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# the Grace TEAM

to each a ministry  
 SEPTEMBER 2011

## Parson to Person

Gary Coffey

Dear People of Grace,

“People of Grace” – whom does that include? Surely it includes everyone who has experienced the grace of God. As I’ve told you before, “grace” is a churchy word that means “favor.” Every human being, whether he or she knows it or not, has been the recipient of God’s favor. Human beings are “God’s favorites.” Human beings are recipients of the grace or favor of God in the air that we breathe, in this beautiful earth that God has given us to enjoy and in the love of those around us that is reflective of God’s love.

I hope that all who come through the doors of Grace consider themselves “people of Grace.” I am planning to make the rounds of all the Twelve-Step meetings in the near future and to say to those gathered there that we want them to feel included in the Grace Church community. If they don’t have a church home, I am going to invite them to consider Grace as their church home by thinking of Grace as “their church.” For they are surely experiencing the grace and healing of God in their meetings, just as those of us who attend worship are experiencing God’s healing and grace in our worship.

At the same time I will invite them to come and worship with us too if that is their desire. It never hurts to invite someone. If you invite people to your home for dinner, even if they cannot come or decide not to come, chances are that they

appreciate being invited. Most people like to be included, in whatever way we can include them.

That is the opposite of what happened to some of us on the playground, isn’t it? You remember those excruciating times when “captains” are choosing teams to play some game. There’s that last player to be chosen that neither side really wants. The last person to choose says to the other captain, “You can have Phillip.” And the other captain says, “No, that’s okay. You can have him.” Phillip is standing there in the middle. It is painfully obvious to him that no one wants him. As the Church we want to be sure that no

one ever feels like Phillip where we are concerned.

That being the case, let’s take the Gospel seriously.

“... sling the seed of invitation wide and far...”

Let’s sling the seed of invitation wide and far saying, “Whoever wants to come may come and be a part of this church that claims the wonderful name of Grace.” Invite the beautiful and the homely, the poor and the rich, the physically challenged and the able, the light-skinned and the dark-skinned, the intelligent and the dull. Through our very open and intentional invitations to all, may there be a beautiful tapestry of humanity that finds the grace or favor of God at this Church called Grace.

Blessings and Peace,  
 Fr. Gary Coffey

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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.



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# the Grace TEAM

## Parish News

Congratulations to Erika and Jason Barnes and grateful grandparents **Tom and Ingrid Adelsbach** on the birth of Holden Judkins Barnes. Holden was born on August 2 and weighed in at nine pounds and eleven ounces. May God bless little Holden.



Back-to-school volunteers are needed! **Big Brothers/Big Sisters** is looking for adults to spend one hour a week at local elementary schools. Adults are paired with students for the year. The hour is spent helping the students to improve academic skills, social skills, and confidence. Call Fran at 253-1470 or email [frans@bbbswnc.org](mailto:frans@bbbswnc.org). Men are needed to spend time with boys between the ages of six and fourteen from single-parent homes. Call 253-1470 or email [jillh@bbbswnc.org](mailto:jillh@bbbswnc.org).



**Capital Punishment: Its Morality, Politics, Economics, and Effectiveness:** The Episcopal Peace Fellowship of WNC will sponsor an open discussion on Saturday, September 17 at All Souls Cathedral library from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. Panel participants are State Representative Ray Rapp, Dick Taylor (CEO of NC Advocates for Justice and brother of Bishop Porter Taylor), Jean Parks (Western Carolinians for Death Penalty Repeal) and Ed Chapman (a death row exoneree). Please join us and bring your friends.



**The Christian Discipleship Center**, in which Grace is a participating church, will sponsor two courses beginning in September. A course on *The Acts of the Apostles* will meet at Grace on Tuesdays, September 6 – October 25 at 7:00 p.m. Dr. James Aydelotte, a Presbyterian minister in Black Mountain, will lead the course. Dr. Doug Johnson, a Lutheran minister, will teach a course on *Early Christian Teachings*, which will meet on Thursdays, September 8 – October 27 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Methodist Church. There are brochures in the foyer. To register by email: [ChristianDiscipleshipCenter@gmail.com](mailto:ChristianDiscipleshipCenter@gmail.com), including your name, phone number, the name of the course and your church affiliation; or you may register by phone by contacting Mary Alice Nard at St. Mary's, 254-5836. Please join us.



Heartfelt thanks to **Margaret Dahm** and all her volunteers, who provided the Broughton House folks with a delicious meal and fun Bingo event. Thank you to all who donated Bingo prizes and to the ECW for financing the meal.



St. Mary's is sponsoring a **Eucharistic Retreat** on Friday, September 9 and Saturday, September 10. There are three times for your convenience: 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. with supper at 6:15 p.m. on Friday, and 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. on Saturday with lunch around noon. Bill Ryon of the Diocese of Washington will lead the retreat. Expectations are that you will be able to achieve a degree of confidence and poise in discussing with Christians and non-Christians the following: what it means that the Eucharist is a meal, a mystery, a sacrament, and the real presence with respect to the Eucharist. Please contact Mary Alice at 254-5836 for additional information and meal reservations.



Plans are being made for this year's **Holiday Craft Fair at Grace** on Saturday, December 3. More details will be announced in the October *TEAM*, but for anyone who wants information before that time you may call Betsy Sherman at 299-7430.



**LunchBunch** will meet at Homegrown on Merrimon Avenue on Tuesday, September 13 for good food and fellowship. Meet in the church parking lot at 11:30 a.m. If you have questions, call Georgi at 253-0001.



**Men of the Church** will meet Tuesday, September 13 at 6:00 p.m. The host and cook is Bill Warren. His address is 79 Griffing Boulevard, Asheville. Everyone is welcome. The cost is \$10.00. Please sign up on the blue sheet on the kiosk.



The **Order of St. Luke** will meet on Thursday, September 8 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. in the parish hall. We will be viewing session five of our exciting DVD-based course, *In His Footsteps*. The session is titled "Expectancy." It discusses how our expectancy that God heals and wants to heal us opens us to

receiving healing. We raise expectancy through proclaiming truths from Scripture, such as that Jesus healed everyone who came to him. We believe that we expect healing, but often we do not expect it. If you missed the first four sessions, don't let that keep you from coming to the September session. You will quickly get caught up.



**OSL Study Groups** will be offered this fall on *The Healing Ministry of Jesus*. Completion of the study is the major requirement for induction as a full member of the Order of St. Luke. The Asheville groups would meet on a weekday evening; the Black Mountain group would meet on a Saturday morning. If you are interested, please let Suzanne DePree know at 242-3260 or [mtn\\_osl@yahoo.com](mailto:mtn_osl@yahoo.com). Our website: [www.AshevilleOSL.org](http://www.AshevilleOSL.org).



**Pig Pickin' Canceled!** Regrettably because of several unforeseen events, the Grace Family Pig Pickin' scheduled for Saturday, September 24 has had to be canceled.



Congratulations to Lindsay and Zane Whitner and grandparents **Rob and Cheri Potter** on the birth of Bryn Harriet Whitner. Bryn was born on August 13 and weighed in at eight pounds and one ounce. May God bless little Bryn.



It's not too late to volunteer for **Room in the Inn**. The event is fast approaching, so to review there will be no more than twelve women staying at the church each night. They will arrive around 6:15 in the evening in time for us to serve them dinner. They will be staying overnight at the church along with two volunteers. The following morning they will need to be up by 6:00 and leave for downtown around 6:30 or 6:45. We provide them with a quick breakfast and send them off with bag lunches. We especially need volunteers to prepare evening meals for the ladies. It's not too late to sign up for many volunteer opportunities. Please contact Terri Frue if you would like to help in any way from Sunday-Saturday, September 18-24. Call Terri at 712-1780 or email [Terri@Frue.net](mailto:Terri@Frue.net).

## We Welcome Into the Church

*Through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism . . .*

**Aleena Bethlehem Bennett,**  
daughter of **Joe and Christy Bennett,**  
*was welcomed into the Church*  
on Sunday, August 7.

Aleena is sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever.

**Annabelle Jeanette Milling,**  
daughter of **Charles and Joyce Milling,**  
*was welcomed into the Church*  
on Sunday, August 7.

Annabelle is sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever.



## Grace Outreach Notes

*Sue Thompkins*

### MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

*Please prayerfully consider the following ministry opportunities for outreach.*

**Flea Market Co-chair:** We are in need of someone to help Ron Sims with the flea market. Ron has generously donated his time to the flea market for the last several years, and he could use an assistant this year. The flea market will be on Saturday, October 8, and set-up will be all week before the sale. If you are interested in the ministry, please call Ron at 255-8894 or Sue Thompkins at 230-9328.

### Coordinator for Operation Christmas

**Child:** We are looking for someone to take charge of the shoebox toy drive for children overseas sponsored by Samaritan's Purse that takes place in November. You would need to put out empty shoeboxes (we already have some), to decide on a collection Sunday, and to deliver the filled shoeboxes to a local collection point. It is a time-limited ministry opportunity that brings joy to many needy children around the world. If you have questions or would like to volunteer, please call Sue Thompkins at 230-9328.

# The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd: A Closer Look

At Grace we offer an exciting approach to the religious formation of children called the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Designed for children ages three through twelve years, the approach to Christian education uses Montessori educational principles and recognizes the developmental and spiritual needs of children. Based on the belief that children have a deep need to experience God and a special capacity to enjoy the presence of God, the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd seeks to help children fall in love with God while building community with their peers.



The classroom or “atrium” is a prepared, sacred space, a place of simplicity and order designed to offer opportunities for prayer, work, and community. Everything in the atrium is intended to be appropriate to the ages and sizes of the children who gather there, including a prayer table and a model altar. Simple yet beautiful materials are used to assist young children in understanding Scripture and in pondering the meaning of our life in Christ. Lessons and “works” explore the liturgy, baptism, the Eucharist, the teachings of Jesus, and moral formation. The role of our teachers or “catechists” is to help children to nurture a loving relationship with God.



We encourage parents and parishioners to visit us. The atrium is truly a place where children – and adults – come to know Jesus Christ as the Good Shepherd who calls each of us by name.

## EYC Summer Goings-On

EYC will resume meeting on Wednesday, September 7 from 6-7:30 p.m. at St. Luke’s. Mark your calendars.

We need people to provide a meal for EACH week. Please contact Maria Mason (Will Schierhorn’s mom) at mariamason@gmail.com to schedule what date will work for you or if you would like to offer financial support.

**EYC Charleston Trip.** We toured Water Missions International and went to the beach, and Georgia Grace Snead and Sam Ellington were guest acolytes at Grace, Charleston.



## Meet our dedicated teachers!

Our three atria have catechists and assistants dedicated to instructing our children about the church and about Jesus.

**Angie Hall** is our Level I catechist. She has worked with the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for over ten years and with Grace for twelve years. She is an elementary school teacher and is married to Travis, and they have two daughters Anna-Kate and Emma.

**Melissa Comer** grew up in the mountains of our beautiful Western North Carolina. She lives in West Asheville with her husband Fletcher, her son Mckai and their mini dachshund Biscuit. Melissa and her family enjoy long, lazy summer days around the Jewish Community Center pool and splashing around in chilly mountain creeks, and they have recently discovered the thrill of canoeing. This fall Melissa will begin her fourth year as an assistant in the Level I Atrium.

**Beth McKinsey** is one of our three Level II Atrium catechists. Beth is the mother of three young women, two in college and one in high school. She is a pediatric physical therapist and works with young children in our community. Beth and her family have attended Grace since 2001 when they moved to Asheville.

**Joanna Best** is another Level II catechist. She is a music teacher who shares her talents with the atria. She enjoys attending Grace with her husband Scott and their three boys Andrew, Harrison and Bo. Joanna has worked with the atria for three years.

**Lockie Hunter** is the latest addition to the Level II Atrium, and we are thrilled to have her as part of the team. She teaches creative writing at Warren Wilson College, and her essays on parenting can be found in *Christian Science Monitor*, *WNC Parent*, and *Hip Mama*. She attends Grace with her husband Zac and her two elementary-aged children Pascale and Graham. She looks forward to the day when she can listen to Gary’s sermons without interruption, but that may be when her kids are in college.

**Shannon Townsend** continues to be the catechist for the Level III Atrium.



Seated from left to right are Joanna Best, Shannon Townsend, and Melissa Comer, and standing behind them from left to right are Beth McKinsey and Angie Hall.

## Sunday School News for Middle School

### M<sup>3</sup> – Making the Most of the Middle

Again this year we’ll meet in the loft above the kitchen to study lessons from the lectionary in order to develop a stronger knowledge of who’s who and what’s what in the Bible and of how that impacts our daily lives. All middle schoolers are invited to join us for a lively time of growing in the knowledge and

love of God and of building stronger relationships with each other. Grace’s middle schoolers enjoyed a great time of food, fun, and fellowship at our back-to-school lock-in in August. Special thanks to Robert Townsend for serving as our high school counselor for the event! Paul and Daphne Urquhart are our teachers for M<sup>3</sup>.

## Love Wins Adult Study Planned

The Pretty Good Coffee and Conversation Class will study Rob Bell’s controversial new book entitled *Love Wins: A Book About Heaven, Hell, and the Fate of Every Person Who Ever Lived*. Recently the subject of hell came up in two of the Gospel readings in our Sunday lectionary. The week that I talked about that in church and how it has been a problem for me all my life, several of you said to me that you have struggled with that too. So here is a chance for us

### Fr. Gary

to spend some time together to sort out the subject. Rob Bell raises many interesting questions about that and comes to the conclusion that in the end God’s love wins. We have a few books available through the church office for \$8.00 each. Otherwise you can order them from Abebooks.com for about \$10.00 including shipping, or at Accent on Books for around \$20.00 if you tell them that it’s for a Sunday school class at Grace.

## Walking Among Disciples: Come to See!

From Matthew 25:35 – *Jesus said to them, “I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; a stranger and you welcomed me; naked and you clothed me; ill and you cared for me; in prison and you visited me.”*

A few weeks ago some of us decided that we wanted to see for ourselves what ABCCM has been doing in our community for approximately forty years. Grace Church has supported the agency’s monumental efforts, and Walt Noble spearheaded the tour with Scott Rogers, their long-time director. We met near his office on Cumberland Avenue in Montford in a modest but expanded single residence dating from the 1920’s. Through the agency’s doors any street person, with or without children, may enter at any time day or night and be cordially and lovingly welcomed to rest, to communicate, to eat, and to sleep for a time, until his or her needs can be assessed by a trained counselor. Most arrive with just the clothes on their backs and with minimal belongings from a refugee existence on the streets. The agency expects at least two hundred people per day to have their needs cared for!

Those people are listened to very carefully, so that whatever they are fleeing can be analyzed, recorded, and developed into programs which will allow them to find their worth as human beings and as parents. They have existed on their nerves, and of course that is the real reason that they are there.

Before a person leaves his or her initial conference, ABCCM will offer him or her a loving community in which to live and grow--but only for two years. The person must sign a pledge that he or she understands what those years can mean to him or her if he or she takes the time seriously. Most do--but some cannot handle the transition and return to the streets. ABCCM can provide a family atmosphere, but the person must understand the programs: school for kids, a dental and medical clinic, bus passes for work and medical needs, a shared bath. The joint clothes closet is about a forty-by-fifty-foot room for donated items (which the

agency says have a complete turnover every day!). A kitchen staffed by volunteers from over two hundred twenty-five churches is nearby--and donated foods are always in short supply. The counselor helps the person to be introduced and connected to an employer, or to whatever specific training the person may be encouraged to begin for lifelong interest and work.

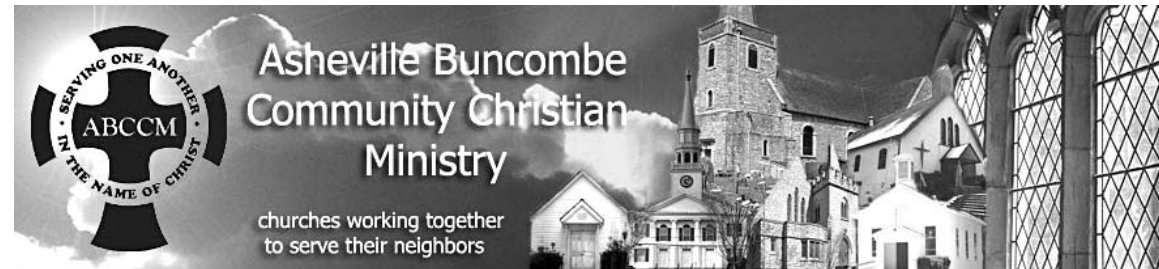
Most of the folks that appear at the agency’s doors arrive with no affect on their faces, frightened beyond measure, and at the end of their proverbial ropes! They gradually realize that the rules of the community are for their greatest good, and their responses are of course based on their great depth of need.

As we left the three-hour tour of the major facilities in four different locations (we did not have time for two more), we recognized the many, many blessings that we have a tendency to take for

granted during our growing-up years! That is the most understated of all our reflections! It would be difficult not to feel gratitude for our Savior’s work among those people and places. When we pulled away in our cars, it came home to us that that those folks may have been there because of misjudgments based on a lack of loving guidance and that their lives have been locked up in their own mental jail cells! They can now be freed, for they have a merciful way to change their lives, to be respected human beings, and to spread the Gospel as it has been gently given to them--and it can now be lived under the freedom of God’s hand, away from a greedy, demanding, all-consuming society of grief.

Please keep the needs of those folks in your minds--and be aware of your own very special blessings past, present, and future.

In God’s Will, Amen,  
Bill Spencer



## Endowment Fund

Pat Vest

*We are blessed to have Charlotte Chiott as a valued member of the Grace Endowment Committee. The committee is scheduled to meet on Wednesday, September 21 from 5:00–6:00 p.m. in the library. Father Gary and Alex Comfort will meet with the committee to assist us with future programs for growing the Endowment Fund. Any parish member is invited to attend. Please call Pat Vest at 658-0976 if you are interested in the latest developments about the fund and potential programs. Annika Brock and Michael Nolan will offer articles in the October and November TEAMS. Thank you, Charlotte, for your article this month and especially for your various ministries in our Church’s programs.*

Blessed to be a native Asheville, I am also a life-long Episcopalian, having spent the first half of my life at Trinity and the second half at Grace. My husband Travers, a former Lutheran, has been an Episcopalian for fifty years. Grace has always been a central part of our family, with our four children having been active in Sunday school, in youth groups and as acolytes. At Grace I have served on the Vestry and as Junior Warden, and currently I am treasurer of the Flower Guild as well as serving on the Endowment Committee. I also love selling pumpkins!!!

Since we moved with my parents Margie and Ed Nash from Trinity to Grace in the early seventies, Bill Edwards, Heber Peacock and Gary Coffey have strengthened us through family funerals, celebrated our children’s weddings and welcomed a number of our ten grandchildren through Baptism. Becky Barker and David Gentry are special and dependable and are always willing to support any need. The beauty and peace that is offered

upon simply entering Grace is a precious gift.

In these days of uncertainty and upheaval, we and the people of our community and world more than ever need the programs, support and open, welcoming arms provided by Grace. From the daily use of our physical facilities, to the countless hours spent by our generous volunteers in support of local needs, to the flow of funds contributed to worldwide projects, Grace Church is an invaluable resource.

Considering all the areas of my life in which Grace has played and continues to play a vital role, I realize the importance of ensuring that there will always be a special place where we know that our needs will be met and where our gifts can be shared. Support of our Endowment Fund, whether through a memorial gift, a will, life insurance, stock or a simple gift in any amount, will help to ensure a healthy future for Grace Church and for those who depend upon and cherish it. – Charlotte

## Flea Market – October 8

The annual Grace Flea Market is coming up on Saturday, October 8, 8:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. The Men of the Church hold the flea market to benefit the Outreach program.

The flea market impacts more people than you might realize. The proceeds are used to support the Backpacker program and for donations to local non-profits. The flea market will be the only fundraiser for Outreach this year.

We will need volunteers to help with sorting and pricing from Tuesday, October 4–Friday, October 7, to help shoppers, to take money, and to clean up after the sale on Saturday. If you have any of those skills, if you can spare an hour or several hours during the week or on the day of the sale, if you are interested in organizing and sorting through donations, if you have

items you no longer want that you can donate, we need YOUR help.

Remember that the flea market sells furniture, computers, books, movies, music, household goods, jewelry, tools, toys, baby furniture, car seats, and so on. We do NOT handle clothing, so save that for the rummage sale.

The flea market is an opportunity for all of us to work together as a village to make a difference in the lives of people who are served by the local non-profit agencies that the Outreach program supports.

Pick-up is available for large furniture-type items; please call the church office at 254-1086, or call Ron Sims at 255-8894. If you have questions about the flea market, please call Ron or call Sue Thompkins at 230-9328.

## Daughters of the King

Saint Mary Magdalene Chapter of the Order of the Daughters of the King will hold its first official meeting on Tuesday, September 20 at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Melissa Comer. Please call Melissa for directions to 7 Scottsdale Dr., Asheville. Subsequent meetings will be on the third Tuesday of every month at 6:00. All women are welcome to attend! We would love to see you. In our group there are women whom you may know from the 7:45, 9:00 and 11:15 services. There is no average age in our group; we are a good mix ranging from young professionals and mothers to grandmothers and retirees. We all share a desire to find a deep and meaningful relationship with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Go to doknational.com to find out more about us, or call Melissa at 775-5659.

## Pumpkins Arrive Sunday, October 2

The pumpkins are coming on Sunday, October 2. Please plan to join the traditional pumpkin unloading and cookout after services at 1:00 p.m. Many folks are needed to get all the pumpkins on the ground. Please mark your calendars and come to help and to enjoy fellowship with families from all three services. All monies raised from pumpkin sales go to Mission Manna and their work feeding malnourished children in Haiti. Please sign up for a rewarding opportunity to help those in need. Small children and big children enjoy our patch, hunting the perfect pumpkin, taking photos and having some good family time. Selling pumpkins under the tent can also be a great family event. Sign-up sheets will be in the foyer soon. (Pumpkin photos by Hamilton Gregory)



## Lake Logan Fundraiser!

When it comes to celebrating the ministry of Lake Logan, there's nothing quite like the annual Retreats for a Retreat event. Hundreds of people come together to salute that special part of our diocese, and many go home with an extra retreat from our silent auction. Retreats for a Retreat III will kick off at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 2 at Christ School in Arden and at two beautiful homes in Blowing Rock and Highlands.

Purchase of a \$75 admission ticket will allow you to attend any of the three parties, to bid on silent auction retreats, and to become eligible for the grand prize, a golf trip for two to the Cloister resort at Sea Island, Georgia. "We were so excited when the Cloister, a five-star resort on the coast, donated our grand prize. I sold tickets before we could get the layout to the printer," said event co-chair Vinton Murray.



*All proceeds benefit Lake Logan.*

In addition to being eligible for the grand prize, partygoers will have a chance to bid on other retreat offerings through the silent auction. Those offerings include a long weekend in New York City, an old-fashioned pheasant hunt, a fully-outfitted backpacking excursion, and a trip to the beach. This year there will also be other options that don't involve travel, including a golf package, a fly-fishing excursion, and art lessons with Bee Sieburg, a well-known Asheville painter. "We're hoping this year there will be something for everyone, and each party will have some items exclusively, so the competition is sure to spark excitement," said Cheryl Gettinger, director of development and marketing for Lake Logan Episcopal Center.

Since live music was a huge hit at all the parties last year, we'll again be striking up the bands. Back by popular demand for the third year in a row, the Honeybees will play at the Christ School venue. Martha DeHart remembered the fun she and her parents had last year kicking up their heels to the bluegrass music at the Highlands party: "Daddy just had a ball!"

Thanks to a directed grant from a member of the Lake Logan board of advisors, along with many generous in-kind contributions from Christ School and from other individuals, all proceeds from ticket sales and silent auction bids will go directly to supporting the Lake Logan annual fund. Executive Director Johnny Keese said, "This fun-filled evening has evolved into the major source of funds for projects and programs we are unable to cover in our budget. The energy and enthusiasm for Lake Logan at the Retreats parties is just amazing, and I am deeply grateful to all of those that make these parties happen."

To find out more or to purchase tickets, please contact George and Pat Davis at 253-9008.

## Our Prayer List

*september*

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

*For Parishioners:* **Jo & Richard Brokenshire; Olivia & Haller family; Mary Hayes; Maria Mason & Paul Schierhorn; Carl Markey; Dot Morgan; Helen Powers.**

*For Homebound Parishioners and Those in Healthcare Facilities:* **Henny Caldwell; Frances Payne; Jeanne Galyean; June Kelley; Gordon MacRae; John Sumner; Laura Stephens; Gem Sullivan; Lee Watts.**

*For Others (names to stay on for four weeks; call the church office to keep names on the list for a longer time):* **Jerry Allen** (cousin of Alice Moriarty); **Martha Stoney Anderson** (mother of Lani Anderson); **Pat Anderson** (mother of Tricia Trinite); **Patti Auble** (sister of Al & Julia Anne Dawson); **Mary Lou Baker** (friend of Barbara Wilcox); **Holly Barker** (daughter of Becky Barker); **Ed Bishop** (father of Sue Thompkins); **Clint Blankenship** (son-in-law of Glenda & Bill Sanderson); **Stuart Coleman** (friend of Mary Israel); **David Denison** (brother of Ed Denison); **Margie Eblen** (daughter of Joe & Bobbie Eblen); **Sarah Fergusson Garcia** (daughter of Nancy Fergusson); **Bart Gardin** (cousin of Angela Taylor); **Billy Gentry** (brother of David Gentry); **Natt Hall** (brother of Nora Jones); **Judy Hinman** (sister of Barbara Wilcox); **Jackson Israel** (grandson of Mary Israel); **Maria Metakis** (friend of Nancy Ackermann-Cole); **Gail Purdy** (niece of Earlyn Hart); **Forrest Renfro** (grandson of Becky Barker); **Beverly Roberts** (cousin of Barbara Wilcox); **Jennifer Svenstrup** (friend of Paul & Vicki Vest); **Walker Webb** (grandson of Nora & Steve Jones); **Bonnie & Kelly Wiggen** (daughter & granddaughter of Nancy Remmers); **Alicia; Alyona** (friend of Jean & Doug Haldane); **Brian & Tara** (son-in-law & daughter of Shari Lane); **Julie** (daughter of Rita Spragg); **Elizabeth; Laurey; Rachel & Judah; Sue; Susan; Will; for those among us who are cold, hungry or homeless and for all people affected by our struggling economy.**

*For Those Who Have Died and Their Families:* **Patrick McKinsey** (father of Pat McKinsey); **LaGrange Dupree** (mother of Cuyler Dupree).

*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.**

*For Those in Service to Our Country:* **Mic Ball** (grandson of Judy & Ralph Morris); **Andrew Blackwell** (nephew of Ron & Jeanne Sims); **Stephen Grenier** (son-in-law of Jean & Doug Haldane); **Adam Hardesty** (grandson of Chal & Hugh Vaughn); **Austin Harrison** (grandson of Joan Sanderson); **Jon Holland** (parishioner); **Spencer & Erica High; Matthew Jackson** (son of Marcia Jackson); **Courtney Lattimore** (friend of Linda Nye); **Cliff Newton** (son of Betsy Schieber); **David Norris** (friend of Cal & Nancy Remmers); **Daniel Schultz** (son of Judy Rhodes); **Michael Sumner** (son of Nancy Porter); **Kevin Quinn; Karl Tenney** (nephew of Chuck & Barbara Wilcox); **Roscoe Woodard; Fr. Rick Tiff** (friend of Ray & Jeanne Robertson).

*For Our President Barack Obama and his Cabinet, for Congress, and for all elected and appointed officials.*

*For peace and resolution of conflict in the Middle East and throughout the world; for the people of Haiti; for those who bring rescue and relief and for raising world awareness.*

*For victims of the earthquake and tsunami in Japan and other areas.*

*For rain across the earth; for better stewardship of water.*

*For those in our country who have suffered from recent severe storms and flooding.*

## September Anniversaries

Jon and Bobbi Holland	1
Al and Julia Anne Dawson	2
John and Beth Woodson	7
Rusty and Evelyn Herman	8
Jarod and Molly Coffey	13
Mel and Straudia Luedtke	14
Ralph and Judy Morris	15
Monty Wooten and Cheryl Deyton	20
Eric and Karen Howell	25
Jamey and Linda Smith	27

## September Birthdays

1 John Cort	20 Evan Dahm
3 Zane Whitner	20 Joan Grimes
3 Beth Woodson	21 Pat Davis
4 Julia Anne Dawson	22 Paul Hacklander
4 Naomi Green	23 Glenn Haller
5 Marla Woeckener	24 Bailey Frue
7 Doris Rigsby	24 Cameron Frue
9 Evelyn Herman	24 Patricia Tweed
10 Bobbie Webster	25 Peggie Carey
11 Anna McKinsey	25 Pat Knappenberger
14 Rankin Bohan	26 Annika Brock
14 Alex Comfort	26 Haig Rudd
14 Charlie Scales	26 Rita Spragg
14 Mark Silvers	28 John Churchill
16 Emeline Scales	28 Fletcher Comer
17 Angie Cullen	28 Betsy Sherman
17 Patricia Hargrove	30 Don Martin
18 Bo Best	

## September Events at a Glance

<b>Bible Study Group – Weekly Gospel</b> <i>Mondays, 10:30 -11:30 a.m., LI</i>
<b>Early Birds Men’s Book Study</b> <i>Tuesdays, 8:00 a.m., LI</i>
<b>Centering Prayer</b> <i>Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m., LI</i>
<b>EYC</b> <i>Wednesdays, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m., St. Luke’s</i>
<b>Church Office Closed for Labor Day</b> <i>Monday, September 5</i>
<b>Generational Healing Eucharist</b> <i>Tuesday, September 6, 7:00 p.m., CH</i>
<b>Christian Discipleship – Acts of the Apostles</b> <i>Tuesdays, September 6 – October 25, 7:00 p.m., LI</i>
<b>Order of St. Luke Program Meeting</b> <i>Thursday, September 8, 6:30 p.m., PH</i>
<b>Steadfast House Meal</b> <i>Friday, September 9, 6:00 p.m.</i>
<b>LunchBunch</b> <i>Tuesday, September 13, 11:30 a.m.</i>
<b>Men of the Church</b> <i>Tuesday, September 13, 6:00 p.m.</i>
<b>Healing Prayer Services</b> <i>Tuesdays, September 13, 20, 27, 7:00 p.m., CH</i>
<b>Grace TEAM Meeting</b> <i>Wednesday, September 14, 11:00 a.m., Office</i>
<b>Room in the Inn</b> <i>Sunday – Saturday, September 18-24</i>
<b>Taizé Worship Service,</b> <i>Sunday, September 18, 8:00 p.m., CH</i>
<b>Vestry Meeting</b> <i>Monday, September 19, 5:30 p.m., LI</i>
<b>Daughters of the King</b> <i>Tuesday, September 20, 6:30 p.m.</i>
<b>Endowment Committee Meeting</b> <i>Wednesday, September 21, 5:00 p.m., LI</i>
<b>Pumpkin Unloading &amp; Cookout</b> <i>Sunday, October 2, 1:00 p.m.</i>
<b>Flea Market Set-Up &amp; Bring Your Items</b> <i>Tuesday – Friday, October 4-7</i>
<b>Flea Market Sale</b> <i>Saturday, October 8, 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.</i>

## Gifts for All of Us to Appreciate

The September Aumbry Candle is given to the Glory of God by Liz and Tom Barr in celebration of their marriage.

The flowers for September are given to the Glory of God by

Marion Mayfield-Johnson in memory of her husband Edward “Mack” Johnson;

Charlotte and Travers Chiott in loving memory of William Edward Nash;

Parishioners in prayerful remembrance of the September 11 tragedy ten years ago and of families who lost loved ones on that day;

Carol MacRae in recognition of the anniversary of Adele and Gordon MacRae;

Joanna and Scott Best in loving memory of Page Hinton Best and in celebration of the birthday of Boyd Hinton Best;

Mary Israel in loving memory of her father William F. Krause;

Dan Dupree in memory of his grandparents Louis and Mildred Gantt and Dan, Jr., and LaGrange Dupree and his uncle Dan Dupree, III;

Liz and Tom Barr in celebration of their fourth anniversary;

Mary Ann and Bill Warren in loving memory of Lucretia Rhodarmer Warren.



## Pledges Continue to Keep Pace with Budget

Pledges were up almost \$10,000, mainly because July had five Sundays. Still the year-to-date pledged income is almost the same positive variance of \$10,000. The main expense staying under budget is parish programs. That will increase slightly as we enter the fall. Operations are staying under budget, but personnel expenses, mainly because of insurance, are over budget.

Your Vestry

Statement of Activities - Grace Church			
Year to Date - July 2011			
	Actual	Budget	Over/ Under
<b>Income:</b>			
Pledges	228,335	218,750	9,585
Non-pledged Offerings	23,129	17,500	5,629
Open Offering	6,373	4,667	1,706
Interest	155	160	(5)
Misc.	8,995	10,675	(1,680)
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>266,987</b>	<b>251,752</b>	<b>15,235</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>			
Outreach/Mission	27,375	32,142	(4,767)
Parish Programs	6,045	11,089	(5,044)
Operations	32,075	36,838	(4,763)
Personnel	176,016	173,817	2,199
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>241,511</b>	<b>253,886</b>	<b>(12,375)</b>
<b>Income - Expense:</b>	<b>25,476</b>	<b>(2,133)</b>	<b>27,610</b>

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# September 2011

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# September 2011 Ministry Schedule

Date	Service Time	Acolyte C	Acolyte G	Acolyte E	Lector, Intercessor & Presenters	Healing Team	Ushers	Chalicians	Coffee Hour	Service Time	Date
<b>Sept. 4</b>											<b>Sept 4</b>
	7:45					Deb Gravatt	Ed Duncan	James Cannon		7:45	
	9:00	Zoe Davis	Alyssa Jones	Cuyler Dupree	L - Vicki Vest I - Hugh Vaughn P - Vest Family	Louise Wernicke Patricia Hargrove	Green Family	1. John Woodson 2. Greg Townsend	Micki Newton	9:00	
	11:15	Rusty McCredie	Bob Grimes	Sally Withers	L, I, P - Cynthia & Michael Nolan	Pat Davis Karen Compton	Ron Sims Bob Turner	1. Eric Howell 2. Bill Spencer	Georgi Bruce	11:15	
<b>Sept. 11</b>											<b>Sept . 11</b>
	7:45					Deb Gravatt	Steve Jones	James Cannon		7:45	
	9:00	Theda Rudd	Sadie Rudd	Cuyler Dupree	L - Cuyler Dupree I - Robert Green P - Green Family	Jane Whitman Jeanne Robertson	Jim Siemens Ray Kuykendall	1. Tom Bell 2. Alternate	Katherine Kaderabek	9:00	
	11:15	Mel Luedtke	Grace Miller	Lani Anderson	L, I, P - Charles Carter & Kimberly Kneier	Mary Israel Corinne Spencer	Ed Woechener John Churchill	1. Sally Coburn 2. Sally Withers	Peggy Grimes	11:15	
<b>Sept. 18</b>											<b>Sept. 18</b>
	7:45					Deb Gravatt	Andrew Dahm	Margaret Dahm		7:45	
	9:00	Sam Ellington	Moira Stewart	Louise Wernicke	L - Louise Wernicke I - Jeanne Robertson P - Jeanne & Ray Robertson	Pat Davis Jane Whitman	Vicki & Paul Vest	1. Carol Booth 2. George Davis	Paul Vest	9:00	
	11:15	Cheryl Aull	Bob Grimes	Eric Howell	L, I, P - Patricia Tweed & Elaine Potter	Karen Compton Rita Spragg	Henry Watts Paul Stewart	1. Bob Perry 2. Mary Cozine	Martha Boyette	11:15	
	Taizé 8:00 PM				L - Henry Watts I - James Cannon	Ingrid Adelsbach				Taizé 8:00 PM	
<b>Sept. 25</b>											<b>Sept. 25</b>
	7:45					Deb Gravatt	Jim Black	Jack Frue		7:45	
	9:00	Sam Ellington	Moira Stewart	Louise Wernicke	L Daphne Urquhart I - Paul Urquhart P - Daphne & Paul Urquhart	Jeanne Robertson Shari Lane	Kaderabek Family	1. Greg Townsend 2. Ann Robinson	Elaine Dephouse	9:00	
	11:15	Rusty McCredie	Mel Luedtke	Sally Withers	L, I, P - Nancy and Cal Remmers	Corinne Spencer Sonny Rawls	Elaine Potter Rusty Herman	1. Bill Warren 2. Michael Nolan	Merrell Gregory	11:15	

Date	Counters	Depositors
<b>September 4</b>	Joy Markey	James Cannon
<b>September 11</b>	Georgi Bruce	Judy Bohan
<b>September 18</b>	Sally Withers	Anne Simmons
<b>September 25</b>	Maryl Perkins	Anne Simmons

Date	Flower Arrangers	Altar Guild
<b>September 4</b>	Dawson, Cozine	<b>Group 1</b> - Sept. 3 - Sept. 9
<b>September 11</b>	Dawson, Cozine	<b>Group 2</b> - Sept. 10 - Sept. 16
<b>September 18</b>	Jones, Buchanan - Houston Van Wedding Clements	<b>Group 3</b> - Sept. 17 - Sept. 23
<b>September 25</b>	Jones, Buchanan	<b>Group 4</b> - Sept. 24 - Sept. 30