

July 17, 2016

GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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Please Pray for

Parishioners..... Mary, Michael, Jimmy, Joyce, Lisa, Michael, Dick, Martha, Easter, Renata, Lisa, Cleve , Lisa, Sherryl, Tracy, Colin, Beth, Cindy

Family and friends....., Tina, Carol, Matthew, Sherrel, Pepper, Jack, Cecilia, Tom, Jeanne, Spencer, Ella, Lori, Jennifer, Margaret, Joan, Rob, Richard, Denise, the Pasowitz family, John, Gayle, Bruce, Steve, Patty, Bobby, Caitlin, Bibsy, Wally and his family, Tina, Jack, Sue, Alicia, Terry, Carl, Megan, Dottie, Charlotte, Lavonia, Ruth, Sue, John, Ann

Requiescat in Paceall 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, Donald Hepburn, Jr., and Claire Eudy. 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 Maggie Eckel, Lit and Mary Carol Tazewell, Andrew Boyd and Audra Kreger, the Scudi family, Mike and Kim Bomberger, Chris, Maggie and Eddy Corlett, Virginia Robinson.

Those travelling: Martha Bethea

Those in assisted living: Shirley, Dick, Jorge, Joan, Cheryl, Clare, Fr. Jack, Tom, Ralph, Kathleen

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Province de L'Eglise Anglicane au Rwanda and **The Most Revd Dr Onesphore Rwaje** Archbishop of L'Eglise Episcopal au Rwanda and Bishop of Gasabo

In the Diocese of Virginia: Ware, Gloucester

In the parish: The Clergy and Staff of Grace Church: The Rev. Robert H. Malm, The Rev. Leslie N. Steffensen, the Rev. Elizabeth A. Locher, Dr. Richard Newman, Amy Medrick, Beth Calaman, Pedro Hernández, Ruth Young, Francisco Robles; and the volunteers who work in the office

Those with July birthdays

- 17 Howell Medley, Georganna Murto
- 18 Chrissie Crosby, Owen Dowell, Elliott Gabbert,
- Dorothy Gerber, John Hall, David Murphy, Ruth Schrott,
- Celia Schultz, Catherine Warner
- 19 Cleve Corlett, Mason Hendricks, Sara Kline
- 20 Lauren Feeley, Callan Henderson, Reba Winstead
- 21 Barrett Burkhalter
- 22 Carl Eckel, Barry Rosman
- 23 Vance Allen, Pat Moore, Tod Moore

Welcome to Grace Church!

Today, we celebrate the Holy Eucharist at 7:30 am and 5:00 pm; a Choral Eucharist at 10:00 am in the church; and a 9:00 am Santa Eucharistia in the auditorium.

Sunday, July 17

8:30 am	Library open (8:30 to 12:30 pm) and during the week when the church is open
9:00 am	Children's Chapel for La Gracia Service
9:45 am	Childcare for children 6 weeks through 2 years (until 12:30 pm) — Nursery
9:50 am	Children's Chapel for children 3 years through kindergarten — St. Nicholas Room
11:45 am	Rosary Group — Library

Monday, July 18

6:30 am	Strength and Flexibility Class — St. John Room
8:30 am	Steve & Kate's Camp
1:00 pm	Food Pantry (until 3:00 pm)

Tuesday, July 19

Macrina, Monastic and Teacher, 379

8:30 am	Steve & Kate's Camp
10:00 am	Church Staff Meeting — St. Mark Room
1:00 pm	Food Pantry open (until 3:00 pm)
3:00 pm	Bulletin Insert deadline
6:30 pm	Holy Eucharist (with Prayers for Healing) — Lady Altar
7:30 pm	Vestry Meeting — Auditorium

Wednesday, July 20 Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Amelia Jenks Bloomer, Sojourner Truth and Harriet Tubman, Liberators and Prophets

7:00 am	Holy Eucharist — Lady Altar
8:30 am	Steve & Kate's Camp
5:00 pm	Yoga — St. John Room
6:00 pm	"Positive ID" - Shrine Mont Music & Drama Camp Performance — Auditorium
8:00 pm	AA and Al-Anon — St. Luke and Auditorium

Thursday, July 21

Saint Mary Magdalene

8:30 am	Steve & Kate's Camp
12:15 pm	Holy Eucharist — Lady Altar

Friday, July 22

8:30 am	Steve & Kate's Camp
6:30 pm	Food Pantry open (until 7:30 pm)
8:30 pm	AA — Auditorium

Saturday, July 23

9:00 am	Altar Guild — Sacristy and Nave
11:00 am	Altar Guild Semi-Annual Lunch - Auditorium

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Worship Notes

Flowers on the Altar

The flowers on the Altar today are given to the glory of God by the Schultz Family, in celebration of Celia Glen Schultz's 7th birthday tomorrow.

Transitions at Grace

Father Malm announced on July 2 that Mother Elizabeth Locher is resigning from the staff of Grace Church. A copy of the email that he sent out to the parish is posted on the bulletin board. Her final Sunday will be on September 4.

Mid-Year Pledge Statements

The office is currently working on Mid-Year Pledge Statements. They will be available for pick-up starting on Sunday, July 24.

Prayer Before and After the Liturgy

Grace Church has a long tradition of silent prayer before and after every celebration of the Eucharist. At choral services this time is often accompanied by an organ "voluntary." Please be aware of those using the silence and the music before and after each liturgy for prayer.

Want to join the Sunday School team?

As we prepare for the new Sunday School year in the fall, we are looking for new teachers to join the team! Are you interested in working with our children and youth? You don't need previous experience – just a passion for God and a love of children. We provide training, curriculum, and experienced teachers to work with you. We are especially looking for teachers to work with our preschool, grade school (K-3rd grade), and high school students. Please contact Mother Elizabeth at family.ministries@gracealex.org if you would like to join!

Help us welcome visitors!

Throughout the summer, you may notice members of our parish stationed by the glass doors before the service, in the narthex after the service, and at the little white table in the auditorium during coffee hour welcoming guests and newcomers to our parish. This is the St. Andrew's Guild, and you are invited to join us! Every member of Grace Church is an honorary member of this guild and encouraged to greet and welcome visitors, but if you would like to join this focused ministry of identifying and welcoming visitors on Sunday mornings, please speak to one of our members or email Mother Elizabeth at family.ministries@gracealex.org.

This Week at Grace

Shrine Mont MAD Camp Performance: Positive I.D.

Wednesday, 6 pm

The Senior High Music and Drama camp at Shrine Mont is on tour in Northern Virginia this week and will be performing at Grace Church this Wednesday, July 20th, at 6 pm in Merrow Hall Auditorium. They will be performing "Positive I.D." by Tom Fettke, a story that emphasizes the importance of Christ-likeness in daily living, taught through songs combined and a series of sketches from everyday life. Christ's living example is held up in such areas as conversation, handling conflict, and treating others with compassion and kindness. The show's run-time is 45 minutes. Please join us for this free event and support Shrine Mont campers!

Shrine Mont Registration Continues

Our 2016 Shrine Mont weekend will be held this year on September 9, 10, and 11. This year's theme is "Count Your Blessings" and we look forward to sharing all we are thankful for as a parish during our time together. Registration is available online as well as at the coffee hour following the 10:00 am service. Consider joining us for this wonderful Grace tradition, always held the weekend after Labor Day at the beautiful Shrine Mont Retreat Center in the Shenandoah Mountains. There will be fun and games for all ages! If you have any questions, please talk to Ashby or Colin Rushing at the Shrine Mont table at coffee hour, or contact them at ashby.rushing@gracealex.org.

From the Library

These are the titles of some of the books about prayer that are on display in the branches: *Answering God: The Psalms as Tools for Prayer*, *Awake in the Spirit: A Personal Handbook on Prayer*, *Experiencing God Through Prayer*, *God's Little Devotional For Women* and *He Touched Me - My Pilgrimage of Prayer*.

HYMN STORY: *Werde munter* #336

The words to this hymn were written by John Henry Hopkins Jr. and Charles P. Price.

Hopkins is best known for writing *We Three Kings of Orient Are*. He became an Episcopal priest when he was 50 years old and he was the first music teacher at the General Theological Seminary in 1850. His nephew John Henry Hopkins III wrote the music for "*I Sing a Song of the Saints of God*." Price was a professor and priest at VTS and Harvard (1956-1989). He is the author, translator and adapter of 14 hymns including this one and #48 which is our processional today.

Next Sunday, July 24

Bid Farewell to our Summer Seminarian

It is hard to believe how quickly our Summer Seminarian's eight weeks have passed. Please join us for his final Sunday with us and wish him well on his continuing journey.

Upcoming Events

Sign Up for Foyers Begins in August

Foyers signup will be available each Sunday in August and the first week in September for the 2016-2017 season in Merrow Hall after the 10 am service. Foyers is a social opportunity to meet with fellow parishioners a total of four or five times between October and June for fellowship and a meal. This is a great opportunity to get to know the Grace Church family better. Please stop by and sign up even if you participated last year. You can also phone Phil/Sharon Hickok at 703 690-6740 or e-mail at shickok1@cox.net.

Evangelism Movie Nights!

The Newcomer and Evangelism team is hosting two movie nights – one outdoor after-dark screening of *Raiders of the Lost Ark* on Saturday, July 30, and one indoor earlier evening screening of *The Prince of Egypt* on Saturday, August 6. You are invited to both! Please mark your calendars and invite friends!

Help at Grace and Beyond

Brown Bag Lunch Program August 1 - 5

It is time once again to ask for servers and sandwich makers for the first week in August. With parishioners on vacation it is a difficult time to ask for help, but your help is needed for this frontline outreach effort. If you have never served or donated sandwiches, instructions are posted on the outreach bulletin board, or e-mail linda.waskowicz@gracealex.org. It would be a great time to "get your feet wet" with this much needed program.

Alexandria City Public Schools 2016 Back to School Supply Drive

This summer, the Alexandria City Public Schools Family and Community Engagement Center is rallying with dozens of local businesses to collect backpacks and essential school supplies to help our division's highest need students start the school year off right! Grace has agreed to host one of their collection points. There is a gray container in the Commons to help them meet their goal of 3,000 supply-filled backpacks. Please consider taking advantage of the many back to school sales to donate school supplies whether it is notebooks, pens and pencils or even a backpack. Even small donations help children in need.

Shrine Mont Cards

Off to college or moving to your next diplomatic assignment overseas? Help your Grace parish family stay in touch with you. Please add Grace Pastoral Care to your "To Do" List and make sure we have your destination (college, military or diplomatic assignment), as well as your mailing and email addresses. Send the information to: pastoral.care@gracealex.org or nancy.robinson@gracealex.org. Then look for your card sometime after the Shrine Mont parish weekend in September.