, so that our actions may be in line with your love for the world, teach our leaders, guide us into new pathways of peace. Pray for our nation.

All may add their own prayers and petitions silently or aloud.

Leader Mother of all creation, give us an ever-expanding love of the created order, so that we may protect our home and continue to live in its safety. Care for those enduring natural calamities, be it fire, flood or earthquake. Pray for the world.

All may add their own prayers and petitions silently or aloud.

Leader Brother in our midst, protect our community, help us to build pathways of your love, give us the ability and will to work with each other and direct us to your will. Pray for this community.

All may add their own prayers and petitions silently or aloud.

Leader Sister in times of suffering, be present with those who are hungry, sick, or in danger. Lead us to be present with each other in times of need. We especially pray for Linda & David Adams, Cliff Albertson, Joan Aldrich, James Cannon, Anne Jarema, Muriel & John Kimbrough, Walt, Joyce & Diana Noble, Natalie & Andrew Owens, Wayne & Laura Parton, Gael Paschall, Sonny Rawls, Kyle Rhodes, Ann Robinson, Bea & Jeff Russell, Guy Sayles, Nancy Sink, Laura, Tsz-yan (G-Yen) and Roger Snyder, Rita Spragg, Laurie Strickland, Lydia Vander Voort & Andy Steele, Barbara Wilcox, and Jennifer Witt.

All may add their own prayers and petitions silently or aloud.

Leader God who calls us home, reassure us in the hope of the resurrection, and provide true and holy rest for those who have departed this life, especially Margaux Landingham, Jan & John Schranz, David Alan Weaver-McRee and Tricia Laurenson, and on the anniversary of their deaths we pray for Peggy Grimes, Thomas Marshall Cate, Cuyler Dupree, Harold Stikeleather, and those who still grieve for them. What saints do you now name?

All may add their own prayers and petitions silently or aloud.

Priest Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **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: *For the Beauty of the Earth*

Mack Wilberg

Doxology

Duke Street

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.

Blessing of the Pledges

Pledge cards are brought to the altar and placed in a basket on the altar.

Presider Let us pray.

People **Gracious and loving God, giver of all that is good and true and beautiful and life-giving. These cards represent our sweat, they represent our lives, they represent our dreams. The pledges which we make on them are but tokens of the awesome gifts that have been given to us, and they are pledged in thanksgiving for all we have received, for all we have been inspired to be, for all we are challenged to become, in this place.**

Presider May they be the first fruits of all we have and not what we have left over, so that we may live out as closely as possible how you give to us. May we see them as our offering to you, sacred, holy, yet earthly, filled with possibilities. May we hold this image in our hearts and minds so as we watch our offerings each week come to your table, we can see our very selves being part of this offering, it is us on the table, living sacrifices to you. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer 2 from *Enriching Our Worship*

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.

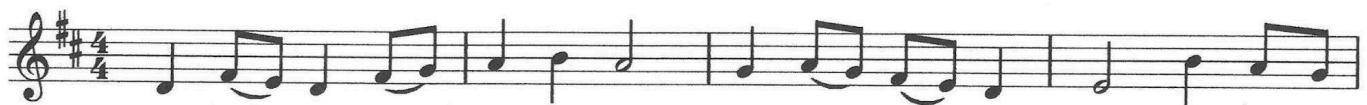
People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Sanctus

Cassarino



Ho - ly, — Ho - ly, — Ho - ly Lord, God of — pow'r and might, Hea - ven and



earth are full — of your glo-ry: Ho - san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He who —



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high — est.

The Presider continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

The Lord's Prayer (*Traditional*)

BCP 364

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

from Taizé



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: *I come with joy to meet my Lord*

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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: *Rejoice, the Lord is King*

1. Re - joice, the Lord is King: Your Lord and King a - dore!
2. Je - sus, the Sa - vior, reigns, The God of truth and love;
3. His king - dom can - not fail, He rules o'er earth and heav'n;
4. Re - joice in glo - rious hope! Our Lord and judge shall come

Re - joice, give thanks and sing, And tri - umph e - ver - more. Lift
When He has purged our stains, He took his seat a - bove; Lift
The keys of death and hell Are to our Je - sus giv'n: Lift
And take His ser - vants up To their e - ter - nal home: Lift

up your heart, Lift up your voice! Re - joice, a - gain I say, re - joice!
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up your heart, Lift up your voice! Re - joice, a - gain I say, re - joice!

Dismissal

Postlude: *Rejoice, the Lord is King*

Brenda Portman



The Aumbry Candle is given to the Glory of God by
Lesley Heiser in loving memory of Colin MacKay.

The flowers are given to the Glory of God by Jennifer Thomas in
thanksgiving for family, friends, and friends who have become family.



LAY MINISTERS

Crucifer: Ali Schaefer Torches: Courtney & Hannah Booth

Chalicerist: Elaine Potter Lector: John Woodson

Intercessor: Kristen Dusenbery Presenter: Roger Snyder

Ushers: Vicki & Paul Vest Greeters: Ginny Moser, George Bottiger

Wiggle Chaplain: Sally Withers Pot Luck Lunch: Everybody!

Vestry Person of the Day: Paul Vest



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Robert at Clergy Conference

Robert will be away at Clergy Conference beginning Monday, October 12 and returning Wednesday, October 14. If you have a pastoral emergency, please reach out to him by phone. He will be checking email once per day.

Potluck Lunch
TODAY
After Worship

A Joyful Celebration
At the Close of
Our Season of Stewardship



Let's give thanks together, and celebrate the successful
conclusion of our Season of Stewardship.
We couldn't have done it without all of you!

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.

New Child Care Person

I am thrilled that Gabby Morgan has joined the Nursery staff and will begin at Grace Church in October. If you get a chance, please greet her and welcome her here to Grace. She joins Paula Foggo, Caroline Parson-Chambliss, Trinity Mickens, and McKenzie Settle, on a rotating basis. These fine folks care for children birth to four in the nursery on Sunday mornings and assist with Wiggle Church.

Volunteering for Vestry

Vestry nomination forms are available upon request. We will elect three persons to the vestry in January. Rev. Robert and Paul Vest are happy to speak to you about vestry. Please see them if you are interested in a nomination form.

Prayer Flags for All Saints Sunday

We are continuing the tradition of hanging prayer flags in the church for All Saints Sunday with the names of loved ones who have passed. If you would like to add a name, sign up on the sheet at the Greeter's table, or submit them through this link: forms.gle/3djapGphhF7SZXXe9.

Adult Formation – Sacred Resistance

Our fourth and final class in the *Sacred Resistance* discussion series is next Sunday, October 18 at 9:15 a.m. The work of Sacred Resistance can be hard and exhausting. In Chapter 7 of the book, we look at how we sustain that work. Our guest will be Milo Norlin, son of Tahani Sticpewich and Bill Norlin.



Volunteer in the Pumpkin Patch 🎃

Please sign up to help visitors to the Pumpkin Patch view and purchase pumpkins. The QR code will take you directly to the sign-up sheet.

Compass Point Party

Grace Outreach Committee is hosting a dinner party at Compass Point on October 14 at 5:00 p.m. Plans are to serve a meat chili, a vegetarian chili, cornbread, desserts, and drinks. Compass Point provides 85 furnished studio apartments that give chronically unhoused people safe, long term housing. It is operated by the Homeward Bound. For several years, Grace Outreach, with support from groups such as Altar Guild, ECW, Men of the Church, Flower Guild, a Tabernacle Group, and a Foyer Group, have been providing a birthday party at Compass Point. Parties are now being held quarterly with individuals, who live there, given a birthday cupcake, and a birthday card that includes a \$25 Wal-Mart gift card. If you would like to contribute or participate you would be welcome. For more information, contact Lucy Bowen at lucyabowen@yahoo.com or 229-224-5891.

Episcopal Church Women's Fall Potluck Luncheon

ECW's Fall Potluck Luncheon will be held on Saturday, October 17, in the parish hall from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Please bring a dish to share and join us as we prepare for our upcoming rummage sale. All women of Grace are automatically members of ECW. We especially encourage newcomers to come join us.

October PubSing

Our next monthly PubSing will be happening on Sunday, October 18. We will meet at Eluvian Brewing Company, 11 Florida Avenue, Weaverville. Singing will occur from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. If the weather is cooperative, we will play outdoors on the deck.



Follow the QR Code to Our Newsletter

Scan the QR code to take you to Growing in Grace, our weekly newsletter. If you'd like it to come to your inbox, send your email address to kimhys53@gmail.com.

Parking

Our staff and leadership recognize 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 Avenue and take a brief walk across to the church.

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.*

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.

Garden Prayer Gathering: *Thursdays at 6:00 p.m.*

Parishioner Mark Sudimak is leading a weekly Intercessory Prayer Gathering in the Urban Garden next to the church on Thursdays 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. For more information, please contact Mark at 302-242-6807 or msudimak60@gmail.com.

GRACE'S PRAYER LIST

For Congregants: **Linda & David Adams, Cliff Albertson, James Cannon, Anne Jarema, Muriel & John Kimbrough, Natalie & Andrew Owens, Wayne & Laura Parton, Gael Paschall, Sonny Rawls, Kyle Rhodes, Ann Robinson, Bea & Jeff Russell, Guy Sayles, Laura, Tsz-yan and Roger Snyder, Laurie Strickland, Lydia Vander Voort & Andy Steele, Jennifer Witt.**

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

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); **Anne Bentzen** (friend of Cliff Albertson); **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); **Kathy Gerhardt** (daughter of Nancy Clark); **Tom Hunnicutt** (friend of Rusty Herman); **Ashley Israel** (daughter of Jennifer Witt); **Ashley & Luke Landingham** (son & daughter-in-law of Mary Dillon); **Sara Lind** (sister of Pat Davis); **Ava Manley** (friend of Ginny

Mosser); **Daniel McRee** (son of Fr. Timothy McRee); **Judy Wells Meehan** (friend 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); **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); **Susan** (sister of Balfour Knight); **Wiley Thornton** (cousin of Carol McClellan); **Tom & Joan** (friends of James Cannon); **Stephanie Tugurian** (daughter of Jeanne & Ron Sims); **Joseph Vinson** (nephew of Monty Wooten); **Lynn Whitehead** (friend of Ann Lewis); **Bev Whiting** (friend of Rusty Herman).

For the recently departed: **Margaux Landingham, Jan & John Schranz, David Alan Weaver-McRee, Tricia Laurenson.**

For those celebrating anniversaries: **Lisa & Steve Birkhofer, Laura & Wayne Parton, Nora & Steve Jones.**

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; the **Standing & Search Committees for our new bishop; the clergy, vestry, staff, ministries, and people of this parish;** in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for **The Church of the Province of Uganda;** and in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, **we pray for all Indigenous People and for the care of our creation.***

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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The Reverend Timothy McRee; The Reverend John Rice

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Cathy Adkins, *Organist*

Judy Rhodes Baroody, *Taizé Music Coordinator*

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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.

