

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR OCTOBER 4, 2020**

## **PRAYER LIST**

We beg you to feed the hungry, protect the refugee, embrace the distressed, house the homeless, nurse the sick, and comfort the dying. Especially we pray for Robyn Arrington, Diane Basta, Yvonne Butler, Susan Dovell, Ronnie Elder, Kathy Ferguson, Horace Higgins, Dianne Holloman, Mark Jones, Pret Kaichen, Lilly Rudd, Mark Sheffield, Wendy Taft, Patricia Thorpe, Larry Tucker, Lynda Whitford and Cameron Wilson.

To send a note of encouragement to parishioners on the Prayer List, addresses for those in the hospital or rehab are listed below. For home addresses, please use the church directory

[https://www.christandgrace.org/servant\\_keeper.php](https://www.christandgrace.org/servant_keeper.php) - contact the church office 733-7202 for the log in password or for additional assistance.

## **JOIN US FOR ZOOM BIBLE STUDY**

### **THE GOSPEL OF MARK BEGINS THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15TH**

We meet on Thursday evenings at 7 pm and would love for you to join us. We spend an hour together reading the assigned text for the week and then discussing what we hear in God's word. We ask questions, sharing what we know and admitting what we don't know. Zoom study is relaxed and we laugh a lot, although it's different from in person study. We learn to share the microphone, listen more carefully, and form a community following Christ.

Our next study is the Gospel of Mark, which will be our Gospel in Year B beginning in Advent. If you are interested in this study please contact Robin+ at [rteasley@christandgrace.org](mailto:rteasley@christandgrace.org)

If you are interested in this study but cannot join us on Thursday evenings, there is a possibility of a daytime Zoom class, or even an in person class in the parish hall with safe distancing and face masks. Please let Robin+ know if this would be helpful for you.

The Thursday Evening Zoom Bible Study on the Gospel of Mark begins October 15th.

## **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

Bring your pets at 1 pm and join us in the parking lot for a brief time of scripture and prayer and blessing. You and your pet can remain in your parked car if you like, or get out and stretch all those legs. Pets don't need a mask but you do! There will also be an option to receive a drive through blessing in the front circle on Sycamore street from 1:30 – 2:00 pm. We invite you to bring a donation for the Petersburg animal shelter – food, treats, supplies, old towels or bedding.

## **CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL IS ONLINE!**

Each week we post a new installment of our exciting new Sunday School series called, "What's in the Box?" There will be a short introduction from Ms. Gina and then a wonderful member of our congregation will show the children what is in the box and explore a Bible story and lesson through the video.

Young or young at heart, all are welcome to watch these great videos! Please check out our new YouTube Channel for children - Christ and Grace Kids.

## **PT TAYLOR / DCU VIRTUAL WALK AGAINST HUNGER OCTOBER 2020**

The Hope Center serves as a provider of groceries, daily meals, utility assistance, and blood pressure screenings to people in need. But it is more than those services. The Hope Center shines as an affirmation of human dignity, the oneness of all and the Goodness and Beauty of God.

Out of an abundance of caution and the current guidelines, The Hope Center will be holding a virtual walk this year. For donations, go to <https://dcuhopecenter.org>.

### **NO OTHER GOD**

I am the Holy One your God,  
who brought you out of the land of Egypt,  
out of the house of slavery;  
you shall have no other gods before me.

—Exodus 20.2-3

No other god,  
not the one who judges you,  
not the one who needs for you to look good  
or do well,  
not the one who makes you need something  
you don't have,  
not the one who goes around beating up  
everybody you don't like.  
No— just the One who sets you free.

No other power,  
no other fixation,  
no other highest value,  
no other reason—  
only the One who has brought you up  
out of whatever tight spot you were in,  
whatever stuck place,  
whatever cellar-hole,  
the fear that enslaved you,  
the ego that ruled you,  
the shame that bound you—  
the One who frees you from that.

And not the one who makes you think  
you're the only one.  
Worship the one, and only the one,  
who also frees every other human being alive,  
who insists on such freedom  
for all their children, all their Beloved.

Worship that one alone,  
and you shall be free.

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