



the Grace TEAM

to each a ministry

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Parson to Person

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The Grace TEAM
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Sunday Worship
7:45AM - Rite I

9:00AM - Family Eucharist
11:15AM - Festival Eucharist

Healing Prayer

Every Sunday at
9:00AM and 11:15AM
there is a Prayer Station
available with
Lay Healing Prayer Ministers.

Healing Prayer Services

Tuesdays, 7:00PM - Healing
Prayer Service;
Eucharist with Generational
Healing Service
first Tuesday monthly.

Wednesdays at 12:15PM

Healing Prayer Service and
Eucharist - laying on of hands
by the priest for God's Healing.

Taizé

Third Sunday of each month at
8:00PM there is a Taizé service
attended by an ecumenical
congregation who enjoy the
reflective form of worship
using candles, incense, chants,
meditative readings, and
prayers. Healing Prayer is also
offered at the service.

Dear People of Grace,

Last week at the Vestry meeting, as we discussed the sixth chapter of Randy Ferebee's book *Cultivating the Missional Church*, we talked about the three transitions he cites that today's church must undergo in order to be viable in the 21st century.

The first transition involves *moving away from an internal focus* toward an external focus. In that shift, the church breaks out of its bondage to a membership culture that is fed by meeting the needs of its members.

That involves a way of *being* church in the world. To that end, we are reminded of a modern translation of the following text from the first chapter of John in which we read, "The Word became flesh and dwelled among us." A more contemporary translation puts it this way: "The Word became a person and that person moved into the neighborhood." Just as Jesus moved into the neighborhood at the Incarnation, so we are called to incarnate Him by moving into and becoming parts of the neighborhoods where we find ourselves. Our newly-formed "Welcome Table" is an example of that. We will have regular meals offered to anyone in the neighborhood of North Asheville on Monday evenings.

The second transition is *from being a program-driven church to the development of God's people as disciples (or followers or students) of Jesus in the world*. That transition calls us away from providing programming for our members as consumers toward ways of equipping our people to be disciples and apostles in the world. A disciple, remember, is a follower of Jesus and an apostle is one who is sent by God into the world. It is equipping

followers of Jesus who enjoy the abundant life and who point others toward that life. It is shifting focus away from mere participation in the program life of the church toward maturation as disciples who confidently discern God's movement in the world and who join that movement.

The third transition is *from church-based leadership to leadership that works to continue discerning and participating in the reign of God*. That means moving from a maintenance mindset that concentrates on the institution of the church toward a missional mindset that, in an empowering, organic and reproductive way, works toward the reign of God in our lives. Missional

leadership is oriented toward community where God is already present. Again missional leaders ask the question, "Where is God at work in our community and how can we join in that work?"

Many, including me, believe the Church is going through another Reformation not unlike the one in the sixteenth century. And just as the Church emerged stronger from the previous Reformation, so shall the Church emerge stronger from this one. Many of the pretexts for being Christians are going to fall away. What will be left, we hope, is a stronger, more committed Church made up of folks who are experiencing the abundant life Jesus promised and who are intent on welcoming all into that life. Truly it is a very exciting time to be a follower of Jesus.

Grace and Peace,

Fr. Gary

“Where is God at work in our community and how can we join in that work?”

Parish News

Our **Grace sign** got a facelift! Many thanks to Tom and Liz Barr for noticing how tired and in need of refurbishment our sign was out in front of the church. Tom and Liz took the project on, found someone to redo the sign and took care of the cost. We are grateful for their attention to such an important project. Now, it truly looks like someone is home here at Grace Church!



Men of the Church will meet on Tuesday, August 13, at the home of John Rigsby, 103 Dogwood Drive, Weaverville. Everyone is welcome. The cost is \$10.00. Please sign up on the blue sheet on the kiosk.



The **Monday Morning Bible Study** led by Fr. Bob Reese meets from 10:30-11:30 a.m. in the parish hall. Each week, the study is about the Gospel reading for the coming Sunday. Please join us. All are welcome.



The **Mountain Chapter of the Order of St. Luke (OSL)** will meet on Thursday, August 8, from 6:30-8:30

p.m. in the parish hall. All are welcome. One does not have to be an OSL member to attend. We'll view a DVD from the Bethel Church Sozo Ministry about "The Wall," a useful tool in praying for healing for ourselves and others. The wall is a structure that we build to protect ourselves or that we allow someone else to build for our protection. The wall may prevent situations or people from harming us, but it also does not allow the Godhead to come close to us. We will learn how to tear down the wall, provided it is safe to do so.



Purls of Grace meet on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. in the library. If you have questions, would like to learn to knit prayer shawls, and/or would like to deliver shawls, contact Jeanne Robertson at jerobertson38@me.com.



The final tally from the **Rummage Sale** on Saturday, June 1, was \$2,829. We have already given money to children to go to Camp Henry. Thank you again for your help and your donations!

Altar Guild Help Wanted

Jean Haldane

If you want to do something as a service for Grace Church, but you are, like everyone else, very busy, may I suggest a task that is easy, but very much needed?

Each member of the Grace Altar Guild is assigned to a group, and each group works only two hours each month. The average time needed is one hour on a Saturday each month and one hour on the next day, Sunday. We would be delighted to have your help even if it is only on Saturdays or only on Sundays. We really need people – women, men, families!

On Saturday, members work with groups of three or four others, putting out the vessels, chalices, linens, and bread and wine for the Sunday service — no heavy lifting, no heavy cleaning, maybe five to ten minutes of light dusting. On Sunday, members work with one

other person after one of the morning services. The two members remove the used chalices, vessels, linens, and so forth and replace them with clean items, filling the clean items as needed -- minimal dish washing and drying.

Of course there are Christmas and Easter when there are more services. Those are the exceptions to Saturday and Sunday scheduling. However, it is easy to find extra helpers during those exciting times. It is for the regular Saturdays and Sundays that help is so badly needed. Please consider joining us. For more information or to help with this special ministry, contact Sherry Coward at 424-7922.

Retreats for a Retreat V



This year's "Retreats" event, our annual fundraiser to benefit our beloved Lake Logan Episcopal Center, will be at Lake Logan and will include fun FOR ALL AGES, from children to grandparents. "An Every Generation Celebration" will begin Saturday, August 24, with arrival as early as noon and the main party beginning at 3:00 p.m. Barbecue and all the fixings from Little Pigs Barbecue in Asheville, music by the fabulous band "Gnarly Fingers," an open bar for adults, plus a silent auction of amazing proportions will happen in Bishop Johnson Lodge. The lake will be ready with canoes, kayaks and lifeguards, and the field will have Frisbees, games and lemonade. You can even stay overnight, camping or in one of the cabins! Accommodations range from \$75-\$250 per adult, depending on your level of luxury, and kids prices range from free to \$20. Retreat packages range from \$250-500. Check out the details at www.lakelogan.org or contact Nora Jones at norajones1223@att.net, 828-277-5507 or Cheryl@lakelogan.org, 828-646-0095, to ask question or purchase tickets.

A Fond Farewell

It is time to say a Grace farewell and God's blessings to Maryli Perkins. Maryli has moved to Trinity View retirement community in Arden. She has been at Grace for close to fifteen years and has served faithfully in several ministries. She has mended linens for the Altar Guild, counted the offering on Sunday mornings and coordinated the schedule each month for lectors, intercessors and chalicists for the 11:15 service. Maryli previously sang in the choir, and she has enjoyed being with Grace folks to play bridge and to participate in LunchBunch outings. Please continue to call and visit Maryli since she remains in our area. We love you, Maryli. Her new address is 2533 Hendersonville Road, Apartment 208, Arden 28704, and her phone number is 687-6208.

Warm Welcomes

Hello and welcome to **our new intern, Jim Dahlin** (yes, rhymes with Darlin'). Jim was raised outside Chicago in a mega-church. While attending Wheaton College, he became acquainted with, and grew to love, the Episcopal liturgy. After many adventures (from a year working with children in Mexico to snowboarding 105 days in one winter in Vail, CO), he now works at Montreat College as Director of Student Activities and Resident Director of Davis Hall, a male dormitory. He has a Master of Divinity degree from Duke Divinity School and is an aspirant for ordination to the priesthood. Jim is very excited about the opportunity to learn from the ministry at Grace.

We also welcome Grace newcomers **Bill and Barbara Crossover, Julia Gorman, Cate O'Maonaigh, and Shaleena Simpson**. They participated in our Rite of Belonging services on June 30.



Barbara and Bill Crossover are long-time residents of Asheville. They were married in 1989. Barbara is a retired eighth grade science teacher, and Bill is a retired tax-audit supervisor with the NC Department of Revenue. Barbara has two daughters from a previous marriage and four grandchildren. Bill has one daughter and two sons from a previous marriage and two grandchildren. The Crossovers enjoy serving others, Barbara in the prayer shawl ministry and both she and Bill in the soup supper ministry. They have learned much at Grace by attending the Sunday morning "Pretty Good Coffee and Conversation" class and the Monday morning Bible study class. Those two opportunities seem to open both their eyes and their hearts. They look forward to meeting many new people at Grace.



Cate O'Maonaigh was born and raised in New York and was confirmed at Grace Church in the city shortly after finishing an art degree at The School of Visual Arts, where she studied advertising design. After working at a couple of agencies in NY, she took a job in San Francisco. Some time later, she opened her own agency. At age 30, Cate made a leap from the business world to the non-profit world and began an outreach to homeless youth based in the Haight-Ashbury District. A Christian community was birthed out of that work. In 1999, Cate began making trips to India to share about Jesus with international hippies, many of whom came from Israel to explore Buddhist and Hindu spirituality. Eventually the San Francisco community pulled up stakes and moved to Goa, India. Cate spent most of the last decade living between India and Jerusalem. Last year, she moved to Asheville. In her spare time Cate paints and writes fiction.



Shaleena Simpson moved to Asheville about seven years ago to live with her fiancé John, but until recently she had not attended church regularly. Shaleena's mom was murdered in January 2001, and she describes turning away from God instead of toward him. But in December 2012, her nineteen-year-old son was in a serious car accident, and she felt called to begin attending church regularly. (Her son is okay and she definitely feels that God saved him and his dad, her ex-husband.) Grace was the second church Shaleena attended in Asheville, and she immediately felt at home here. It reminded her of the Episcopal churches she attended growing up. Her son is attending Appalachian State, and her twenty-four-year old daughter lives in Greensboro but will be moving to California in the future. She also has a twin sister, Lynetta, who lives in Asheboro and is a member of an Episcopal church there. Shaleena, John and her dad will be moving into a house they just purchased in Candler, where she plans to begin gardening. They'll be grilling out a lot and will enjoy spending time outside with their eight-year-old beagle Auggie (her third child).

The Wild Goose Festival

The Wild Goose Festival, August 8-11, in Hot Springs, NC, could be described as a sort of modern Christian Woodstock and is billed as **four days of music, justice, spirituality and art**. Moved to Hot Springs from last year's Chapel Hill site, the festival is a gathering of people interested in what Christ is doing in the Church and the world today. Speakers at the festival will include **Krista Tippett**, who hosts the radio show, *On Being*, formerly called *Speaking of Faith*. **Brian McLaren** and **Phyllis Tickle**, whose books we have studied in adult Sunday School, will also be speaking at the festival. For more information, a schedule of events and to purchase tickets, visit WILDGOOSEFESTIVAL.ORG.

M³ - Middle School News

Join us for a Back-to-School Lock-In and great times with church friends on Friday and Saturday, August 23-24, in the parish hall at Grace. The fun is open to all Grace students in sixth-eighth grades. While there is no cost for the evening, all interested folks should call Daphne Urquhart at 828-273-0273 to sign up by August 21. The fun begins at 6:30 p.m. on Friday the 23rd and ends at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday morning the 24th.

Grace Church Worship at Lake Logan

It has been a couple of years since we have worshiped out at beautiful Lake Logan, our diocesan camp and conference center, so we are excited to announce that we will have a worship service there on Sunday, August 25, 11:00 a.m., near the tennis courts as in times past. Since all of us are trying to be more careful with our diets, please bring your own picnic lunch to enjoy with others after the service. Following lunch, enjoy swimming and boating at the lake, hiking along the beautiful trails, or playing frisbee or croquet on the athletic field.

Make Your Pig Pickin' Plans!

The annual Pig Pickin' barbeque dinner sponsored by the Men of the Church will happen Saturday, September 7. As in years past, we'll be in the church parking lot at 5:30 with a live band and some really good food. The meal starts at 6:15. Please mark your calendars and plan to come. Tickets are on sale this month. Prices are \$10 per person and \$30 for a family of three or more. It's the annual Pig Pickin'! Get your tickets and start making plans now. Volunteers needed!



Adult Classes Resume September 8

The **Downstairs Adult Sunday School Class** will be about our roles as parents and grandparents in raising our children and grandchildren to retain the innate spirituality they were given by God at birth. We will talk about ways in which we can assist them in connecting with God through Christ throughout their lives and in growing up with the assurance of God's presence with them always. All are welcome.

Also on Sunday mornings in September, interested adults are invited to meet in the parish hall for **Pretty Good Coffee and Conversation**. **The Old Testament, A Survey**, will be led by our new intern, Jim Dahlin. Why do we read the Old Testament? What are its major themes? How should we approach such an old document separated by culture, language and a few thousand years? Come find the answers to these questions and more.

*Fall Recall: Back to Sunday School -
Classes begin September 8!*

BACK-TO-SCHOOL. It is time for back-to-school donations for foster children. You will have two choices for helping the children this year. We have the names of twenty individual children who have requested specific items. Please take one of those names and purchase as many items from the list as you would like; or you may purchase items from a general list of most-needed items. Look for our Back-to-School display in the foyer. Please return your items to the church by Sunday, August 11. If you have questions, please call Sue Thompkins at 230-9328. Thank you for your support of this project.

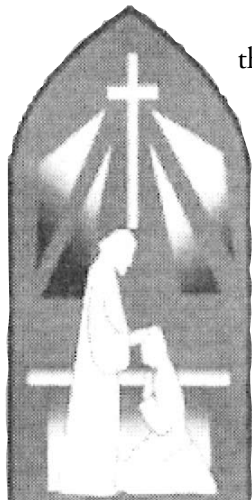
BACKPACKER PROGRAM. As children return to school this month, volunteers from the Grace Backpackers program will again work with the staff at Jones Elementary to provide food for weekends to children who have been identified as being at risk for hunger. It normally takes several weeks after school starts for the school to identify the children and to give our volunteers the number of children we will be serving during the school year. Our volunteers order food from MANNA Food Bank, pick up the food and deliver it to Grace, pack the food in bags to be distributed to the students, and deliver the food to Jones for distribution. Other volunteers provide fruit to put in the bags. If you would like to help with the activities, please contact Carol Booth for more information. If you would like to provide fruit for the children, you may make a monetary donation and indicate that it is for the Backpacker program.

Monday Suppers Return as Welcome Table

Due to popular demand, committed volunteers and a grant from our Diocesan Human Hurt and Hope Fund, our Monday Simple Soup Suppers and worship will return in September as our newly-formed "Welcome Table." Volunteers coordinated by Bill Crownover and Jeannette Reese will offer a simple hot meal from 4:45 to 6:00 p.m. each Monday evening in the parish hall. All parishioners as well as any North Asheville neighbors who wish to attend are welcome and invited to participate. It is a perfect opportunity to have a free meal (we are seeking a partnership with Manna Food Bank to help defray expenses) and enjoy good fellowship. Following the meal, at 6:00 p.m., a quiet worship service will be held in the church for those who wish to take part. Everyone is welcome to come to the meal, the worship...or both! You also might consider how you would like to become involved in this wonderful ministry. Contact Bill, Jeannette or Becky in the church office to become a volunteer.

Healing Prayer Corner

Jeanne Robertson



It is time! Register now for our Healing Winds conference sponsored by the Order of St. Luke, the River of Healing Chapter in Hayesville and the Mountain Chapter in Asheville. The nineteenth annual Healing Winds conference will be held on Friday - Sunday, September 27-29, at Lake Junaluska.

The theme of the conference will be "Living Radiantly in Dark Times." The Rev. Jack and Anna Marie Sheffield will lead us in understanding the way to be empowered by the Spirit in our personal lives. The Rev. John Rice will be our conference chaplain. Marji Elzey, our music worship leader, has blessed us at Lake Logan with wonderful worship music, and we look forward to her ministry.

For hotel reservations, contact Lake Junaluska directly at 1-800-222-4930 for housing at the Terrace Hotel, site of the conference. The rooming fees include meals. The cut-off date is August 30, and there will be no refunds after August 29.

Program fees are \$50 per person before August 30 and \$75 per person after that date. There will be no refunds after September 1. There are brochures in the foyer. If you have questions, please contact one of our prayer ministers about the wonderful opportunity coming in September.

It is also time to reconnect with the Order of St. Luke (OSL) meetings. The meetings will resume on Thursday, August 8, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the parish hall. This year we will continue our study of Sozo prayer techniques. SOZO is a Greek word translated "saved, healed, delivered." Sozo ministry is a unique inner healing and deliverance ministry. One does not have to be a member of OSL to attend the meetings.

I encourage all of you to consider enriching your prayer lives by attending these unique events. If you have any questions, please contact Jeanne Robertson, 828-683-7701.

Catechesis: A Closer Look

We are fortunate at Grace to have an invested team of people who teach our children each Sunday in Sunday School. Our Sunday school curriculum and approach is known as the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS). The approach is designed for students ages 3-12. Its origins go back to 1954 in Rome, Italy, with the founding of a children's centre known as an "atrium." Our Sunday school classrooms are called "Atrium I," "Atrium II," and "Atrium III" in keeping with the origin of the CGS.

CGS is based on the affirmation that God and child are in relationship. Children have deep needs to experience God and a special capacity to enjoy the presence of God. The task of the teachers within CGS is to help the child live fully the encounter of God. Teachers do this through intense training, preparing an environment that is in keeping with Montessori methods for teaching, and helping the child to understand the holiness of sacred spaces. The lessons and "works" teach about the liturgy, baptism, the Eucharist, the preaching of Jesus, and moral formation—all done by discovery at the direction of the child.



In order to be in true relationship with God, God's covenant requires a peaceful enjoyment of God's presence, as called forth by the image of Christ, the Good Shepherd. After six years of age, the response extends to action, inspiring a certain quality of behavior. The child is drawn to bear fruit as part of the True Vine, resolving to make a contribution to the history of salvation. After age nine, the children begin to explore the questions that inevitably come as a response to faith. Bible study in the CGS comes at an ordered pace, emphasizing how to use the Bible (book, chapter, verse), and understanding the mystery of the History of the Kingdom of God.

Our team of teachers is dedicated to learning to be Catechists, which requires several years of training. The materials in the Atria have all been created by the teachers, and all lessons are acquired through study and group work. CGS is truly a tradition that is handed down, rather than a curriculum that is purchased or randomly pieced together. We encourage our Grace members to stop by and visit any Atrium...you will be fascinated with what you see.

Saturday, June 29, wrapped up the week long intensive training session of the Level III regional training for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd--- a Montessori based curriculum that we use here at Grace for our Pre-K through fifth graders. The twenty folks who gathered wish to send their thanks to Grace for hosting and yet again providing us with delicious breakfasts and snacks. They are most appreciated!

Our Classes and Teachers



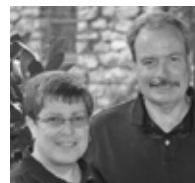
Matt Englebrecht (3-6 year olds, Level I Atrium), has been a member of Grace Church since 2007, and lives in Biltmore Lake with his wife and three children. He enjoyed assisting in the atrium last year and is looking forward to continuing in service to the children of the parish.



Shannon Townsend (6-9 year olds, Level II Atrium), has been a member of Grace for almost thirty years and has been teaching for over ten years. She still finds it very rewarding. She and her husband Greg have two sons.



Derek Edwards (4th and 5th graders, Level III Atrium) and his wife Amanda, who is on our vestry, have been at Grace since 2004. Their son Wade starts second grade this fall. Derek is the new assistant principal at Vance Elementary School.



Paul and Daphne Urquhart (Middle School) tell us lively discussion, interactive games, and thoughtful questioning are all vital components of their class. There's also a strong focus on intentional

Christian living in our world today. *Middle schoolers, don't miss the Back-to-School Lock-In, August 23-24!*



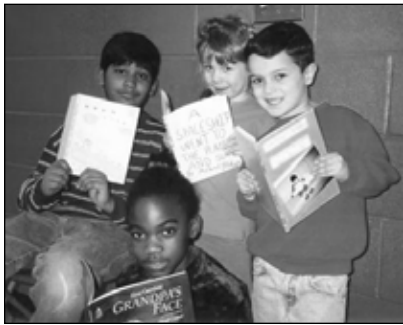
Greg Plank (High School), has been a member of Grace for eight years and has been teaching the high school class for the last six years. The class will discuss how the Bible and the teachings of Jesus relate to what is happening in school, sports/social clubs and activities, our community, and national or world events. Greg may also suggest a topic important to teenagers and let the discussion proceed from that.

You Can Change the Outcome



You can change the outcome of a child's life for the better by volunteering for only one to two hours per week.

Read to Succeed is a nonprofit organization dedicated to bringing phonics training to children who are struggling to read. Coaches are being recruited right now for children in Kindergarten or first grade. As a volunteer, you will coach for 45 minutes two days per week during school hours.



By volunteering now, you will qualify to attend, for free, an intensive training program. Top quality curriculum and coaching materials are essential for success in tutoring, and we've developed our own training that focuses on the skills you will need to coach very young students.

This four-week training program begins with an orientation on Saturday, August 24, 9:30-11:30 a.m. The orientation and training will take place at the offices of the Housing Authority at 165 South French Broad Avenue, across from the YWCA. To get there, go down South French Broad from downtown, turn right on Timothy

Street and then turn right into the parking lot behind the Housing Authority, where you will see Read to Succeed signs.

As part of your training, you will meet with a student for five sessions during school hours at Hall Fletcher Elementary School in West Asheville. After the training, you will work at the school.

The importance of literacy for children at risk for reading problems cannot be underestimated:

- Third grade is the tipping point; before third grade we are learning to read; after third grade we are reading to learn. We can't learn without learning to read.
- The **Read to Succeed** program is modeled on programs that have succeeded in keeping at-risk children, on average, at reading level. Children who are not at reading level by third grade are four times more likely to drop out of school by the end of sixth grade.

Interested? Learn more about the Information and Orientation Session on Saturday, August 24, by calling Julie Sherman at 251-4949. Or if you can't commit to the fall training schedule, please volunteer anyway, and help with other tasks! To register or for more information, please contact Julie Sherman at 251-4949 or mjuliesherman@gmail.com.

Read to Succeed information is also available in the foyer.

Planned Giving & Endowment *Fr. Alex Comfort*

In a letter you recently received from Fr. Gary and Mike Bohan, Endowment Committee chair, we asked you quite directly to help us. We'd like for you to consider leaving a gift to Grace Church in your will or estate plan. We've never asked you to do that before, but we believe our mission is so important that it is okay to be up front about that.

The demographics of the United States are such that, after the Baby Boom generation, there will be a precipitous drop in population. Grace will need endowment funding to bridge the gap. And we can all help provide that. Grace has made a commitment to address the issue and to communicate with you about it. Please call Fr. Gary, Mike Bohan, or Alex Comfort if you'd like to speak to someone about the topic.

June was the first month in many reports that our Endowment Fund showed a net loss. We have a balance of \$288,607 for the end of June and the year to date. The month loss was \$5,411, but we have a net gain of \$25,720 for the year. For the first six months of the year, we have received \$600 in contributions. Outside of the contributions (most coming from one couple in our Parish), a very good stock market and Parsec Financial Management are responsible for the growth.

August 2013 Ministry Schedule

Date	Service Time	Acolyte C	Acolyte G	Acolyte E	Lector, Intercessor & Presenters	Healing Team	Ushers	Chalicians	Coffee Hour	Scripture	Lesson
4-Aug											
	7:45				L - Bill Crowmover I - Barbara Wilcox P - Bill and Barbara	Louise Wernicke Patricia Hargrove	Ed Duncan Ray and Wendy Kuykendall	James Cannon 1. John Woodson 2. Daphne Urquhart	Katherine Kaderabek	Hosea 11:1-11	1st Lesson
	9:00	Catherine Cullen	Helena Cullen	Cuyler Dupree	L, I, P - Nancy and Cal Remmers	Pat Davis Karen Compton	Ron Sims Ed Woelckner	1. Eric Howell 2. Mary Cozine	Sallie Hunter	Colossians 3:1-11	2nd Lesson
11-Aug											
	7:45				L - Haig Rudd I - Hugh Vaughn P - Rudd Family	Rita Spragg Jeanne Robertson	Steve Jones Kaderabek Family	James Cannon 1. Greg Townsend 2. Debbie Jones	Micki Newton	Isaiah 1:1, 10-20	1st Lesson
	9:00	Zoe Davis	Harrison Best	Louise Wernicke	L, I, P - Charles Carter and Kimberly Kneier	Mary Israel Corinne Spencer	Henry Watts John Churchill	1. Carol McMichael 2. Ely Withers	Lelia Cort	Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16	2nd Lesson
18-Aug											
	7:45				L - Vicki Vest I - Greg Plank P - Plank Family	Pat Davis Jane Whitman	Andrew Dahm Paul and Vicki Vest	Margaret Dahm 1. Carol Booth 2. Scott Best	Elaine Dephousse	Jeremiah 23:23-29	1st Lesson
	9:00	Cade Wooten	Harrison Best	Alternate	L - Lyn Burkett I - Mark Silvers P - Lyn and Mark	Lyn Burkett Karen Compton	Paul Stewart Elaine Potter	1. Sally Coburn 2. Bill Spencer	Peggy Grimes	Hebrews 11:29 & 12:2	2nd Lesson
	11:15	Mel Luedtke	Sally Withers	Lani Anderson	L - James Cannon P - Monty Wooten	Deb Gravatt					
	Taizé 8:00 PM										
25-Aug											
	7:45				Jack Frue	Jeane Robertson Shari Lane	Jim Black Tricia and Mickey Trinite	Jack Frue 1. Ann Robinson 2. Anne Simmons		Isaiah 58:9b-14	1st Lesson
	9:00	Sam Ellington	Moir Stewart	Cuyler Dupree	L - Daphne Urquhart I - Paul Urquhart P - Urquhart Family	Lyn Burkett Sonny Rawls	Larry and LuAnn Harris	1. Sally Withers 2. Bill Warren	Georgi Bruce	Hebrews 12:18-29	2nd Lesson
	11:15	Sally Withers	Grace Miller	Bob Grimes	L - Kristen Dusenbery I - Jenny Thomas P - Kristen and Jenny						
Flower Arrangers											
Date	Counters	Depositors	Date	Flower Arrangers	Altar Guild						
4-Aug	Steve Birkhofer	James Cannon	4-Aug	Jones, Cozine	Group 1 - Aug 3-Aug 9						
11-Aug	Martha Boyette	Judy Bohan	11-Aug	Israel	Group 2 - Aug 10-Aug 16						
18-Aug	Sally Withers	Chal and Hugh Vaughn	18-Aug	Israel	Group 3 - Aug 17-Aug 23						
25-Aug	Georgi Bruce	Anne Simmons	25-Aug	Davis, Newton	Group 4 - Aug 24-Aug 30						
					Group 3 - Aug 31-Sept 6						

Our Prayer List

July

We publish this list each month to help you include those listed in your daily prayers. We have provided last names of people with their permission, giving you a better idea for whom you are praying and making it easier for you to make contact if you desire.

For Parishioners: **Sherry Coward; Jim Dahlin; Eunice Ferguson; Catherine Godfrey; Jess Gregory; Olivia & the Haller family; Mary Hayes; Ashley Israel; Shari Lane; Rita Lyda; Dot Morgan; Alice Moriarty; Barbara Seagraves; Martin Shaw; Carla & Jim Standingdeer; Grace Walker; Lucinda Watkins, Buddy Greenwood.**

For Homebound Parishioners and Those in Healthcare Facilities: **Elizabeth Butler; Henny Caldwell; Edith Cook; Jeanne Galyean; Bob Hall; June Kelley; Frances Kennickell; Frances Payne; Helen Powers; Maryli Perkins; Laura Stephens; John Sumner.**

For Others (names to stay on for four weeks; call the church office to keep names on the list for a longer time): **Eric Abilmona & Erik Stoops** (brothers-in-law of Wendy Kuykendall); **Thomas Barr** (son of Tom & Liz Barr); **David Bell** (brother of Tricia Hargrove); **Margaret Buncick** (mother of Marella Buncick); **Chris Carson** (son of Martha & Randy); **Debbie D.** (friend of Lynda McCredie); **Kelli Davis** (daughter of George & Pat); **Mario DiMarzio** (friend of Lyn Burkett); **Margie Eblen** (daughter of Bobbie); **Sonny Enloe** (friend of Mary Israel); **Wesley Garbee** (friend of Charlotte & Travers Chiott); **Sarah Garcia** (daughter of Nancy Fergusson, niece of John & Lelia Cort); **Shawn Gaddis; Steve & Janet Gordon; Judy Hinman** (sister of Barbara Wilcox); **Sheri Hoffman** (cousin of Lynda McCredie); **Karen Kaforey** (daughter of Micki & Fred Newton); **Meg Karayiannis** (niece of Nancy Ackermann Cole); **Don & Kristi Kitchens** (brother & sister-in-law of Cheryl Aull); **Tommy Masters and Robert Baker** (father & son of Donna Trimnal); **Jim Monroe; Forrest Renfro** (grandson of Becky Barker); **Jennifer Svenstrup** (friend of Paul & Vicki Vest); **Catherine Thomas** (friend of Randy & Martha Carson); **Harriet & Sydnor Thompson** (mother & father of Sydnor Thompson); **Sandra Tweed** (friend of Katherine Kaderabek); **Bonnie Wiggen** (daughter of Nancy Remmers); **Amanda Williams; Alicia; Tara** (daughter of Shari Lane); **Clyde; Ellen; Elizabeth; Evelyn** (friend of Jim & Karen Compton); **Julie** (daughter of Rita Spragg); **Lisa** (niece of Betsy Sherman); **Richard; Sue; Susan; Will; for those among us who are cold, hungry or homeless; for all those affected by our struggling economy.**

For Those in the Episcopal Church: **Katharine**, our Presiding Bishop; **Porter & Robert**, our Bishops; **the clergy; the vestry; the staff; the ministries of this Parish; Church of the Advocate; ABCCM; Consider Haiti; Episcopal Relief & Development; Food for the Poor; Manna Food Bank; Meals on Wheels.**

For Those Who Have Died and Their Families: **Rhoda Larson**

For Those in Service to Our Country: **Ryan & Danny Brown** (grandsons of Ed & Marla Woeckener); **Matthew George** (son of Zoe Davis); **Steven Grenier** (son-in-law of Jean & Doug Haldane); **Austin Harrison** (grandson of Joan Sanderson); **Marty Hawks** (son-in-law of Joy & Carl Markey); **Jon Holland** (parishioner); **Spencer & Erica High; Gregory Melson** (grandson of Charlotte Melson); **Daniel Schultz** (son of Judy Rhodes); **Karl Tenney** (nephew of Chuck & Barbara Wilcox); **Fr. Rick Tiff** (friend of Ray & Jeanne Robertson); **Caitlin Vest** (granddaughter of Pat Vest and niece of Vicki and Paul Vest).

For our President Barack Obama, his Cabinet, Congress & our country; for Sandy Hook victims, survivors and families; for peace & resolution of conflict in the Middle East & throughout the world; for victims of Hurricane Sandy & the Oklahoma tornadoes; for the people of Haiti & Durgapuhr, India; for those who bring rescue & relief; for raising world awareness; for victims of the disaster in Russia & the earthquake & tsunami in Japan & other areas; for rain across the earth; for better stewardship of water.

August Anniversaries

Ray and Jeanne Robertson	3
Bill and Corinne Spencer	3
Roger and Rita Lyda	5
Cal and Nancy Remmers	5
Derek and Elaine Dephouse	6
Paul and Vicki Vest	6
Bryan and Lynn Burkett	11
Gary and Astrid Coffey	11
Paul and Sarah Wolfe	11
William & Glenda Sanderson	25

August Birthdays

3 Alyce Patrick	17 Casey Ward
4 Bill Coward	18 Caeden Carter
4 Patrick Doran	18 Anna-Kate Hall
5 Peter Sprague	19 Lewis Dahm
6 Ella Doran	19 William Sanderson
6 Elaine Potter	20 Jean Haldane
6 Beth Stahl	20 Hunter Israel
8 Hamilton Cort	20 Wendy Kuykendall
8 Harper Dechant	20 Carl Loftin
8 Clara Engelbrecht	21 Brad Thorne
9 Cuyler Dupree	24 Will Israel
10 Glenn Cullen	25 Lisa Clark
10 Todd Kaderabek	25 Dot Morgan
10 Micki Newton	26 Carla Standingdeer
11 Barb Bell	26 Henry Watts
11 Kenny Rutland	27 Jack Frue
12 Rita Lyda	27 Jack Rutland
12 John Rigsby	28 Rebecca Brewer
12 John Rutland	29 Mary Regal
13 Bryn Whitner	30 Ron Sims
14 Karen Compton	30 Lucinda Watkins
15 Martha Bell	30 Logan Wolfe
17 Cheryl Aull	

Gifts for All of Us to Appreciate

The Aumbry Candle is given to the Glory of God by Dot Morgan in thanksgiving for her grandchildren's birthdays: Dr. Brant Oelschlager on August 10 and Dr. Anne Marie Oelschlager on August 20.

The flowers for August are given to the Glory of God

by Katie and Mike Nery in celebration of and thanksgiving for their daughters Natalie and Olivia;

by Ashley and Will Israel in loving memory of Ashley's father, Jon Clifton Witt;

by Joe Aull in thanksgiving for Cheryl, Michael, Bill, Debbie, Harrison, Mallory, and Chelsea;

by Georgi Bruce in memory of her husband, Robert Bruce;

by Lynn Miller in loving memory of her mother Kimberley McFarland;

in loving memory of Theresa Sabo;

by Dot Morgan in loving memory of her mother, Aline Burkett Johnson, and her son, Harry Johnson Morgan.



August Endowment Fund Contributors

Grace Church is a truly generous community of faith. It is from the income from the Endowment Fund that distributions will be available for needs that fall outside the church's annual operating budget. We gratefully recognize the gifts of:

Walt and Joyce Noble

George and Pat Davis, in loving memory of Merrell Gregory and in thanksgiving for the beautiful photography of Hamilton Gregory.

Events at a Glance

Weekly Gospel Bible Study

Mondays, 10:30 a.m., PH

Early Birds Men's Book Study

Tuesdays, 8:00 a.m., LI

Centering Prayer

Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m., OF

Purls of Grace

Thursdays, 6:30 p.m., LI

Generational Healing Eucharist

Tuesday, August 6, 7:00 p.m., CH

Order of St. Luke Program Meeting

Thursday, August 8, 6:30 p.m., PH

Steadfast House Meal

Friday, August 9, 6:00 p.m.

Men of the Church

Tuesday, August 13, 6:00 p.m.

Healing Prayer Services

Tuesdays, August 13, 20, & 27, 7:00 p.m., CH

TEAM Meeting

Wednesday, August 14, 11:00 a.m., OF

Taizé Worship Service

Sunday, August 18, 8:00 p.m., CH

Vestry Meeting

Monday, August 19, 5:30 p.m., LI

School Starts

Wednesday, August 21

Middle School Lock-In

Friday-Saturday, August 23-24, PH

Lake Logan Service/Picnic/Swimming (services also at church)

Sunday, August 25, 11:00 a.m.

Office Closed for Labor Day

Monday, September 2

Pig Pickin'

Saturday, September 7, 5:30 p.m., PL

Mid-Year Brightening

In light of a fifth Sunday in June, pledges were \$34,105 or \$4,100 over budget. Total contributions for the month, including non-pledged offerings, prior-year pledges and open offerings, were \$39,506, or \$4,266 under budget. Year-to-date total income, including building income and all other income is \$215,851 or \$7,451 short of budgeted income of \$223,312.

Expenses for the month were \$2,486 under budget, primarily because of the timing of quarterly bills, whose costs are spread evenly throughout the year. Year-to-date expenses are \$209,221 or \$14,092 under budget because of the timing of mission and outreach needs and quarterly personnel premiums. Those will be paid before year-end.

Going forward into the second half of the year, our hope is that all needs will be met with continued offerings.

Your Vestry

Year to Date - June 2013

	Actual	Budget	Over/Under
Income:			
Pledges	176,693	180,000	(3,307)
Prior Year Pledges	1,030	-	1,030
Non-pledged Offering	24,739	25,437	(698)
Open Offering	5,130	6,000	(870)
Interest	86	125	(39)
Misc.	8,182	11,750	(3,568)
Total Income:	215,861	223,312	(7,451)
Expenses:			
Outreach/Mission	22,541	29,091	(6,550)
Parish Programs	6,597	7,250	(653)
Operations	31,993	33,700	(1,707)
Personnel	148,090	153,271	(5,181)
Total Expenses:	209,221	223,313	(14,092)
Income - Expense: (rounding)	6,640	(1)	6,641

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- More on our new intern, Jim Dahlin
 - A look at "Catachesis of the Good Shepherd"
 - Lake Logan Sunday
 - Back-to-School Outreach
 - And of course, "Parson to Person"

AUGUST 2013

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