

Grace Episcopal Church
107 S. Prospect Street
Galena, Illinois 61036

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 1, 2024
10:30am Eucharist



Welcome to Grace Church

It is, as always, a pleasure to worship together today. Your presence is valued whether this is your first time at Grace or whether you are a regular attendee. Please be aware that we are live streaming this service on YouTube. Restrooms are located up the ramp on the left side of the sanctuary, through the double doors, and to the right.

Ministers of the Service

Rev. Dr. Paula Harris, *Celebrant*
Steve Coates, *Lector*
Donna Davis, *Acolyte*
Greg Serwich, *Chalice Bearer*
Georgia Hansen, *Vestry Coordinator*
Maren Coates, *Greeter*
Lynn Giles & Michele Sullivan, *Sound/Livestream Tech*

Robin French, *Music Director*
Nancy Cook/Joy von Wolffersdorff,
Erben Organists
Ann Berry & Amy Hardwicke,
Altar Guild
Karen & Greg Serwich, *LEMs*

We are observing the Season of Creation, September 1 through October 6. It is an exploration of God our Creator, with thematic Bible readings, preaching, and Eucharistic Prayer C from the Book of Common Prayer. Episcopalians believe in science, and many of us have ecological commitments, but the Season of Creation is actually focused on spirituality: our ideas about God, what scripture says about earth, and the implications for humanity and animals.

The Service of the Word

Prelude

Adagio

Pieter Nardini

Please stand as the bell rings.

Opening Hymn

412: Earth and All Stars

Welcome

BCP 355

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

All: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Gloria

Glory to God; Hughes/White

The image shows a musical score for the Gloria, consisting of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The time signature is 6/8. The lyrics are: "Glo-ry to God in the high-est, He is the might-y King, Mas-ter of ever-y thing, The cap-tain of my soul, The u-ni-".

verse con - trol, God is the one true ex - pres - sion of life. ___

He's the cre - a - tor, A great cre - a - tor,

Hea - ven and earth His great - ness pro - claim. ___

The cap - tain of my _ soul, The u - ni verse con - trol,

Ho - nor and ma - jes - ty se - cond to none. ___

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The Collect

Celebrant: God be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

God of unchangeable power, when you fashioned the world the morning stars sang together and the host of heaven shouted for joy; open our eyes to the wonders of creation and teach us to use all things for good, to the honor of your glorious name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Please be seated.

First Reading

Genesis 1:1-25

Lector: A reading from the Book of Genesis.

¹In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ²the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." ⁷So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. ⁸God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. ¹⁰God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. ¹²The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. ¹³And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. ¹⁶God made the two great lights — the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night — and the stars. ¹⁷God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the

earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." ²¹So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. ²²God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." ²³And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. ²⁵God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 33:1-9

¹Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous.

Praise befits the upright.

²Praise the LORD with the lyre;

make melody to him with the harp of ten strings.

³Sing to him a new song;

play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

⁴For the word of the LORD is upright,

and all his work is done in faithfulness.

⁵He loves righteousness and justice;

the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD.

⁶By the word of the LORD the heavens were made,

and all their host by the breath of his mouth.

⁷He gathered the waters of the sea as in a bottle;

he put the deeps in storehouses.

⁸Let all the earth fear the LORD;

let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him.

⁹For he spoke, and it came to be;

he commanded, and it stood firm.

Second Reading

Romans 1:18-23

Lector: A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans.

¹⁸For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and wickedness of those who by their wickedness suppress the truth. ¹⁹For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. ²⁰Ever since the creation of the world his eternal power and divine nature, invisible though they are, have been understood and seen through the things he has made. So they are without excuse; ²¹for though they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their senseless minds were darkened. ²²Claiming to be wise, they became fools; ²³and they exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling a mortal human being or birds or four-footed animals or reptiles.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand.

Sequence Hymn

Bell

1. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
2. I will al - ways bless the Lord, praise His name and love His word.
3. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Hum - ble folk will fill with joy, as in God I glo - ry.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Gospel

John 1:1-14

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

All: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the

darkness did not overcome it.

⁶There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. ⁸He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. ⁹The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

¹⁰He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. ¹¹He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. ¹²But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, ¹³who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

¹⁴And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

Presider: The Gospel of the Savior.

All: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Please be seated.

The Sermon

Mother Paula Harris

We keep a brief moment of silence after the sermon.

Please stand.

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

Celebrant: Let us affirm our faith.

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

BCP 388

Celebrant: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Lector: Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy

All: Hear our prayer.

Lector: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord, in your mercy

All: Hear our prayer.

Lector: Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy
All: Hear our prayer.

Lector: Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Lord, in your mercy
All: Hear our prayer.

Lector: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray for those listed on our prayer board ...

Lord, in your mercy
All: Hear our prayer.

Lector: We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy
All: Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

Confession of Sin

BCP 360

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

Silence.

**All: 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 our Savior 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.

All: Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

All may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Please be seated.

Announcements

Thanksgiving for the birthdays of: Tom Van Gelder

Thanksgiving for the anniversary of: Ann & Bill Shepard

**All: Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase;
bless and guide them wherever they may be.
Strengthen them when they stand;
comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful;
raise them up if they fall;
and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding
abide all the days of their lives;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Holy Eucharist

In the Episcopal Church, all who claim the name Christian are welcome to share in Holy Communion. If you do not wish to receive, you are still welcome to come to the altar and cross your arms over your chest and receive a blessing.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Offertory Sentence

Celebrant: O Lord our God, you are worthy to receive glory and honor and power; because you have created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being. *Revelation 4:11*

Offertory

The Creation

James Weldon Johnson

*Robin French, Kathy Jo Gutsell, Terry Gutsell,
Michael French, Barbara Ramlow, Bill French, Jim French*

Credit: From God's Trombones by James Weldon Johnson, Copyright 1927 The Viking Press, Inc.

James Weldon Johnson, born in Florida in 1871, was a national organizer for the NAACP and an author of poetry and nonfiction. Perhaps best known for the song "Lift Every Voice and Sing," he also wrote several poetry collections and novels, often exploring racial identity and the African American folk tradition.

Please stand.

Eucharistic Prayer C

BCP 369

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

All: Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant: At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

All: By your will they were created and have their being.

Celebrant: From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

All: Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Celebrant: Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

**All: By his blood, he reconciled us.
By his wounds, we are healed.**

Celebrant: And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus

WLP 852: Holy, Holy, Holy; Roberts

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of pow - er and might, Heav'n and

earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Blessed is the one who comes in the

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est." The word "est." is written below a long note in the treble clef staff.

Please continue standing or kneel.

Celebrant: And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

All: **We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.**

Celebrant: Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

All: **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Celebrant: Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

All: **Amen.**

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
All: 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,
forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Silence

Fraction Anthem

WLP 875: Be Known to Us, Lord Jesus; James

Cantor or Choir

Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, } in the
The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus }

1. *Congregation* | 2. *Cantor or Choir*

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The dis -

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Congregation

mun - ion of the bod - y of Christ. Be
The dis -

known to us, Lord Je - sus, } in the break - ing of the
ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus }

Cantor or Choir
 bread. One bod - y are we, al - le - lu - ia, for though

Congregation
 man - y we share one bread. Be known to us, Lord
The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord

Je - sus, } in the break - ing of the bread.
Je - sus }

Invitation

Celebrant: So come to this table,
 You who have much faith
 and you who would like to have more;
 you who have been here often
 and you who have not been for a long time;
 you who have tried to follow Jesus,
 and you who have failed;
 Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the people of God.

Instrumental Communion Music

Erben Organ

Communion Hymn

416: For the Beauty of the Earth

Communion Hymn

516: Come Down, O Love Divine

Please stand.

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 366

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**All: Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

Sending the Eucharistic Ministers

Celebrant: In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

**All: We who are many are one Body, because we all share in one bread,
one cup.**

Blessing

Celebrant: Holy eternal Creator,
Holy incarnate Word,
Holy abiding Spirit,
Bless you for evermore.

All: Amen.

Recessional Hymn

580: God Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens

Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Deep Peace
Robin and Family

Rutter/French

Announcements

*Find additional information in Grace Happenings, our weekly email newsletter sent every Friday. To subscribe, send a request to gracesec@gracegalena.org.
The deadline for announcements is noon on Tuesdays. Thank You!*

Altar Flowers Were Given by – Amy Hardwicke

Social Hour Treats – Greg Anderson

Restoring the Erben Organ – We have completed fundraising towards the goal of \$25,000 for historic repairs, cleaning, and revoicing our 1838 Erben Organ. Thank you to everyone who contributed! The specialty organ repair firm has extensive orders, so although the Vestry signed the contract and made a deposit earlier in 2024, the actual repairs are to be scheduled around February 2025.

Choir Rehearsals Return – Grace Choir's summer hiatus is coming to a close and we give many thanks to the solos and ensembles who have provided our special music during the Choir's break. Rehearsals will begin on September 7 at 10am in the sanctuary. If you are a person in the pews who has figured out that we're a good group of people to make music with and you'd like to be a part of us, please join us on September 7, or talk to me and I'll set your fears at ease and very gently attempt to persuade you. – Robin French

Deacons: Expansive Ministry for this Moment – Zoom Panel Session hosted by Episcopal Parish Network – Deacons are a bridge between the church and the world - connecting the sacred and secular in ways unique to those called to this ministry. Our members are of and live in the outside world, and their ministry is ideally suited to those who hunger for a deeper connection with their neighbors and with God. In this session on September 10 at 2pm, our panel will discuss how deacons can help connect parish ministry to the world. Register at www.episcopalparishes.org/upcoming-workshops.

House Blessing – One year ago, the week of September 15, Mother Paula started serving at Grace Church. By now, our house is off the truck. Our moving boxes are unpacked. Our trees and shrubs are planted, if still in their first “sleeping” year. You’re invited to visit at Paula and Guta’s new home, 4 Persimmon Dr. Galena, IL, Saturday September 14. House blessing service at 2:15 pm. Open house 2-5 pm, with a mezze menu.

If housewarming gifts come to mind, please make donations in our honor to the Galena Food Pantry or Doctors without Borders work in Gaza.

(P.S. We have a hill and gravel path to our front door. If you’re not a spry walker, here are options. If you’d like to climb the indoor stairs with a handrail, call 608-345-6479

when you arrive and we'll open the garage and show you through. Or you're welcome to drive an AWD vehicle up the gravel path to the front porch and climb the one porch step. Afterwards, please have the driver park on the street so others can drive the hill, thanks.)

Clergy Conferences – Mother Paula will be attending conferences focused on clergy wellness September 17-23 and evening of September 29 - October 1. Sunday Sept. 22, Lynn Giles will officiate at Morning Prayer and Thom Dennis will preach. In case of emergencies, contact Jr. Warden Eric Kallback 630-297-5834 or Mother Paula at 608-345-6479.

Blessing Pets and Other Animals – Sunday, October 6, we will hold church at the Berry's Farm, in honor of the Feast of St Francis (the patron saint of ecology). WildBerry Farm, 6502 IL Rt. 84 South, Hanover, IL 61041. Plan to bring your favorite animal companions (appropriately restrained for visiting a barn). A child who has no animal may still have a stuffed one who is important. If you have an animal in your life who is actually wild or a little bit wild, just bring a picture.

Coffee hour that day will be a potluck finger (and paw) food only, because there are no ovens, microwaves or other kitchen equipment in the barn. See the sign up sheet at church.

Save the Date: Screening of *The Philadelphia Eleven* – Sunday, October 20 at 2pm in Parish Hall

Diocesan Convention – The 187th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago will be held Saturday, November 23, 2024, as a virtual gathering on Zoom. Convention is the annual business meeting of the diocese, during which we elect leaders, consider resolutions and hear reports from across the diocese and the wider church. General attendees and visitors are invited to observe the proceedings online on YouTube (www.youtube.com/@EpiscopalDioceseofChicago/featured), and no registration is needed to attend as a guest.

Ongoing Happenings at Grace:

Sunday Social Hour – Join us for a time of fellowship each Sunday after service. The sign-up sheet for hosting is posted near the coffee pots.

Monday Poetry Meeting, 2:00 pm – Meets at various outdoor locations during summer and via Zoom during winter. Contact: Carol Poston, poston@sxu.edu or 815-777-0220.

Tuesday Service of Compline, 8:30 pm – Via Zoom, link in the weekly e-news. Contact: Lynn Giles, 815-757-2011

Wednesday Morning Service, 8:00 am – Worship in the Chapel and hear stories of saints’ lives. The group continues afterwards with breakfast at a local restaurant.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study, 10:00 am – Lectionary study in the Conference Room and via Zoom, link in the weekly e-news. Contact: Greg Serwich, 312-933-6228. *Note: Bible Study in on summer break. Meetings will resume September 4th.*

Thursday Yarn Ministry, 1:30-2:30 pm – Meets in the Conference Room. Contact: Meg Gibbs 708-421-1512. *Note: This ministry is on summer break. Meetings will return on September 12.*

Friday Centering Prayer, 9:00 am – Via Zoom, link in the weekly e-news.

Ministry of Care – Provides short term congregational support (rides, meals, errands, etc.) during a time of need and helps connect people to agencies for long term support. Contact: Bonnielynn Kreiser, 815-777-1468 or 815-291-9005.

Servants Through Prayer – A small group committed to praying the Grace Prayer List at least 5 times per week. We pray anytime, anywhere, and meet quarterly to update the list. Contact: Debbie Kallback, 630-297-3195.

Outreach Ministry – Provides ways for parishioners to help and support others in need, benefitting people locally and globally, through the distribution of available funds and by doing hands-on projects whenever possible. Meets on the fourth Tuesday morning of each month. Contact: Karlyn Van Gelder, 563-542-2304.

Altar Guild – Sets the Communion table for Sunday, Wednesday and occasional holiday services; assists the clergy behind the scenes; and handles other church duties pertaining to the Seasons of the church. Contact: Ann Berry, 815-777-1107 or 815-541-6119.

Prayers of the People

Please include the following concerns during worship today and throughout the week:

For Our Outreach Partners: Opening Doors; Glory Parish in the Diocese of Renk, South Sudan; La Santa Cruz Parish in the Diocese of Southeast Mexico; the United Thank Offering; the Galena ARC; the United Churches Food Pantry; Episcopal Relief and Development; Shelter Care Ministries; and Dubuque Rescue Mission.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Paula, our Diocesan Bishop; Paula, our Rector; and all members of Grace Church.

We pray for those who are sick or in need: Connie Bennett, Kevin Beuge, Emery

Beyer, Teresa Burke, Bob Burton, Kathy Buttell, Margaret Carlisle, Ginny Christopherson, Shawn Crossley, Pete Doering, Ron Doser, John and Duncan Douglas, Matthew Dowe, Al Elsbree, Carmen Ferguson, Jennie Fjelde, Olivia Gilbert, Ezryn “Ezzy” Gotautis, Adeline Hanson, Kristi L, Richard Luther, Alice & Joe Maffit, Liam Malone, JoAnn Mikelson, Mary Nelson, Mady & Don Norman, Tony Packard, Stefanie Penoyer, Larry Poston, Doug Rector, Warren Schaller, Melody Serwich, Lori Severtson, Jennifer Stienstra, Steve Symons, Pat Terry, Casey Walters, Joe Watts, Jim Webster, Vicki Whitesell, Abby, Andrea, Maria, and Mina.

We give thanks for the many blessings we have received: those who serve in the military; all essential workers and their families; those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries; and all who worship in this place & those who have not yet walked through these doors.

We pray for those who have died, Pam Ohms and Robert Marsh, and for the anniversary of the deaths of: Raymond DuBord, Jr., Minnette M. Carr, Rev. George Nelson, Daisy DuBord, and John R. Bell.



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