

Please Pray For...

Parishioners... Patti, Michael, Richard, Joyce, Tina, Lisa, Lorna, Stephanie, Tom, Charles, Nora Lee, Mary, Dottie, Bette, Howard

Family and friends... Pepper, Cathy, Alec, Derrill, Jack, Paul, Michael, April, Leyla, Chris B., John, Chris H., Stephen and Marian

Requiescat in Pace ... all those killed in acts of terror and war around the world.

Those serving in Afghanistan, Iraq or Syria and all others at risk: Christopher Corlett and 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, Andrew Boyd and Audra Kreger, Virginia Robinson, the Pattarini family, Evan and Kim Cannell, Karen and Eric Coulson.

Those in assisted living: Jorge, Joan, Clare, Tom, Fr. Jack, Rose, Kathleen, Audrey, Jim, Dabney, Dorothy, Margaret, Lew, Vi, Muriel, Mary

Those travelling: Dorothy Daniel, Beth, Dennis and Libby, Karla, Cynthia Puskar, Nick and Kelsey Robinson

The Anglican Prayer Cycle: Province de L'Eglise Anglicane au Rwanda Gasabo - (Rwanda) and **The Rt Revd Onesphore Rwaje**

The Diocese of Virginia Prayer Cycle: Acolytes and Eucharistic Ministers

Grace Episcopal Church Prayer Cycle: **Joe Donovan** and the volunteers who provide home communion.

Those with birthdays this week:

29 Emma Imphong

30 Sally Schneider

31 Sharon Hickok, Dylan Pianesi, Stephanie Reed

1 Spencer Foucart, Emily Graves

2 Colin Enger, Heather Hurley, Wendell Thomas, Julia Ziegler

3 Joanne Davis

Contact the Parish Office with your prayer requests or submit them on the website at:

<https://www.gracealex.org/worship/personal-worship/>. Requests will be removed after 4 weeks unless renewed.

Today

Flowers on the Altar

The flowers on the Altar today are given to the glory of God by Richard and Valerie Eudy in celebration of Joanne Davis' birthday and by Anne Caputo in thanksgiving for Chris and in celebration of his birthday.

Parish Photo Wall.

A new wall is posted showing the many and diverse activities and interests of the parish over the past two months. Please keep in mind that whenever two or three Grace Churchers gather, it's an occasion for a photo, which is gladly accepted as a candidate for posting during the year. Send to mynorimages@comcast.net.

This Sunday is Sunday Funday!

Christ Church, Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill and Grace will host a one-day fun day on our church lawn. The festivities are from 1- 4 pm and will include a hamburger and hot dog cookout for lunch, water slide, water games (think water balloon toss, etc) and water crafts. Bring swimsuits and a towel and come for an afternoon of summer fun. The Facebook announcement is attached. Feel free to share on your page, with your Nextdoor neighborhood friends or in an email to a family you want to invite to church! There is no charge for the fun and the cookout food is provided (no covered dish needed)!

Parish News

Only 6 Weeks to Shrine Mont – Register Now!

Registration is now open, both on-line at the gracealex.org website and at coffee hours every Sunday. Clean mountain air 100 miles west of the Beltway, fried chicken, rocket launches, croquet, parachute games, rocking on the porch — who could possibly resist?? Please contact Nancy or Evan Robinson at nancy.robinson@gracealex.org or Anne or John Boris at anne.boris@gracealex.org if you have any questions.

La Gracia Yard Sale

On Saturday, August 18th, La Gracia will be holding their annual Yard sale starting at 9:00 a.m. This is an important event for us to gather funds for Shrine Mont weekend. Please help us by donating clean and gently used items! You can bring them directly in St. Luke Room, on the third floor. We would be very grateful as well to have a few hands to help us setup and cleanup on the 18th.

If you are interested in helping or if you need more details, please contact Mother Fanny:

mother.fanny@gracealex.org.

Brown Bag Lunch Week - July 30 - August 1

Thank you to those of you who have volunteered to serve at Meade Memorial and those of you who have made sandwiches. The goal of 225 sandwiches for our week has been reached. Our next week of responsibility will be September 10 - 14, a difficult week just after the Shrine Mont retreat.

Are you building a legacy?

Planned giving can seem like something far away: easy to put off until later because we all know that worrying won't change the future. But planned giving isn't only about the future. It starts with what and whom you love today. And while worry won't change the future—a good plan surely can. Learn more on www.gracealex.org under stewardship.

Interested in learning more about the Bible?

Bible Study at the Seminary on Wednesday nights!

Class is at the 1823 Café at the Seminary. Please contact me at lovellsjl@aol.com if you are interested in participating. I will add you to our weekly email list for a copy of the weekly study guide! You can also let Lorna Worley, Wendy Wilmer or Margaret Will know and they will get your email added!

Food Pantry

Is your garden ready to harvest? Consider donating to the Food Pantry bonus shelves to provide fresh produce to those in need. Canned fruits and vegetables are also much appreciated. Other popular items include meal kits that don't need additional ingredients, just add water pancake or muffin mix, and shelf-stable milk. The Pantry can always use cleaning supplies, feminine hygiene products and diapers.

Items for Alexandria Public Schools

We are collecting items for children in Alexandria City Public Schools. If you can help, here are the supplies requested:

1. Backpacks
2. Wide rule filler paper or spiral notebooks
3. Pencils and sharpeners
4. Colored pencils and crayons
5. Markers and highlighters
6. Tissues and Ziploc baggies
7. 3-Ring binders
8. Pocket folders

Items for Tanzania

Dr. Henry Ziegler will be going back to Tanzania in mid-August. He always brings an extra suitcase full of important things for the Tanzanian health program and the next-door school. Please help us stuff the suitcase. A box is available in the Commons. The following are items that are expensive in Tanzania or hard to get:

1. Blood pressure machines (automatic)
2. Pocket sized flash lights
3. Oscopes (for checking ears - available in any drugstore)
4. Thermometers that read Centigrade
5. Stethoscopes
6. Pulse oximeters that allow you to check an oxygen level (available in any drug store)
7. Flash drives (They are used throughout the hospital. Also, we have been developing a computer lab at the next-door Anglican primary school and every student needs a flash drive to store their own material. There are 980 students.)
8. Used lap top computers (for both the health program and school computer program)

Haiti Micah Annual Campaign Still Accepting Funds!

The annual HMP campaign is continuing through July. This campaign helps to feed and educate 525 children in Mirebalais. A donation of \$365.00 supports one child for one year. A donation in any amount will help. To donate, please make your check out to Grace Church with 'Haiti Micah Project,' either in the subject line of your check or on your donation envelope. Contact Jennifer Pease at 703.671.8416 or jennifer.pease@gracealex.org for more information.

Education for Ministry Program

The Education for Ministry program is accepting enrollments for the next year (September 10, 2018 - May 20, 2018). This adult education program meets on Monday evenings at Grace. It provides an opportunity for lay fellowship and learning. More information is on the website. If interested, contact Julia McClung at julia.mcclung@yahoo.com or 571.242.7080.

Upcoming Events

Youth News

Our youth will have two service opportunities in the month of August. Please contact Jenni at Jenni.faires@gracealex.org to sign your child or youth up.

- **August 7** - Street Church Volunteers at Church of the Epiphany for Rite 13 to EYC youth. More details about morning departure time to come.
- **August 16** - Grace is signed up to pack backpacks for the ACPS. ACPS has collection bins all across the city (including Grace) that will be filled with school supplies for children who cannot afford supplies and we want to help pack and fill the backpacks! There are two time slots to fill, 10 am - 1 pm and 2 - 5 pm. I would love to have as many children volunteer as possible and a few parents as chaperones. If you would like your child to participate, or if you can help, please email me. Once I have a list of volunteers, I will send an email about transportation, etc. Service opportunities for our elementary aged children are difficult to come by. This is a great chance to get your child serving in a meaningful way!

Calendar for July 29 – August 4

Sunday	Tenth Sunday After Pentecost
7:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
9:00 a.m.	La Gracia
10:00 a.m.	Choral Eucharist
1:00 p.m.	Sunday Funday (Grace Church Lawn)
5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
6:00 p.m.	COHI (St. Mark)
Monday	Brown Bag Lunch - All Week
1:00 p.m.	Food Pantry open (until 3:00 p.m.)
Tuesday	Ignatius of Loyola
10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting
1:00 p.m.	Food Pantry open (until 3:00 p.m.)
6:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayers
7:00 p.m.	Outreach Committee (St. Mark)
7:00 p.m.	Contemplative Service: Prayers and Psalms (Narthex)
Wednesday	Joseph of Arimathea
7:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
6:30 p.m.	La Gracia Evening Prayer
7:00 p.m.	AA (St. Luke)
7:30 p.m.	Bible Study Group (1823 Café)
8:00 p.m.	AA/Alanon (Auditorium and St. Luke)
Thursday	
12:15 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
Friday	
6:30 p.m.	Food Pantry open (until 7:30)
8:30 p.m.	AA (Auditorium and St. Luke)
Saturday	
9:00 a.m.	Altar Guild