



GRACE-ST. LUKE'S

E P I S C O P A L C H U R C H

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
MORNING SERVICE OF PRAYERS, MEDITATION AND MUSIC
SEPTEMBER 13, 2020 10:30 AM
VIA LIVESTREAM

This service is an adaptation of various services for public worship in the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) of The Episcopal Church. Text in boldface type is read aloud or sung by the congregation. Text in italics provides directions or details. Explore the richness of the BCP online at bcponline.org including Daily Devotions for Individuals and Families. During this service, please feel free to stand, sit, or even kneel at the appointed times and practice any personal pieties that might enhance your engagement in this experience.

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.*

Officiant: The Rev. Laura F. Gettys

Preacher: The Rev. Ollie V. Rencher

All are asked to observe silence during the

Voluntary: "FANFARE"

John Cook

Welcome, Announcements and Children's Message

The Word of God

Hymn 410, stanzas 1, 3-4, "PRAISE, MY SOUL, THE KING OF HEAVEN"

music: *Lauda anima*, John Goss (1800-1880)
text: Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847)
descant: Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971)

Unison or harmony

1 Praise, my soul, the King of hea - ven; to his feet thy tri - bute bring;
2 Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to his peo - ple in dis - tress;
3 Fa - ther - like he tends and spares us; well our fee - ble frame he knows;
4 An - gels, help us to a - dore him; ye be - hold him face to face;

ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, ev - er - more his prais - es sing:
praise him still the same as ev - er, slow to chide, and swift to bless:
in his hand he gen - tly bears us, res - cues us from all our foes.
sun and moon, bow down be - fore him, dwell - ers all in time and space.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

Officiant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

BCP 230

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Officiant Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Psalm 103:8-13 *read responsively by whole verse*

- 8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.
- 9 **He will not always accuse us, ***
nor will he keep his anger for ever.
- 10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, *
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.
- 11 **For as the heavens are high above the earth, ***
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.
- 12 As far as the east is from the west, *
so far has he removed our sins from us.
- 13 **As a father cares for his children, ***
so does the Lord care for those who fear him.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Gospel

Priest A Reading from the Gospel according to Matthew.

18:21-35

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. "For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

Priest Here ends the Lesson.

The Homily: The Rev. Ollie V. Rencher

The Priest invites the People to stand or kneel for the

The Prayers of the People, Form II

BCP 385

In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Diocesan Bishop Phoebe, Presiding Bishop Michael, and the Archbishop of Canterbury Justin; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church. *Silence*
I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.

Pray for justice and peace. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him. Pray that they may find and be found by him. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed [especially N.N.]. Pray for those who have died. *Silence*

I ask your prayers for the special needs and concerns of this congregation, including those reflected on the Prayer List in this service leaflet; and I ask your thanksgivings [N.N.]. *Silence*

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day. *Silence*

Loving God, we pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. *Silence*

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Priest says

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 360

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

The Offertory

During the offertory music or following this service, your offering supports this virtual ministry and much more of life at Grace-St. Luke's: visit gracestlukes.org/onlinegiving; text GSLChurch ALMS to 73256 to give to ALMS; text GSLChurch PLEDGE to 73256 to give to 2020 PLEDGE; mail to the church office. We are not closed during this season of physical distancing. Instead, we are becoming more open and creative in how we abide with God, walk by faith, and serve one another. Your gift to the glory of God supports the administration, operations, and life of Grace-St. Luke's Church.

Anthem at the Offertory, "JUBILATE DEO"

*music: Ian Higginson (b. 1959), Jubilate Deo
text: Psalm 100*

O be Joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song. Be ye sure that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture. O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise. Be thankful unto him, and speak good of his name. For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting: and his truth endureth from generation to generation. Glory be to the Father and to the son: and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, Is now and ever shall be; World without end. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

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.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

Mindful of COVID-19 pandemic precautions and guidelines that exclude our ability to assemble for the Holy Eucharist, the Officiant and People offer the following prayers as part of a Spiritual Communion. These are recited daily throughout the church catholic (universal) by communities who long for the occasion when all can fully participate in the central practice of both blessing and receiving the Holy Sacrament. Until then, we pray:

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 worshiping 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

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Hymn 347, stanzas 1, 3-4, "GO FORTH FOR GOD; GO TO THE WORLD IN PEACE"

music: Litton, Erik Routley (1917-1982)

text: John Raphael Peacey (1896-1971) and English Praise, 1975, alt.



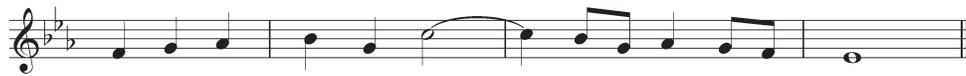
1 Go forth for God; go _____ to the world in peace;
2 Go forth for God; go _____ to the world in love;
3 Go forth for God; go _____ to the world in strength;
4 Go forth for God; go _____ to the world in joy,



be of good cour - age, armed with heaven - ly grace,
strength - en the faint, give cour - age to the weak;
hold fast the good, be ur - gent for the right;
to serve God's peo - ple ev - ery day and hour,



in God's good Spi - rit dai - ly to in - crease,
help the af - flict - ed; rich - ly from a - bove
ren - der to no one e - vil; Christ at length
and ser - ving Christ, our ev - ery gift em - ploy,



till in his king - dom we _____ be - hold his face.
his love sup - plies the grace _____ and power we seek.
shall o - ver - come all dark - ness with his light.
re - joic - ing in the Ho - ly Spi - rit's power.

The Dismissal

BCP 366

The people are dismissed with these words

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary: "TOCCATA"

Theodore Dubois

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@gracestlukes.org or dial 901-252-6320, and for hospitalizations or emergencies, dial the 24/7 Clergy-on-Call phone line at 901-252-6334.

The Rev. Laura F. Gettys, Officiant
The Rev. Ollie V. Rencher, Preacher
Dr. Patrick A. Scott, Director of Music & Organist
Elizabeth Hornor, Shelby Seese, Daniel Massey, & Charles McGowan, Cantors
Lucy Owens, Communications Administrator
Jeff White, Ramsey Rule, and Abby Huber, Livestream Technical Support

Weekly Message from the Clergy

Celebrating Grace-St. Luke's. Every day we receive as a pure gift from God is a chance for celebration and giving. This too I believe as I reflect with deep gratitude on the gift of Grace-St. Luke's Church. Almost 80 years ago, our mission and ministry journey started. Today, our baptismal work includes the courageous vision to be a thriving community of hope, belonging, and healing through worship, parish life, and service, who rejoices in the love of Jesus to transform the world. God in Christ Jesus has promised to never leave nor forsake us, which is why we continue to be a resilient people who value community and are called to focus on our vision. In his book *A Spirituality of Living*, Henri Nouwen writes that "Celebration nourishes us, restores hope and brings us the strength to live with the sufferings and difficulties of everyday life." Celebration Sunday at GSL, September 13, will focus on God's abundance, particularly formation, stewardship, and connection-making opportunities. May we find encouragement by celebrating and dedicating ourselves, souls, and bodies to the One who gives us eternal life. – The Rev. Ollie V. Rencher, Rector

Grace-St. Luke's: Explore and engage life at GSL and invite others for the journey! Our Vision is to be a thriving community of hope, belonging, and healing through worship, parish life, and service, and who rejoices in the love of Jesus to transform the world.

Take Note: New Highlights

Celebration Sunday, September 13: Are you Ready??! Formation, Stewardship, Connections, Worship, & Music.

Formation. Under *Christian Formation* read all about our formation offering for adults which will begin at 9:15 a.m. via Facebook and YouTube Live. You'll also find all the exciting kickoff info for Children and Youth Formation as well!

Worship, in person and livestream, follows at 10:30 a.m.

Celebration Evensong observing Holy Cross Day. The day will end on a beautiful and inspirational note with a prerecorded service of Choral Evensong available on Facebook and YouTube Live at 5:30, details under *Worship and Music*.

Resilience and Connections by Giving | 2021 Stewardship Campaign. Read under *Stewardship: Time Talent and Treasure* how you can support life at GSL

Sacred Stories Small Groups. Please read below under *Community Life* for details about this exciting new GSL in-person small group offering.

Condolences Appreciation from The Rector. On behalf of my family, I humbly appreciate the outpouring of thoughts, prayers, cards, calls, e-mails, flowers and memorials associated with the August 17th death and August 22nd burial of my father, Varner L. Rencher, Sr. The gracious GSL expressions of sympathy always will be signs of God's loving embrace and reminders that all shall be well as our family mourns and celebrates. Gratefully, The Rev. Ollie V. Rencher

Ongoing events, less recent news, and more, explore below: *Virtual Offerings, Worship and Music, Stewardship, Christian Formation, Community Life, Outreach, Social Justice, and Stay Informed.*

Virtual Offerings

Celebration Sunday Prerecorded Formation Offering, September 13, 9:15-9:45 a.m. Facebook Live and YouTube Live.
The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost, September 13, 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).

Celebration Sunday Prerecorded Choral Evensong, September 13, 5:30-6 p.m. Facebook Live and YouTube Live.

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

Wednesday, September 16, 6-6:45 p.m. From Lament to Hope with Dr. Dan Pigg via Zoom. Sign up details below under *Christian Formation*.

Thursday, September 17, Men's Morning Fellowship, 7 until 7:45 a.m. via ZOOM. Hosted by Doug Duncan and the Rev. Ollie V. Rencher, all men may join at any time. Follow this link for what to expect and ZOOM access information. (www.gracestlukes.org/mens-fellowship).

Thursday, September 17, Compline (Night Prayers), 8 - 8:15 p.m. via Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/gracestlukes/live).

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost, September 20, 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

Worship: Online and In-Person. Join us on Sunday mornings at 10:30 for livestream and in-person worship. Limited space is available for in-person worship in order to maintain social distancing requirements. Online reservations are required on this and every Sunday for the limited-capacity seating by ushers of a total of 46 households. For safety reasons, we are unable to accommodate those who have not signed up in advance. Visit tinyurl.com/GSLWorshipSignup to sign up for Sunday, September 20. Compline (Night Prayers) is offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8 p.m. via Facebook Live. 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).

Contemplative Prerecorded Worship & Music Events, Sunday 5:30–6 p.m. All parishioners and friends are invited to a prerecorded service of Evensong for GSL Celebration Sunday at 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, September 13, in observance of Holy Cross Day. Evensong is The Book of Common Prayer's service of Evening Prayer (from the Daily Office) led by a choir with assistance from other lay ministers and a member of the clergy. The 30 to 45 minute service is an intentional time to come away from the busy-ness of life to meditate on scripture and to spend time in quiet prayer, while listening to and participating in music. The music selected for choir and congregation seeks to bring worshippers into deeper understand of the mysteries of faith. For the fall schedule, follow this link: www.gracestlukes.org/news/contemplative-prerecorded-events.

Stewardship: Time, Talent, Treasure

Resilience and Connections by Giving | 2021 Stewardship Campaign. Perhaps this year more than any other, we recognize the countless invaluable gifts that come from the priceless connections made with one another through prayer, conversation, worship, formation, pastoral care, outreach, social justice, fellowship, music, recreation, wellness, and year-round stewardship. Today, we kick off our 2021 stewardship campaign and fall program of worship, formation, and connection-making offerings, all with the focus of Resilience and Connections. We hope you'll join us in engaging in all this fall and beyond have to offer at Grace-St. Luke's, and in supporting parish life by giving of your time, talent, and treasure. Please prayerfully consider the ways in which you might invest in life at Grace-St. Luke's and pledge for 2021 by returning a Pledge Form to the church office or by pledging online at www.gracestlukes.org/pledge before or on our festive All Saints' Sunday celebration on November 1. Thank you for your continued support of each other, our clergy, staff, and operations, and the remarkable vibrancy of our parish.

In faith and gratitude for life at Grace-St. Luke's,
Allison and Steven King
2021 Stewardship Chairs

Christian Formation

Adults.

The Celebration Sunday Video, an introduction to an exciting season of events, is available on our website (www.gracestlukes.org/sunday-morning), on Facebook (www.facebook.com/gracestlukes) and YouTube (www.youtube.com/gracestlukes). The clergy and lay leaders reflected and invited members to a connective, creative, and spiritually rich life this year at GSL through a lively and engaging video to lift a tired heart, thrill an eager mind, and center a beautiful soul. You'll see familiar faces, laugh a bit, and leave knowing that COVID has only made us even more conscientious about remaining connected and resilient as a faith community.

Wednesday, September 16, "From Lament to Hope: Preparing for a Time" Bible Study Begins. Facilitated by one of GSL's own, Dr. Dan Pigg, this interesting and timely class begins Wednesday, September 16, 6-p.m. Sitting with lament, contemplating the mystery of divine providence, realizing our limitations along with our hopes, dreams, and fears connect us in 2020 to an important period in the history of Israel/Judah which is also our history. Life will be "good again," but we have to trust the process of time. Lament is important to living into God's future and ours. Class participants will explore that movement over our four weeks of meetings via Zoom. **For more information and to sign up, visit www.gracestlukes.org/midweek-formation.**

GSL Reading Together: September Book. GSL Reading Together is one of many ways to connect to life at GSL around a common subject. The GSL Reading Together book for September is *Crazy Christians: A Call to Follow Jesus* by the Most Reverend Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church. **For sign-up details and the book list thru December, visit www.gracestlukes.org/gslreadingtogether.**

Online Giving

Make a one time gift now by scanning the QR code below with your smart phone!



Recurring

Set up recurring 2020 pledge payments by scanning the QR code with your phone!



Visit www.gracestlukes.org/adult-formation for the exciting fall lineup of Sunday morning formation offerings, Wednesday evening offerings, and more.

Children.

Celebration Sunday is here! Prayer Table supplies have been gathered and kits are being prepared so that every child can create a small prayer space at home. Help your child choose a good spot, and then be on the lookout for everything your child needs to get started (except the table!) delivered to your door today!

Other Children's Formation offerings for Fall include:

The Traveling Model Altar (sign up for your family's week here: tinyurl.com/TravelingModelAltar)

Children's Activity Bags (delivered October 4, November 1, and November 29 – sign up here: tinyurl.com/ChildrensActivityBags)

Virtual Sunday Prayer Table via Zoom (beginning September 20, no sign up required).

Outdoor Gathering for Families with Children on Sunday, September 27, 2-4 p.m. on Anchor Hill (RSVP requested, link available soon)

For more details about these activities, please visit www.gracestlukes.org/childrens-formation, and for information on these or other programs for children and families, contact Sharon Campbell, Director of Children's Formation (scampbell@gracestlukes.org).

Youth.

Celebration Sunday, September 13: We're looking forward to our first socially distanced EYC of the year. We will gather at "The Field," located on 2233 Harbert Avenue for an evening with Bob Ross! Come paint along with America's beloved artist, games, and Complines with Amzie and Jess! Middle School will gather from 4-5 p.m. and High School from 5-6. All you need to bring is yourself and a mask! We will have sanitation products available and a few extra masks on hand. It has been rumored that Bob himself might even make an appearance. You can contact Amzie Williams (awilliams@gracestlukes.org) with any questions. For more information about Youth Formation at GSL, visit www.gracestlukes.org/youth-formation.

Community Life

Sacred Stories Small Groups. The Congregational Development Committee presents an opportunity to share your spiritual journey and hold meaningful conversation in an intimate group setting. This will be a great way to share in-person but safe fellowship with other Grace-St. Luke's parishioners. Does this sound intimidating to you? No worries! Conversation prompts as well as social distancing kits will be provided to each group. The groups will meet once a week for five weeks starting the week of September 27. Deadline to register (tinyurl.com/gslsacredstories) is September 18. Tune in to Celebration Sunday on September 13 for more details. Questions or concerns? Contact Hallie Peyton (halliep@legacywealth.com), Anna Holtzclaw (anna.holtzclaw@gmail.com), or the Rev. Laura F. Gettys (lgettys@gracestlukes.org).

Grace-St. Luke's Vestry Nominations for 2021 - 2023 Term Now Open. The GSL Vestry is the elected lay leadership team of fifteen 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. Nominations for five open Vestry positions for the three-year term 2021-2023 may be submitted by candidates for election (or by nominators). These must be received no later than Sunday, October 4, and must be followed by a Nominee Information Form no later than Noon on Friday, October 9. The Vestry election will take place by submission of a confidential vote of members of the Parish in a process to be decided by the Vestry, and announced at or shortly after the 2020 Annual Meeting of the Parish. The Nominee Recommendation and Nominee Information forms may be directed to the Vestry Nominating Committee by filling out the form online or via email to Nominating Committee Chair, Simon Wadsworth (srwc@icloud.com). Forms are available online at www.gracestlukes.org/news/vestry21-23.

Pastoral Care. To alert the clergy of a pastoral matter concerning yourself or a parishioner, including any medical procedures, contact the clergy confidentially via 901-252-6320 or pastoralcare@gracestlukes.org. For hospitalizations or emergencies concerning a member, contact the 24/7 Clergy-on-Call phone line at 901-252-6334. This is the best way to communicate pastoral needs and ensure a prompt response from the clergy.

Outreach

Volunteer at the Beautiful St. Columba! Since they've cancelled indoor group retreats for the Fall, St. Columba Episcopal Camp and Retreat Center is turning their attention to improving! If you've been itching to do some good, here's a place to do it! Mulching, weed eating, trail clearing, sewing, window washing, painting, organizing and more await! This is a great opportunity for students who need service hours, or anyone looking to support St. Columba with their time and talents. Call 901-377-9284 to learn more.

Volunteer Opportunity at MIFA. Do you feel the need to phone a friend? Metropolitan Inter-Faith Association (MIFA), one of Servant Ministry Partners, has senior clients who may just want to hear from you! Volunteer from the safe distance of your own home with their MIphone Buddy program. This opportunity involves calling up to 10 seniors weekly for brief check-ins. Take advantage of an opportunity to check in with Meals-on-Wheels clients during this especially challenging time.. Contact Kristi Estes at kestes@mifa.org or 901-529-4521.

Stay Informed

eNews. Visit gracestlukes.org to subscribe to the parish eNews to receive weekly, seasonal, and emergency pastoral notices from the clergy or other leaders. Visit <http://eepurl.com/bi3C5> to subscribe to the West Tennessee Diocesan Communicator, and for access to beyond-local news from The Episcopal Church, visit episcopalnewsservice.org/email-signup. Please spread the word about these key communication platforms.

The Messenger Magazine. The August-September issue is available for download by following this link: www.gracestlukes.org/the-messenger. Included in this issue is a copy of Life at GSL—Fall 2020 Guide, a comprehensive publication of Christian formation offerings for all ages through December, a schedule of contemplative prerecorded worship and music events through December, and more.

The Prayer List

Our prayers are asked for Ava McDaniel, Freda Harrison, Linda, Kristina Holland, Hunter Gossett, L. C. Hamilton Jr., Tom, Paul, Jennifer, Kristin, Liz Deeley, Betsy Tate, Nancy Wilkerson, Charles Chandler, Caroline Clay, Kay, John, Patty McManus, and Brad Larson.

Our prayers are asked for those who have died: especially those who have died from coronavirus.

We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays, especially Gerry Adair, Barbara Adams, Fulton Boggs, Sara Burnett, Meg Burress, Michelle Charbonnet, Anna Chiozza, Catherine Ciaramitaro, Paul Cowan, Elizabeth Farnsworth, Molly Gooch, Jim Hartley, Patrick Holt, Sandra Ireland, Kelsey Kellett, Liz Keough, Palmer Lamoreaux, John McQuiston, Susan Oppenheimer, Betty Peyton, Hannah Phillips, Pete Shearon, Bethany Spiller Watts, Ethan Varghese, Laura Wardlaw, & Daniel Williams, and **for those celebrating wedding anniversaries,** especially Johnny & Kim Norris.

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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