



the Grace TEAM

to each a ministry

AUGUST 2015

Parson to Person

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The Grace TEAM
is published monthly.

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,

As I write this edition of "Parson to Person," I am just four days away from the second and, hopefully, *final* surgery on my left foot. From time to time over the last five years or so, you have probably seen me limping during worship, due to pain from a chronic case of plantar fasciitis in my left foot.

During this surgery on July 21, the surgeon is taking the drastic measure of severing the plantar fascia, which will cause me to lose some of my arch, but should reduce my pain significantly. What an exciting prospect!

I am sharing this with you for two reasons. The first is simply to keep you informed and to ask for your prayers. The recovery period begins with six weeks in a cast bearing no weight on my foot. I plan to participate in worship using crutches and/or a "knee scooter." We'll see how that goes!

The second reason for bringing this up is to share with you my experience with chronic pain. At times over the last five years, I haven't been able to stand or walk without experiencing significant pain in my left heel.

This chronic, ever-present pain has made me depressed at times. It has diminished a lot of the joy that one normally experiences in the little things of life. It has been a terrible distraction and has at times worn me down, making me more physically tired than normal.

I wish I could say there has been some great benefit to this pain, that I have learned something significant from it. But other than having more empathy for others who are in pain, I can't. I do know now what it is like

and how this constant companion of pain can drag a person down. And I suppose, especially in my line of pastoral work, this has been a helpful thing to learn.

I have had great support from my family, friends and from you folks who are parishioners and staff at Grace. I really appreciate your concern and your care for

me, especially during times when the pain has been more intense. Thank you.

If any of you who are reading this suffer from chronic pain, please let us know about it. I think sometimes people don't share that information because they feel as though they are whining or complaining and that others don't want to hear it.

I know that, at times, I have

tried to play it down when someone has asked me about it because I didn't want them to worry about me or feel sorry for me. But, just having someone know and care about your pain can really help. So, please don't suffer in silence. We, as your community of faith, may not be able to relieve your physical pain, but we can love you and pray for you. And believe me when I tell you, love and support from others really helps.

Blessings and Peace,

Fr. Gary Coffey

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Good news!

Fr. Gary's surgery went well and the report is good. Your continued prayers and support are much appreciated as he begins his recovery process.

Events at a Glance

Weekly Gospel Bible Study

Mondays, 10:30 a.m., PH

Early Birds Men's Book Study

Tuesdays, 8:15 a.m., LI

Centering Prayer

Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m., OF

Generational Healing Eucharist

Tuesday, August 4, 7:00 p.m., CH

PubSing

Sunday, August 9

5:30 p.m., snacks; 6:00 p.m., singing

Healing Prayer Services

Tuesday, August 11, 18, & 25, 7:00 p.m., CH

TEAM Meeting

Wednesday, August 12, 11:00 a.m., OF

Order of St. Luke Program Meeting

Thursday, August 13, PH

Steadfast House Meal

Friday, August 14, 6:00 p.m.

Taizé Worship Service

Sunday, August 16, 8:00 p.m., CH

Vestry Meeting

Monday, August 17, 5:30 p.m., LI

Men of the Church

Tuesday, August 18, Tourist Ball Game

School Begins

Wednesday, August 19

Choir & Bells Begin

Wednesday, August 28

All-Parish Brunch

Sunday, August 30

Pig Pickin'

Saturday, September 12

Sunday School Begins

Sunday, September 13

Parish News

Centering Prayer meets on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. in Fr. Gary's office. All are welcome.

Date Change! Jeanne Robertson will offer the **Order of St. Luke study group**, "The Healing Miracles of Jesus," on Saturdays, October 31 and November 14 and 21. This is an intensive DVD-based instruction and discussion study that prepares people for full membership in the Order of St. Luke. We will meet in the library, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Please contact Jeanne at 683-7701 if you are interested or if you would like more information.

The Tuesday morning **Early Birds** meet at 8:15 on Tuesday mornings in the library and study the Word through book studies. All are welcome.

The **Men of the Church** will meet Tuesday, August 18, at 7:05 p.m., and this month is totally different! We will attend the Asheville Tourist baseball game on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. We have purchased 20 tickets for sale. Folks still need to sign up on the sheet in the foyer to reserve a ticket. Tickets and payment may be handled in advance through the church office or with Larry Harris on Sundays. Tickets may also be picked up and paid for the day of the game. Larry Harris will be at the entrance of the stadium. Stadium gates open at 6:00 p.m.

Monday Morning Bible Study meets at 10:30 a.m. in the parish hall. Please join us as Fr. Bob facilitates a study of the Gospel for the following Sunday. All are welcome.

The **Order of St. Luke Program Meetings** will resume on Thursday, August 13, 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the parish hall. Our program will be a DVD discussion of the Gospel account of Jesus healing the daughter of the Canaanite Woman. We'll also watch a video clip of Christians ministering to workers in the sex trade. All are welcome. One does not have to be an OSL member to attend.

Join **PubSing**, an informal gathering on the second Sunday evening of each month to sing hymns, old-time Gospel and Americana inspirational music. We will meet this month on Sunday, August 9, at the French Broad Brewery, 101 Fairview Avenue. Please bring a snack at 5:30 p.m.; singing will begin at 6:00 p.m. For more information, contact Monty Wooten at info@forestguide.com or 828-254-1114. For directions, go to <http://frenchbroadbrewery.com/directions/>.

Your Dish (You Cannot Find) may be in the church kitchen! If you have recently contributed food for a parish function, please check.

Your parish needs Ushers for the 11:15 service. If you could serve in this ministry, please contact Larry Harris at 771-2520 or Becky in the church office at 254-1086. Thank you for prayerfully considering this ministry. Instruction available. Ladies welcome, too.

Lectors, Intercessors and Presenters are needed for the 11:15 service. From the podium, the Lector reads the first reading of the service and the Intercessor reads the Prayers of the People. The Presenters bring the wine and bread to the altar. If you can assist in this ministry, please contact Sally Coburn at 645-5369 or call the church office at 254-1086. Training available.

Splash! 2015 is August 16

SPLASH 2015 FOR ALL YOUTH GRADES 6-12 is Sunday, August 16, 1:00 p.m. at Camp Rockmont, Black Mountain. The cost is \$20 and lunch will be provided. Bring a swimsuit, a towel, a smile and a snack to share. Let's celebrate the end of summer with a SPLASH! Register online at www.diocesewnc.org. If you have any questions, please contact Ian Williams at 828-225-6656 or youth@diocesewnc.org.



Friday, August 28
5:00 p.m.

Don't miss the Grace Church FAMILY FISH FRY in support of KIDS OF THE KINGDOM MUSIC OUT-REACH. All are welcome to enjoy great food and live music — on the bass, of course (couldn't resist a little fish joke) at this kick-off family dinner. Tickets are for sale in the foyer on Sundays and are available in the church office: \$5.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children.

A kid's meal includes one cod finger, three chicken nuggets, a roll, green beans, peaches, and a cookie. Grown-ups get tilapia with marjo salso, a roll, peaches, green beans, and a cookie. Lemonade will be provided, and beer and wine will be available for sale.

This event is an effort to continue increasing the awareness of the written musical language (which started in the early Christian church) and to build enthusiasm for the music of the young people in our church family. For more information, email Joanna at jboydbest@gmail.com or call 712-1337.

All-Parish Potluck, August 30

It's another All-Parish Potluck Brunch, and you're invited. Bring your favorite breakfast food and join the fun Sunday, August 30, 10:00 a.m. in the parish hall.

During our services that day, we will also welcome anyone who is new to our parish. You will be invited to the front of the church where we will welcome you, and share some prayers of welcome and blessing with you. Please call Fr. Coffey at 273-0635. He would love to get you on the welcome list!

Pig Pickin' on Saturday, September 12

The Annual Pig Pickin' Barbeque Dinner, sponsored by the Men of the Church, will happen Saturday, September 12. As in years past, we'll be in the church parking lot at 5:30 p.m. with a live band and some really good food. The meal starts at 6:15 p.m. Please mark your calendars and plan to come. Tickets will be available that Saturday at the door.



Rummage Sale is Closer Than You Think

The Rummage Sale is coming soon! Our annual Rummage Sale is set for Saturday, October 3. Nancy Remmers and Mary Jane Westall will co-chair this popular event. Please mark your calendars, and start saving your gently used clothing, small appliances in working condition, furniture, household items, lamps, art, linens, and much more. We will appreciate your donations, and as always volunteers will be needed.

Please contact Nancy at 298-9789 or Mary Jane at 254-6221 to let them know if you can volunteer that week.

Catechesis: The Relationship of God and Child



Children have deep needs to experience God and a special capacity to enjoy the presence of God.

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 three through twelve. 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 children live fully the encounter with God. Teachers do this through intense training, preparing an environment that is in keeping with Montessori methods for teaching, and helping the children 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 children.

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 child begins 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 Grace members to stop by and visit any Atrium to see this fascinating program in action.

Thank You, Shannon



Shannon Townsend signed on to teach Sunday school at Grace for one year. That was a decade and a half ago. Since then, with her amazing teaching skills and instincts, she has worked tirelessly to give life and breath not only to what was then just a fledgling Catechesis program, but also to the highly successful Marketplace event, an interdenominational summer program for youngsters that is now seventeen years old and going strong. "The teacher in me said 'This is good,'" she reminisced about those formative years.

Today, however, with sons William and Robert grown and husband Greg now retired, Shannon says it's time to step back. "It has been an absolute honor to do [Catechesis] for the kids in this parish, to take the journey with them," she said, estimating that between 200 and 250 children have passed through the program so far. She adds, "I've fed off the children; they've fed off me; and God has always been right there in the middle. It's been a good way to serve."

Shannon, we'll miss you in the classroom every Sunday, but we're glad to hear you will still be close by. (She says she hopes to continue her Catechesis training and eventually become a trainer, herself.) Thank you so much for your years of loving service to our children.

Grace Outreach

Sue Thompkins

BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR FOSTER CHILDREN.

It's that time of year again. We are collecting back to school supplies for foster children in Buncombe County. The children are in need of basic items like pens, pencils, paper, and notebooks. They are always in need of backpacks. There is a list of items that have been requested by the teachers in the foyer at the display. Please return your donations to the church by SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, so that we may distribute the school supplies to the children before the beginning of the school year.

If you have any questions, please contact Sue Thompkins at 828-230-9328.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!

Retreats 4 a Retreat, August 29



What is it? **Retreats 4 a Retreat** is an annual event to benefit Lake Logan Episcopal Center and Camp Henry. It is an evening of fun with friends as well as fabulous food and drink, all of which are donated by party hosts and their friends. This means that 100% of the money raised from ticket sales and our silent auction go to Lake Logan! To top it all off, one ticket (from all seven parties) will be drawn to win a two-night stay at The Swag, an all-inclusive fabulous retreat right here in WNC.

Where is it? These not-to-be-missed parties will be held simultaneously at seven private homes throughout our Diocese.

When is it? Saturday, August 29, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

How do you get tickets? Tickets are available to every parish in our Diocese. At Grace, contact Nora Jones at 277-5507 or Michelle Robinson, Director of Development, at 828-301-9962. Each ticket you purchase gives you a chance to win the drawing for a two-night stay at The Swag, so buy multiple tickets!

Questions? Please contact Carlyn Pheil, Chair of Retreats 4 a Retreat, carlyn@pheil.com.

Healing Prayer Corner

Jeanne Robertson

The summer is almost over and school will soon begin. It is that time of the year when we make changes in routine, some prepare to return to school, vacations are a thing of the past, and the church seasons begin to look down the road to the celebration of the birth of Jesus. It is a time of new beginnings. Lately, I have had several people ask me to explain Healing Prayer to them. How could they learn to pray? Could they become a prayer minister? As a young woman, I had many of the same questions. I could pray in my head, but never aloud. I read a book, *Conversational Prayer*, by Rosalind Rinker and learned that praying is just carrying on a conversation with God; thanking Him for our blessings and asking for our needs.

Would you like to know more about Healing Prayer? We have two opportunities for learning coming up in the next few months. The first of these being **The 21st Annual Healing Winds Conference**. This year's theme is "Resurrection Power!" Our keynote speaker will be the Rev. Sharon Lewis, and the dates are September 25, 26, 27, 2015 at Lake Junaluska. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about and to experience Healing Prayer, to make new friends and share quality time with old friends. If you would like more information on the conference, please contact Becky Barker in the church office, Jeanne Robertson 828-683-7701 or Ann Robinson 828-274-3462.

Our second opportunity would be a course in the "26 Healing Stories of Jesus" course I will facilitate here at Grace on three Saturdays, October 3, November 14, and November 21. Each class begins at 9:00 a.m. and ends mid-afternoon. We will learn about Healing Prayer by studying how Jesus healed others. If you are considering taking the course, now is the time to order your workbook. The cost of the course is \$45.00 which covers the cost of the class workbook and a year membership in the Order of St. Luke. For more information, contact Jeanne at 828-683-7701 or talk with Becky in the church office.

Support for Church of the Advocate

CHURCH OF THE ADVOCATE



The Church of the Advocate is dedicated to serving the homeless, the vulnerable, and the street people of Asheville and Buncombe County. Everyone is welcome to be a part of our faith community.

TRAVINIA

ITALIAN  KITCHEN

You are cordially invited to our

Celebration of The Church of the Advocate

Hosted by Travinia Italian Kitchen

Thursday, September 10, 2015, 5:00- 7:30 pm

Trinity Episcopal Church, 60 Church Street, Asheville, NC

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Entertainment Provided by The McCoy – McKay Band
and Emmy-Nominated Blues Singer, Kat Williams

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Guest Speaker, The Very Rev. Todd Donatelli, Dean of All Souls Cathedral
Our Special Honorees are Rev. Dn. Peggy Buchanan, Rev. Dn. Greg Erickson,
and Rev. Dn. Annie Fritschner

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Silent Auction Bidding to begin at 5:00 PM.

In support of Travinia's generous gift to help those with significant needs, a \$25 minimum donation is suggested.

Wine and Beer will be available.

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For reservations, please go to COTAccelebration.rsvpify.com

For additional information, please email The Rev. Ham Fuller, Vicar, at hamfuller@aol.com
or call 828-243-3932. Also visit our website at www.ashevilleadvocate.com

Welcome to Our New Music Director



Joel P. Rogers, our new Music Director, has been on staff at Grace since the beginning of July, preparing for the start of choir and bell practice Friday, August 28. A glance at his bio below, and you'll share our excitement about what this gifted musician will bring to worship at Grace.

Joel has been Organist/Choirmaster at St. John's the Redeemer Parish in Chico, California. He served there for eight years while also serving as Chair of the Department of Theatre at California State University, Chico. Prior to his time at St. John's, he served as the Director of Music at Faith Lutheran Church in Chico, California and prior to that, Organist/Choirmaster at St. John's Church in Yuba City, California. During his time at the University of Memphis, where he completed his MFA in Theatre, he was an associate organist, staff singer and cantor at Calvary Church in downtown Memphis, TN. Most recently, he has been the Chair of Theatre Arts at Mars Hill University, where he was a student from 1988-1990.

Welcome, Joel!

Our Own Good Samaritan

Matthew is the son of Grace parishioner Zoe Davis. The following story is from The Quantico Sentry.

MARINE CORPS BASE QUANTICO, Va. — On the afternoon of June 21, 2nd Lt. Matthew George, a student with Charlie Company at The Basic School, was driving on US Route 1 in Dumfries when he witnessed a confrontation along the side of the road. As he drove past a group of people, he heard multiple gunshots ring out, and in his rearview mirror, he saw someone fall to the ground.

The perpetrator and his associates ran off, and “no one was doing anything” to help the victim, George said, an Asheville, N.C. native, so he turned his car around and drove back towards the scene. According to George, when he arrived at the site where the male victim had fallen, someone was on the phone with 911, and another person was standing nearby, but no one was directly assisting the victim.

Kneeling down on the side of Route 1, with cars moving past at about 40 miles per hour, George immediately assessed the situation. “I rotated the victim on his side, looked for a wound and asked for a shirt or something so I could apply pressure” to stop the bleeding, he said.

George said a bystander handed him a t-shirt, and he used that to apply pressure to the wound until another individual showed up with a first aid kit, and he was able to switch out the shirt with sterile padding.

“I had recently had the combat lifesaving course and kept trying to talk to him [the victim] and check for shock,” George said. As he applied pressure, he looked for other wounds and relayed information about the victim’s condition to the 911 caller, who in turn passed the information to the emergency dispatcher.

Police officers, firefighters and paramedics arrived within minutes of the incident, and George stepped back and passed off care of the victim to the paramedics. According to Detective J.C. Pena of the Prince William County Police Department, the victim had been shot multiple times and was transported to a trauma center; he survived the shooting and has since been released from the hospital.

After the event, George reflected on the combat lifesaver training at TBS. “It seemed like a ‘far-away/if I ever have to do that’ kind of thing. It was definitely not something I saw coming around the corner.”

Given that George had received the instruction just three weeks prior to the incident, the lessons were fresh in his mind while he assisted the shooting victim. The course covers such topics as how to assess injuries, treat for shock, maintain an airway and breathing ability, and stop bleeding, among other topics. George said learning how to call

in nine-line reports helped him to relay relevant information about the victim to the dispatcher via the person holding the phone.

George’s staff platoon commander at TBS, Capt. Samuel Ryder, said George earned a 99 out of 100 on the practical exam for the combat lifesaver course. Ryder said that George has put a lot of “heart and effort into the training” and that he is decisive and regularly volunteers to take on extra duties.

The TBS course was not George’s first experience with first aid training, however. According to George’s mother, Zoe Davis, George served as a lifeguard in college and received first aid training for that. She said he worked at a pool in an urban area and sometimes had to break up fights too.

Davis said when she first heard about her son’s involvement in the situation, she “was a little shaken and glad they [the perpetrators] didn’t come back to see how they did.” However, she said she was also “very proud that he would stop and involve himself with helping a stranger.”

George’s quick thinking and action enabled him to stop the bleeding before paramedics arrived and saved the victim’s life. In recognition of his initiative and service, George was awarded a Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal. The award was presented to him by Col. Christian Wortman, commanding officer of TBS, during a brief break in the company’s execution of a multi-night field exercise.

George is approximately halfway through the six-month training pipeline at TBS and is hoping to serve as an infantry officer when he graduates.



During a field exercise on July 15, 2nd Lt. Matthew George listens to comments from his commanding officer after receiving a Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal for his lifesaving actions taken on June 21.

August 2015 Ministry Schedule

Date	Service Time	Acolyte C	Acolyte G	Acolyte E	Lector, Intercessor & Presenters	Healing Team	Ushers	Chalicians	Coffee Hour	Scripture	Lesson																																				
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	7:45				L, I, P - Barbara Wilcox & Bill Crownover	Louise Wernicke Patricia Hargrove	Ed Duncan Paul & Vicki Vest	James Cannon 1. John Woodson 2. Anne Simmons	Katherine Kaderabek	Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15	1st Lesson																																				
	9:00	Cade Wooten	Cheryl Deyton	Maira Stewart	L, I, P - Cal & Nancy Remmers & Alternate	Karen Compton Pat Davis	Paul Stewart & Bob Turner	1. Sally Coburn 2. Eric Howell	Sallie Hunter	Ephesians 4:1-16	2nd Lesson																																				
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	7:45				L, I, P - Cuyler Dupree and Kuykendall Family	Sherry Coward Jeanne Robertson	Jim Black Kaderabek Family	Jack Frue 1. Greg Townsend 2. Sarah Valley	Micki Newton	I Kings 19:4-8	1st Lesson																																				
	9:00	Faith Valley	Helena Cullen	Cuyler Dupree	L, I, P - Mark Silvers and Kristen Dusenberry & Alternate	Mary Israel Corinne Spencer	Ron Sims Arnold Clark	1. Bill Warren 2. Nancy Clark	Volunteer	Ephesians 4:25-5:2	2nd Lesson																																				
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	9:00	Noah Clary	Gavin Knapp	Louise Wernicke	P. - Vest Family L, I, P - Charles Carter & Kimberly Kneier	Sonny Rawls Karen Compton	Larry and LuAnn Harris	1. Carol McMichael 2. Sally Withers	Volunteer	Ephesians 5:15-20	2nd Lesson																																				
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	11:15	Cheryl Aull	Jonah Silvers	Mark Silvers				1. Charles Carter 2. Kimberly Kneier	Georgi Bruce	James 1:17-27	2nd Lesson																																				
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Our Prayer List

August

We publish the Parish Prayer List each month so you may include those listed in your daily prayers. We have included the last names of people with their permission, so you will have a better idea for whom you are praying and so you may contact that person if you desire.

For Parishioners: **Walter Adamson; Pat Anderson; Jo Brokenshire; Chris Carson** (*son of Martha & Randy*); **The Rev. Gary Coffey; Sherry Coward; Mary Cozine; Ed Denison; Kristin Dusenbery; Eunice Ferguson; David Gentry, Jr.; Catherine Godfrey; Jess Gregory; Olivia & the Haller family; Mary Hayes; Nora Jones; Wendy Kuykendall; Michelle Lee; Linda & Rusty McCredie; Charlotte Melson; Nancy Porter; Doris Rigby; Corey & Tsz-yan Snyder & family; Corinne Spencer; Lucinda Watkins; Chuck Wilcox.**

For Homebound Parishioners and Those in Healthcare Facilities: **Henny Caldwell; Bob Hall; Betty & Rusk Henry; June Kelley; Neill Mason; Fred Motney; Maryli Perkins; Martin Shaw; Laura Stephens; Pat Woodard.**

For Others (names to stay on the list for four weeks; call the church office to keep names on the list for a longer time): **Roberta Alexander; Pat & David Anderson** (*parents of Tricia Trinite*); **Nancy Bailey** (*friend of Barbara & Chuck Wilcox*); **Carolyn & Winn Baker** (*friends of Bob & Jeannette Reese*); **Stephanie Blackwell** (*sister of Jeanne Simms*); **Bethany** (*daughter of Joan*); **Debbie D.** (*friend of Lynda McCredie*); **Don Cole; Kelli Davis** (*daughter of George & Pat Davis*); **Kaci Epley** (*cousin of Vicki & Paul Vest*); **Margaret Frazier** (*friend of Jim & Karen Compton*); **Bill & Mary Hayes** (*parents of Rick Hayes*); **Donald Israel** (*brother-in-law of Mary Israel*); **Kathleen Johnson** (*friend of Barbara & Chuck Wilcox*); **Meg Karayiannis** (*niece of Nancy Ackermann Cole*); **Roger & Sherry Martin** (*parents of Wendy Kuykendall*); **Jerry & Mary McAuliffe** (*friends of Barbara & Chuck Wilcox*); **Diana Noble** (*daughter of Joyce & Walt Noble*); **Ted Oesterlin; Monte Pepper** (*nephew of Alice Moriarty*); **Erik & Susan Stoops** (*brother-in-law & sister of Wendy Kuykendall*); **Jennifer Svenstrup** (*friend of Paul & Vicki Vest*); **Kathy Taylor** (*friend of Barbara & Chuck Wilcox*); **Sydnor Thompson III; Alex** (*friend of Judy & Mike Bohan*); **Alicia; Ashley** (*daughter of Henry Watts*); **Don & Patricia; Elizabeth; Fran; Karen; John; Lou** (*mother of Kim Hayes*); **Mary Dee** (*cousin of Walt Noble*); **Pam** (*friend of Cheryl Aull*); **Richard; Sue; Susan; Ted & Aline; 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.**

For Those in Service to Our Country: **Tommy & 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*); **Jon Holland** (*parishioner*); **Spencer & Erica High; Gregory Melson** (*grandson of Charlotte Melson*); **Jason Marino** (*son of Lynda McCredie*); **Daniel Schultz** (*son of Judy Rhodes*); **Karl Tenney** (*nephew of Chuck & Barbara Wilcox*); **Caitlin Vest** (*niece of Vicki & Paul Vest*).

For our President Barack Obama, his Cabinet, Congress and our Country; for victims of violence across the world; for local agencies & those who work for relief of the poor; for better stewardship of water; for resolution of the political crises across the world.

August Anniversaries

Ray and Jeanne Robertson	3
Bill and Corinne Spencer	3
Rita and Roger Lyda	5
Calvin and Nancy Remmers	5
Derek and Elaine Dephouse	6
Paul and Vicki Vest	6
Gary and Astrid Coffey	11
Peter and Kathy Oesterlin	22
Sylvia and Gordon Greenwood	23
William and Glenda Sanderson	25

August Birthdays

3 Alyce Patrick	17 Cheryl Aull
4 Bill Coward	17 Casey Ward
5 Peter H. Sprague	18 Dorothy Engel
6 Ella Doran	18 Anna-Kate Hall
6 Beth Stahl	19 William Sanderson III
8 Hamilton Cort	20 Jean Haldane
8 Harper Dechant	20 Hunter Israel
8 Clara Engelbrecht	20 Wendy Kuykendall
8 Vicky Lopez	20 Carl Loftin
9 Cuyler Dupree	21 Brad Thorne
10 Glenn Cullen	24 Will Israel
10 Todd Kaderabek	24 Kathy Oesterlin
10 Micki Newton	26 Henry Watts
11 Barb Bell	27 Jack Frue
12 Rita Lyda	28 Stephanie Cochran
12 John Rigsby	29 Mary Regal
13 Bryn Whitner	30 Ron Sims
14 Karen Compton	30 Lucinda Watkins
15 Martha Bell	

Gifts to Appreciate

The Aumbry Candle is given to the Glory of God by Don Hawkins in memory of his wife Martie.

The flowers are given to the Glory of God:

by Katie and Mike Nery in celebration 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, Da-ae, Bill, Debbie, Harrison, Mallory, and Chelsea;

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

in loving memory of Theresa Sabo;

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

by the Flower Guild and the Altar Guild in thanksgiving for the clergy and staff of Grace Church.



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Pledges Still Not Meeting Projections

Pledge receipts through the end of June totaled \$167,725 compared to projected pledges of \$175,966. Considering all income sources, income for the first six months totaled \$205,506, while we had projected income to be \$222,536. We ended June with a negative variance in income of (\$17,030).

The negative income variance for the first six months was offset by expenses in the first six months which were less than budgeted amounts by \$16,921. When added to the negative income variance of (\$17,030), year-to-date income less expenses resulted in a small deficit of approximately \$100 for our first six months.

We are currently experiencing a deficit of \$110 while at this point in 2014 we experienced a positive balance of \$23,160.

We continue to meet our needs, largely through reduced expenditures, and remain cautiously optimistic that our programs and operation will continue successfully through the remainder of the year.

Your Vestry

Statement of Activities - Grace Church Year to Date - June 2015

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Income:			
Pledges	167,625	175,966	(8,341)
Prior Year Pledges	2,315	-	2,315
Non-pledged Offerings	21,710	30,742	(9,032)
Open Offering	4,187	9,615	(5,428)
Interest	35	75	(41)
Misc.	9,635	6,138	3,497
Total Income:	205,506	222,536	(17,030)
Expenses:			
Outreach/Mission	22,519	28,566	(6,047)
Parish Programs	3,782	7,475	(3,693)
Operations	33,038	37,661	(4,623)
Personnel	146,277	148,834	(2,557)
Total Expenses:	205,615	222,536	(16,921)
Income Less Expenses:	(110)	(0)	(109)

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- In this issue look for:*
- August Events at a Glance
 - Fish-Fry, Potluck, Pig Pickin' - Yum!
 - Welcome to Our New Music Director
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