

Announcements for Sunday, May 26

Please Pray For...

Parishioners... Michael, Richard, Tina, Charles, Bette, Barbara M., Charles, Susan, Shannon, Jo-Anne, Frank, Katherine, Will, Kemp, Easter

Family and friends... Pepper, Cathy, Martha, Jessica, Lucia, Bruce, Ken and Sandy, Alec, Beth, George, Sheila, Ella, Nicole, Zac, Grace, Candace

Requiescat in Pace ... Ernie Graves, Dorothy Gerber, Ken Quickenden, 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, Zach Heinrich, Chuck DeHoag 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, Melissa and Edi Jurkovic, with daughters Elena, Ana, Mia and Olivia.

Those in assisted living: Jorge, Joan, Clare, Tom, Rose, Audrey, Jim, Dabney, Dorothy, Margaret, Lew, Vi, Muriel, Mary, Alice, Neal, Betty, Jane, Polly

Those travelling: Margaret and Ruth Will

The Diocese of Virginia Prayer Cycle: The Armed Forces and their families and remember those who have fallen in the line of duty.

The Anglican Prayer Cycle: All members of the Anglican Communion around the world

For the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Revd Justin Welby, and all primates and bishops

For members of the Anglican Consultative Council

For the Secretary General, The Most Revd Dr Josiah Idowu-Fearon

For the staff at the Anglican Communion Office in London and the UN offices in Geneva and New York

Grace Episcopal Church Prayer Cycle: All of the active duty, reserve, retired and veteran members of Grace Church.

Those with birthdays this week:

- 26 Nancy Davis, Alexa Melendez, Nicholas Pattarini
- 27 Raymond Curry, Doug Miller
- 28 Daniel Plunkett
- 29 Victoria Portillo
- 30 Leigh Egaas
- 31 Earl Durand
- 1 Haley Wallace, Alex Washington

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

The Flowers on the Altar

The flowers on the Altar today are given to the glory of God in Thanksgiving for the 21st birthday of Michael Stanfield Reed by Lucy-Lee and Jean Reed.

Fellowship Coffee Hour

Today, we will be holding a fellowship coffee hour in the St. Mark Room following the 9:00 a.m. Festival Eucharist. This will be our last coffee hour in the St. Mark Room for some time as the church side air conditioning will be turned off on Tuesday, May 28 as part of the HVAC renovations.

Memorial Day at Grace

This Memorial Day, please take a moment to thank the active duty, reserve, retired, and veteran members of Grace Church.

Thank You from Brown Bag Lunch

Thank you to those of you who braved the HVAC construction to deliver sandwiches and to pack the Brown Bag lunches last week. Hopefully, our next week, June 24-28, will be easier.

Parish News

Have You Already Included Grace in Your Estate Plans?

If you've already included the parish in your estate plans, consider filling out the quick Legacy Society form on the parish website. As we grow the Legacy Society and encourage others to explore planned giving, the parish can benefit from this network to enhance communication, plan events, or seek feedback on programs. Find the form at www.gracealex.org, then click on giving, planned giving.

Haiti Micah Campaign – Two Weeks Down!

The annual Grace Church Haiti Micah Project fundraising campaign officially started on Mother's Day and continues through Father's Day. Help provide food and education to over 500 children in Mirebalais, Haiti. A donation of \$365.00 feeds and educates one child for one year! To donate, make your check payable to Grace Church with 'Haiti Micah Project' in the memo line. Donating to Haiti Micah is a great way to pay tribute to our mothers and fathers and make a difference in the life of a child in need.

More information about the Haiti Micah Project can be found on the following website. <https://haiti-micah.org/about-us/our-story/> For questions about how to donate or for more information on the Haiti Micah Project, please contact Jennifer Pease at jennifer.pease@gracealex.org.

Last Chance VBS Registration! Deadline is Thursday, May 31!

This is it! Get your registration in this week for VBS. Registration is available at <http://bit.ly/Reg-VBS>.

ReNew is a 5-day curriculum, June 24-28 from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m., that empowers kids in grades PreK-Grade 5 to grow in faith, have fun, and change the world. Each day, kids will explore Jesus' Parable of the Sower with three age-appropriate activities that help kids learn how to care for God's creation. It will be held at Christ Church in Old Town, with pick up and drop off in front of the church. No parking necessary! Cost for the week is \$70 for the first child, \$65 for the second child with a family maximum of \$135. For more information, contact Jenni Faires at jenni.faires@gracealex.org.

This Week: May 26-June 1

Ascension Day Festival Eucharist

Join us for the Feast of the Ascension on Thursday, May 30 at 7:30 p.m. The Adult Choir will sing Harold Darke's *Communion Service in F* for the mass ordinary and *God is gone up* by Gerald Finzi is the anthem. Please invite a friend to experience this beautiful and uplifting service.

Church Vitality Day, June 1

The Diocese of Virginia is sponsoring a day of workshops and presentations for parish revitalization and ministry. The Bishops will attend. Space is limited. Registration is at www.thediocese.net. The program runs from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Aquia Church. There is a poster on the Community Events Bulletin Board.

Next Week: June 2-8

Last Chance to Stuff the Suitcase for Tanzania!

Dr. Henry Ziegler is heading to Tanzania on June 5! Help stuff his suitcase full of goodies for the hospital and for St. Augustine Primary School! Medical supplies can be found at CVS, Rite Aid or Costco. Please be sure to drop them off **no later than Sunday, June 2.**

- Blood pressure machines (not the wrist one)
- Pulse oximeter
- Thermometers (must read in Centigrade)
- Stethoscopes
- Flash drives
- "I Can Read" paperbacks

Youth Sunday, June 2

Youth Sunday is coming up quick – June 2! We have three seniors presenting their Senior Sermons. Please notify Jenni Faires (jenni.faires@gracealex.org) of your graduating senior, from high school or college, so we can include them in the bulletin.

Last Call for Rite 13 Participants

The Rite 13 Ceremony, a tradition that recognizes the passing over of a 13-year-old from childhood to adulthood, is also a special part of Youth Sunday. If your child has turned 13 since October 2018

or if you are new to the parish and would like your child to participate in the Rite, please contact Jenni at the above email address.

Choral Evensong sung by the Boys and Girls Choir

The Boys and Girls Choir will lead us in Choral Evensong on June 2 at 5:00 p.m. The setting of the Magnificat and Nunc dimittis is by Canadian-born, U.K. based organist Sarah MacDonald and includes *Festal Preces and Responses* by Richard Newman written for the Boys and Girls Choir. The anthem will be *Ex ore innocentium* composed by early 20th century British composer John Ireland. Following the closing organ voluntary, the Holy Eucharist Rite I will be celebrated.

Upcoming Events

Important Spring Dates

- June 9 – Marta Conway Ordination at 11:15 a.m.
- June 16 - Summer Schedule begins with services at 7:30 and 10:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Ordination to the Priesthood, June 9 at the 11:15 a.m. service

Join us at the 11:15 service for the ordination of Marta Conway. Marta was received at Grace in September of 2017. She has been serving with us as a deacon while stationed in the area.

NEW DATE AND TIME: Amazon Action, Sunday June 9

Have you heard the news? Amazon is coming to our neighborhoods in Alexandria and Arlington. For some of us, we will see higher home values. For others, maybe higher rents that force a move away from the Grace community. Then there are our schools. How will Amazon workers affect our schools now and in the future? How do people of faith find a balance between these issues? Join elected leaders, and other faith communities to discuss Amazon at **4:30 p.m. on June 9 at Wakefield High School**. Interested, want to attend, further questions? JenniferEckel@GraceAlex.org wants to hear from you.

Shrine Mont 2019 is coming

“Again I say rejoice!” The 2019 Grace Church getaway at Shrine Mont is less than 100 days away. Save the dates, September 6-8, for a weekend of fellowship, fun, and nonstop activity, serene

leisure, or something in between as you prefer. Sign-up will begin at coffee hour during the summer schedule of combined main Sunday morning services. If you have any questions, 2019 Shrine Mont Coordinators Anne and John Boris or 2020 Shrine Mont Coordinators Jennifer and Bill Eckel would be glad to hear from you. See you in Orkney Springs, we hope.

In Our Community

Music for Pentecost Concert

Friday, June 7 at 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, June 9 at 11:00 a.m.

The Westminster Presbyterian Church Choir performs its final concert of the Westminster Presents series, with Mozart's Coronation Mass and Haydn's Te Deum with the Monticello Chamber Orchestra. There is no entrance fee. Join us in the sanctuary of the church at 2701 Cameron Mills Road in Alexandria.

Flower Delivery Volunteers Needed

Do you have 1-2 hours free, one Monday a month? Join the Flower Delivery Ministry! The Flower Delivery Ministry brings comfort, beauty, encouragement, and love to parishioners each week. Each Monday (except during Lent, Advent and on holidays), volunteer drivers take bouquets made by the Altar Guild from altar flowers to three Grace parish members designated by the clergy. Those who have delivered flowers have found this an enjoyable and rewarding activity. Substitutes are also needed. Please contact Mike Reed at (703) 836-4550 or mike.reed@gracealex.org to volunteer or for more information.

This week's Food Pantry Wish List includes: Vegetable Oil, Tortillas, Canned Diced Tomatoes, Canned Corn, Bagged Onions & Potatoes. Have you heard? The "Kid's Bonus Shelf" has been a great success! Donations of gently used small toys and children's books your family has outgrown are given to our client families with small children. Their smiles say it all! As always, your donations of non-perishable food, toiletries and cleaning supplies as well as financial support will help all those in need in the Alexandria community. Thank You!

Calendar for May 27-June 2

Monday	May 27 School, Parish Office and Food Pantry Closed for Memorial Day
Tuesday	Rogation Tuesday
10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting (Library)
1:00 pm.	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.	Contemplative Service (New Narthex)
7:00 p.m.	Outreach Meeting (St. Mark)
Wednesday	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (tr)
7:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
5:30 p.m.	Choristers
7:00 p.m.	AA (St. Mark)
7:30 p.m.	Bible Study (Off Site)
Thursday	Ascension Thursday
12:15 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
7:30 p.m.	Festival Eucharist
Friday	May 31
9:00 a.m.	GES Chapel
6:30 p.m.	Food Pantry Open
8:30 p.m.	AA (St. Mark)
Saturday	June 1
9:00 a.m.	Altar Guild
1:00 p.m.	Requiem for Dorothy Gerber
Sunday	Seventh Sunday of Easter Youth Sunday
7:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
9:00 a.m.	La Gracia
9:00 a.m.	Festival Eucharist
11:15 a.m.	Festival Eucharist
5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist

Grace Episcopal Church
Armed Services – Active Duty and Retired

Lt. Col. Bob Blunden	Air Force, retired
Lt. Col. Jonathan Doelp	Air Force, retired
Lt. Col. Otto Wolff	Air Force, retired
Capt. Cindy Diehl	Air Force, retired
Col John Berry	Army, retired
Col Phil Hickok	Army, retired
Col Jean Reed	Army, retired
Col Frank Waskowicz	Army, retired
Lt Col Ronald K. Wishart	Army, retired
Maj Zach Heinrich	Army, active duty
Maj Jeff Killian	Army, retired
Maj Paul Winkel	Army, retired
Capt Marta Conway (Reverend)	Army, active duty
Capt Chuck Dodd	Army, retired
Capt Nora Lee Henderson	Army, retired
1st Lt Brad Bergmann	Army, retired
SFC Joe Donovan	Army, retired
LCDR Julie Rodriguez	Coast Guard, active duty
Col Blair Sokol	Marines, active duty
Capt Jeff Chiow	Marines, retired
ADM James Holloway III	Navy, retired
RADM Trey Whitworth	Navy, active duty
CAPT Paul Hanley	Navy, retired
CAPT John Metz	Navy, retired
CAPT Lew Michaels	Navy, retired
CAPT Ward Morris	Navy, retired
CAPT Charlie Pease	Navy, retired
CAPT Evan Robinson	Navy, retired
CAPT Conway Zeigler	Navy, retired

CDR Paul Bellantoni	Navy, retired
CDR Susan Nelsen	Navy, retired
CDR Kirk Steffensen	Navy, retired
CDR Richard Thompson	Navy, retired
LCDR Easter Thompson	Navy, retired
LT Summer Chiow	Navy, retired
LT Claire Eudy	Navy, active duty
LT Barbara Morris	Navy, retired
LT Leslie Steffensen (Reverend)	Navy, retired
LT Heather Wishart-Smith	Navy, retired