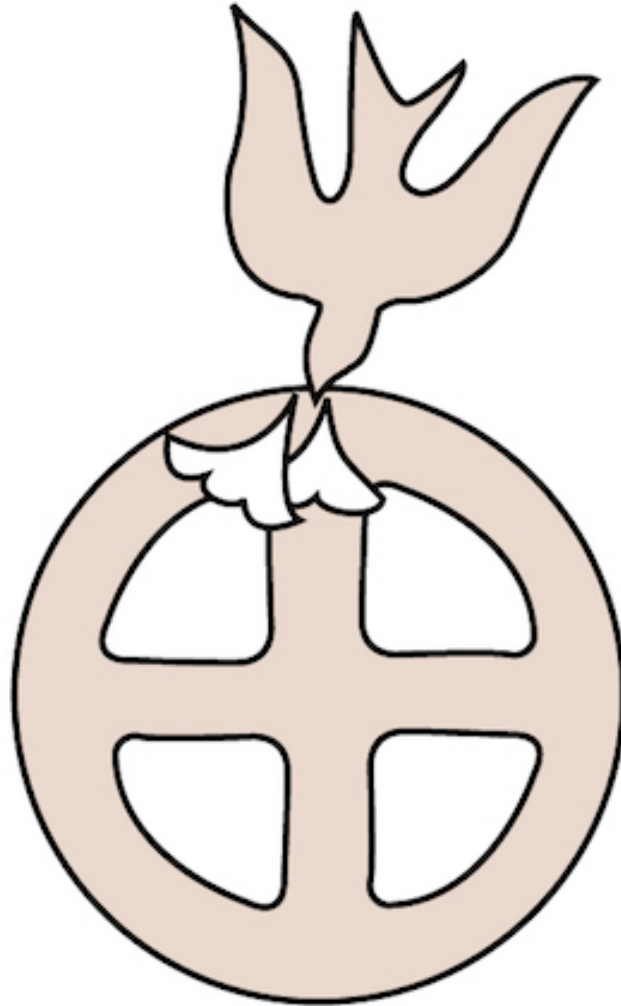


# ST. GREGORY THE GREAT EPISCOPAL CHURCH



OCTOBER 30, 2022  
LIVE STREAMED ON YOUTUBE

10:30AM

## SPIRITUAL COMMUNION \*

What happens when you are spiritually prepared and desire to receive communion, but can't?

Such a case is referenced by a paragraph in the 1979 Prayer Book:

*If a person desires to receive the Sacrament, but, by reason of extreme sickness or physical disability, is unable to eat and drink the Bread and Wine, the Celebrant is to assure that person that all the benefits of Communion are received, even though the Sacrament is not received with the mouth.*

A nation-wide shut down due to a pandemic fits, I'm sure we'll agree, with the words "by any other impediment" listed in the first Prayer Book. Our Lord will not cut us off from his grace. If we truly desire him, he will come to us, even if we cannot receive the Sacraments he has instituted so that we may receive his grace. This is not a new idea. St Thomas Aquinas, writing nearly 800 years ago, said:

*before receiving a sacrament, the reality of the sacrament can be had through the very desire of receiving the sacrament. Accordingly, before actual reception of this sacrament, a man can obtain salvation through the desire of receiving it, just as he can before Baptism through the desire of Baptism, as stated above (Summa, III.73.iii)*

Desiring to receive the spiritual grace of the Most Holy Eucharist (and being prevented from receiving it sacramentally) is known as Spiritual Communion. It is so very important to note that this gift is given to us when we cannot, for very good reason, be present at mass.

When you are watching a live-stream or recording of our liturgies, any of the following prayers may be said at the moment of communion when you would normally leave your pew and make your journey to the altar:

**In Union, dear Lord, with the faithful at every altar of Your Church where Your blessed Body and Blood are being offered to the Father, I desire to offer You praise and thanksgiving. I believe that You are present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to You, and embrace You with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from You. Let me live and die in Your love. Amen.**

*OR*

**Faithful God, in the wonder of your wisdom and love, you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels, and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life. Though I cannot physically consume these gifts of bread and wine, I thank you that I have received the sacrament of Christ's presence, the forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of Christ's passion. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may I embody your desire, and be renewed for your service, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen. (from *Enriching Our Worship 2*)**

*OR*

**"My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament.  
I love you above all things and I desire you with all my heart.  
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,  
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace you as if you were already in my heart  
and unite myself to you completely.  
Please do not let me ever be separated from you." (by St. Alphonsus Liguori)**

*\*Except where otherwise indicated, the whole of this article (with only very little amendment) is taken from the website of St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, where it was posted on April 5, 2020. No author was specified.*

THE HOLY VIRTUAL EUCHARIST  
The 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 26

THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Prelude**

*We invite you to please silence your cell phones and to enter worship in stillness, silence, and reverence during the Prelude, which begins our service.*

**Processional Hymn 546**

*Awake, my soul, stretch every nerve*

SIROË



1 A - wake, my soul, stretch ev - ery nerve, and press with vi - gor  
2 A cloud of wit - ness - es a - round hold thee in full sur -  
3 'Tis God's all - an - i - mat-ing voice that calls thee from on  
4 Then wake, my soul, stretch ev - ery nerve, and press with vi - gor



on; a heaven - ly race de - mands thy zeal, and  
vey; for - get the steps al - read - y trod and  
high; 'tis his own hand pre - sents the prize to  
on; a heaven - ly race de - mands thy zeal, and



an im - mor - tal crown, and an im - mor - tal crown.  
on - ward urge thy way, and on - ward urge thy way.  
thine as - pir - ing eye, to thine as - pir - ing eye.  
an im - mor - tal crown, and an im - mor - tal crown.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP 355

Celebrant: *Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 355

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
 King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
 take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
 on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most  
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the  
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## THE FIRST READING

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrong-doing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous— therefore judgment comes forth perverted. I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint. Then the Lord answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

*Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
Thanks be to God.*

## Psalm 119:137-144



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- 137 You are righteous, O / Lord, \*  
and upright are your / judgments.
- 138 You have issued your de-/crees \*  
with justice and in perfect / faithfulness.
- 139 My indignation has con-/sumed me, \*  
because my enemies forget your / words.
- 140 Your word has been tested to the / uttermost, \*  
and your servant holds it / dear.
- 141 I am small and of little ac-/count, \*  
yet I do not forget your com-/mandments.
- 142 Your justice is an everlasting / justice \*  
and your law is the / truth.
- 143 Trouble and distress have come u-/pon me, \*  
yet your commandments are my de-/light.
- 144 The righteousness of your decrees is ever-/lasting; \*  
grant me understanding, that I may / live.

## THE SECOND READING

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly, and the love of everyone of you for one another is increasing. Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and the afflictions that you are enduring. To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good resolve and work of faith, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

*Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
Thanks be to God.*

1 O thou who camest from above the fire ce-  
 2 There let it for thy glo-ry burn with ev-er-  
 3 Je-sus, con-firm my heart's de-sire to work, and  
 \* 4 Still let me prove thy per-fect will, my acts of

les-tial to im-part, kin-dle a flame of  
 bright, un-dy-ing blaze, and trem-bling to its  
 speak, and think for thee; still let me guard the  
 faith and love re-peat, till death thy end-less

sa-cred love up-on the al-tar of my heart.  
 source re-turn in hum-ble prayer and fer-vent praise.  
 ho-ly fire and still stir up the gift in me.  
 mer-cies seal, and make the sac-ri-fice com-plete.

## THE GOSPEL

Luke 19:1-10

Celebrant: *The Holy Gospel of our Savior, Jesus Christ, according to Luke.*People: **Glory to you, O Christ.**

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

*The Gospel of the Lord.*  
**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.*

THE SERMON: The Rev. Nikki Mathis

## THE NICENE CREED

BCP 358

*(said by all)*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the

Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, Form VI

BCP 392

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

**For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world; We pray for our President, Joseph, our Governor, Brian, and our Mayor, Kelly.

**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;

**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Rob, Paul, and Don, our Bishops; (...) and for all bishops and other ministers, priests, deacons, and clergy associates, especially Lin, Dutton, Carol, Ellen, Christina, & Nikki;

**For all who serve God in his Church.**

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray especially for (...)

Hear us, Lord;

**For your mercy is great.**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We give thanks for (...)

We will exalt you, O God our King;

**And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

**Who put their trust in you.**

*The Celebrant adds a Collect.*

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

BCP 360

*Celebrant:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Celebrant and People:* **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Celebrant:* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

*Celebrant:* The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### Offertory Anthem

*Psalm 150*

Cesar Franck

Alleluia.

O praise ye the Lord, praise God in his temple.  
O praise ye the Lord in the firmament of his pow'r.  
Praise him for His mighty acts, praise him for his mighty acts.  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord according to his majesty.  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord with the sound of the trumpet.  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord with the lute and the harp.  
Praise the Lord with the timbrel.  
Praise the Lord with the dance, with organ and strings.  
Praise the Lord for evermore.  
Praise him, praise him upon the loud cymbals,  
Praise him, praise him upon the highsounding cymbals.  
Let ev'rything that hath breath praise, praise the Lord,  
sing praise to the Lord.  
Alleluia!

### Presentation Hymn 380 v.3

*Doxology*

OLD 100<sup>TH</sup>

1 From all that dwell be - low the skies let  
2 E - ter - nal are thy mer - cies, Lord, and  
\*3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise  
the Cre - a - tor's praise a - rise! Let the Re - deem - er's  
truth e - ter - nal is thy word; thy praise shall sound from  
him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye  
Name be sung through ev - ery land, by ev - ery tongue!  
shore to shore till suns shall rise and set no more.  
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A

BCP 361

*The Lord be with you.*

**And also with you.**

*Lift up your hearts.*

**We lift them to the Lord.**

*Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. (*Here a Proper Preface may be said*)

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:





Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

\* Fraction Anthem S-164

*Jesus, Lamb of God*

Franz Schubert

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

1 Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face;  
 2 Here would I feed up - on the Bread of God;  
 3 I have no help but thine; nor do I need;  
 4 Mine is the sin, but thine the right - eous - ness;

here would I touch and han - dle things un - seen;  
 here drink with thee the roy - al Wine of heaven;  
 an - oth - er arm save thine to lean up - on;  
 mine is the guilt, but thine the cleans - ing Blood.

here grasp with firm - er hand e - ter - nal grace,  
 here would I lay a - side each earth - ly load,  
 it is e - nough, my Lord, e - nough in - deed;  
 Here is my robe, my re - fuge, and my peace;

and all my wea - ri - ness up - on thee lean.  
 here taste a - fresh the calm of sin for - given.  
 my strength is in thy might, thy might a - lone.  
 thy Blood, thy right - eous - ness, O Lord, my God.

## SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

Enriching Our Worship 2

Faithful God, in the wonder of your wisdom and love, you fed your people in the wilderness with the bread of angels, and you sent Jesus to be the bread of life. Though I cannot physically consume these gifts of bread and wine, I thank you that I have received the sacrament of Christ's presence, the forgiveness of sins, and all other benefits of Christ's passion. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may I embody your desire, and be renewed for your service, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

## POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

BCP 365

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE BLESSING

## Recessional Hymn 488

## Be thou my vision

SLANE

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;  
 3 High King of hea - ven, when vic - tory is won,

all else be nought to me, save that thou art—  
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
 may I reach hea - ven's joys, bright hea - ven's Sun!

thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
 thou my great Fa - ther; thine own may I be;  
 Heart of my heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
 thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.  
 still be my vis - ion, O Ru - ler of all.

## THE DISMISSAL

Deacon: *Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.*  
People: **Thanks be to God.**

## Prelude



## Prayers of the People

**In our Parish** we pray for Sue Bush, Janice Rusk, Susan Williams, Dan Williams, Amy Watkins, Pat MacKinnon, Dick MacKinnon, Ali Elyaman, Ben Barkdoll, Don Downie, Olivia Carlisle, Angie Defalco, Stephanie Gamble, Ken Packer, Kay, Ben, Mobley, Scott, Lynn, and Pete.

**In thanksgiving for those celebrating their birthday this week:** Marie Boyle, Allison Weaver, Ellen Gibson, David Lowe, Simeon Bjork, Peggy Herrman, and Diane Barret; **and for those celebrating anniversaries:** Britt & Adrienne Freeman.

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*The people listed here are prayed for by name at each Sunday service. To request prayer for yourself or someone else, please call the office (706-546-7553). If at the beginning of the next month the person needs to remain on the list, please call and give the office an update.*

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## TODAY

### INGATHERING SUNDAY

You should have received your pledge letter and pledge card in the mail. Today is Ingathering Day for our pledges! We will joyfully and thankfully give to our church to do God's work with the gifts He has provided. Remember to bring your pledge cards to place in the basket at the altar. If you can't make it to church next week, you can mail in your pledge card or pledge online here:

<https://onrealm.org/stgregoryathens/-/form/pledge/generalpledges2023>

### TRUNK -or- TREAT & HALLOWEENIE ROAST | 5-7:30PM

Come join the St. Gregory's family as we share in a fun fellowship for the Halloween season. We have 14 trunks committed for the evening, which is a wonderful response. Please Know: you do not have to provide a trunk to participate. Come on out and celebrate the evening with us. We do ask, if you can, to bring some sort of side dish or dessert of choice to add to the weenie roast. The Children's Ministry of the church will provide the hot dogs, buns, drinks, and supplies to make S'Mores.

A few other things to remember:

- This is a great opportunity to invite friends/neighbors of all ages to join us for a time of fun and fellowship.
- We will eat first; then have Trunk-or-Treat; then gather around our imaginary campfire in the parish hall to hear stories and sing some Halloween songs.
- All are encouraged to bring a pumpkin - carved or painted - for our "Parish Pumpkin Patch Pageant."
- If it rains, we will change the Trunk-or-Treat to an indoors Table-or-Treat.
- We are still trying to be inclusive of children with peanut allergies, so please, no peanut products.
- If you are bringing chocolate that may have been produced in a facility with peanuts, please make sure that it is separated from other candy prior to distributing to our trunk-or-treaters.

Thank you to everyone who committed to decorating a trunk and providing goodies. Hope to see you tonight.

*Doug Adkins*

## THIS WEEK

### LABYRINTH | OCT. 31 - NOV. 5

You are invited to walk St. Gregory's Labyrinth in the parish hall Monday, October 31 through Saturday November 5 in honor and remembrance of All Saint's Day and All Soul's Day. The labyrinth offers you the opportunity to "put feet on your prayers." Experience a walking meditation that connects your mind, body and spirit.

## **NEEDED: CHILDREN'S CLOTHES | NOW - NOV. 6**

One of St. Gregory's annual Outreach projects is sponsoring the parish-wide clothes drive to support our neighbor, Barnett Shoals Elementary. Your donations will replenish the following prioritized items most needed for the school's clothes closet.

- boys' pants/sweatpants/shorts - all sizes, from youth XS through L
- girls' pants/shorts/leggings - all sizes, from youth XS through L
- boys' and girls' underwear - youth sizes XS (4-5), S (5-6), and M (7-8)
- boys' and girls' shirts - youth sizes XS – M (can include t-shirts that come in multi-packs, not necessarily gendered)

Donations will be collected through **Sunday, November 6**, in the box located in the lobby of Parish Hall. If you have questions, contact Rhonda Packer in person or @ [packer.rhonda@gmail.com](mailto:packer.rhonda@gmail.com).

## **THANKSGIVING FOOD COLLECTION for FOOD BANK | NOW - NOV. 13**

Please take a paper grocery bag with a shopping list attached, fill it with the items requested by the Food Bank for their clients' Thanksgiving dinners, and return it to St. Gregory's any weekday or Sunday through November 13th. We have missed doing this the last few years due to Covid; but we have an opportunity once again to support this important ministry in our community. If you need assistance with shopping or pick up of your purchases, call Marge Massey, 706-255-2145. Thank you. *"If you are generous with the hungry and start giving yourselves to the down-and-out, your lives will begin to glow in the darkness, your shadowed lives will be bathed in sunlight."* Isaiah 58:10 MSG Bible

## **ALTAR OF REMEMBRANCE & MEMORIAL GARDEN | OCT. 24 - NOV. 5/6**

*Rest eternal, grant unto them, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon them.*

All Saint's Day is the time in the liturgical year when we pause to celebrate the lives of those saints who have gone before us; loved ones who made us who we are today. All parish families are invited to place the names their departed loved ones, small photos, and other mementos on this altar, which will be in Parish Hall. Candles will be available for prayerful lighting.

Lane Norton will also place votive candles in our Memorial Garden, They will be there 10/23-11/6 for anyone who may like to come and light a candle in memory of someone. There are matches provided in a ziplock bag for you to use. Please remember to extinguish the candle(s) before you leave.

## **COMING UP ...**

### **FEAST OF ALL SAINTS | SUNDAY, NOV. 6**

Sunday, November 6, we will celebrate the Holy Eucharist and Feast of All Saints at both services, with a baptism at the 10:30AM service.

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING | SUNDAY, NOV. 6**

The Finance Committee will meet on Sunday, Nov. 6 right after the 10:30AM service. All interested parishioners are welcome to attend. We meet the Sunday before the monthly Vestry meetings (which are the 2nd Tuesday of the month) in Parish Hall.

### **BROWN BAG LECTURE | MONDAY, NOV. 7**

#### **Managing the Aging Journey**

Presented by Robin Lacrimosa, Life Care Coordinator. This session is for those who are determining how they will manage their elder care journey or for those who are supporting others in making these decisions. Topics include: home health care, aging in place, assisted living, long-term care, veteran's pension benefits, Medicare, and Medicaid. Monday, November 7th, 11:30 am - 1:30 pm. Parish Hall. *Bring a bag lunch, if you'd like!*

## **NOTES**

### **FAMILY PROMISE REPORT**

St. Gregory's Family Promise week was October 16-22. Family Promise (formerly IHN) is fortunate to have a static site at Milledge Avenue Baptist Church, which means that all families in the program who need housing stay at this site. During our assigned week, our church served along with First A.M.E. Three families were served during the week, including 11 people, 7 of whom were children. Two of these families soon will be in apartments of their own, thanks to Family Promise. In the last month, Family Promise helped to prevent the loss of housing for several other families.

Special thanks for our week go to: Diane Barret, Jennifer and Mary Anne Caplinger, Tina Carlson, Ruth-Elizabeth Conine-Nakano, Jennifer Marquardt, Jamaica Miller, Rhonda Packer and Ellen Richardson. These giving people made meals, served as evening hosts and provided gift cards for the families. We will be given three weeks in 2023 to serve and you will be able to mark your calendars so that you can join in this ministry. For more information about Family Promise check their website [www.familypromiseathens.org](http://www.familypromiseathens.org) or contact Annette Bates at [bateskannette@gmail.com](mailto:bateskannette@gmail.com) or 706-255-5839.

### **CALL FOR NEW ARTWORK FOR CARD MINISTRY**

Saint Gregory's is blessed with many artists of all ages and we are looking for new artwork for our 2023 cards. The Card Ministry sends cards to members of the congregation who are bereaved, in need of encouragement due to illness or circumstance, and for birthdays for folks 70 and older and 18 and under. If you have a work of art that you would like to share please send a jpeg file to Jenifer Borg. We will choose a two images for each category for 2023. Images should be photographed and submitted at 300 dpi. The deadline is 11/20/22. We look forward to seeing your artwork!

Email to [jeniferaborg@aol.com](mailto:jeniferaborg@aol.com)

Please put Card Ministry Submission 2023 in the subject line.

Include your name, the title of the artwork, the dimensions of the work in the email.

Attach your jpeg file, 300 dpi . Please email submissions by Nov. 20, 2022.

### **THE ALTAR GUILD NEEDS YOU!**

The altar guild is looking for new volunteers! You will be trained! Please contact Barbara Dean at 706-354-4269 or [bdean70020@gmail.com](mailto:bdean70020@gmail.com).

### **BLINDSPOT GROUP CHAT**

If you're in your 20s or 30s and would like to stay up to date on events for your age group please reach out to Wade McGlamery, 770-624-4837, to join our group chat.

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Readers: Stacie Court (8AM)  
Roger Schwenke (10:30AM)  
EMs: David Stooksbury & Karen Hankins  
Crucifer: Wade McGlamery  
Torches: Jeffery Ross & Porter Welch

Flowers: Lane Norton  
Altar Guild: Barbara Dean, Jenifer Marquardt, David Lowe  
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