

## Announcements for October 27, 2019

### Please Pray For...

**Parishioners:** Michael, Richard, Tina, Bette, Susan, Frank, Katherine, Will, Easter, Douglas, Christine, Rosemary Claire, Lisa, Lew, Linda, Judy

**Family and friends:** Pepper, Cathy, Martha, Rob, Don, Laura, Clare, Yanira, Kara, Margaret, Joe, Bishop Carl, Priscilla, Gail, Amy, Barbara, Cecily

**Requiescat in Pace:** Byron Melendez, Betty Cooksey, Joyce Fowler, 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, 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, Virginia Robinson, the Pattarini family, Melissa and Edi Jurkovic, with daughters Elena, Ana, Mia and Olivia, Chris Slattery, John Hall, Christopher and Marjorie Corlett.

**Those traveling:** Anne Caputo

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

**The Diocese of Virginia Prayer Cycle:** Calvary, Hanover; St. Matthew's, Richmond

**The Anglican Prayer Cycle:** The Church of Ceylon (Extra-Provincial to the Archbishop of Canterbury) and **The Rt Revd Dhilloraj Ranjit Canagasabay**, Bishop of Colombo, and **The Rt Revd Keerthisiri Fernando**, Bishop of Kurunegala.

**Grace Episcopal Church Prayer Cycle:** Stephen Lovell, Vestry chair of the Stewardship Program; the annual pledge campaign; and the volunteers who serve as counters.

### Those with birthdays this week:

27 Paul Hanley, Bill Malone

28 Esther Morales

29 Willem Schultz, Christine Harris

30 Benjamin Kong

31 Pedro Hernandez

1 Laura Bellantoni, Kathleen Burgess, Michael Plunkett

*Contact the Parish Office with your prayer requests or submit them on the website at: <http://bit.ly/Grace-Prayer>. Requests will be removed after 4 weeks unless renewed.*

### A Prayer for Our Search Process

Almighty and gracious God, be with us and guide us; open our hearts and minds and teach us. Fill us with wisdom and awareness of your vision as we seek a new interim rector and a new rector. Grant continued grace and commitment to those who will be called to serve as members of the Search Committee, that they may become faithful companions to each other, to the vestry and to this parish. Grant us an adventurous spirit, willing to attempt new tasks and embrace new ways, and ever mindful of the need to listen to your still, small voice; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Today

**The flowers on the Altar today** are given to the glory of God and in loving remembrance of Emilia Grace Nider by her mom, Kate, and sisters Isabella and Alessandra.

### **Today's Adult Forum: Coffee with Fr. Jason (St. John Room)**

Come get to know Father Jason – bring your coffee and any questions you might have about his spiritual journey, his time in South Carolina, his future, and his new puppy, Mae!

### **Holy Land Christian Solidarity Cooperative Visit Today!**

Our friend George Ghanem is here once again selling the hand carved olivewood religious articles that are made in Bethlehem. Items include Nativity sets, crosses, angels, Christmas ornaments and more. The funds raised help support the Christian population in the Holy Land. Mr. Ghanem has also agreed to come back to join us again on December 7th for the Holiday Bazaar!

### **Secrets of the Sacristy**

What's going on behind that wooden door? Why does the Altar Guild crew leader click a little clicky thing as we come off the altar from communion? Do you really have teeny tiny linens for hospital visits? This week after all services, meet in front of the pulpit for a tour of the sacristy. In addition to seeing "behind the curtain" we can also tell you about the Altar Guild ministry and how to join our next training class to be on the Altar Guild. All are welcome! If you have questions, contact Eleanor.Reed@gracealex.org!

### **Parish News**

#### **Update your information for the new directory!**

We will be putting out a new photo directory this November. You can update your information using Breeze or by contacting the office. The benefit of doing it in Breeze is that you can also upload and set your own individual and family photos! It also allow you to set your privacy settings for what contact information you want to be accessible. Call the office if you need assistance logging onto Breeze or if you just want to tell us your information. The office volunteers will also be calling to confirm information. You can email us at Parish.Office@gracealex.org or call 703.549.1980.

#### **Announcement for 2020 Pledge Campaign**

As we move into a new chapter in the life of Grace Episcopal Church, please consider how, like St. Francis of Assisi, you plan to heed the call to build up God's church. Pledge cards and a pledge letter will be going out soon. Please prayerfully consider your commitment to Grace.

#### **Photo Wall**

If you haven't checked out the most recent photo wall yet, please do. There are wonderful images from our Shrine Mont Weekend and our events celebrating 30 years of ministry with Father Malm.

#### **Launching the Stained-Glass Window Project**

Starting Tuesday or Wednesday of this week our long planned stained-glass window removal and restoration project will begin. Sixteen of the nave, narthex and chancel windows will be removed and shipped to the Associated Crafts/Willet Hauser studios for complete restoration. In their place we will have transparencies replicating our windows applied to a clear acrylic temporary replacement window. We anticipate this restoration process will take up to a year. This parishioner-funded project will ensure our beautiful windows will be secure and stable for many years to come. Questions? Call Anne Caputo at 703-751-1412 or email Anne.Caputo@gracealex.org.

### **This Week, October 27-November 2**

#### **October 29: Contemplative Service**

Sometimes we need to slow down, relax, refocus, and get centered to have some quiet time with God. Did you know that on the last Tuesday of each month, at 7:00 p.m., a group gathers for brief prayer, and meditation based on the Psalter? Give yourself this gift of "me time" and join us in the Malm Narthex this summer, on the last Tuesday of each month.

### **Last Week of the Winter Clothing Drive**

We are looking for volunteers to help sort and set up clothing on Friday evening, November 1, and to help with the distribution on Saturday, November 2. If you can help, please contact [Kemp.Williams@gracealex.org](mailto:Kemp.Williams@gracealex.org) or [Lynn.Rohrs@gracealex.org](mailto:Lynn.Rohrs@gracealex.org). Please get any donations for the drive in before November 1 so that they can be included.

### **November 2: GES Gala**

Grace Episcopal School's Annual Gala + Auction "Grace U" will take place on November 2 from 6-10 p.m. to raise funds for their most important student body: the kids! Parents and community members are invited to witness as Grace transforms from a highly regarded academic establishment to the ultimate party school for a night of dining hall bites, old school dancing and over 100 auction items to bid on!

All proceeds will go towards Grace School's continued effort to refurbish and enhance the playground and outdoor space. You're invited to show some school spirit by purchasing raffle tickets for a chance to win a two-night stay at the Inn at Perry Cabin in St. Michaels on Maryland's Eastern Shore. Tickets are \$50 each and can be purchased at the school.

### **Next Week November 3 - 9**

#### **November 3: Adult Forum - St. John Room**

As Christians, we are called to love our neighbors as ourselves, to welcome the stranger, and to acknowledge that whatever we do for the least of these, we do to Christ. Join Rushad Thomas, former Grace parishioner and current Policy Advisor with the Episcopal Church's Office of Government Relations, as he provides an overview of the Episcopal Church's migration policy advocacy work on Capitol Hill.

#### **November 3: Stroller Parking 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.**

Families with infants – preschool and their siblings are asked to join us next Sunday at Hops N Shine (located next to the 7-Eleven on the corner of Mount Vernon and Glebe). They have a nice fenced-in area behind the restaurant that will be available for all our families. Come enjoy snacks and drinks and meet other families that attend Grace.

#### **November 3: Youth Night**

Sunday Youth Night is next week from 5:30-8:00 pm. Dinner will be served and activities for all groups will take place. Have you been visiting and want your youth involved? Contact Jenni Faires at [Jenni.Faires@gracealex.org](mailto:Jenni.Faires@gracealex.org) for more information.

### **In Our Community**

#### **Emergency Call for the Bonus Shelves!**

Thank you to those who have already heeded our call! Please consider grabbing a few extra items as you do your shopping this week! Here are some items that are very popular with our clients:

**Food items:** Cereal, Dried Beans, Tortillas, Jam or Jelly, Fruit Snacks, Bagged Onions, Potatoes, Apples and Oranges

**Toiletries:** Bath Soap, Toothpaste & Toothbrushes, Shampoo, Toilet Paper

**Cleaning Supplies:** Laundry Detergent, All Purpose Cleaner, Paper Towels, Dish Soap

**Grocery Bags:** The Food Pantry can always use your clean, non-torn, grocery bags w/handles (Trader Joe's, Harris Teeter, MoM's & Whole Foods). Leave at the Food Pantry door.

## Calendar for October 28-November 2

### **Sunday                    The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**

7:30 a.m.            Holy Eucharist  
9:00 a.m.            Choral Eucharist (Nave)  
9:00 a.m.            Santa Eucaristía (Auditorium)  
10:15 a.m.          Adult Forum (St. John)  
11:15 a.m.          Choral Eucharist  
5:00 p.m.            Holy Eucharist

### **Monday**

1:00 pm.            Food Pantry open (until 3:00 p.m.)  
6:30 p.m.            Education for Ministry (St. Mark)

### **Tuesday                St. Simon and St. Jude (tr)**

10:00 a.m.          Staff Meeting (St. Mark)  
1:00 pm.            Food Pantry open (until 3:00 p.m.)  
4:30 p.m.            Advanced Treble Rehearsal  
5:30 p.m.            Novice Treble Rehearsal  
6:30 p.m.            Holy Eucharist  
7:00 p.m.            Outreach Meeting (St. Mark)  
7:00 p.m.            Contemplative Service (Narthex)

### **Wednesday            John Wyclif, 1384**

7:30 a.m.            Holy Eucharist  
5:30 p.m.            Combined Treble Rehearsal  
7:00 p.m.            AA District One (St. Mark)  
7:30 p.m.            9:00 a.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal  
7:30 p.m.            Bible Study (Library)

### **Thursday**

12:15 p.m.          Holy Eucharist  
6:30 p.m.            Handbell Rehearsal  
7:30 p.m.            11:15 a.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

### **Friday                    November 1**

9:00 a.m.            GES Chapel  
6:30 p.m.            Food Pantry Open  
8:30 p.m.            AA (St. Mark)

### **Saturday                November 2**

9:00 a.m.            Altar Guild  
6:30 p.m.            GES Gala (Auditorium)