

Please Pray For...

Parishioners... Michael, Richard, Tina, Lisa, Charles, Mary, Dottie, Bette, Howard, Dorothy, Barbara, Christine, Mike, Jay, Dick, Karla

Family and friends... Pepper, Cathy, Mariana, Jackie, Janet, Rollin, Sean, Gini, Fielding, Daniel, Charlotte, David, Julius, Morgan, Charlotte R., Michael, Brett, Chris, Louise, Beth, Midge, Kimberly, Alec, Scott, Martha, Dorian, Scott

Requiescat in Pace ... Alex Massie 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, Blair Sokol 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, Alice

The Diocese of Virginia Prayer Cycle: Our Redeemer, Aldie; St. John's, West Point

The Anglican Prayer Cycle: The Episcopal Church and **The Most Revd Michael Curry**, Presiding Bishop of TEC

Grace Episcopal Church Prayer Cycle: The Administrative and Pastoral Lay Staff of Grace Church: Beth Calaman, Jenni Faires, Amy Medrick, and the volunteers that staff the Parish Office.

Those with birthdays this week:

- 7 Walter Moore, Wendy Murphy
- 8 Charlie Iovino, Barry Joyner, Susan Merritt Nelson
- 9 Alexandra Smith
- 11 Everett Ruff
- 12 Puddy Blunden, Rushad Thomas
- 13 Travis Thompson

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 Dick and Easter Thompson in thanksgiving for the October 13th birthday of their son, Travis Richard Thompson.

Adult Forum

Chris Kupczyk, Junior Warden, will discuss the Willet Hauser report and ways that we might approach a restoration project for our stained-glass windows. Please grab a bite to eat upstairs following the 9:00 a.m. liturgy and then join us in the nave, where we will visit some of our stained-glass windows up close.

Animal Blessing, October 7 at 4:00 p.m.

The traditional St. Francis Sunday blessing of the animals is today in the grassy area in front of the tower entrance.

Youth Night, October 7

Our first youth night of the program year is tonight from 5:30-8:00! Youth parents, be sure to register your youth through the Sunday school registration link provided in the Wednesday RoundUp before the first youth night. Permission for transportation, etc are included in the registration link.

This Week

October 8 Closures

The Grace Episcopal School, Food Pantry and the Parish Office will be closed on October 8 due to the Federal Holiday.

Requiem for Frank Engelhardt

On Wednesday, October 10 at 1:00 p.m. we will celebrate a Requiem for Frank Engelhardt who died in California on May 25th. Frank and his wife, Beverly, were very active members of Grace Church before retiring to California. He was on the search committee that called Father Malm to Grace in 1989. Frank served in the Navy during World War II. He later became an Air Force pilot and retired as a full colonel. He will be buried at Arlington with military honors after the requiem at Grace.

Next Week

Adult Forum

No Adult Forum or Sunday School as everyone is invited to the reception in Merrow Hall Auditorium for our Grace School Families, in celebration of Grace School Sunday.

Upcoming Events

Death by Chocolate and Bingo, October 20

Who doesn't love a night of chocolate decadence? Oct. 20, from 7-9 p.m., BINGO night will combine dessert and BINGO into one evening of fellowship and fun. Calling all cooks and bakers! Who can make the best chocolate dessert? Bring one dessert item that will be judged and shared. A chocolate fountain, hot chocolate bar for the kids and dessert drinks for the adults will top off an evening of FUNdraising for our J2A youth. \$10 p/person; \$30 for family of 4 or more.

Youth Sunday, October 21

We will be celebrating Youth Sunday on the 21st of October and it will include the Rite 13 ceremony. If your youth has turned 13 and would like to participate, please contact Jenni at jenni.faires@gracealex.org.

Choral Evensong, October 21 at 5:00 p.m.

Please mark your calendars for Choral Evensong sung by the Boys and Girls Choir and the Adult Choir. The music is George Dyson's *Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in D* and Stanford's *Beati quorum via*. Please invite a friend to this beautiful 45-minute evening service. The Holy Eucharist immediately follows the closing organ voluntary.

Newcomers Reception, October 21

Are you new to Grace and ready to learn more about the church you have been visiting? Join clergy, staff, members of the Vestry and the Evangelism team on October 21, following the 5:00 Evensong. Refreshments and drinks will be provided. Please RSVP to Jenni Faires at jenni.faires@gracealex.org and indicate if childcare is needed.

Voice Event, October 21

VOICE is holding a mass meeting with Governor Northam, at Fairfax High School. Does your faith lead you to take Action? Join us for this meeting. Email Jennifer.eckel@Gracealex.org for information.

Trunk or Treat

Come celebrate the season with a Trunk or Treat celebration in our parking lot on Saturday, October 27 from 4:00-5:30 pm. Children from our Grace School and Church family, as well as the community are invited to dress in their Halloween costumes and enjoy a late morning of candy, games and face painting. Adults, we need you to make this happen for our children! Decorate your trunks (prizes for the top three decorations!) and be prepared with lots of candy. Last year was BIG; this year will be even BETTER!

Farewell Reception Honoring The Rt. Rev. Shannon S. Johnston

October 28, 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. in Scott Lounge

You are invited to a Farewell Reception honoring Bishop Shannon Johnston as he retires from service with the Diocese of Virginia. This event will be a time to gather, thank Bishop Johnston for his service, and pray for him as he transitions to a new phase of his life in retirement. RSVP on Eventbrite.

70 Years of Grace Church on Russell Road

Friday evening, November 16, we will have a Gala Reception celebration in Merrow Hall commemorating the 70th Anniversary of Grace Church. Details to follow, but please mark your calendars!

From the Altar Guild

Kneeler Project

A new project is underway to replace the kneelers at the communion rail and sponsors are being sought to cover the cost of finishing the kneeler. Sponsorships are \$300 and donors' names will be included in the Nave Memorial Book in

the New Narthex. Only six opportunities are available (we have our first sponsor!). If you are interested, please contact Kristine Hesse at 703.836.8440 or kristine.hesse@gracealex.org. Thanks for your interest!

From the Food Ministries

It's Brown Bag Lunch Program time again!

Our next Brown Bag Week is October 22-26 and volunteers are needed to serve, two per day, and 230 sandwiches are needed for the week. Please either e-mail linda.waskowicz@gracealex.org or sign up on the outreach bulletin board if you can help this worthwhile cause.

Food Pantry Bonus Shelf Items

These items supplement what can be purchased at the Capital Area Food Bank: Canned Fruit, Corn Meal, Tortillas, Dried Beans, Rice, Spaghetti Sauce, Salsa, Mac & Cheese, Jam or Jelly. Cleaning Supplies & Toiletries are always appreciated. Stop by the Pantry or Church Office for a FREE Green Tote bag for your Food Pantry shopping!

Don't Have Time to Shop?

Financial support is always appreciated and we'll do the shopping for you! Just note FOOD PANTRY on your check memo line. Thank You!

In Our Community

Winter Clothing Drive

The Seventh Annual Winter Clothing Drive, a joint effort between Grace Church and our fellow Christians at St. Rita Catholic Church, will be held this year on Saturday morning, November 10. We will need volunteers to help set up at St. Rita's school hall on Friday evening November 9 and to help distribute clothing on Saturday morning. We will be collecting clothing on Sunday mornings at Grace each Sunday during the month of October. Please bring your **clean and gently worn** clothing to help our Del Ray and Arlandria neighbors stay warm this winter. For more information or to volunteer, please contact kemp.williams@gracealex.org.

Bilingual Spanish Speaker Volunteers Needed

The City of Alexandria's Department of Human Services sponsors a program to provide holiday gifts to families, foster children and seniors in need. The first step is registering eligible families and entering their needs into a data base. Interested businesses, churches and individuals can then "adopt" a family and turn what might otherwise be a sad holiday season into a celebration. Bilingual Spanish speakers are especially needed. Registration takes place at DHS's offices on Mount Vernon Ave. If you can help or have questions, email holidaysharing@alexandriava.gov. Shifts are as follows:

- Saturdays October 6, 13 and 20 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Sundays October 7, 14 and 21 from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Calendar for October 7-13

Sunday **Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**
7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9:00 a.m. La Gracia (Auditorium)
9:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist
10:15 a.m. Sunday School
11:15 a.m. Choral Eucharist
4:00 p.m. Blessing of the Pets for St. Francis Day
5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist
5:30 p.m. Youth Night

Monday **Closed for Columbus Day**

Tuesday
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
1:00 p.m. Food Pantry open (until 3:00 p.m.)
4:30 p.m. Advanced Choristers
5:30 p.m. Beginner Choristers
6:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist
7:00 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting (Library)

Wednesday **Episcopal Schools Day at the
National Cathedral**
7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
1:00 p.m. Engelhardt Requiem
5:30 p.m. Choristers
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 **Philip**
12:15 p.m. Holy Eucharist
6:45 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Friday
9:00 a.m. GES Eucharist
6:30 p.m. Food Pantry (until 7:30)
8:30 p.m. AA (Auditorium and St. Luke)

Saturday
9:00 a.m. Altar Guild