

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, Stephen, Marian, Josiah, Barbara, Fielding, Jim, Paul, Ruth, Peter, Tim, Loretta, Katy, Pat and Jill, Jack, Alec, Derrill, Jack, Paul, Michael

Requiescat in Pace ... Dan Stevenson and 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

Those travelling: Dorothy Daniel, John, Anne and Khacki Berry, June Huber and Brad Bergmann, Beth, Dennis and Libby

The Anglican Prayer Cycle: The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea and **The Most Revd Allan Migi,** Archbishop of Papua New Guinea

The Diocese of Virginia Prayer Cycle: All the baptized in their daily life and work.

Grace Episcopal Church Prayer Cycle: Kemp Williams and Brad Bergman, usher coordinators, and the volunteers who serve as ushers.

Those with birthdays this week:

15 Lina Dobbs

16 Lois Kelso Hunt, Karlene Kelly, Chris Rugaber

17 Howell Medley, Georganna Murto

18 Chrissie Crosby, Dorothy Gerber, John Hall, David Murphy, Ruth Schrott, Celia Schultz

19 Cleve Corlett, Sara Kline

20 Lauren Feeley, Callan Henderson, Ai Hang Wang, Reba Winstead

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 in thanksgiving and to the glory of God by the Altar Guild.

Adult Forum: General Convention of the Episcopal Church

Our seminarians, Patrick Keyser and Ashley Mather will report on their experience and update the parish on any significant actions that were taken at General Convention following the 10 am service in the St. John Room.

Rosary Group

The Rosary group will meet in the library a few minutes after the 10 a.m. service and coffee hour (about 11:30 a.m.) today (and every third Sunday of the month). As always first-time rosary prayers are most welcome, and free rosary beads will be provided. No experience necessary to learn this beautiful meditative prayer!

Contribution Statements

Be sure to pick up your 2018 mid-year pledge and contribution statements from the Commons. Call or email our Financial Administrator, Beth Calaman if you have any questions.

Parish News

Shrine Mont Registration Open

Come one, come all!!! Only eight(!?) short weeks until Shrine Mont and 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.

Brown Bag Lunch Week - July 30 - August 3

It is hard to believe our next obligation to this program is just around the corner. Two servers a day are needed during our week at Meade Memorial Church (beginning at Grace about 10 o'clock, continuing at Meade to return to Grace by 12:30) and 225 sandwiches are needed for the week (donations of 20 or 10 per parishioner are appreciated). Please sign up on the Outreach bulletin board across from the office or e-mail linda.waskowicz@gracealex.org if you can help in any way.

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 by bringing in items to 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. For more information on the Haiti Micah Project, contact Jennifer Pease at 703.671.8416 or jennifer.pease@gracealex.org.

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 Faires at jenni.faires@gracealex.org if your youth would like to participate in either or both events.

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 - Backpack Packing for Alexandria City Public Schools from 10 am -1 pm. If there is enough interest, we can also volunteer for the afternoon shift from 2 -5 pm. The backpack packing event is open to rising 5th - 12th graders and any parents that would like to join.

Calendar for July 15-21

Sunday

7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9:00 a.m. La Gracia
10:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist
10:30 a.m. Consejo (St. Mark)
11:30 a.m. Lay Committee Meeting (St. Mark)
11:30 a.m. Rosary Group (Library)
5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

Monday

1:00 p.m. Food Pantry open (until 3:00 p.m.)

Tuesday

William White, 1836

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. Vestry (Auditorium)

Wednesday

Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Amelia Bloomer, Sojourner Truth, and Harriet Ross Tubman

7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
6:00 p.m. La Gracia Evening Prayer
7:00 p.m. AA (St. Luke)
8:00 p.m. AA/Alanon (Auditorium and St. Luke)

Thursday

Macrina, 379

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
11:00 a.m. Altar Guild Luncheon