

Please Pray For...

Parishioners... Mary, Michael, Jimmy, Joyce, Lisa, Michael, Martha, Bette, Jack, Easter, Dick, Ishmael, Adela, Mary Ann, Sharon, Jane

Family and friends... Tina, Matthew, Sherrel, Pepper, Jack, Tom, Jeanne, Spencer, Ella, Lori, Jennifer, Margaret, Denise, John, Steve, Patty, Bobby, Caitlin, Bibsy, Wally and his family, Tina, Lavonia, John, Ann, Scott, Larry, Cynthia, Jack, Sarah, Dominic, Meredith, Kimberly, Maria, Max, Shannon, Chris, Neal, Alec, Darrie, Alice, Jeanne, Rita, Wiley, Charles, Christine, Clare, Dick.

Requiescat in Pace ... Gayle Kirkpatrick, Spc. Isiah L. Booker and all those killed in acts of terror and the wars around the world.

Those serving in Afghanistan or Iraq and all others at risk, including, Alex Ford, Andy Lopez, Eric and Karen Coulson. Pray for healing for US troops wounded as casualties of war and their caregivers.

Others who are overseas serving the Church or our nation, or studying, including Lit and Mary Carol Tazewell, Maggie Eckel, Andrew Boyd and Audra Kreger, the Scudi family, Mike and Kim Bomberger, Chris, Maggie and Eddy Corlett, Virginia Robinson, the Pattarini family, Evan and Kim Cannell

Those Travelling: Nancy Robinson

Those in assisted living: Shirley, Jorge, Joan, Clare, Tom, Fr. Jack, Kathleen, Jim

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Kyushu – (Japan) and The Rt. Revd. Luke Ken-ichi Muto

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Peter's in the Woods, Fairfax Station; Grace, Casanova; Immanuel-on-the-Hill, Alexandria; Olivet, Franconia.

In the parish: Easter Thompson, Vestry chair of the **Worship Program,** and the volunteers who serve in the Altar Guild and choirs and as acolytes, ushers, lectors and Lay Eucharistic Ministers.

Those with birthdays this week:

15 Luis Odria, Aubrilyn Reeder, Peter Spencer

16 Harper Dubsky, Rose Hall

17 Caroline Legere

18 Cathy David

19 Jeannette Ovando

21 Tom Donelson

Today

Flowers on the Altar

The flowers on the Altar today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of J. W. Via, Jr. by Mary Fox and by Vi Legere in thanksgiving and in honor of her granddaughter Caroline's 10th birthday.

Christian Formation

- Sunday School classes meet following the 9:00 service.
- The Adult Forum on the Budget meets in the Merrow Hall Auditorium.

Purse for Mother Steffensen

The Vestry has approved a collection for a purse for Mother Steffensen who will be leaving us in February. Donations may be made out to Grace Episcopal Church with "Purse for Mother Leslie" in the memo line.

First Quarter Pledge Envelopes

The Pledge Envelopes have been mailed out. If you have not received your envelopes for this quarter, please contact the office so we can confirm your address and get envelopes to you.

Poinsettias available in the New Narthex

Please take home a poinsettia from the New Narthex. They need a home.

UTO Offering

Grace Church collected \$1,585.11 for the United Thank Offering. Many thanks to each of you who contributed.

New Photo Display

New Photo Display includes our kids' Christmas pageant, Christmas Eve services, visit of the Wise Men, office volunteers luncheon, Carpenter's Shelter, Father Jack's luncheon, trip to the Holy Land and more. Enjoy.

Lector Sign-Up Sheet

The lector sign-up sheet for the Lent and Easter seasons is in the credenza. Lectors are asked to sign up for a few slots.

Flower News!

The sign-up chart for flowers is on the bulletin board on the left as you enter the old narthex. Donations are \$40 each and we spend an average of \$120 a week. We need multiple donors. It's okay to sign up when someone else has. Sign the flower chart or go to www.gracealex.org (under how to do something) to sign up online. The office must receive your payment before your announcement is included. If you do not sign up online, please notify the office of what you'd like to say. Please submit these by Tuesday prior to the Sunday you choose to donate. Questions? Contact lisa.doelp@gracealex.org or phone 703-239-1302.

Next Week

Annual Parish Meeting

The Annual Meeting will be held next Sunday, January 22 at 11:30 a.m. in Merrow Hall Auditorium. Childcare will be provided for children: Pre-K-1st grade will be in the Children's Chapel and 2nd-5th grade will be in their Sunday School classrooms. Please bring a casserole or main dish, salad or dessert to share at the 11:15 brunch. Note: There will be one Choral Eucharist at 10:00 a.m. as well as the 7:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. services.

Upcoming Events

Chili Bowl, January 29 at 6 p.m.

The Chili Bowl is quickly approaching! Make plans to attend this annual event, January 29 at 6 p.m., that achieves three very important goals in parish life: fun, fellowship and fundraising!

Candlemas Service, January 29

We will celebrate the Feast of the Presentation / Candlemas at all services on January 29. At the 11:15 service, there will be a choral mass setting by Michael Haydn for strings, choir, and organ.

First Brown Bag Notice for 2017: Jan 30-Feb 3

There is a new sign-up sheet on the Outreach bulletin board asking for sandwiches and servers for our next week at Meade Memorial. There is a need for 200 sandwiches (10 or 20 per donor) and two servers each day of the week. There are instructions for both on the board also. Either sign up there or e-mail linda.waskowicz@gracealex.org. Your participation earns the gratitude of many who need our help in Alexandria.

#AWAKEN GRACE February 3-5, Richmond, VA

Join youth from around the Diocese for the first annual conference for spiritual formation. Limited spaces and application required. If your 9-12th grader is interested, contact Jenni at jenni.faires@gracealex.org for more information. Cost: \$80.

Ways to Help at Grace and Beyond

Hypothermia Shelter at St. Clement

Grace Church's three dates of service at the Hypothermia Shelter are Jan 16, Feb 6, and Feb 27. We need two volunteers for each of two shifts per night: 7:30 p.m. – 12:00 a.m. & 11:45 p.m. – 6:00 a.m. The Sign-Up page is <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a4ca5a728abfb6-hypothermia1>.

VTS Discussion, January 18, 7:30 p.m.

Join Virginia Theological Seminary on for a timely discussion on “The Place of Honor: Class in Church and Society”. For more information, contact Anne Karoly, lte@vts.edu or 703-461-1753.

The Calendar for the Week

Sunday, January 15

- 8:30 a.m. Library open (8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.) and when church is open
- 8:45 a.m. Childcare for children 6 weeks through 2 years
(until 12:30 p.m.) — Nursery
- 9:00 a.m. Children's Chapel – St. Nicholas Room
- 10:00 a.m. Christian Formation Hour
- 11:15 a.m. Children's Chapel – St. Nicholas Room

Monday, January 16 – Office, Food Pantry and School Closed

- 6:30 p.m. Education for Ministry

Tuesday, January 17

- 1:00 p.m. Food Pantry open (until 3:00 p.m.)
- 4:15 p.m. Boys and Girls Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers — Lady Altar
- 7:00 p.m. Outreach Committee – St. John Room

Wednesday, January 18

- 7:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist — Lady Altar
- 9:30 a.m. GES Open House
- 6:00 p.m. Web Team Meeting
- 8:00 p.m. AA and Al-Anon — St. Luke Room and Auditorium

Thursday, January 19

- 12:15 p.m. Holy Eucharist — Lady Altar
- 4:15 p.m. Boys and Girls Choir Rehearsal
- 6:45 p.m. Handbell Choir
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir

Friday, January 20 – Office and Food Pantry Closed

- 9:00 a.m. GES Chapel
- 6:00 p.m. Prayer Service for our Nation
- 8:30 p.m. AA — Auditorium

Saturday, January 21

- 9:00 a.m. Altar Guild – Sacristy and Nave
- 11:00 a.m. Altar Guild Brunch