ACCESSING GSL WINTER-SPRING 2021 WORSHIP, FORMATION & MUSIC EVENTS: During the COVID-19 pandemic, Grace-St. Luke’s Church is adhering to safety guidelines and restrictions according to the policies of the Episcopal Diocese of West Tennessee. For Winter-Spring 2021, we will operate in virtual ways for worship, formation, service, and fellowship, and when possible offer in-person indoor and outdoor events for groups to gather in physically distanced ways. Unless otherwise noted, most events will be available as indicated via Facebook Live (facebook.com/gracestlukes/live), YouTube (youtube.com/gracestlukes), GSL Website (gracestlukes.org/live), and Zoom.

WORSHIP | www.gracestlukes.org/worship

SUNDAY
9:15–9:45 a.m. Adult Formation Virtual Speakers & Programs
   Youth & Children Formation: www.gracestlukes.org/discover
10:30–11:15 a.m. Worship, Virtual and In Person
5:30–6 p.m. Contemplative Worship & Music Events, Virtual

TUESDAY
8–8:15 p.m. Compline (Night Prayers) via Facebook Live

WEDNESDAY
6–7 p.m. Adult Formation Virtual Events as scheduled

THURSDAY
8–8:15 p.m. Compline (Night Prayers) via Facebook Live

Sunday 5:30 p.m. Schedule for Contemplative Worship & Music Events
Virtual meditative worship services are officiated by the clergy in a more contemplative setting, enhanced by candles, icons, intentional moments for silence, instrumental music, and spoken word (poem, hymn text, scripture passage). Offerings also include recitals, concerts and choral services. Events occasionally might be available for in-person attendance, if indicated below.

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January 10, First Sunday after the Epiphany

**Conversation about Social Justice at GSL** facilitated by the Rev. Laura F. Gettys with Paula Barnes, Nicki Soule, and Jennie VanDeveer via Facebook Live Premiere, YouTube, and the GSL Website. Tune in for an important discussion about our social justice vision, values, and focus areas including our new partnership with MICAH (Memphis Interfaith Coalition for Action and Hope).

January 17, Third Sunday after the Epiphany

**Conversation with the Rt. Rev. Phoebe A. Roaf, Bishop**, via Facebook Live and the GSL Website. On the day of the Bishop's 10:30 a.m. Visitation to GSL, the Rev. Ollie V. Rencher will engage Bishop Phoebe in a 30-minute conversation about the state of the Church, the Episcopal Diocese of West Tennessee, current affairs, and more.

January 24, Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

**Exploring Poetry for Epiphany with the Rev. Katherine M. Bush** via Facebook Live and the GSL website live. Katherine will share a few poems highlighting some timely themes, namely embracing transition and change as we move into a new year with great hope while still carrying some of the ‘old year’ with us.

January 31, Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

**Unpacking How To Be Christian In A Pandemic** via Facebook Live and the GSL website live. Conversation facilitated by the Reverends Ollie V. Rencher and Laura F. Gettys, members of the GSL Adult Formation Advisory Committee and other parishioners. How are we and other Christians practicing and navigating our faith in this long season of being unable to gather in groups, inside buildings, without weekly communion, and more that has been our cultural norm for decades? Join this important conversation that also will include the clergy sharing about their personal experiences with COVID-19.

February 7, Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

**A Window into Preparing Music for Worship with Dr. Patrick A. Scott** via Facebook Live and the GSL website live. Tune in for an interview by the Rev. Ollie V. Rencher with GSL Director of Music and Organist Patrick Scott about the process of and many resources used to arrange the music used to enrich the worship offerings of Sunday and seasonal occasions.
February 14, Last Sunday after the Epiphany: Transfiguration Sunday

The Beauty of What Follows The Pandemic with Rabbi Micah Greenstein and the Rev. Ollie V. Rencher via Facebook Live and the GSL website live. Beloved children of God and people of faith cannot separate spiritual journeys from the COVID-19 pandemic. Rabbi Micah of Temple Israel will reflect with Father Ollie Rencher on opportunities for spiritual journeys after the vaccine, an awaited season that will be different with new norms. Religious institutions are learning new ways of being, reimagining the future, and the faithful are looking for the beauty.

February 21, First Sunday in Lent

The Beauty of What Remains: How Our Greatest Fear Becomes Our Greatest Gift with Rabbi Micah Greenstein via Facebook Live and the GSL website live. Based on a book by friend and fellow Rabbi Steve Leder, Rabbi Micah will join Father Ollie Rencher for a conversation about the power of fear and the gifts that can come from it. In the aftermath of the death of loved ones, an everchanging world, and many forms of loss and grief, our greatest fears also are occasions to identify blessings that can lead to peace and a new hope-filled way forward.

February 28, Second Sunday in Lent

Closing the Divide: Navigating a Culture Divided with Dean Randy Hollerith of Washington National Cathedral via Facebook Live and the GSL website live. The Rev. Ollie V. Rencher will welcome the Very Rev. Randolph “Randy” Marshall Hollerith for an important conversation about and best practices regarding how Christians might better navigate a culture divided by alienation, judgment, and extremism.

March 7, Third Sunday in Lent

Jesus, Politics, and Faith Journeys with Memphis Journalist Otis Sanford and the Rev. Ollie V. Rencher via Facebook Live and the GSL website live. The Anglican Archbishop of Canterbury and the Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church often remind Christians and the world that the Church gets involved in politics solely because that's what Jesus did before and after his death. In light of the dilemma that this reality causes for many followers of Jesus today, tune in for a timely conversation between political columnist Otis Sanford and Father Ollie Rencher.

March 14, Fourth Sunday in Lent

Conversation about In A Colorful Place: Seasoned Opinion About Memphis, About Home, About Life with authors Dan Conaway and Otis Sanford via Facebook Live and the GSL website live. Released in 2020, this rich and diverse collection of columns by Memphis friends of different racial backgrounds draws from a lifetime of experience, a practiced eye, a talent for storytelling, and the deep well of a city and a region brimming with those stories. Don't miss a lively conversation about this collaborative work.

March 21, Fifth Sunday in Lent

The Church Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow with the Rev. Renee Miller via Facebook Live and the GSL website live. In January, author, poet, and Episcopal priest Renee Miller of Monterey, California, spent virtual retreat time with Grace-St. Luke’s Vestry and Clergy-Staff Team members reflecting on the current landscape of the Church. As Christians observe and experience pandemic shifts and challenges, unchartered territory, and commit to the Church’s survival, this reflection offering seeks to provide some wisdom about how the Church has thrived in difficult situations throughout the centuries.
March 28, Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday

Jesus the Radical: Reflections by the Rev. Ollie V. Rencher via Facebook Live and the GSL website live. The “holiest of weeks” is a perfect time to reprioritize our days and journey with Christ through the monumental events and last days of his earthly life. Holy scripture reveals the fact that it was Jesus’ radical commitments to love, justice, transformation, opposing powers and principalities, equity, and reconciliation that led to his death on the cross. Tune in to hear from Father Ollie Rencher about Jesus the Radical and an invitation for his followers to take up the mantle of being radical in the name of Love.

April 4, The Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day

Practice Resurrection: A Memoir of Work, Doubt, Discernment, and Moments of Grace via Zoom. Based on a book by Nora Gallagher, Father Ollie Rencher will host a “live” Easter Day Zoom dialogue with parishioners about what it means to be an “Easter people” who believe that resurrection is possible through God. After the death of her brother, Nora Gallagher spends intentional time exploring what it means to live with meaning. Carpe diem! Followers of Jesus are called to practice resurrection and to trust that God will make all things new.

April 11, Second Sunday of Easter

Measuring the Justice of a Society in the Bodies of its People: An Introduction to Health Disparities, Part I with Dr. Kendra Hotz via Facebook Live and the GSL website live. Join our guest Dr. Hotz of Rhodes College and members of the Social Justice Committee for a two-part conversation series about how society and this region are doing with the healthcare of its people and opportunities to close the gap of disparities and foster more equity among all.

April 18, Third Sunday of Easter

Measuring the Justice of a Society in the Bodies of its People: An Introduction to Health Disparities, Part II with Dr. Kendra Hotz via Facebook Live and the GSL website live. Join our guest Dr. Hotz of Rhodes College and members of the Social Justice Committee for a two-part conversation series about how society and this region are doing with the healthcare of its people and opportunities to close the gap of disparities and foster more equity among all.

April 25, Fourth Sunday of Easter

Being the Church in a Season of Change and Loss with the Rev. Dr. Lauren F. Winner via Facebook Live and the GSL website live. Since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, the GSL clergy and parishioners have had to learn how to operate in new ways. Episcopal priest, Duke Divinity School professor, and author Lauren Winner returns to GSL (virtually) to reflect on what she is learning about being the Church amid constant and unforeseeable change. Drawing on past seasons in the history of the Church including the Great Depression, Dr. Winner will have much to share through a conversation hosted by the Rev. Ollie V. Rencher.

May 2, Fifth Sunday of Easter

Outreach at GSL: Servant Ministry Partners via Facebook Live and the GSL website live. Join members of the Outreach Committee to learn about the local ministries and communities with which GSL partners to serve others and further engage the Memphis region. At the end of 2020, GSL awarded 19 Community Outreach Grants totaling $64,500 and has GSL liaisons between the parish and each organization to offer support and identify volunteer opportunities. Explore www.gracetlukes.org/outreach.

May 9, Sixth Sunday of Easter

Insights from Life at Grace-St. Luke’s School During a Pandemic. Join GSL Head of School Thor Kvande and Heads of Middle, Lower, and Preschool, respectively, Ellen Hendry, Marti McCloud, and Cynthia Burnett for an interview with the Rev. Ollie V. Rencher about how our parish school has navigated remote and in-person learning and supports its families. Established in 1947, GSL School prepares preschool to 8th grade boys and girls to become creative problem solvers, confident lifelong learners, and responsible citizens in their communities and the world.
May 16, Seventh Sunday of Easter
Special Offering. Stay tuned to the eNews, Sunday Leaflet, and Facebook for an update!

May 23, Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday
Celebrating Pentecost with Presiding Bishop Michael Curry via Facebook Live and the GSL website live. In celebration of Pentecost, the birthday of God’s Church, the Most Rev. Michael B. Curry will engage a virtual conversation with the Rev. Ollie V. Rencher, Rector, about the state of Christianity, the Episcopal Church Way of Love, and the baptismal call to follow Jesus today.

May 30, First Sunday after Pentecost: Trinity Sunday
The Dance Of God: Exploring Jazz and Dance via Facebook Live and the GSL website live. The relationship between the inseparable three persons of God (Father, Son, Holy Spirit; Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer) is a mysterious concept that has baffled the world for centuries. Common threads weave us together and yet honor our individuality through expressions such as dance and jazz. Tune in for a “live” Zoom dialogue with and special presentation by the Reverends Laura F. Gettys and Ollie V. Rencher.

Save-the-Date/Looking Ahead: June, July and August Formation at GSL.
Throughout the summer months, we’ll take a more informal and relaxed approach to occasional offerings and special guests to be announced.

Adult Inquirers & Confirmation Class “Becoming Episcopalian”
Becoming Episcopalian: What does it mean to live as a Christian in the Episcopal tradition in today's world? Why is the Eucharist so crucial to our faith? Why do Episcopalians have such peculiar terminology (e.g. narthex, curate, vestry, etc.)? These and many other questions will be addressed and discussed during our Inquirers series entitled, “Becoming Episcopalian.” This class is for both members and non-members who wish to learn more about, have a refresher, or reaffirm their faith as Episcopalians; who are not confirmed Episcopalians; or who wish to be received into the Episcopal Church from another Christian tradition. At the end of the class, those who wish to be confirmed, reaffirmed, or received will be invited to take part in a service during Bishop Phoebe’s return to GSL after March 14. (Details and Registration: www.gracestlukes.org/inquirers-classes)
Sundays, February 7 to March 14 (six-week class)
Time: Noon–1 p.m. | Location: Virtual via Zoom

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS | www.gracestlukes.org/midweek-formation/

GSL READING TOGETHER is one way to connect with others around a common subject and foster community. Order your book through a local bookseller or online, start reading, encourage others to the same, and consider signing up for Zoom discussions.

The Art of Forgiveness, Lovingkindness, and Peace by Jack Kornfield
This four-week series begins with a conversation about the common misunderstandings and difference between forgiveness and reconciliation and is followed by an exploration of each chapter: forgiveness, lovingkindness, peace. The book is described as an invitation both to remember the transforming power of forgiveness and lovingkindness and that no matter where you are and what you face, within your heart peace is possible.
Zoom Discussions: Wednesdays, February 24, March 3, 10, 17, 6–7 p.m.
Facilitators: Anne Ayres, The Rev. Ollie V. Rencher
BIBLE STUDY: Spiritual Encouragement through Philippians.

When Paul wrote his letter to the church in Philippi, he was in prison. Rather than seeing his current circumstances as a hindrance, he transformed his understanding to finding God’s grace and the benefits to the community in chapters 1 and 2. How does Paul help us in the time of the COVID-19 pandemic to live toward our sanctification and our mission to share the good news through word and deed?

March 31: Living into New Traditions: Finding Unity Within the Community in Philippi and Memphis
In chapters 3 and 4 of his letter to the church in Philippi, Paul reflects on his own identity and assigns new values to his place within the Jesus Community. He also shows how important it is for that community to be united in love and purpose. How do his reflections on tradition and community help us in understanding our own place and time?

Zoom Discussions: Wednesdays, March 24 and 31, 6–7 p.m.
Facilitator: Dr. Dan Pigg

Lent, Holy Week, and Easter 2021 at GSL
“Light in Deepest Night”

Meditation and Prayer to Observe a Holy Lent and Prepare for Easter: In addition to worship and formation offerings on Sundays and Wednesdays and special events for Holy Week through Easter Day, this year Grace-St. Luke’s provides Lenten meditation booklets “Steadfast Love: Inspiration from Henri J. M. Nouwen” to be received by households in various ways. We also recommend to enrich journeys offerings such as the weekly virtual series “Come, Pray” of the Society of Saint John the Evangelist (ssje.org) and/or subscription to the Lenten Meditations from Episcopal Relief & Development (www.episcopalrelief.org/church-in-action/lent).

Ash Wednesday: The Start of Lent, February 17
7–7:30 a.m. Solemn Liturgy of Prayers and the Blessing of Ashes
Virtual-only offering; individual containers of ashes made available after the service for collection from GSL at designated times and delivery to homebound parishioners

9–10 a.m. Grace-St. Luke’s Church Take-away Ashes (Circle Parking Lot Drive-Thru)
Distributed (small packets) by clergy and staff for at-home imposition

Noon–12:45 p.m., Service of Prayers and Blessing of Ashes with Music for Organ
Virtual and In Person; individual containers of ashes made available for take-away, at-home imposition, and delivery to fellow parishioners

1–2 p.m. Grace-St. Luke’s Church Take-away Ashes (Circle Parking Lot Drive-Thru)
Distributed (small packets) by clergy and staff for at-home imposition

6–6:45 p.m., Service of Prayers and Blessing of Ashes with Music for Choir and Organ
Virtual and In Person; individual containers of ashes made available for take-away, at-home imposition, and delivery to fellow parishioners; hymns and anthem offered by staff singers
“Light In Deepest Night” Lenten Preaching Series - Sundays
Sermons by GSL Parish Clergy and Guests

First Sunday in Lent, February 21
10:30 a.m. The Rev. Laura F. Gettys

Second Sunday in Lent, February 28
10:30 a.m. The Rev. Dr. Stuart Hoke

Third Sunday in Lent, March 7
10:30 a.m. The Rev. Ollie V. Rencher

Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 14
10:30 a.m. The Rev. Anne S. Carriere

Fifth Sunday in Lent, March 21
10:30 a.m. The Rev. Buddy Stallings

Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday, March 28
10:30 a.m. Liturgy of Blessing of The Palms and Procession with Music
5:30–6:15 p.m. Contemplative Music Event: “Light in Deepest Night” based on the writings of Julian of Norwich, set to music by Aaron David Miller

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday in Holy Week, March 29-31
Noon-12:30 p.m., Noonday Prayer with Meditation from “Steadfast Love: Inspiration from Henri J. M. Nouwen”

Maundy Thursday, April 1
6-6:45 p.m. Solemn Liturgy and the Stripping, Washing, and Anointing of the Altar with Music followed by In-Home Overnight Prayer Vigil
Parishioners are encouraged to set aside one hour at home and light a candle to commemorate the invitation from Jesus for followers to “watch and pray” with him on the night before his crucifixion. The Reserved Sacrament will be encircled on the GSL Chapel Altar by greenery to signify a garden; a priest will end the vigil at 7:30 a.m. with Virtual Prayers for Good Friday via Facebook Live.

Good Friday, April 2
7:30–8 a.m. Virtual Prayers for Good Friday via Facebook Live
Noon–12:45 p.m. Solemn Liturgy with Meditations & Music
1–1:30 p.m. Virtual Walking the Stations of the Cross led by the clergy via Facebook Live
6–6:45 p.m. Virtual Music: “Light in Deepest Night” for Choir and Organ via Facebook Live

Holy Saturday, April 3
7 p.m. The Great Vigil of Easter

The Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day, April 4
10:30 a.m. Festival Worship with Music
5:30 p.m. No service offered; resumes April 11

Second Sunday of Easter, April 11
10:30 a.m. Worship with Music
5:30 p.m. Eastertide Concert of Trumpet and Organ
Episcopal Youth Community (EYC): An opportunity for fellowship, relaxing, and fun! EYC offers a more laidback atmosphere for youth to build meaningful and lasting friendships. This time is less focused on structured learning and more devoted to community building, self-expression, impactful service, and seeking to understand the ever-changing and messy world around us. Please note that locations and times may change depending on the nature of our activities. Look out for monthly emails from awilliams@gracestlukes.org to keep updated on all things EYC. In addition, the what and where of EYC is subject to change concerning conditions of COVID-19, but know we always plan to have something offered at this time for you and your family!

Youth Formation at GSL may look at little different this year, but make no mistake, we are working hard to make it one for the books. Watch for emails containing where we will be meeting, whether that be Zoom or a socially distanced outdoor activity! To stay connected on where and what the EYCs will be, contact awilliams@gracestlukes.org.

Youth Formation at GSL parishioner, Jess Steenbergen, serves as our volunteer Youth Formation associate. Jess has had a very active role with Youth Formation the past two years, and we are thrilled to have her with us once again.

Lent: This Lent we are excited to offer two exciting opportunities for youth. Wednesday nights we will gather with Calvary and Holy Communion for a Youth Lenten Series featuring a different leader from our community each week. On Sundays, we are excited to offer “Pocket Lent,” a group that will meet each week during Lent to serve the community, explore new skills and hobbies, and learn effective ways to better ourselves. For more information or questions regarding anything youth formation, please contact awilliams@gracestlukes.org.

Nursery and in-person classes for children will resume at a date TBD.

Winter-Spring 2021 At-Home and Virtual Offerings for Children

For more information about programs for children, please contact Sharon Campbell, Director of Children’s Formation (scampbell@gracestlukes.org).

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a Montessori-based approach to the faith formation of children that takes place in a specially prepared classroom called an Atrium. Some elements of the Atrium experience lend themselves quite well to at-home use. Our starting points are outlined here:

Traveling Model Altar: At this child-sized altar, children learn the nomenclature for articles of the mass by preparing the altar themselves. The Model Altar is one of the more beloved work choices in the Atrium, so during this time of physical distance, your child can enjoy this experience at home! Instructions and all materials will be provided. Sign up online or contact Sharon Campbell for more information.

Prayer Table Kit: Above all else, the Atrium is a place of prayer, contemplation, and community for children. To help you and your child create a similar space in your home, Prayer Table kits are available by request. Please email Sharon. Child/ren are encouraged to use their Prayer Table any time they feel drawn to it. If desired, children may also join our virtual Sunday Prayer Table each week to help stay connected to their Atrium community.