

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

Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
November 10, 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

The Rev. Dr. Paula Harris, *Celebrant*
Steve Coates, *Lector*
Donna Davis, *Acolyte*
Bonnielynn Kreiser, *Chalice Bearer*
Carl Davis, *Vestry Coordinator*
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Robin French, *Music Director*
Nancy Cook/Joy von Wolfersdorff,
Erben Organists
Debbie Kallback & Cindy
Blakemore, *Altar Guild*
Bonnielynn & Kim Kreiser, *LEMs*

The Service of the Word

Prelude

Prelude

Theodore Kullak

Please stand as the bell rings.

Opening Hymn

All Are Welcome, v.1-3



1. Let us build a house where love can dwell and
2. Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, and
3. Let us build a house where love is found in
4. Let us build a house where hands will reach be -
5. Let us build a house where all are named, their



all can safe - ly live. A place where saints and
words are strong and true. Where all God's chil - dren
wa - ter, wine and wheat; A ban - quet hall on
yond the wood and stone, To heal and strength - en,
songs and vi - sions heard And loved and treas - ured,



chil - dren tell how hearts learn to for -
dare to seek to dream God's reign a -
ho - ly ground, where peace and jus - tice
serve and teach, and live the Word they've
taught and claimed as words with - in the



give. Built of hopes and dreams and vi - sions, rock of
new. Here the cross shall stand as wit - ness and as
meet. Here the love of God, through Je - sus, is re -
known. Here the out - cast and the stran - ger bear the
Word. Built of tears and cries and laugh - ter, prayers of



faith and vault of grace, Here the love of Christ shall
 sym - bol of God's grace; Here as one we claim the
 vealed in time and space, As we share in Christ the
 im - age of God's face, Let us bring an end to
 faith and songs of grace. Let this house pro - claim from



end di - vi - sions:
 faith of Je - sus;
 feast that frees us;
 fear and dan - ger:
 floor to raft - er: } All are wel - come, all are wel - come,



all are wel - come in this place.

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Welcome

EOW 50

Celebrant: Blessed be God.

All: **For ever and ever. Amen.**

Gloria

Glory to God; Hughes/White



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,

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Music: Frank E. White
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The Collect

EOW 51

Celebrant: God be with you.
All: And also with you.
Celebrant: Let us pray.

Holy Wisdom, in your loving kindness you created and restored us when we were lost: inspire us with your truth, that we may love you with our whole minds and run to you with open hearts, through Christ our Savior.

All: Amen.

Please be seated.

First Reading

1 Kings 17:8-16

Lector: A reading from the first book of Kings.

⁸The word of the Lord came to [Elijah,] saying, ⁹“Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” ¹⁰So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink.” ¹¹As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” ¹²But she said, “As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die.” ¹³Elijah said to her, “Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth.” ¹⁵She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 146

¹Hallelujah!

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

²Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth,
for there is no help in them.

³When they breathe their last, they return to earth,
and in that day their thoughts perish.

⁴Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help!
whose hope is in the Lord their God;

⁵Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them;
who keeps his promise for ever;

⁶Who gives justice to those who are oppressed,
and food to those who hunger.

⁷The Lord sets the prisoners free;
the Lord opens the eyes of the blind;
the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

⁸The Lord loves the righteous;
the Lord cares for the stranger;
**he sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.**

⁹The Lord shall reign for ever,
**your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.
Hallelujah!**

Second Reading

Hebrews 9:24-28

Lector: A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

²⁴Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. ²⁵Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; ²⁶for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. ²⁷And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, ²⁸so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

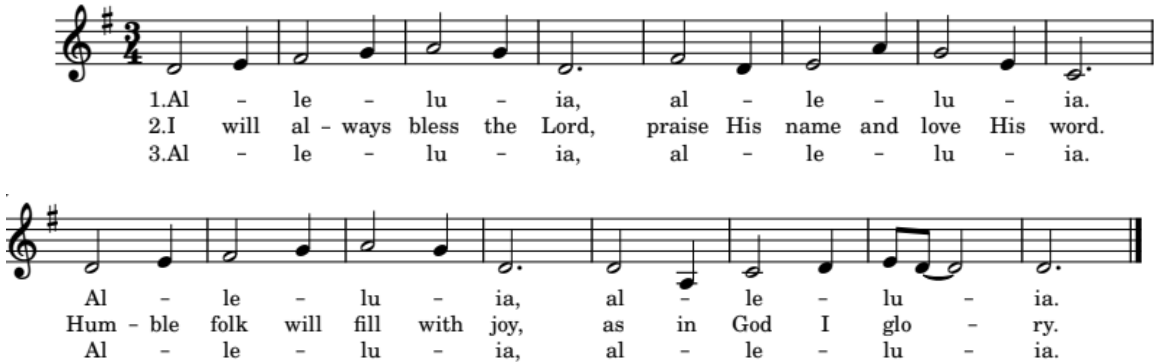
Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

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

Mark 12:38-44

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.

All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

³⁸As [Jesus] taught, he said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, ³⁹and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! ⁴⁰They devour widows’ houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.”

⁴¹He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴²A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. ⁴³Then he called his disciples and said to them, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. ⁴⁴For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of our 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

EOW 53

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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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

Celebrant: As we prepare to bring our gifts to the altar, let us raise our voices in prayer and praise, thanking God for the opportunity to walk in love together.

Lector: I ask your prayers for the Church, God's greatest gift to us. For all who worship and serve this day. For the wisdom and teaching of our laypeople, bishops, priests, and deacons. As Christ loved us,

All: We walk in love.

Lector: I bid your prayers for our Nation and for all nations; for all refugees, for an end to hostilities, for a spirit of Goodwill. We pray for our citizens as we elect leaders, and for leaders who serve with love. As Christ loved us,

All: We walk in love.

Lector: I ask your prayers for our neighbors, for the mission of our church and the ways we change the world with our gifts. As Christ loved us,

All: We walk in love.

Lector: I invite your prayers for those who are sick, who are isolated, who are in despair. We pray for caregivers and healers who care for those we love. Please pray for those on our parish prayer list, and who we name now either silently or aloud ... As Christ loved us,

All: We walk in love.

Lector: I ask your prayers for the dead and the dying, and for those who mourn. We pray for all those we name now in our hearts. As Christ loved us,

All: We walk in love.

Lector: I invite your celebrations, remembrances, and the naming of our many blessings, innumerable and filled with Grace. May we be inspired to share our wealth, works, and wisdom with our neighbors and our Church as Christ loved us,

All: We walk in love.

Celebrant: Hear the prayers of your people, O God, and inspire us with gratitude and abundance as we share our many gifts with You and the world You made.

All: Amen.

Confession of Sin

EOW 56

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

Silence.

Please continue standing or kneel.

**All: God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of 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 Christ be always with you.

All: And also with you.

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

Please be seated.

Announcements

Stewardship

Amy Hardwicke

Thanksgiving for the birthdays of:

Alex Kerkhoven, Carol Peterson, and
Cathie Elsbree

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.

Link to online giving via PayPal:



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

BCP 376

Celebrant: Walk in love,
All: As Christ loved us.

Offertory

In This Very Room
Melanie Hoffman, trumpet

Ron & Carol Harris

Please stand.

Eucharistic Prayer 2

EOW 60

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: We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God,
source of life abundant.

From before time you made ready the creation.
Your Spirit moved over the deep
and brought all things into being:
sun, moon, and stars;
earth, winds, and waters;
and every living thing.
You made us in your image,
and taught us to walk in your ways.
But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away;
and yet, as a mother cares for her children,
you would not forget us.
Time and again you called us
to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels
in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity,
lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing (say):

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

name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Please continue standing or kneel.

Celebrant: Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.
 To deliver us from the power of sin and death
 and to reveal the riches of your grace,
 you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant,
 that she might conceive and bear a son,
 Jesus the holy child of God.
 Living among us, Jesus loved us.
 He broke bread with outcasts and sinners,
 healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor.
 He yearned to draw all the world to himself
 yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.
 Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross
 the sacrifice of his life,
 and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us,
Jesus was at table with his friends.
He took bread, gave thanks to you,
broke it, and gave it to them, and said:
“Take, eat:
This is my Body, which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”
As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine.
Again, he gave thanks to you,
gave it to them, and said:
“Drink this, all of you:
This is my Blood of the new Covenant,
which is poured out for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation,
and remembering Christ, crucified and risen,
who was and is and is to come,
we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine,
and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts
that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ.
Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth
and make us your new creation,
the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us,
with all your saints,
from every tribe and language and people and nation,
to feast at the banquet prepared
from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
to you be honor, glory, and praise,
for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**All: Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. 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*

break - ing of the bread. Be bread. The
The dis -

bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia, Is the com -

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

656: Blest Are the Pure in Heart

Communion Hymn

WLP 831: Ubi Caritas

U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,
Ai - a nō e loa'a ke a - lo - ha

u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est.
Ai - a nō e loa'a ke A - kua nō.

Translation: Where true charity and love abide, God is there.

Please stand.

Post Communion Prayer

EOW 70

Celebrant: Let us pray.

**All: Loving God,
we give you thanks
for restoring us in your image
and nourishing us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood.
Now send us forth
a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;
that we may proclaim your love to the world
and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. 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: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

Recessional Hymn

686: Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Postlude

Henry Purcell

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 Wednesdays. Thank You!

Altar Flowers Were Given by – Alice & Joe Maffit

Social Hour Treats – Terri & Phil Jackman

The "Welcome Back" Church – This week Phil Jackman was joking that Grace should be called the "welcome back" church, because we all do so much traveling. It made me think—if you're traveling, and practice your faith at another Episcopal parish, would you be willing to bring two bulletins, one for me and one for Robin when we welcome you back? It's enriching to us. - Mother Paula ✝

Honoring Veterans – The poppy wreath in the church has been given by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary to Post 2665, in honor and memory of those veterans who have served and some who have given their all that we might live in freedom.

On Retreat – Mother Paula will be on a quiet retreat Nov. 11-12. Please be patient with delayed replies.

Canapés & Conversation – Come share food, drink, and conversation with us! Friday, November 15 from 5-7pm at the home of Bonnielynn Kreiser (15 Talisman Trace, Galena).

Happy Birthday Grace Church! – Next year will be the 190th anniversary of the founding of Grace Church in 1935, so we will be planning a celebration. If you are interested in helping, please come to a preliminary conversation on Sunday, Nov. 17, at 11:45 am in the upstairs conference room. We'll need ideas, historic costumes (1935), historic characters from that period of Grace's history and if available, people to comb through archives and photographs for relevant pieces. We will not meet over Thanksgiving and Christmas. If you'd like to contribute or have ideas but cannot attend on November 17, please talk to Mother Paula ✝.

Annual Jewelry Benefit Sale – Our annual jewelry sale will be held again starting on Sunday, December 8. Please check your jewelry boxes for contributions. Outreach Committee will start collecting pieces on November 17, with a collection basket in the Parish Hall. All proceeds will go to our Christmas family. Hopefully, you also will find a treasure.

Thanksgiving Eve Service – Grace is hosting the annual United Churches of Galena Thanksgiving service on Wednesday, November 27 at 10:30 am. Because we will welcome Christians from many denominations and backgrounds, we'll offer Morning Prayer to honor most Christians' ideas that we can share prayer together.

Yarn Ministry Blessing – The annual Blessing of the Work of the Yarn Ministry will be in church on Sunday, December 1, 2024. The deadline for submitting finished work to be blessed and donated is Thursday, November 21. Any work completed as part of the Richard Babcock Memorial Yarn Ministry may be turned in during the regular sessions on Thursday between 1:30 and 2:30pm in the Parish House.

Christmas Poinsettias – Please help decorate the church this Christmas season by donating a poinsettia. The sign up sheet is in Parish Hall, and the cost of a plant is \$11.

Journeying the Way of Love Advent Class – For the season of Advent, you are invited to four sessions before Sunday service to explore the Way of Love, Practices for Jesus-Centered Life, as we await the coming of Christ by moving through the first two chapters of the Gospel of Luke. Luke's gospel provides a pattern for understanding how we can live the Way of Love as individuals, as families and friends, as a community, and out in the world. Sundays, 9:00-9:55 am, December 1-22, in the Parish Hall.

Annual Advent Retreat: Mary in Art, Mary in Heart– Sat., Dec. 7, 10:30am - 2:30pm. Guest Speakers: The Rev'd. Deacon Daryce Hoff-Nolan and Marina Parise.

Deacon Daryce serves as Director of Christian Formation at The Episcopal Church of St. John the Evangelist. Since being ordained to the Vocational Diaconate, Deacon Daryce has served as Deacon at St Helena in Burr Ridge and Holy Nativity in the Beverly neighborhood in Chicago, as well as the Deacon assisting the Right Rev. Paula Clark on many of her parish visitations.

Marina Parise's first calling was to teaching and she spent 37 years in schools throughout the Archdiocese mostly as a middle school math and religion teacher. Preparing students for Confirmation led her to furthering her education at Loyola University, where she received her M.A. in Spirituality in 2008. Marina describes herself as wife, mother, grandmother, teacher, and friend.

Looking Ahead

- Christmas Eve Service, Tuesday, December 24, 5:30pm
- Christmas Lessons & Carols, Sunday, December 29, 10:30am

In the Wider Episcopal Church

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:

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.

Welcome Committee – The Welcome Committee supplies greeters for Sunday mornings and special services to make visitors and congregants feel comfortable. Contact: Maren Coates, 563-580-5462

Ministers of the Service – If you would like to learn more about becoming one of the people who serves on a Sunday (those listed on the front page of the bulletin), reach out to Mother Paula for information: office 815-777-2590, gracerector@gracegalena.org.

Choir – The choir sings most Sundays from September to May. Rehearsals take place on Saturdays at 10am. Contact: Robin French, robin5french@gmail.com.

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 – Meets in the Conference Room and via Zoom, link in the weekly e-news. The Wednesday Morning Study Group reads and reflects upon the Lessons and Gospel for the ensuing Sunday Service. After doing so, we find our hearts and minds are more fertile for the seeds sown from the lectionary and the pulpit. Contact: Greg Serwich, 312-933-6228.

Thursday Yarn Ministry, 1:30-2:30 pm – Meets in the Conference Room. Contact: Meg Gibbs, 708-421-1512.

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.

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.

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.

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 † Sean, 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, Bob Burton, Margaret Carlisle, Ginny Christopherson, Shawn Crossley, Ron Doser, Matthew Dowe, Al Elsbree, Kathie Farlow, Carmen Ferguson, Jennie Fjelde, Adeline Hanson, Diane & Richard Luther, Alice & Joe Maffit, Liam Malone, Hal Martin, JoAnn Mikelson, Ruth Neindorf, Mary Nelson, Mady & Don Norman, Carolyn Norton, Tony Packard, Larry Poston, Neal Purdy and Family, Doug Rector, Warren Schaller, Jim Schmid, Melody Serwich, Lori Severtson, Pat Terry, Casey Walters, Joe Watts, Jim Webster, Vicki Whitesell, Abby, Andrea, Mina, and the family of Logan & Andreyia.

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, Myron Petrakis and Stefanie Penoyer, and for the anniversary of the deaths of: Mary E. Coleman, Rev. Linda Packard †, Belle H. Schurmeier, Christina McDermott, Glen Buening, Nathan Coleman, Lloyd Brett, and Regina Calvert.

Events This Week

Sunday, 11/10

Sunday School: 9:45am
Eucharist: 10:30am

Monday, 11/11

Poetry Group: 2:00pm (offsite)

Tuesday, 11/12

Church Office Open: 12:30 - 4:30pm
Compline: 8:30pm via Zoom

Wednesday, 11/13

Midweek Eucharist: 8:00am
Church Office Open: 9:00am - 4:30pm
Bible Study: 10:00am
Executive Committee: 10:00am

Thursday, 11/14

Church Office Open: 12:30 - 4:30pm
Yarn Ministry: 1:30pm

Friday, 11/15

Centering Prayer: 9:00am via Zoom
Canapés & Conversation: 5-7pm
(offsite—see announcement)

Saturday, 11/16

Choir Rehearsal: 10:00am

Sunday, 11/17

Eucharist: 10:30am
Anniversary Planning Meeting: 11:45am



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