



# Welcome to Grace Episcopal Church

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost  
October 27, 2024 – 10:30 am  
Choral Eucharist, Rite II



— Connecting @ Grace —

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## WELCOME TO GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

We are pleased to welcome you to Grace Church. If you are joining us for the first time, please send us a message at [welcome@gracealex.org](mailto:welcome@gracealex.org), so we can get to know you. We can also add you to our mailing list by request. We're glad to have you join with us in worshipping God in the beauty of holiness, something which is central to our identity at Grace. We hope you will join with us in sharing the love of God with this world that needs healing. Assisted listening devices are available for use during worship. Please see an usher if you'd like to use one.



Please silence your cell phones during worship.

### Our Mission Statement

To Love, Proclaim, and Serve God

*Through + life-giving liturgical worship + joyful community + empowering others*

### Contacting Grace

Please feel free to contact our staff.

Our regular office hours are Monday to Thursday 9 am – 3 pm, and Fridays 9 am – 12 noon.

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*Mother Abbott has concluded her time as Bridge Rector but will be with us on Sundays, October 20<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>*

### IN NEED OF PASTORAL CARE?

Clergy and staff are available for pastoral care. Please call the church office at (703) 549-1980 if you're ill or need pastoral care. For emergencies after hours, please call the **After-hours Emergency Number: (703) 261-9079**, and the priest on call will assist you.

### HOME COMMUNION

Home Communion is available upon request for parishioners who desire this service by Eucharistic Visitors every Sunday. Home Communion will be in one form, Bread only. To request Home Communion, parishioners are asked to contact the Parish Office by telephone at 703-549-1980 no later than 12 pm on the Wednesday prior to the Sunday on which they would like to receive Home Communion.

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
CHORAL EUCHARIST, RITE II

Children 3 months until 3 years are welcome in the nursery. Please ask an usher to direct you.

BELL PRELUDE

Antiphonal Praise  
O God beyond all praising

Michael Bedford  
Linda Lamb

*The people stand.*


HYMN 410

Praise, my soul the King of heaven

*Lauda anima*


THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant*



Bless-ed be God: Father, Son, and Ho-ly Spi-rit.

*People*



And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ev-er. A-men.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP, p. 355

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

*Children ages 3 years – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade follow the Crucifer to Children's Chapel.*

SONG OF PRAISE S-236

John 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. \_\_\_\_\_

*Descant*

5. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ be -  
 5. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ be - hold - ing the  
 hold - ing the depths; \_\_\_\_\_ in the high vault of  
 depths; \_\_\_\_\_ in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to

hea - ven, \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_  
 you. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ Fa - ther,

— Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; \_\_\_\_\_ we will  
 Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; \_\_\_\_\_ we will praise you and

high - ly ex - alt you Glo - ry to you! \_\_\_\_\_  
 high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. \_\_\_\_\_

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant*      The Lord be with you.

*People*          **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*      Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*The people are seated.*

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

THE FIRST LESSON

Job 42:1-6, 10-17

*Lector*          A reading from the Book of Job.

Job answered the Lord: "I know that you can do all things, and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted. 'Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?' Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand, things too wonderful for me, which I did not know. 'Hear, and I will speak; I will question you, and you declare to me.' I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees you; therefore I despise myself, and repent in dust and ashes." And the Lord restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before. Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the Lord had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring. The Lord blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. He also had seven sons and three daughters. He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch. In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job's daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. After this Job lived for one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children's children, four generations. And Job died, old and full of days.

*Lector*          The Word of the Lord.

*People*          **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 34:1-8

Anglican Chant by Thomas Norris

*Sung by the Choir*

- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times; \*  
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
- 2 I will glory in the Lord; \*  
let the humble hear and rejoice.
- 3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; \*  
let us exalt his Name together.
- 4 I sought the Lord, and he answered me \*  
and delivered me out of all my terror.
- 5 Look upon him and be radiant, \*  
and let not your faces be ashamed.
- 6 I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me \*  
and saved me from all my troubles.
- 7 The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, \*  
and he will deliver them.
- 8 Taste and see that the Lord is good; \*  
happy are they who trust in him!

*Lector* A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but Jesus holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*The people stand for the Gospel Procession and sing the hymn.*

HYMN 443

From God Christ's deity came forth

*Salem Harbor*

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 10:46-52

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*The people are seated.*

SERMON

Mother Abbott Bailey

*Silence is kept.*

NICENE CREED

BCP, p. 326

**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,  
 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 II; BCP, p. 385

*In the course of silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.*

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop, Michael, our Presiding Bishop-Elect, Sean, our Bishops, Mark and Gayle; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed. Pray for those who have died.

*Silence*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

*Silence*

*Celebrant*

Almighty God, look graciously upon the people of Grace, and mercifully receive the prayers we offer before you. As we prepare to welcome Mother Anne, grant us wisdom and confidence in your steadfast presence. We give thanks for the members of our vestry, who have labored faithfully in seeking your will. We pray for the life of our parish, that we may be continually strengthened in our mission to Love, Proclaim, and Serve God. Bless us with mutual trust, respect, courage, and foresight as you shepherd us on this journey. Guide us with your constant direction and inspire us in all we do. All this we ask as we walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

All

**Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart and especially the hearts of the people of this land, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

*The people kneel. Silence may be kept.*

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*The people are seated.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

## THE HOLY COMMUNION



THE OFFERTORY

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM

O Lord, I Will Praise Thee

Gordon Jacob (1895-1984)

*O Lord, I will praise thee though thou wast angry with me, thine anger is turned away, and thou comfortedst me. Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid: for the Lord Jehovah is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation.*

*Praise the Lord, call upon his name, declare his doings among the people, make mention that his name is exalted. Sing unto the Lord for he hath done excellent things: this is known in all the earth. Cry out and shout, thou inhabitant of Zion: for great is the Holy one of Israel in the midst of thee.*

*The people stand and sing the hymn*

HYMN 567

Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old

St. Matthew





Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.*

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

William H. Plant

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hal-lowed be thy name,  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in Heav-en.  
Give us this day our dai-ly bread, And forgive us our trespasses,  
As we forgive those who tres-pass a-gainst us.  
And lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, but de-liv-er us from e-vil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glo-ry,  
For ev-er and ev-er, A - men.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Hymnal S-155

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is  
sac - ri - ficed for us; there - fore let us keep the feast.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

BCP, p. 364

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the eucharist. Please come forward to the altar rail at the direction of the ushers. A full communion is made with the bread alone, but if you choose to receive the wine, you may either drink from the cup, or you may offer your wafer to the person holding the chalice, who will dip the bread in the wine for you.*

*If you prefer a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest. Gluten free wafers are available; simply ask the priest.*

*If you do not wish to receive communion at the altar, please let an usher know, and communion can be brought to you in your pew.*

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Holy Manna

John Carter

HYMN 633

Word of God, come down on earth

Mt. St. Alban NCA

THE SENDING FORTH OF LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

*Celebrant* In the name of this congregation, I 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 share in one bread, one cup.**

*The people stand or kneel.*

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*All stand and sing the hymn.*

CLOSING HYMN 460

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

*Hyfrydol*

THE DISMISSAL

BCP, p. 366

*Deacon* Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

Prelude on 'Hyfrydol'

*Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)*

*At the end of liturgy today, one of the priests will be available at the Lady Altar for prayers for healing.  
Please allow quiet and privacy for those seeking prayer.*

## Music Notes

**Michael Bedford** is Organist/Choirmaster Emeritus of St. John's Episcopal Church in Tulsa, Oklahoma. After 50 years in the church music business, and 25 of those years at St. John's Church, he is now retired. Currently he serves as President of the American Guild of Organists. In his spare time, he continues to compose and write mystery novels. Dr. Bedford is a widely published composer of choral music for children's, youth and adult choirs, as well as organ collections and handbell pieces.

His Antiphonal Praise for Handbells is a joyous piece which features a compositional technique that has been around for centuries. Traditionally there were two ensembles on opposite sides of a given space, and the music would be played alternatively and by both ensembles. In this case the "second ensemble" is played by fewer bells and softer.

**Linda Lamb** has been involved with handbells since 1992, as director, ringer, and composer. She is also a founding member of the Pax River Ringers, a community group in Southern Maryland. Her arrangements for handbells have been popular with Handbell Ensembles. Her arrangement of the hymn "O God beyond all praising" uses the famous melody written by Gustav Holst. The melody comes from his orchestral suite "The Planets," the "Jupiter" movement. The melody was subsequently set to the hymn text. The hymn is set in major and is joyous; however, Lamb's arrangement starts and finishes in the minor mode, giving the piece an interesting twist.

**Gordon Jacob** (1895 - 1984) was an English composer and teacher. He was a professor at the [Royal College of Music](#) in London from 1924 until his retirement in 1966. His anthem O Lord, I Will Praise Thee is based on Isaiah Chapter 12 and gives thanks and praise to God. The music, appropriately, is exuberant and features triumphal harmonies with the organ providing broad support of the choir. Of particular interest, the phrase "Sing unto the Lord" is repeated is repeated four *times* in choir unison; perhaps to drive home that message.

**Ralph Vaughan Williams** (1872-1958), arguably the most imaginative, prolific, and engaging British composer of the first half of the twentieth century, wrote so relatively few works for solo organ. Why was this? Other twentieth-century British composers (such as Matthias, Leighton, Wills, Jackson, and, especially, Howells) contributed to the organ's literature in major ways. Some say Vaughan Williams did not like the organ. It is more accurate to suggest he did not enjoy playing the organ.

Three Preludes Founded On Welsh Hymn Tunes was published in 1920 by Stainer & Bell. The second prelude of the set, Rhosymedre, was played at Vaughan Williams's funeral in 1958. Vaughan Williams first encountered these tunes when editing The English Hymnal (1906). The preludes are likely among the first works completed after his leaving the army in 1919. Hyfrydol makes a bit of an odd conclusion to the set: a very thick-textured setting of the tune above a constantly moving pedal part that romps over two octaves. (Notes by David Herman).

## SERVING @ GRACE TODAY

<i>Celebrant</i>	Mother Emma Brice
<i>Preacher</i>	Mother Abbott Bailey
<i>Assisting &amp; Children's Chapel</i>	Father Ignacio Solano Gómez, Noah Aukerman
<i>Lector</i>	Anne Boris
<i>Intercessor</i>	Khacki Berry
<i>Lay Eucharistic Minister</i>	Alex Willson
<i>Music Director</i>	Dr. Alain Truche
<i>Ushers</i>	Brad Bergmann & June Huber, John Boris, Colleen McArdelle
<i>Live Stream Crew</i>	Alison Campbell, Vance Allen
<i>Altar Guild Crew Leaders</i>	John Barker, Beth Yancey
<i>Acolytes</i>	Molly Sim, Lauren Gustafson, Brynn Miller, Ellen Rugaber, Annie Eason, Lucy Williams

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AS OF OCTOBER 27, 2024

Announcement deadline is Monday at 12 pm. Announcements arriving after that time will be held for the following week. Please limit announcements to 75 words.

Email requests to [announcements@gracealex.org](mailto:announcements@gracealex.org).

### The Altar Flowers for today are given to the glory of God.

Interested in dedicating Altar Flowers for a particular Sunday in loving memory of someone or in thanksgiving? Scan the QR Code on the right with your smart phone to access the form.



## NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

### TRUNK OR TREAT – TODAY, OCTOBER 27TH, 3 - 5PM

On Sunday, October 27th, please join Grace Episcopal Church and Emmanuel Church in the Grace Episcopal Church parking lot from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. for a Trunk-or-Treat Event for all! This event is open to the entire community to celebrate Halloween. Please sign-up to volunteer to host a car or bring crafts and/or prizes. We do need cars in order to host this event. Please pull out your imaginations, your creativity and your costumes for this fun community-based event for all! We would love to see you there. To enter your car, please register via the linked in the QR code.

### MINIMAL VOLUNTEER COVERAGE FOR CHURCH OFFICE THIS TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY

Staff will be offsite Tuesday, 10/29, & Wednesday, 10/30, for quarterly staff planning. Minimal volunteer coverage will be provided, and parishioners should call before stopping by to ensure the office is open.

### WALK IN LOVE: FALL PLEDGE CAMPAIGN IS UNDERWAY!

Grace Church relies on the faithful support of parishioners. Each year, the Grace community offers up pledges of time, talent, and treasure for the coming year. These gifts enable the transformative worship, empowering ministries, and restorative fellowship that constitute the Grace Church we all know and love. This year's theme is "Walk in Love." We hear it said nearly every Sunday, but what does it actually look like in real life? Over the coming days you will hear from many individuals describing what it means for them to Walk in Love. Listen to their stories. Think about your own. Prayerfully consider what God is calling you to give and to do in 2025, and then make your pledge! We will celebrate the ingathering of pledges on Sunday, November 10, but you can pledge any time by returning the pledge card you received in the mail, or online at [gracealex.org/pledge](http://gracealex.org/pledge).

### HANDBELL RINGER NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

The handbell ensemble will be ringing at the 7:30 PM Christmas Eve service. For us to be able to play 3-octave music instead of 2-octave music, we need an extra set of hands. We will start practicing Christmas music on Thursday November 7th from 6:00 to 6:45 PM. If you would like to participate on a short-term basis and help us out, please email Dr. Truche at [alain.truche@gracealex.org](mailto:alain.truche@gracealex.org).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

### RENEWAL OF MINISTRY SERVICE TOMORROW, MONDAY, OCTOBER 28TH AT 7 PM

Bishop Mark Stevenson will join us tomorrow, Monday, October 28th at 7 PM for a special service marking the mutual ministry and renewal of the pastoral relationship between Mother Anne Turner as rector and the people of Grace. Nursery care will be provided. A light reception will be provided after the service.

### ELECTION DAY PRAYERS – NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>

Grace Episcopal Church will be open for prayer and meditation on Election Day, November 5th. The Nave will be open for private prayer and reflection from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. We invite you to join us for Morning Prayer at 9:00 am, a Noonday Service of Prayer at 12:00 pm, both in the Nave, and Evening Prayer on zoom at 6:00 pm. You are welcome to light a candle and spend time in silence during this day of prayer for our country.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK (CONTINUED)

### ADULT FORUM FALL SCHEDULE

Adult forum is offered Sundays 9:40 - 10:15 in the St. Mark room (2nd floor) or virtually via Zoom link sent in the Sunday morning email. Tea and coffee are available just outside the St. Mark Room from 9:30. All are welcome at any forum; no commitment required.

**October 27: Grace at Work: Healing**, by Henry and Priscilla Ziegler

**November 3: Grace at Work: Welcoming the Stranger**, by Jennifer Ibanez Whitlock and Fr. Santiago Rodriguez

**November 10: Grace at Work: 43 Years as a Scientist**, by Bill Eckel

**November 17: Grace at Work: Healing Therapy**, by Hannah Sternberg and Mindy Van Wart

**November 24: Creation Care: Next Steps at Grace**, by Eric Waskowicz

**December 1: Intergenerational Event (Advent Wreaths) in Merrow Hall – No separate Adult Forum**

**December 8: Christmas Away From Home**, by parishioners

**December 15: Creches from Around the World at the Washington National Cathedral**, by Anne Clift Boris

**December 22-29: Christmas Break – No Adult Forum or Sunday School**

### INVESTITURE OF NEW PRESIDING BISHOP – NOVEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup>

Join us for a historic and joyful celebration on November 2, 2024, as the Episcopal Church officially welcomes Presiding Bishop-elect Sean Rowe as our 28th Presiding Bishop! This special investiture service will be smaller and focused on reducing our carbon footprint while encouraging churchwide virtual participation. The event will kick off with an exciting “roll call” of dioceses at 9:30 am, followed by the service at 11:00 am. You can watch the livestream at [episcopalchurch.org](http://episcopalchurch.org) or on The Episcopal Church’s Facebook page [facebook.com/episcopalian](https://facebook.com/episcopalian).

### CHORAL EVENSONG FOR THE FEAST OF ALL SOULS- NOVEMBER 3RD AT 5 PM

On Sunday, November 3rd, the 5:00 pm service will be a Choral Evensong for the Feast of All Souls, with organ prelude beginning 20 minutes before the service starts. We will also remember all those who have died, especially those who have died in the past year. The service will include a reading of the names of the dead. If you have a name that you would like to have read aloud, please email the name to [announcements@gracealex.org](mailto:announcements@gracealex.org) by **October 28th** to make sure it is included. Light reception to follow. All are welcome at the service.

### J2A YOUTH FOR HIRE

Fall is upon us, and with it comes various projects to do around the house and in the yard. If you have things on your to-do list that you would like some help with, please consider using our J2A “Youth-for-Hire” program. Our team of chore service specialists are ready to assist with whatever you need, whether it be raking (or other yard work), cleaning, moving, etc. Available dates (all Saturdays) are 11/2, 11/9, 11/16 and 12/7. Other days may be available upon request. Prices are \$20 per hour per “youth” (adult chaperone included free of charge) and all funds raised will go toward the J2A Pilgrimage trip to Quebec and Montreal planned for Summer, 2025. To schedule, please call/text Greg Ruff at (571) 437-5664 or send email to [theruffs@verizon.net](mailto:theruffs@verizon.net).

### CARL FISHER INURNMENT SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16 AT NOON

The inurnment for Carl Fisher, former parishioner, in the Grace Church Columbarium has been rescheduled for Saturday, November 16th at noon. The service will take place in the nave followed by the inurnment in the columbarium. All are invited to attend the service.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK (CONTINUED)

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR J2A COFFEE HOUR ON NOVEMBER 17

J2A will host a special coffee hour following the 10:30 Eucharist on November 17 to help raise funds for its 2025 Quebec pilgrimage. We invite you to purchase and partake in our French-themed brewed beverages, hot chocolate, and pastries to support our pilgrims. In addition, we again will offer the opportunity to "buy a mile" of the 600-mile journey from Alexandria to Quebec, and we will have special QR codes stationed in the auditorium containing links to do so. Watch the bulletins and weekly parish emails for further details as the date nears.

## BIRTHDAYS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

Monday, October 28	Esther Morales
Tuesday, October 29	Christine Harris, Ted Prosser, Willem Schultz
Wednesday, October 30	Benjamin Kong
Thursday, October 31	Pedro Hernandez
Friday, November 1	Kathie Burgess
Saturday, November 2	Sam Heaney
Sunday, November 3	Alexandra Willson



*Parishioner birthdays are listed weekly based on records from Breeze, our church database. For birthdays missing or listed on an incorrect date, please contact the church office to update your record. **Thank you!***



## PRAYER @ GRACE THIS WEEK

*We continue praying for all those in need of healing of mind, body, or spirit. We also pray for wisdom and strength for our communities, our elected officials, and our leaders as they make difficult and important decisions. As we join in common prayer this weekend, let us remember those who are in any need or trouble.*

- **Parishioners:** Virginia, Michael, Lisa, Lina, Mario, Tina, Hector, Wendy, Conway, Amorita, Caz & family, Debbie, Amber, Kelly, Elle, John, Carl, Jeannie, Sigrid, Ed, Larry, Susie, Otto, Anne, Charles, Cleveland, Colin, Jennifer, Barbara, Duke, Lisa, June, Igor, David & Joanie.
- **Parishioners and others in assisted living:** Margaret, Nancy, Sally, Clare, Elesa, Mary Ann, Cynthia, Reg, Don, Susan, James, Peck, Vylma, Bette.
- **Family & friends:** Barbara, Maggie, Joel, Anthony, Mark, Klaus, Charles, Nancy, Madison, Jack, Michael, Dave & Mimi, Sharon, Peter, Cyndy, Anne, Scott, Jean, Eileen & Dylan, Virginia, Christine, Elena, Al, Connie, Don, Leslie, Elizabeth, Ada, Don, Cooper, Marge, Elizabeth, Bert, Clare, Betsy, Chuck, Mike, Jim, Renee, Patrick, Ashby, Troy, Ada, Gen, Dick, Danny, Lew, Cathie, Cameron, Ellen, Patti & Joe, Claudia, Amy, Sam, Paul, Bill, Markita, Alma, Will.
- **Members of our staff:** Mother Anne, Father Santiago, Mother Emma, Alain, Mary, Kevin, Madeline, Addie, Pedro, Amorita, Betsy, Jane.
- **Grace School:** Students & their families; for the staff, especially Amanda, interim head of school.
- **Outreach & Justice Partners:** ALIVE; Casa Chirilagua; Christ Church Refugee and Lazarus Ministries; Community Lodgings; Cristosal, El Salvador; Haiti Micah Project; Meade Memorial Lunch Program; Tanzania Mission; Tenants and Workers; V.O.I.C.E.; Kathleen and Eddie Arthur Hearts of Love Fund.
- **Those who have died:** Those who have died from illnesses and natural disasters; and all those killed in acts of terror, violence, and war around the world.
- **Those serving our country in the Armed Forces and State Department overseas:** LCDR Claire S. Eudy, USN; SSgt Chip Fowler, USAF; Erika Olander; for healing for US troops wounded as casualties of war; and for physical and mental well-being of all veterans.
- **Others who are overseas serving the Church or our nation or studying:** Chris & Melissa Reed; Owen Malone & Miles Malone.
- **Diocese of Virginia Prayer Cycle:** Bishop E. Mark Stevenson; Bishop Gayle E. Harris; Diocesan staff; La Iglesia Cristo Rey y La Iglesia San José, Arlington; St. Mary's, Berryville; St. Peter's, New Kent.
- **Anglican Prayer Cycle:** The Scottish Episcopal Church; The Diocese of North Karamoja, The Church of the Province of Uganda; The Diocese of Karimnagar, The Church of South India (United); The Diocese of Karnataka Central, The Church of South India (United); The Diocese of Karnataka North, The Church of South India (United); The Diocese of Karnataka South, The Church of South India (United); The Diocese of Karongi, Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda.

You can fill out a [Prayer Request Form](#) on our Website or email your request to [prayers@gracealex.org](mailto:prayers@gracealex.org)

## EVENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT / INFO*
Sunday, 10/27	7:30 am Holy Eucharist in English, Rite I	Nave	
	8:45 am Santa Eucaristía <i>en español</i>	Nave	
	9:00 am Little Church, Rite II	Amphitheater	
	9:40 - 10:15 Sunday School and Adult Forum	Various Locations	
	10:30 am Choral Eucharist, Rite II	Nave / Livestream	
	Trunk or Treat 3:00 - 5:00 pm	Parking Lot	
	5:00 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Nave	
Monday 10/28	Food Pantry Bagging - 3:30 - 5:30 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> floor Lobby	<a href="mailto:Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org">Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org</a>
	Celebration of Renewed Ministry - 7 pm	Nave	
Tuesday, 10/29	Church Staff Planning Day	Church Office	
	Food Pantry Distribution - 6:30 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> floor Lobby	<a href="mailto:Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org">Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org</a>
Wednesday, 10/30	Church Staff Planning Day	Church Office	
	Food Pantry (Unloading of Delivery) - 2 - 4 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> floor Lobby	<a href="mailto:Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org">Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org</a>
	Evening Prayer - 5:30 pm	Zoom	Lucy-Lee Reed - 703.842.3121
	Bible Study - 7:30 pm	Zoom	<a href="mailto:Stephen.Lovell@gracealex.org">Stephen.Lovell@gracealex.org</a>
	Alcoholics Anonymous - 8 pm	MH Auditorium	
	Alanon - 8 pm	St. Luke Room	
Thursday, 10/31	Holy Eucharist Rite II, noon	Nave	
	Food Pantry Bagging - 3:30 - 5:30 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> floor Lobby	<a href="mailto:Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org">Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org</a>
	Adult Choir Rehearsal - 7 pm	St. Cecilia Room	<a href="mailto:alain.truche@gracealex.org">alain.truche@gracealex.org</a>
Friday, 11/1	Food Pantry Bagging - 3 - 5 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> floor Lobby	<a href="mailto:Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org">Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org</a>
	Food Pantry Distribution - 6:30 pm		
	Cenitas- La Gracia - 7 pm	Nave	
Saturday, 11/2	Altar Guild Set Up - 9 am	Narthex, Sacristy	
	Bible Study - 10 am		<a href="mailto:cmfaddencrosby@gmail.com">cmfaddencrosby@gmail.com</a>
	Food Pantry Bagging - 1 - 3 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> floor Lobby	<a href="mailto:Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org">Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org</a>