



# Grace Episcopal Church

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Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 15th, 2023 – 10:30 am

Holy Eucharist, Rite II



The choral procession at the 10:30 am Choral Eucharist at Grace Church.

## WELCOME TO GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

We are pleased to welcome you to Grace Church. If you are joining us for the first time, please send us a message at [welcome@gracealex.org](mailto:welcome@gracealex.org), so we can get to know you. We can also add you to our mailing list by request. We're glad to have you join with us in worshipping God in the beauty of holiness, something which is central to our identity at Grace. We hope you will join with us in sharing the love of God with this world that needs healing. Assisted listening devices are available for use during worship. Please see an usher if you'd like to use one.



Please silence your cell phones during worship.

### Our Mission Statement

To Love, Proclaim, and Serve God

*Through + life-giving liturgical worship + joyful community + empowering others*

### Contacting Grace

Please feel free to contact our staff.

Our regular office hours are Monday to Thursday, 9 am – 3 pm and Fridays 9 am – 12 noon.  
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Clergy and staff are available for pastoral care. Please call the church office at (703) 549-1980 if you're ill or need pastoral care. For emergencies after hours, please call the **After-hours Emergency Number: (571) 308-3219**, and the priest on call will assist you.

### HOME COMMUNION

Home Communion is available upon request for parishioners who desire this service by Eucharistic Visitors every Sunday. Home Communion will be in one form, Bread only. To request Home Communion, parishioners are asked to contact the Parish Office by telephone at 703-549-1980 no later than 12 pm on the Wednesday prior to the Sunday on which they would like to receive Home Communion.

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

*Children 3 months until 3 years are welcome in the nursery. Please ask an usher to direct you.*

PRELUDE

Prelude in G major

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

*The people stand.*

HYMN 408

Sing praise to God who reigns above

*Mit freuden zart*

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant*  
Bless-ed be God: Father, Son, and Ho-ly Spi-rit.  
*People*  
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ev-er. A-men.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP, p. 355

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Children ages 3 years – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade follow the Crucifer to Children’s Chapel.*

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

William Mathias, Hymnal S-278

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and  
peace to his peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al-  
might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we  
praise you for your glo-ry. 3. Lord Je-sus Christ,  
on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;

5. you are seated at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For  
 you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,  
 7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the  
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of  
 God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The people are seated.*

#### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

##### THE FIRST LESSON

Exodus 32:1-14

*Lector* A reading from the Book of Exodus.

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the LORD." They rose early the next day, and

offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

The LORD said to Moses, “Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, ‘These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!’” The LORD said to Moses, “I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.”

But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, “O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, ‘It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth’? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, ‘I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.’” And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

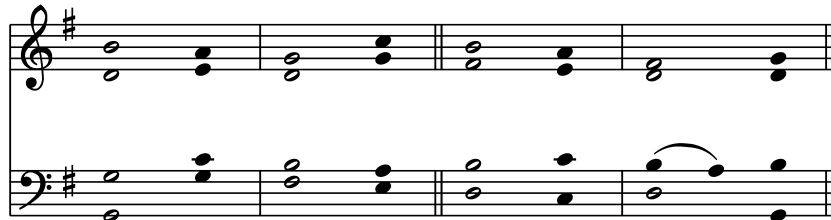
*Lector*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

*All join in singing the Psalm.*

PSALM 106:1-6, 19-23

*Robert Knox Kennedy (b. 1945)*



1 Hallelujah!  
Give thanks to the Lord, for he is | good, \*  
for his mercy endures for | ever.

2 Who can declare the mighty acts of the | Lord \*  
or show forth all his | praise?

3 Happy are those who act with | justice \*  
and always do what is | right!

4 Remember me, O Lord, with the favor you have for your | people, \*  
and visit me with your saving | help;

5 That I may see the prosperity of your elect  
and be glad with the gladness of your | people, \*  
that I may glory with your in- | heritance.

6 We have sinned as our forebears | did; \*  
we have done wrong and dealt | wickedly.

19 Israel made a bull-calf at | Horeb \*  
and worshiped a molten | image;

20 And so they exchanged their | Glory \*  
for the image of an ox that feeds on | grass.

21 They forgot God their | Savior, \*  
who had done great things in | Egypt,  
22 Wonderful deeds in the land of | Ham, \*  
and fearful things at the Red | Sea.  
23 (2<sup>nd</sup> part) So he would have destroyed them,  
had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the | breach, \*  
to turn away his wrath from con-|suming them.

THE SECOND LESSON

Philippians 4:1-9

*Lector* A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

*Lector* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*The people stand.*

HYMN 480

When Jesus left his Father's throne

*Kingsfold*

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 22:1-14

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*The people are seated.*

SERMON

The Rev. Deacon Emma Brice

*Silence is kept.*

THE NICENE CREED

BCP, p. 358

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Form IV, BCP p. 388

*Intercessor* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.  
Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

*Intercessor* Lord, in your mercy  
*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

*Intercessor* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

*Intercessor* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Silence*

*Intercessor* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

*Intercessor* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Intercessor* We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially parishioner Neille Russell, the victims of the senseless terror in Israel and Gaza, and those who mourn them; that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

*Intercessor* Lord, in your mercy

*People* **Hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant*

*Collect in Times of Conflict BCP, p. 824*

O God, you have bound us together in a common life. Help us, in the midst of our struggles for justice and truth, to confront one another without hatred or bitterness, and to work together with mutual forbearance and respect; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

BCP, p. 360

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All* **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you, in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

BCP, p. 360

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**





# THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

We invite you to give to the work of the church electronically via [Tithely](https://tithely.com) by scanning this QR code.

ANTHEM:

Awake, my heart

Jane Marshall (1924-2019)

*Awake, my heart, and render  
To God thy sure defender,  
Thy maker, thy preserver,  
A song of love and fervor.*

*Confirm my deeds and guide me:  
My day with thee beside me,  
Beginning, middle, ending,  
Will all be upward tending.*

Paul Gerhardt, 1647; tr. Winfred Douglas

*The people stand and sing the hymn.*

HYMN 51

We the Lord's people

Decatur Place

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

BCP, p. 361

*Celebrant*                      *People*

The Lord be with you.      And al - so with you.

*Celebrant*                      *People*

Lift up your hearts.      We lift them to the Lord.

*Celebrant*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*The Celebrant continues*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, for by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

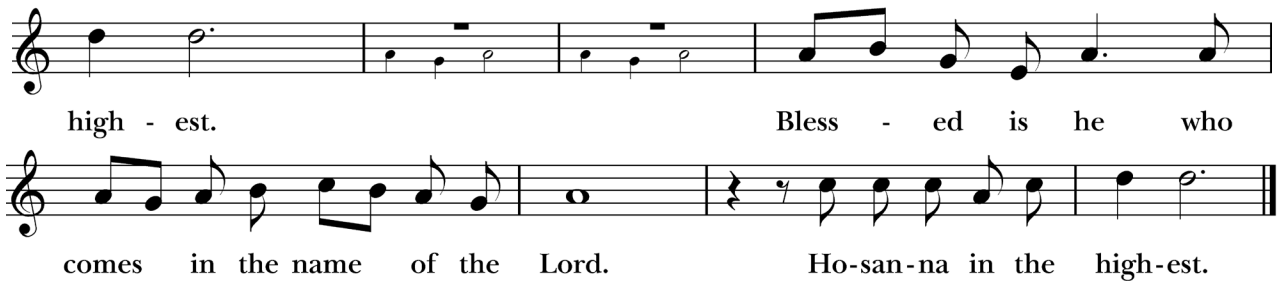
*Sanctus and Benedictus*

Hymnal S-128

Ho - ly, ho - ly,

ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the



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*The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues.*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues.*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP, p. 364

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

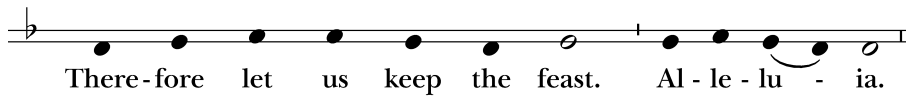
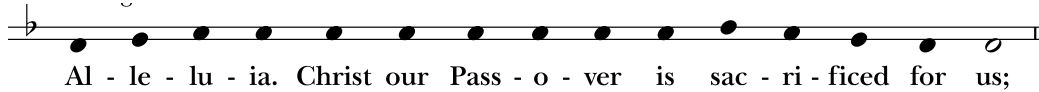
**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Hymnal S-152



*This setting may be sung full by all, or by the choir, or as a versicle and response.*

Music: Ambrosian chant; adapt. Mason Martens (1933-1991). Copyright © 1971 Mason Martens.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

BCP, p. 364

*Celebrant* Behold what you are.

*People* **May we become what we receive.**

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the eucharist. Please come forward to the altar rail at the direction of the ushers.*

*A full communion is made with the bread alone, but if you choose to receive the wine, you may either drink from the cup, or you may offer your wafer to the person holding the chalice, who will dip the bread in the wine for you.*

*If you prefer a blessing, please cross your arms over your chest. Gluten free wafers are available; simply ask the priest.*

*If you do not wish to receive communion at the altar, please let an usher know, and communion can be brought to you in your pew.*

HYMN 316

This is the hour of banquet and of song

*Canticum refectiois*

THE SENDING FORTH OF LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

*Celebrant* In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

*People* **We who are many are one body, because we share in one bread, one cup.**

*The people stand or kneel.*

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP, p. 365

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

*All stand and sing the hymn.*

CLOSING HYMN 556

Rejoice, ye pure in heart

*Marion*

THE DISMISSAL

BCP, p. 366

*Deacon* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

Nachspiel

*Felix Mendelssohn*

*At the end of liturgy today, one of the priests will be available at the Lady Altar for prayers for healing. Please allow quiet and privacy for those seeking prayer.*

## **SERVING @ GRACE TODAY**

<i>Celebrant</i>	Father Santi Rodriguez
<i>Deacon &amp; Preacher</i>	The Rev. Deacon Emma Brice
<i>Assisting</i>	The Rev. Amanda Bourne
<i>Assisting &amp; Children's Chapel</i>	The Rev. Deacon Ignacio Solano Gómez, Seminarian
<i>Lector</i>	Teresa Preston
<i>Intercessor</i>	Khacki Berry
<i>Music Director</i>	Dr. John Chappell Stowe
<i>Ushers</i>	John Boris, Bill Eckel, Scott Knudsen, Mary Stewart
<i>Acolytes</i>	Molly Sim, Annie Eason, Willem Schultz, Danny Kiepura, Alex Cline, Brynn Miller
<i>Live Stream Crew</i>	Jay Legere, Stephen Lovell
<i>Altar Guild Crew Leaders</i>	Sarah Schultz, John & Debbie Barker, Chad Eckles

# ANNOUNCEMENTS AS OF OCTOBER 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2023

Announcement deadline is Monday at 4 pm. Announcements arriving after that time will be held for the following week. Please limit announcements to 75 words. Email requests to [announcements@gracealex.org](mailto:announcements@gracealex.org).

*The Altar Flowers for today are given to the glory of God.*

If you would like to dedicate Altar Flowers for a particular Sunday in loving memory of someone or in thanksgiving, scan the QR Code on the right with your smart phone to access the form.



## NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

### THANKSGIVING BASKETS

Our Outreach Ministries, EYC Youth, and La Gracia need your support in donating gifts of food baskets, money, and/or time to make this year's Thanksgiving Food Basket Drive a success! You can use our shopping list as a guide to create a basket, or make a monetary donation and let EYC shop for you. Scan the QR code for more information and to access the shopping list. Thank you for your support.



### GIVING STATEMENTS UPDATE

Thanks to all of you who have supported Grace Church this year. Giving Statements reflecting your contributions through the end of September were sent out via email on October 4<sup>th</sup> and mailed to those who requested hardcopies. If you did not receive your statement or have a question about your statement, please contact our Finance and Operations assistant, Madeline Manaker, at [madeline.manaker@gracealex.org](mailto:madeline.manaker@gracealex.org) and CC our Finance director, Mary Cyrus ([bookkeeper@gracealex.org](mailto:bookkeeper@gracealex.org)).

### TRUNK OR TREAT 10/29

On Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, please join us in the church parking lot from 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. for Trunk-or-Treat! This event is an opportunity to celebrate Halloween and to share our joy with the larger community. We will have crafts, games, and prizes. Volunteers are needed to help with the event and to host a Trunk. We hope you are able to join us! Invite your family and friends. To enter your car, please use the QR code to register.



### FEAST OF SAINT LUKE WEDNESDAY 10/18

Join us for the feast of Saint Luke on Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 am for Holy Eucharist. We will go out for breakfast after the service for anyone who is interested!

### ALL SOULS REQUIEM EUCHARIST

On Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, the 5:00 pm service will be a Requiem Eucharist to remember all those who have died, especially those who have died in the past year. The service will include reading of the names of the dead. If you have a name that you would like to be read, please contact the church office at [director.of.operations@gracealex.org](mailto:director.of.operations@gracealex.org) by October 31 to make sure it is included. All are welcome at the service.

### ALEXANDRIA REGIONAL YOUTH GHOST TOUR 10/29

All 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to join Mother Emma and other Episcopal youth from the region for a Ghost Tour of Old Town, Alexandria. To RSVP and for more details, contact Mother Emma at [emma.brice@gracealex.org](mailto:emma.brice@gracealex.org).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

### PASTORAL CARE AVAILABLE FOR ALL

Pastoral care is at the heart of our church's life. It may include hospital visitation, bringing communion to the homebound, counseling, or other ministries of shared presence, listening, and support whenever someone finds themselves in need (like these difficult times). Clergy, staff, and lay pastoral caregivers are available for pastoral care. Please call the church office at (703)-549-1980 or reach out to our clergy if you need pastoral care.

### SECOND YOUTH NIGHT 10/15

The October Youth Night event is tonight, Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, at 6pm. For more information, contact Mother Emma at [emma.brice@gracealex.org](mailto:emma.brice@gracealex.org).

### TUTORS NEEDED

Grace Church has a long history of supporting the Alexandria Tutoring Consortium (ATC), an organization that provides one-on-one tutoring to elementary school children in Alexandria City Public Schools. Helping to teach a child to read is a joyful and fulfilling experience that requires as little as a half-hour a week. Training, materials, and lesson plans are all provided. Learn more at by scanning the QR code or by contacting parishioner Diana Jarrett at [dfjarrett@aol.com](mailto:dfjarrett@aol.com).



### ADULT FORUM SCHEDULE UPDATE

We meet in person in the St. Mark Room on the second floor, from 9:40-10:15, or virtually via Zoom (use the link to Adult Forum in the Sunday morning email). Feel free to arrive at 9:30 for informal chatting before the forum. Coffee and tea will be available just outside the St. Mark room.

October 15: How I Came to Grace, presented by members of our congregation

October 22: Meaning of Money, presented by Mary Hix

October 29: Grief is a Way of Loving, presented by Father Santi Rodriguez

### IMMANUEL CHURCH-ON-THE-HILL PUMPKIN PATCH

Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill on Seminary Road will be hosting its annual Pumpkin Patch for the entire month of October. 100% of Patch profits support over 25 local, national, and international charities, including our own Grace Church Food Pantry. The pumpkin patch is open weekdays 12 noon to 6 pm and weekends/holidays 10 am to 6 pm. Scan the QR code for more information!



### SENIOR SERVICES OF ALEXANDRIA OCTOBER EVENT: SENIOR SAFETY & AWARENESS

Senior Services of Alexandria is offering a Senior Safety & Awareness workshop on Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, from 10-11:30 am. The workshop features local experts who will discuss topics such as fall prevention, stroke awareness, home safety, and prescription interaction. The workshop will be held at the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Alexandria. To RSVP, scan the QR code or call (703)-836-4414 ext. 110.



### 42<sup>ND</sup> ALIVE WALKATHON – TODAY!

Help support our Alexandria neighbors in need by participating in the 42<sup>nd</sup> ALIVE Walkathon, Sunday October 15<sup>th</sup>. Kickoff at 2:00 at First Christian Church, 2723 King Street; snacks, live music and raffle prizes at 3:30. Register as either an actual or virtual walker at [stepalive.org](http://stepalive.org). For more information, please see Father Santi Rodriguez.

## PRAYER @ GRACE THIS WEEK

*We continue praying for all those in need of healing of mind, body, or spirit. We also pray for wisdom and strength for our communities, our elected officials, and our leaders as they make difficult and important decisions. As we join in common prayer this weekend, let us remember those who are in any need or trouble.*

**We pray for:**

- **Parishioners:** Virginia, Michael, Lisa, Lina, Mario, Tina, Hector, Conway, Amorita, Caz & family, Debbie, Amber, Wendy, Kelly, Elle, John, Anne, Carl, Jeannie, Sigrid, Ed, Clara, Larry, Susie, Otto, Susan, Charles, Lisa, Cleveland, Dick, Val & Claire & Joanne, Colin, Jennifer, Barbara, Anne.
- **Parishioners and others in assisted living:** Margaret, Nancy, Sally, Clare, Nancy, Audrey, Charlie, Eles, Mary Ann, Marilyn, Cynthia, Reg.
- **Family & friends:** Michael, Chris & Eileen, Peter, Charlotte, Morgan, Melissa, Barbara, Charlotte & Michael, Becky, Maggie, Joel, Shannon, Anthony, Ann, Taylor, Mark, Carolyn, Ellie, Gale, Klaus, Roger, Nancy, Tom, Dave & Mimi, Ken, Tammy, Patrick, Barbara, Sharon, Peter, Cindy, Patrick, Wrangler, Jody, Andy, Anne, family of Scott Brady, Steve, Linda, Emmy.
- **Members of our staff:** Father Santiago, Mother Emma, Mother Amanda, Father Ignacio, Noah, Durango, "Chappy," Mary, Kevin, Madeline, Pedro, Amorita, Betsy.
- **Grace School:** Students, family and staff, especially Patti, head of school.
- **Outreach partners:** ALIVE; Carpenter's Shelter; Casa Chirilagua; Christ Church Refugee and Lazarus Ministries; Community Lodgings; Cristosal, El Salvador; Haiti Micah Project; Meade Memorial Lunch Program; St. James Hospital, Tanzania; Tenants and Workers; V.O.I.C.E.; Kathleen and Eddie Arthur Hearts of Love Fund.
- **Those who have died:** For the victims of the senseless terror in Israel and Gaza, and those who mourn them; Parishioner Neille Russell; those who have died from coronavirus and other illnesses; those who have died from earthquakes, fires, storms & floods; and all those killed in acts of terror, violence, and war around the world.
- **Those serving in the Armed Forces:** LCDR Claire S. Eudy, USN; SSgt Chip Fowler, USAF; all those in the Middle East; all others at risk; 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:** Virginia Robinson; Julie Mills Cizek; Chris & Melissa Reed; Noah Woodiwiss.
- **Those who are traveling:** Brad Bergmann and June Huber.
- **Diocese of Virginia Prayer Cycle:** Presiding Bishop Michael Curry; Bishop. E. Mark Stevenson, Bishop Rev. Gayle E. Harris; McIlhane Parish (Grace Red Hill), Albemarle; St. James', Leesburg; St. Paul's, Owens, King George; Trinity, Washington.
- **Anglican Prayer Cycle:** The Anglican Church of Kenya; The Diocese of Amritsar – The Church of North India; The Diocese of Andaman and Car Nicobar Islands – The Church of North India; The Diocese of Saint Andrews, Dunkeld and Dunblane – The Scottish Episcopal Church; The Missionary Diocese of Central and South Angola – Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola; The Diocese of Ankole – The Church of the Province of Uganda; The Diocese of North Ankole – The Church of the Province of Uganda.

You can fill out a [Prayer Request Form](#) on our Website or email your request to [prayers@gracealex.org](mailto:prayers@gracealex.org)

## BIRTHDAYS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 15	Laura Weidenfeld, Lisa Medley, Charles Nelson
Monday, October 16	Michael Laemmle
Tuesday, October 17	Nicholas Winkel
Thursday, October 19	William Corley, Stephanie Farciert, Elizabeth Yancey
Friday, October 20	Patricia Bamford, David Koegel, Amber Lopez
Sunday, October 22	Jay Legere



Parishioner birthdays are listed weekly based on records from Breeze, our church database. For birthdays missing or listed on an incorrect date, please contact the church office to update your record. **Thank you!**

## EVENTS @ GRACE THIS WEEK

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	CONTACT / INFO*
Sunday, 10/15	7:30 am Holy Eucharist in English, Rite I	Nave	
	8:45 am Santa Eucaristía en Español	Nave	
	9:00 am Little Church, Rite II	Amphitheater	
	Children & Youth Formation Hour - 9:40 am		
	Adult Forum - 9:40 am	Saint Mark Room	
	10:30 am Choral Eucharist Rite II	Nave / Livestream	
	Seminarian Support Committee - 12 - 2 pm	Saint Mark Room	
	5:00 pm Holy Eucharist, Rite II	Nave	
	COHI Training - 6 - 8 pm	Saint Mark Room	
Monday 10/16	Food Pantry Bagging - 4:30 - 6:30 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> floor Lobby Area	<a href="mailto:Judy.Willard@gracealex.org">Judy.Willard@gracealex.org</a> <a href="mailto:Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org">Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org</a>
	Adult Formation Series: Remembrance, Thanksgiving, and Hope - 7 - 8:30 pm	Saint Mark Room	Anne Clift Boris, Julia McClung
Tuesday, 10/17	Morning Prayer - 9 am	Malm Narthex	
	Food Pantry Distribution - 6:30 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> floor Lobby Area	<a href="mailto:Judy.Willard@gracealex.org">Judy.Willard@gracealex.org</a> <a href="mailto:Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org">Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org</a>
Wednesday, 10/18	Feast of Saint Luke Holy Eucharist - 7:30 am	Nave	
	Morning Prayer - 9 am	Malm Narthex	
	Food Pantry (Unloading of Delivery) - 2 - 4 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> floor Lobby Area	<a href="mailto:Judy.Willard@gracealex.org">Judy.Willard@gracealex.org</a> <a href="mailto:Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org">Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org</a>
	Evening Prayer - 5:30 pm	Zoom	Lucy-Lee Reed - 703.842.3121
	Bible Study - 7:30 pm	Zoom	<a href="mailto:Stephen.Lovell@gracealex.org">Stephen.Lovell@gracealex.org</a>
	Alcoholics Anonymous - 8 pm Alanon - 8 pm	MH Auditorium Saint Luke Room	
Thursday, 10/19	Morning Prayer - 9 am	Malm Narthex	
	12pm Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayer	Nave, Lady Altar	
	Food Pantry Bagging - 4:30 - 6:30 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> floor Lobby Area	<a href="mailto:Judy.Willard@gracealex.org">Judy.Willard@gracealex.org</a> <a href="mailto:Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org">Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org</a>
Friday, 10/20	Food Pantry Bagging - 3 - 5 pm		<a href="mailto:Judy.Willard@gracealex.org">Judy.Willard@gracealex.org</a>
	Food Pantry Distribution - 6:30 pm		<a href="mailto:Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org">Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org</a>
Saturday, 10/21	Altar Guild Set Up - 9 am	Nave & Sacristy	
	Bible Study - 10 am	Zoom	<a href="mailto:Chrissie.crosby@gracealex.org">Chrissie.crosby@gracealex.org</a>
	Food Pantry Bagging - 1 - 3 pm	1 <sup>st</sup> floor Lobby Area	<a href="mailto:Judy.Willard@gracealex.org">Judy.Willard@gracealex.org</a> <a href="mailto:Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org">Jennifer.Pease@gracealex.org</a>

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