All Saints’ Day
MORNING SERVICE OF EUCHARIST, PRAYERS, MEDITATION & MUSIC
NOVEMBER 1, 2020     10:30 AM
VIA LIVESTREAM

Welcome to Worship: Thank you for making Grace-St. Luke’s part of your spiritual journey and for joining us today for this virtual worship offering. If you are new among us, please complete an online Connect Card at gracestlukes.org/online-visitor-card. Our clergy-staff team would like to reach out to learn more about you and to explore how life at Grace-St. Luke’s might bless your journey and you bless ours. For more about our thriving faith community including online formation (learning) offerings, please visit www.gracestlukes.org.

Celebrant: The Rev. Ollie V. Rencher
Assisting: The Rev. Laura F. Gettys
Preacher: The Rev. Katherine M. Bush
Lector & Intercessor: Dan Pigg

All are asked to observe silence during the
Voluntary: “NIMROD, FROM ENIGMA VARIATIONS, Op. 36”  Edward Elgar

Welcome, Announcements and Children’s Message
The Collect for Purity
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.

The Collect of the Day
Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

Psalm 34:1-10,22 read responsively by whole verse

1 I will bless the Lord at all times; *
   his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
2 I will glory in the Lord; *
   let the humble hear and rejoice.
3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; *
   let us exalt his Name together.
4 I sought the Lord, and he answered me *
   and delivered me out of all my terror.
5 Look upon him and be radiant, *
   and let not your faces be ashamed.
6 I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me *
   and saved me from all my troubles.
7 The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, *
   and he will deliver them.
8 Taste and see that the Lord is good; *
   happy are they who trust in him!
9 Fear the Lord, you that are his saints, *
   for those who fear him lack nothing.
10 The young lions lack and suffer hunger, *
    but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.
22 The Lord ransoms the life of his servants, *
   and none will be punished who trust in him.

The Gospel

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:
“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.
Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Homily: The Rev. Katherine M. Bush

The Priest invites the People to stand or kneel for the

The Prayers of the People, Form III

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.
Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.
We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.
We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.
Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.
Remembering especially those reflected on the Prayer List as named in the service leaflet, the widowed and orphans, all whose lives are affected due to the COVID-19 pandemic and those who now care for them, and those we now name either silently or aloud [N.N.] Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.
Remembering those who have died, especially Minetry Apperson Crowley, Peter Burnham, Sammie Booth, Gaye Poyn-ter, those in whose memory the altar flowers are given, Geraldine Hess Medling and Will Hayden Medling, those who have died from coronavirus and those we now name either silently or aloud [N.N.] Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.
On this All Saints’ Day, we remember those who have been buried from or members of Grace-St. Luke’s since All Saints’ 2019: Stella Bain, Wesley Emerson, Brian Kellett, Doug McClew, Hugh Moore, Walker Mulherin, Sarla Nichols, Ann Kendall Ray, Caroline Sanford, and others: Clint Crabtree, the Rev. Senter Crook, Paul Kreamer, the Rev. Charles Riddle, Arlene Johnson, Jack Moore, Tom Biga, Ruth Snodgrass, Alma Jean Kopert, Marianne Tullos, Jim Hoolihan, Mark Hoolihan, Marion Page, Ted Page, Duane Page, Ronald Lance Ireland, George Mabon, Lawrence Keese, Irwin and Roz Spiegelman, Barbara Register, Jean and Thomas Nichols, Seymour Spiegelman, William W. Register Sr., James R. Shaw, Kathy Zimmer, Dianne Hill, David Potter, Lee Murray, RJ Stidham, Paul Hoyer, Edna Hoyer, Charles Foster, II, Cecil Foster, Bud Holland, George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Ahmaud Arbery, Michael Brown, Elijah McClain, Ell Persons, Tom Moss, Calvin McDowell, Will Stewart, Walter Wallace Jr., Wally Smith, Ladye Margaret Craddock Early Arnold, Eugene Early Jr., Varner L. Rencher Sr., as well as any beloved children of God who have died from violence or oppression, and others we name silently or aloud. 

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; 

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, including thanksgivings for the gifts of time, talent, and treasure that support life at Grace-St. Luke’s; for the baptism earlier today at Grace-St. Luke’s of Faye Winburn Bowron, daughter of Caitlin and Will Bowron and granddaughter of Debbie Smith, for our School and all schools that serve our community; for the Anglican Communion, The Episcopal Church, and the Diocese of West Tennessee; and for all individuals, communities, and organizations working tirelessly and creatively to respond to the needs caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. 

Silence is observed. Then, the Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

The Celebrant and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Today is Pledge Sunday, a festive occasion to support our 2021 stewardship campaign, Resilience and Connection by Giving: visit gracestlukes.org/pledge or hand-deliver your paper pledge form to the collection plate located at baptismal font to be presented among today’s offertory gifts. Before the Great Thanksgiving, all pledges offered online and by paper form since the September 10 launch of the stewardship campaign will be acknowledged, placed before the Altar, and presented during the Presentation Hymn. Future pledges will be acknowledged throughout the coming days and weeks.

Anthem at the Offertory, “There is a land of pure delight”

There is a land of pure delight where saints immortal reign; infinite day excludes the night and pleasures banish pain. There everlasting spring abides and never withering flowers; Death like a narrow sea divides that heavenly land from ours. Sweet fields beyond the swelling flood stand dressed in living green; so to the Jews old Canaan stood while Jordan rolled between. But timorous mortals start and shrink to cross the narrow sea, and linger shivering on the brink, and fear to launch away. O could we make our doubts remove, those gloomy doubts that rise, and see the Canaan that we love with unclouded eyes. Could we but climb where Moses stood and view the landscape over; not Jordan’s stream, nor death’s cold flood should fright us from the shore.
The Presentation
After the anthem and during the organ improvisation, an usher will come forth with an offering plate bearing gifts including any pledges to be added to those already before the altar then the choir, organist and those worshipping via livestream sing

Hymn 380, stanza 3, “From all that dwell below the skies”

music: Old 100th, melody from Pseaumes octante trois de David, 1551, alt.
harm. After Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?)
text: st. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711)

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

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 in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that we might rejoice in their fellowship, and run with endurance the race that is set before us; and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades away. 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:

The Sanctus and Benedictus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel.
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:

**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.

The Lord’s Prayer

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

**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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

**Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Spiritual Communion Prayers

While the congregation gathered in person receives communion, the congregation worshipping via livestream offers the following prayers. These rich words are recited daily throughout the church catholic (universal) by individuals and communities unable to gather for public worship for whatever reason, while also longing for the occasion to participate in the Episcopal Church’s central practice of receiving the Holy Sacrament.

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, and remembering particularly Grace-St. Luke’s and those worshipping there, I long to offer praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory, and particularly for the blessings given me.

I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.

Come Lord Jesus, and dwell in my heart in the fullness of your strength; be my wisdom and guide me in right pathways; conform my life and actions to the image of your holiness; and, in the power of your gracious might, rule over every hostile power that threatens or disturbs the growth of your kingdom, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

The Blessing

May Almighty God, to whose glory we celebrate this festival of all the Saints, be now and evermore your guide and companion in the way. Amen.

May God, who has bound us together in the company of the elect, in this age and the age to come, attend to the prayers of his faithful servants on your behalf, as he hears your prayers for them. Amen.

May God, who has given us, in the lives of his saints, patterns of holy living and victorious dying, strengthen your faith and devotion, and enable you to bear witness to the truth against all adversity. Amen.

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

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn 618, stanzas 1 & 3-4, “YE WATCHERS AND YE HOLY ONES”

Music: Last uns erfreuen, melody from Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengeseng, 1623; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)
Text: John Athelstan Laurie Riley (1858-1945)
Voluntary: “IMPROVISATION ON SINE NOMINE”  

Patrick A. Scott

Continue the day, giving thanks to God for blessings known and known, and by reaching out in care for fellow parishioners, neighbors, and any persons in need. Members of the parish with any needs or pastoral concerns: email pastoralcare@gracelukeshomes.org or dial 901-252-6320, and for hospitalizations or emergencies, dial the 24/7 Clergy-on-Call phone line at 901-252-6334.

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Elizabeth Hornor, Isabel Wittman, Charles McGowan, & André Moore, Cantors
Lucy Owens, Communications Administrator
Weekly Message from the Clergy

Celebrating All Saints and Pledge Sunday, November 1. Life at Grace–St. Luke’s boldly will focus on God’s abundance on Sunday, November 1, when our parish celebrates the feast of All Saints’ Day and Pledge Sunday. In addition to the sacrament of Holy Baptism to be administered during a small gathering after the extraordinary 10:30 a.m. service, much will mark this full festal day: formation offering and sermon by the Rev. Katherine M. Bush, first indoor Holy Eucharist since March 15, prayers remembering those buried from GSL since All Saints’ 2019 and all departed loved ones, 5:30 p.m. video of choral and organ music, and the consecration of pledges offered to support our 2021 stewardship campaign. Indeed, I am humbled, and we are blessed to be members of a thriving faith community, which prospers with God’s help and by the gifts of the beloved adults, youth, and children who make up this part of the body of Christ. All individual and household pledges offered to the glory of God for Resilience and Connection by Giving will both commemorate the saints who have gone before and help us to be saints too. In thanksgiving for the countless blessings that I receive daily from and my abiding love for GSL, I am glad to increase my pledge, mindful that each estimate-of-giving toward the minimum of $1.2 million pledge dollars needed for 2021 will make a difference. Thank you for your personal engagement and variety of gifts offered to support life at GSL and to our Stewardship Committee. Godspeed as we prepare for November 1 and beyond. Faithfully, Ollie+

Take Note: New Highlights

Requiem: Minetry Apperson Crowley, August 22, 1952 - October 25, 2020. Minetry Apperson Crowley died Sunday, October 25. Funeral arrangements are pending. Into your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servant Minetry. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, a sheep of your own fold, a lamb of your own flock, a sinner of your own redeeming. Receive her into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. Amen. May her soul and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

October 25 Message from the Senior Warden. Follow this link (www.gracestlukes.org/news/a-message-from-the-senior-warden-october) for an October message from Senior Warden Simon Wadsworth on behalf of the Vestry.

Resilience and Connection by Giving | Pledge Consecration Sunday. Details below under Stewardship.

Election and Post-Election: Support, Connection, Response and Hope Opportunities. For opportunities and special events that might provide spiritual guidance during this election season, take a moment to explore www.gracestlukes.org/discover/spiritual-guidance.

Grace-St. Luke’s Service of Healing Prayers, Wednesday, November 4, 8 to 8:30 a.m. Details below under Worship.

Multi-National Memphis World Soup Fest, November 18-20. For more information, see below under Outreach.

Advent Wreath-Making Event, November 29. Details below under Community Life.

Ongoing events, less recent news, and more, explore below: Virtual Offerings, Worship and Music, Stewardship, Christian Formation, Community Life, Outreach, and Quick Links.

Virtual Offerings


Morning Service of Eucharist, Prayers, Meditation and Music, November 1, 10:30 a.m, Livestream Service of Morning Prayer including music and sermon via the GSL website (www.gracestlukes.org/events/sunday-worship) and Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/gracestlukes/live).

Sunday, November 1, 5:30-6 p.m., A Service of Music and Reflection for All Saints’ Day, Facebook (www.facebook.com/gracestlukes/live) and YouTube (www.youtube.com/gracestlukes).

Tuesday, November 3, Compline (Night Prayers), 8-8:15 p.m. via Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/gracestlukes/live).

Wednesday, November 4, 8:30 a.m. Grace-St. Luke’s Service of Healing Prayers via the (www.gracestlukes.org/discover/spiritual-guidance) and Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/gracestlukes/live).
Thursday, November 5, Men’s Morning Fellowship, 7 until 7:45 a.m. via ZOOM. Follow this link for what to expect and ZOOM access information. (www.gracestlukes.org/mens-fellowship).

Thursday, November 6, Compline (Night Prayers), 8-8:15 p.m. via Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/gracestlukes/live).

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost, Morning Service of Eucharist, Prayers, Meditation and Music, November 8, 10:30 a.m., Livestream Service of Morning Prayer including music and sermon via the GSL website (www.gracestlukes.org/events/sunday-worship) and Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/gracestlukes/live).

Event Details. For important details about each of these and more, follow this link (www.gracestlukes.org/news/weekly-virtual-offerings) to Virtual Offerings and watch for the Friday Looking Ahead eNews.

Worship and Music

Sunday Outdoor Eucharist, Today, 4 p.m. Join us at 4 p.m. for an Outdoor Eucharist on Anchor Hill. For more information including what to expect, follow this link (www.gracestlukes.org/news/preparing-for-worship-outdoors-at-gsl). The signup deadline is noon.

Worship: In Person or Online. Join us Sundays at 10:30 a.m. for Eucharist, Prayers, Meditation and Music. Limited space is available for in-person worship based on physical distancing guidelines, and online reservations are required. Visit tinyurl.com/GSLWorshipSignup to sign up for Sunday, November 8. For virtual, visit www.gracestlukes.org/events/sunday-worship.

A Service of Music and Reflection for All Saints’ Day. Join members of the Grace-St. Luke’s Choir for a service of music and reflection for All Saints’ Day this afternoon at 5:30 p.m. via prerecorded service on Facebook (www.facebook.com/gracestlukes/live) and YouTube (www.youtube.com/gracestlukes). Members of the full choir have joined for the first time since March to sing two great hymns of All Saints with readings by the Rev. Ollie V. Rencher and the Rev. Laura F. Gettys.

Election Day Compline. All are encouraged to join on Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/gracestlukes/live) on the evening of November 3 at 8 p.m. for a service of night prayers officiated by the Rev. Ollie V. Rencher.

Grace-St. Luke’s Service of Healing Prayers, Wednesday, November 4, 8 to 8:30 a.m. On the day after Election Day, all are invited to gather for 30 minutes of prayers via livestream or in person. Sign up required: tinyurl.com/ElectionDayPrayers. Interspersed with the lighting of candles and moments of silence, the clergy will offer a variety of healing prayers including ones for the human family, national life, peace, social order, and guidance. The Episcopal tradition celebrates common prayer as one of many gifts for faith and spiritual journeys.

Visit www.gracestlukes.org/worship for more about worship, and to explore past and upcoming services, follow this link www.gracestlukes.org/events/sunday-worship.

Stewardship: Time, Talent, Treasure

Resilience and Connection by Giving | Pledge Consecration Sunday. Today we celebrate Pledge Consecration Sunday and the commitments of time, treasure, and talent that our parishioners make in support of the mission and ministries of Grace-St. Luke’s. Your pledge to GSL (simply a considered estimate of what you expect to give and how you wish to serve in 2021) helps the parish plan and budget for expenses – from salaries to maintenance to our wonderful programs and essential ministries. If you’ve not already done so, please make a pledge online at www.gracestlukes.org/pledge or mail a pledge form to the church office. For those who’ve already made pledges – thank you! We’re so grateful for the gift of yourselves and your generous support of Grace-St. Luke’s. Please visit www.gracestlukes.org/pledge to make your pledge today as an investment in life at Grace-St. Luke’s.

Christian Formation

Youth.
This evening will be a Netflix Movie night! Join us at 5 p.m. via Netflix Party for a viewing the Halloween movie, ParaNorman. For questions about Youth Formation, contact Amzie Williams (awilliams@gracestlukes.org).

Children.
All children are invited to participate in the 20-minute virtual Prayer Table for conversation, songs, stories, and prayer via Zoom after the 10:30 service. Zoom links are sent to the Children’s Formation email list on Saturdays. If you’d like to have a Prayer Table kit for your family, contact Sharon Campbell (scampbell@gracestlukes.org).
Adults.

GSL Reading Together, Zoom Discussions. Our November book is *Learning to Walk in the Dark* by Barbara Brown Taylor. The Zoom discussions will take place November 4, 11, and 18 from 6-6:45 p.m. For more information, including signup details, visit [www.gracestlukes.org/gslreadingtogether](http://www.gracestlukes.org/gslreadingtogether).

Exploring The Saints Through Poetry with The Rev. Katherine M. Bush, Sunday, this morning’s formation offering, is available on our website ([www.gracestlukes.org/sunday-morning](http://www.gracestlukes.org/sunday-morning)), on Facebook ([www.facebook.com/gracestlukes](http://www.facebook.com/gracestlukes)), and YouTube ([www.youtube.com/gracestlukes](http://www.youtube.com/gracestlukes)). From generation to generation, poetry is one of the greatest art expressions to which people of faith turn for delight, wisdom, comfort, inspiration and remembrance. Join GSL member and St. Mary’s School Chaplain & Director of Religion, the Rev. Katherine Bush, on an exploration of poetry to commemorate our annual observance of All Saints’ Day. Looking Ahead: Sunday, November 8, 9:15 a.m. Online - Building Compassion and Resilience in Beloved Community: A Conversation with Dr. Susan Campbell and The Rev. Laura F. Gettys on the Methodologies of Dr. Brené Brown. Check out the exciting fall lineup of Sunday Formation offerings and more: visit [www.gracestlukes.org/adult-formation](http://www.gracestlukes.org/adult-formation).

Community Life

Concert in Snowden Field, November 13. GSL Parishioners, Grab your blankets, chairs, picnics, and masks, and GET OUT OF THE HOUSE! Come enjoy the musical talents of Posey Hedges, Jim Spake, and John Gaskill as they play a genre-bending mix of tunes for your listening pleasure with fellow GSL parishioners in Snowden Field on Friday, November 13, from 5-7 p.m. There will be designated areas for you and your group to sit that will be big enough to spread your blanket and kick back while being socially distanced from your fellow attendees. Please sign up soon by following this link ([tinyurl.com/SnowdenFieldConcert](http://tinyurl.com/SnowdenFieldConcert)) as space is limited to 50 households/groups. Please bring what you plan to eat or drink as there will not be any food or drink options offered for purchase. Restrooms will be available. Masks are required. We look forward to seeing you soon!

Advent Wreath-Making Event, November 29. Kick off your Advent Season by making a Wreath. Sign up for Sunday, November 29, in Trezevant Hall at either 1 p.m. or 2:30 p.m. Please bring your own clippers and/or scissors and we will provide the rest! Spend time with family and friends as we prepare for the Christmas Season! There will be designated areas for you and your group to sit while being socially distanced from your fellow attendees. Please sign up soon as space is limited to 14 households/groups per session: [tinyurl.com/GSLAdventWreaths2020](http://tinyurl.com/GSLAdventWreaths2020).

Nominees for the Vestry Class of 2023. Let us give thanks to those willing to serve, if elected to five 2021-2023 Vestry positions: George Johnson, Jim McCall, Andy Nix, Johnny Norris, Price Peacock, Paula Sappington, Chilton Simmons, Taylor Taylor, Betsy Wilson, and Lizzy Yatsula. The Vestry is the GSL elected spiritual lay leadership team of 15 people who collaborate with the Wardens and the Rector to support the mission, administration, and ministries essential for operating as a parish of the Episcopal Diocese of West Tennessee. Stay tuned for bios of the nominees and information about the December 9 annual meeting of the parish and how it will be conducted based on diocesan guidelines during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Outreach

Multi-National Memphis World Soup Fest, November 18-20. Fall is really here now, and we’re really thinking about soup! You know who else is thinking about soup (errrbody, right)? One of our Servant Ministry Partners, Multinational Memphis - you may know them as Multi-National Ministries. This great organization is a cornerstone of “welcoming the stranger” into the Memphis community, offering a range of programs involving our refugee and immigrant neighbors, ranging from after-school programs for children to English lessons for their Moms. Like everyone else doing good work this year, their fundraising efforts have been challenged. MNM’s annual World Soup Festival is “taking it on the road” this year – to your house! For a $50 donation, you pick a time slot from 18 to 20 November, and they’ll deliver a thank you gift which includes 8 different international soups, an insulated tote, a recipe book, and – for the first 100 donors – a stainless steel Multinational Memphis travel mug. Please feel free to warm up to our partner’s event by following this here ([www.multinationalmemphis.org/soup-fest-fundraiser.html](http://www.multinationalmemphis.org/soup-fest-fundraiser.html)). While you’re there, check out their other needs, including volunteer opportunities. And try not to spill any of that soup!

Quick Links

Follow these links to frequently visited pages on our website.

- **Hope and Good News:** [www.gracestlukes.org/discover/spiritual-guidance](http://www.gracestlukes.org/discover/spiritual-guidance)
- **Pastoral Care, Prayer List, and Prayer Requests:** [www.gracestlukes.org/prayerrequest](http://www.gracestlukes.org/prayerrequest)
- **Subscribe to GSL, Diocesan & The Episcopal Church eNews:** [www.gracestlukes.org/enews](http://www.gracestlukes.org/enews)
- **Information about Fraudulent Emails & Text:** [www.gracestlukes.org/news/phishing](http://www.gracestlukes.org/news/phishing)
- **The Messenger, Bi-monthly Magazine:** [www.gracestlukes.org/the-messenger](http://www.gracestlukes.org/the-messenger)
- **Realm Connect: GSL Directory & More:** [www.gracestlukes.org/realm](http://www.gracestlukes.org/realm)
The Prayer List

Our prayers are asked for Joanna Byrnes, Annelise Ware Simmons, Tom Wyatt, Alymarie Dooney Twele, Charles Chandler, Kristin King, Nancy Wilkerson, Betsy Tate, Caroline Clay, John, Kaye, Patty McManus, and Brad Larson.

Our prayers are asked for those who have died: especially for Minetry Apperson Crowley, Peter Burnham, Sammie Booth, Gaye Poynter, for those in whose loving memory the altar flowers are given, Geraldine Hess Medling and Will Hayden Medling, and for those who have died from coronavirus.


We give thanks for the baptism earlier today at Grace-St. Luke’s of Faye Winburn Bowron, daughter of Caitlin and Will Bowron and granddaughter of Debbie Smith.

We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays, especially Meghan Barksdale, Shelley Baur, Allyson Campbell, Tom Chesney, Dabney Collier, Kent Cox, Brian Davies, Henry Duncan, Julie Horn, John Huber, Erin Johnson, Keith Kays, Debra Lynch, James Maddox, Bill Maguire, Sarah Mercer, Zachary Moore, Janice Pazar, Hunter Rittenberry, Lara Scott, Carolyn Simonton, Susie Williams, Michael Wills, Keith Wood, and Matt Yatsula, and for those celebrating wedding anniversaries, especially Daniel & Brittany Williams, Palmer & Patricia Brown, Brian & Tait Mellone, Tea & Henry Wells, Jerry & Donna Sanders.

Prayer List and Prayer Requests. To submit a prayer request for the Prayer List, you may contact Parish House Receptionist & Ministry Associate Abby Huber (ahuber@gracestlukes.org, 901-252-6336) or complete the online Prayer Request Form (www.gracestlukes.org/prayerrequest). Names of persons, who have given consent for names to be printed, will be listed for one month, unless a longer period is requested. While certain concerns may be confidential between the clergy and the individual, others may not be. If you are wondering about an individual, please contact the individual directly or a member of the clergy. Intercessions are offered daily by the clergy and lay pastoral care ministers and reflected in the worship service leaflet.

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