

Calendar for August 25-31

Sunday	The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
7:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
9:00 a.m.	La Gracia
10:30 a.m.	Holy Baptism & Choral Eucharist with Backpack Blessing
5:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
Monday	August 26
9:00 a.m.	GES Eucharist for Teachers
1:00 p.m.	Food Pantry open (until 3:00 p.m.)
Tuesday	Thomas Gallaudet and Henry Winter Style 1902, 1890
10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting (Library)
1:00 pm.	Food Pantry open (until 3:00 p.m.)
6:30 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
7:00 p.m.	Contemplative Service (Narthex)
7:00 p.m.	Outreach Committee (Off-Site)
Wednesday	Augustine, 430
7:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
7:00 p.m.	AA (New Narthex)
7:00 p.m.	Grace Trust (Library)
7:30 p.m.	Bible Study (Off Site)
Thursday	Charles Chapman Grafton, 1912 (tr)
12:15 p.m.	Holy Eucharist
Friday	August 30
6:30 p.m.	Food Pantry Open
8:30 p.m.	AA (New Narthex)
Saturday	August 31
9:00 a.m.	Altar Guild

Announcements for Sunday, August 25

Please Pray For...

Parishioners... Michael, Richard, Tina, Charles, Bette, Charles, Susan, Frank, Katherine, Will, Kemp, Easter, Douglas, Christine, Mimi, Stephanie, Rosemary Claire, Leslie, Lisa

Family and friends... Pepper, Cathy, Martha, Lucia, Ella, Tom, Sharkey, Sue, the Thomas family, James, Joe, Bruce, Jill, Michael, Rob

Requiescat in Pace ... Jack Dooley 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: Chad Iovino, Zach Heinrich and 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, Chris Slattery, John Hall.

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: Beth, Libby, Dennis, Corinna, Karla

The Diocese of Virginia Prayer Cycle: Acolytes and Eucharistic Ministers, and members of Altar Guilds and Flower Guilds

The Anglican Prayer Cycle: The Anglican Church of South America and **The Most Revd Gregory James Venables**, Presiding Bishop of the Anglican Church of South America & Bishop of Argentina.

Grace Episcopal Church Prayer Cycle: Nancy Robinson and Mary Blouin and all those who take part in the **Card Ministry**.

Those with birthdays this week:

25 Hudson Chiow, David Hoppe
26 Andrew Smith, Colin Stancil
30 Stephen Lovell
31 Susan Hayduchok, Kate Paige, Timothy Willard

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 and by Lisle and Denise Bean in thanksgiving for the marriage of their son Carlisle Slocum Bean, II to Hawley McNab Braswell on August 24, 2019 in Brooklyn, New York.

A Big Welcome!

We would like to welcome the families, students and teachers that have joined us today for the Blessing of the Backpacks. Thank you to Judy Willard, who designed the backpack tags that everyone will be taking home today! If you would like to send a backpack tag to a family member or deliver one to a neighbor or friend, please see Jenni Faires after the worship service concludes. We invite all our guests to Coffee Hour in the Commons Area on the first floor at the conclusion of the service for a time of fellowship, coffee, lemonade and snacks.

Again I say rejoice!

Your 2019 coordinators are looking at a lovely full Shrine Mont this year and would like to say THANK YOU to all who have registered, volunteered, and donated time or money to make this year's parish getaway a great event. Shirt orders have closed, but we do still have a very few spaces available for anyone who wishes to register today! See you in Orkney Springs!

Parish News

Email Phishing Reminder!

Scammers will claim to be a relative, a friend, or even your clergy to convince you to send them money or things of value. If you receive an email asking you for money or gift cards, always check the email address that it has been sent from. **If you get an email from anyone on staff at Grace, it will be from a [gracealex.org](https://www.gracealex.org) email address.**

Looking Ahead to September

- 9/6-9/8** Shrine Mont Weekend
- 9/9** First Class of Education for Ministry
GES Back to School Night
- 9/15** Return to regular schedule: 7:30, 9:00, 11:15, 5:00
Walk in Love at 10:30
- 9/22** Sunday School Open House for Godly Play – 5th
Rite 13 – Parent Meeting – St. Luke
J2A – Parent Meeting – St. Mark
EYC – Meet in Classroom
- 9/27** Gala Reception in Celebration of Father Malm's Ministry
- 9/29** 10:00 Service with Bishop
Final Sunday with Father Malm
Founders Day Service with Fellowship Reception

In Our Community

Get to Know More About Health Tanzania!

Health Tanzania, a faith-based partnership, founded by Grace parishioners Henry D. Ziegler, M.D., M.P.H and Priscilla B. Ziegler, Sc.M., N.D., M.S.N., works with individuals and organizations in Tanzania to improve the health and education, focusing on poor neighborhoods in Dar es Salaam and isolated coastal villages. Health Tanzania provides out-patient and in-patient health care at their hospital, as well as community health and prevention programs and primary education.

With Grace funding support, Health Tanzania has sent mission teams to volunteer in Tanzania in the past and is exploring the opportunity to send another mission team. Henry Zeigler's next trip to Tanzania will be in October. Donations of medical supplies (stethoscopes, pulse oxygen readers, and blood pressure machines) as well as laptop computers and thumb drives are always appreciated! To receive the newsletter "Habari Gani" ("What's News" in Swahili), and to learn more about Health Tanzania and its mission, and to give financial aid, visit www.healthtanzania.org. Thank You!

This week's Food Pantry Wish List includes: Bottled water (8 or 12 oz), Tortillas, Bagged Onions, Potatoes, Apples or Oranges. For the "Kid's Bonus Shelf": Gently used Small Toys and Children's Books, Kids' Toothbrushes and Toothpaste. Your donations of non-perishable food, toiletries and cleaning supplies as well as financial support continue to help those in need in the Alexandria community. Thank You!

Refugee Supplies

Christ Church Alexandria & West End Lazarus are organizing a **Toiletries & Cleaning Supply Drive** for Refugee Families from Afghanistan. **Full-size Toiletries** include Shampoo/conditioner; Liquid bath soap; Toothbrushes/toothpaste; Deodorant; Lotions and Razors/shaving cream. **Cleaning Supplies** include Dish soap/sponges; Laundry detergent; All-purpose cleaners; Windex; Cleaning cloths and Toilet paper. Please drop off items labeled **Refugee Supplies** at the Food Pantry. Financial contributions can be made by noting Food Pantry/Refugee Supplies on your check. Thanks!

Staying Connected at Grace is a Breeze!

Our new church management software comes with an app! Download it to your phone and be able to access your information on the go! Need someone's email or phone number? Just pull it up. We've just added an events calendar too so you can see what is going on and where. If you need help setting up your login, contact the office at parish.office@gracealex.org or 703.549.1980. We're glad to help.

Registration now available for Father Malm's Gala Reception
Save the dates for two celebrations honoring the ministry of Father Robert Malm as he retires from Grace Church at the end of September.

- ❑ Registration via our website (bit.ly/Gala-Reg) is now available for the Friday, September 27 gala reception which will be held in Merrow Hall Auditorium from 6:30 - 8:30. This will be an adult only evening of festive food and drink to remember and celebrate milestone events from the last 30 years with the Malm Family. A suggested donation of \$20 will help cover costs. No childcare provided.
- ❑ On Sunday, September 29, after the combined 10am morning service, an all-parish gathering will celebrate Father Malm's ministry and offer thanksgiving gifts and special guests, including Bishop Peter Lee (Ret), to mark his time with us. Everyone is welcome and brunch will be provided.

For more information, email anne.caputo@gracealex.org.

Make new friends but keep the old! Join a Foyer Group!

Meet people in our parish family you might not otherwise have an opportunity to come to know! Foyer Groups are typically 10 adults who take turns hosting a monthly gathering in each other's homes for a simple meal. The first dinners will be held in October or November. Each group will establish their own preferred format and schedule. Please email Sharon Hickok at shickok1@cox.net if you need more information or visit bit.ly/Grace-Foyer to register. Be sure to indicate if you prefer an adult-only group, need a group with children, or don't have a preference about children attending.

A Message from the Legacy Society Committee

Often, we know what we want to do, or what we should do, but the WHEN we will do it is the stumbling block. Legacy planning often falls into that “someday I will get around to it” category. Yet legacy planning is not only important; it is also one of the most valued gifts one can give ones family. The peace of mind that comes from assessing ones values and assuring their continuance cannot be overstated. The Grace Church Legacy Society has multiple purposes. We encourage parishioners to give thought to many end-of-life matters: having a will, medical directives and power of attorney, plus funeral and burial wishes. The Legacy Society also hopes that Grace parishioners will consider making their church home a part of their legacy planning. A variety of ways enable possible legacy gifts, ranging from inclusion of Grace Church in one’s will, to life insurance designation, to establishing Grace as a beneficiary of a 401k, to life income gifts. Grace Legacy Society Committee members are eager to hear from you and hope that your WHEN to consider legacy planning will not be postponed.

This Week August 25-31

Boys and Girls Choir Auditions August 26-30

Does your child love to sing? Are you interested in gifting your child with the lifelong benefits of a solid foundation of a musical education? You may have even heard the children sing at Evensong, the Christmas Pageant or during the 9:00 a.m. Eucharist twice a month.

Children must be proficient readers and commit to rehearsals twice a week. No prior music training is required. In addition, the Boys and Girls Choir sings at two morning services per month. For more information or to set up a time for your child to audition, please email Dr. Newman at richard.newman@gracealex.org.

Parish Administrator Out

The HVAC is done and Amy is heading out! She will be gone Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week and will return on Tuesday, September 2nd. We will be printing the bulletins early to make sure that all goes well. If you need something in the announcements, please get it in on Monday.

Next Week September 1-7

Office, Food Pantry, and School Closed September 1

A reminder that the offices will be closed on Monday, September 1st due to Labor Day. The Food Pantry and the Office will reopen on Tuesday, September 2. The school year begins on September 3.

Shrine Mont Weekend, September 6-8

The office will close at 12:00 on Friday as we all prepare to head to Shrine Mont this weekend. Some of the staff will already be up there and others will be carting items on Friday. There will be services held at Grace for those of us unable to attend Shrine Mont.

Upcoming Events

Fall Schedule Resumes, September 15

We will be returning to the regular schedule starting on Sunday, September 15. We will have Eucharists in English at 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:15 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. La Gracia will return to the auditorium for their 9:00 a.m. Spanish language Eucharist.

Walk in Love, September 15 at 10:15 a.m.

Join us after the 9:00 a.m. Eucharist as we walk together from Grace to Tenants and Workers United (3801 Mt. Vernon Avenue). This event is an expression of love, solidarity, and hospitality. It is a way of meeting and/or reconnecting with our neighbors. It is a joyful demonstration of strength in community. Sponsored by ACT for Alexandria, Casa Chirilagua, Tenants & Workers United and Grace Episcopal Church, we will enjoy music, food, dance, children’s activities and most importantly love. Please bring a plate of cookies or a sweet treat to share.

Spots Still Open for Education for Ministry

The first class is Monday, September 9, 2019. This evening Christian education program runs September – May each year.

- Discuss the Old and New Testament, critical analysis of scripture, the history of the Christian Church, and practical strategies for living your faith in complex times.
- Learn together and grow through dialogue and reflection on our lived experience.

Tuition is \$375 and covers books and administrative costs. Limited scholarships are available. Contact: julia.mcclung@gracealex.org.