



GRACE-ST. LUKE'S

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THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
MORNING SERVICE OF PRAYERS, MEDITATION AND MUSIC
SEPTEMBER 20, 2020 10:30 AM
VIA LIVESTREAM

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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
Lector & Intercessor: Jessica Abell, Parish Intern

Preacher: The Rev. Ollie V. Rencher

All are asked to observe silence during the

Voluntary: "LORD, JESUS CHRIST, BE PRESENT NOW"

J.G. Walther

Welcome, Announcements and Children's Message

The Word of God

Hymn 414, stanzas 1-2 & 5-6, "GOD, MY KING, THY MIGHT CONFESSING"

music: Stuttgart, melody from *Psalmody Sacra, oder Andächtige und Schöne Gesänge*, 1715;

Descant

6 All thy works, O Lord, shall bless thee; thee shall all thy

1 God, my King, thy might confessing, ever will I
 2 Honor great our God befitting; who his majesty
 3 They shall talk of all thy glory, on thy might and
 4 Nor shall fail from memory's treasure works by love and
 5 Full of kindness and compassion, slow to anger,

saints adore: King supreme shall they confess thee,

1 bless thy Name; day by day thy throne addressing,
 2 ty can reach? Age to age his works transmitting,
 3 great-ness dwell, speak of thy dread acts the story,
 4 mer-cy wrought, works of love surpassing measure,
 5 vast in love, God is good to all creation;

and proclaim thy sovereign power.

1 still will I thy praise proclaim.
 2 age to age his power shall teach.
 3 and thy deeds of wonder tell.
 4 works of mercy passing thought.
 5 all his works his goodness prove.

6 All thy works, O Lord, shall bless thee;
 thee shall all thy saints adore:
 King supreme shall they confess thee,
 and proclaim thy sovereign power.

adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870); desc. John Wilson (1905-1992)
 text: Richard Mant (1776-1848)

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.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Psalm 145:1-8 *read responsively by whole verse*

- 1 I will exalt you, O God my King, *
and bless your Name for ever and ever.
- 2 **Every day will I bless you ***
and praise your Name for ever and ever.
- 3 Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; *
there is no end to his greatness.
- 4 **One generation shall praise your works to another ***
and shall declare your power.
- 5 I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty *
and all your marvelous works.
- 6 **They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts, ***
and I will tell of your greatness.
- 7 They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness; *
they shall sing of your righteous deeds.
- 8 **The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, ***
slow to anger and of great kindness.

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.

20:1-16

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

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 Brian Delloyd Kellett & Larry Thomas. 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.

Christ hath a garden walled around,
A paradise of fruitful ground,
Chosen by love and fenced by grace
From out the world’s wide wilderness.

Awake, O wind of heav’n, and bear
Their sweetest perfume through the air:
Stir up, O south, the boughs that bloom,
Till the beloved Master come:

Like trees of spice his servants stand,
There planted by his mighty hand;
By Eden’s gracious streams, that flow
To feed their beauty where they grow.

That he may come, and linger yet
Among the trees that he hath set;
That he may evermore be seen
To walk amid the springing green.

Anthem at the Offertory, “CHRIST HATH A GARDEN”

*music: English Folk Song, arr. Gerald Near (b. 1942)
text: Robert Bridges (1844-1930) after Isaac Watts (1674-1748)*

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.**

1 Rise up, ye saints of God! Have done with less - er things, give
2 Rise up, ye saints of God! His king - dom tar - ries long: Lord,
3 Lift high the cross of Christ! Tread where his feet have trod; and

heart and soul and mind and strength to serve the King of kings.
bring the day of truth and love and end the night of wrong.
quick-ened by the Spi - rit's power, rise up, ye saints of God!

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has three vocal parts (1, 2, and 3) and a piano accompaniment. The second system continues the vocal parts and piano accompaniment. The key signature is one flat (B-flat major or D minor), and the time signature is common time (C).

Hymn 551, "RISE UP, YE SAINTS OF GOD!"

music: Festal Song, William H. Walter (1825-1893)

text: William Pierson Merrill (1867-1954)

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: “FINAL (FROM SUITE FOR ORGAN)”

Gerald Near

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@gracelukes.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
Jessica Abell, Lector & Intercessor
Debbie Smith, Assistant Organist-Choirmaster
Shelby Seese, Isabel Wittman, Charles McGowan, & Andrew Carroll, Cantors
Lucy Owens, Communications Administrator

Weekly Message from the Clergy

Resilience and Connections by Giving | 2021 Stewardship Campaign. Celebration Sunday was a wonderful day in the life of Grace-St. Luke's! We kicked off the season with a fun video (www.gracestlukes.org/sunday-morning) highlighting all the ways we can engage and connect this fall: worship, formation for all ages, pastoral care, outreach, social justice, music and more. This week also marks the exciting launch of our 2021 Stewardship Campaign, *Resilience and Connection by Giving*. In this season when so much appears to be unknown and unpredictable, we can be assured that God's love and abundance remain consistent. Your spiritual practice of giving your sacred time, talent, and treasure assures that GSL's ministries continue to thrive. Please visit www.gracestlukes.org/pledge, prayerfully consider the ways you can participate in the life of the church, and make your pledge for 2021 today. – 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

Engaging Fall 2020 Life at GSL: Worship, Formation, Connections, Stewardship. Details under *Stewardship: Time, Talent, Treasure*.

News from the Outreach Committee. The AIDS Institute invites you to observe National HIV/AIDS and Aging Awareness Day (NHAAD), held annually on September 18 (this Friday) and to fill out a Survey. Details under *Outreach* as well as an update on the Community Grants process.

The GSL Church Fall Soccer season kicked off this past Saturday at Snowden Field. Details under *Community Life*.

Sign up for In-Person Small Groups NOW! The deadline to register is TODAY, September 20! You won't want to miss the opportunity for 5 weeks of connection and storytelling with wonderful people! See below in *Community Life* for more details.

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

Sacred Storytelling and Deeper Connections during COVID with The Rev. Laura F. Gettys, Associate Rector, September 20, 9:15-9:45 a.m. Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/gracestlukes/live) and YouTube Live (www.youtube.com/gracestlukes).

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).

Contemplative Prerecorded Worship, September 20, 5:30-6 p.m. Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/gracestlukes/live) and YouTube Live (www.youtube.com/gracestlukes)

Tuesday, September 22, Compline (Night Prayers), 8 - 8:15 p.m. via Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/gracestlukes/live).

Wednesday, September 23, 6-6:45 p.m. From Lament to Hope with Dr. Dan Pigg via Zoom. Sign up details below under *Christian Formation*.

Thursday, September 24, 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 24, Compline (Night Prayers), 8 - 8:15 p.m. via Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/gracestlukes/live).

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost, September 27, 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 27. Contemplative Prerecorded Worship, September 20, 5:30-6 p.m. is available on Facebook Live and YouTube Live. To watch this past Sunday's Evensong service and for the schedule through December, visit www.gracestlukes.org/news/contemplative-prerecorded-events. 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).

Stewardship: Time, Talent, Treasure

Engaging Fall 2020 Life at GSL: Worship, Formation, Connections, Stewardship. If we stop, breathe, pray, look around, and simply take an inventory of our blessings - small and great, known and unknown, God's abundance is plenteously clear. This also means that the Church, the body of Christ, is alive and well enough to tell about it. In this odd everchanging time, when we naturally can take what we possess and even share for granted, God and our faith call us to engage "church life" more than ever before. We always need one another, and I believe that a deeper engagement of GSL will make us stronger and even more alive, even when we've had enough of virtual living. I am excited and grateful for the array of choices before us in life at GSL for Fall 2020. All that has been planned diligently by many for worship, formation, connections, and stewardship promise to bring personal and communal reward. God is our only constant, and church life is one of the primary spiritual ways to express gratitude and give back to the One from whom all blessings flow. On our journey, the clergy, staff, vestry, and lay leaders are working on creative ways to gather us in person according to COVID-19 protocols. Meanwhile, let us hold one another, all people, and the world in unceasing prayer. As we engage Fall 2020 at GSL, I think we should expect to be surprised by even more blessings. To learn more and get involved, contact Stewardship Associate Chapman Morrow (cmorrow@gracestlukes.org).

Christian Formation

Adults.

Sacred Storytelling and Deeper Connections during COVID with The Rev. Laura F. Gettys, Associate Rector is available on our website (www.gracestlukes.org/sunday-morning), on Facebook (www.facebook.com/gracestlukes) and YouTube (www.youtube.com/gracestlukes). Yes, we think of Holy Scripture as our Sacred Story, but have you ever considered your own personal journey as a sacred story as well? If holy ground is everywhere, then we all have stories to share that involve the Divine. Journey with Associate Rector Laura F. Gettys as she shares sacred stories of her own, poetry, and an invitation for us all to go deeper this fall with our own connections and relationships.

"From Lament to Hope: Preparing for a Time" Bible Study on Zoom. Facilitated by one of GSL's own, Dr. Dan Pigg, this interesting and timely class began Wednesday, September 16, 6-p.m. and continues through October 7 and you can still join in. **For more information and to sign up, visit www.gracestlukes.org/midweek-formation.**

Invitation to GSL Reading Together. During the month of September, all ages are invited to read *Crazy Christians: A Call to Follow Jesus* by our Presiding Bishop, the Most Reverend Michael Curry, and join a ZOOM discussion on Sunday, September 27. Meanwhile, personal reflections on our August books, *Wonder* and *The Book of Joy*, are offered by Anne Ayres and the Rev. Ollie V. Rencher. To read the reflections, sign up for the September 27 book discussion, and learn about this new connection and formation offering, visit www.gracestlukes.org/gslreadingtogether.

Exciting Fall 2020 Lineup of Sunday and Wednesday Formation Offerings and more: visit www.gracestlukes.org/adult-formation.

Youth.

Today, the youth will meet outside the Red Door on Lemaster to pack and decorate non-perishable "Joy Bags" to share with our community, play a few games, and have compline. 6th-8th grade will gather from 4-5 p.m. and 9th-12th grade from 5-6. 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.

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!



Children.

Our first Virtual Prayer Table is coming up this Sunday following the 10:30 service. The Zoom link will be sent on Saturday, so parents, please watch for that email. All children are invited to take part, and if you've used your kit to set up a prayer table at home, we'd love for you to show us on Sunday! Our first Outdoor Gathering for Children's Formation Families is planned for Sunday, September 27, 2-4 p.m. on Anchor Hill, and we'd love for your family to be there! For our planning, please RSVP here: [tinyurl.com/GSLSeptOutdoorGathering!](https://tinyurl.com/GSLSeptOutdoorGathering)

Sign up links for At-Home materials remain open! Detailed descriptions for all our Children's offerings for Fall 2020 are available on the website (www.gracestlukes.org/childrens-formation), or go directly to sign ups: Prayer Table Kits (tinyurl.com/PrayerTableKits), Traveling Model Altar (tinyurl.com/TravelingModelAltar), and Children's Activity Bags for Oct. 4, Nov. 1, and Nov. 29 (tinyurl.com/ChildrensActivityBags).

For more information about these activities or other programs for children and families, contact Sharon Campbell, Director of Children's Formation (scampbell@gracestlukes.org).

Community Life

The GSL Church Fall Soccer season kicked off this past Saturday at Snowden Field. I am thrilled to announce that we have 60 plus participants registered and playing in our program! The parents were so grateful to have recreational sports resuming for their children and the players were overjoyed to be outdoors, playing soccer and seeing their buddies. The fall season looks a bit different due to Covid-19. It has been modified to exclude any physical contact and the focus is on skill development and players having fun. The season is September 12 through November 7. Please look on the athletic website at www.gracestlukes.org/youthsoccerandfootball for more information about this program. –Christi Authement, Director of Athletics

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 be together in person following safe protocols for 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; no more than 7 persons will be in a group. The deadline to register is TODAY, September 20: tinyurl.com/gslsacredstories. So don't delay! Questions? 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

HIV/AIDS Survey. The AIDS Institute invited friends to observe National HIV/AIDS and Aging Awareness Day (www.nhaad.org), held annually on September 18. National HIV/AIDS and Aging Awareness Day focuses on the challenging issues facing the aging population with regards to HIV prevention, testing, care, and treatment. In addition, there is an increased need for prevention, research, and data targeting the aging population, medical understanding of the aging process, and its impact on HIV/AIDS. Locally, our Servant Ministry Partner Friends for Life is hosting a survey on Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV). Their goal is to collect 2500 responses. While you're on their website (www.fflmemphis.org/survey-about-hiv), have a look around! There lots of ways to get involved in FFL's mission "to prevent the spread of HIV and help those affected by HIV/AIDS live well."

Community Outreach Grants. The Outreach Committee has received 23 applications for Community Outreach Grants. We are now in the process of reviewing those applications and preparing for the full committee to vote on how to distribute resources to grantees. Our focus this year is to increase impact and raise awareness of the fact that a monetary grant is not the only way we support (or can support) our Servant Ministry Partners. Contact us by emailing outreach@gracestlukes.org for support opportunities or committee membership interest.

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 Warner Wills King, Stella Bain, 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 Brian Delloyd Kellett, Larry Thomas, and those who have died from coronavirus.

We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays, especially Neil Bartlett, Palmer Brown, Thad Cockrill, Sally Crow, Amy Dudek, Eric Epperson, Marie Hayes, Debbie Herr, Charles Johnson, Tricia Kerwin, Amanda McGriff, Annie Murff, Clay Schuchardt, Nancy Taylor, Liam Toon, Cullen Weeden, and Marlo Zarzaur, and **for those celebrating wedding anniversaries,** especially Dabney & Ginger Collier and Brent & Amanda Adams.

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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