

# ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 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, Jennie Brockwell, Yvonne Butler, Langley Curry, Ronnie Elder, Horace Higgins, Dianne Holloman, Katherine Miller, Lilly Rudd, Mark Sheffield, Ted Simpson, Patricia Thorpe, Larry Tucker, and Cameron Wilson.

To send a note of encouragement to parishioners on the Prayer List, please use the on line church directory that you can find at [www.christandgrace.org](http://www.christandgrace.org). Contact the church office 733-7202 for the log in password or for additional assistance.

## STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS/Every Member Canvass

As you consider your 2021 pledge to Christ and Grace spend a moment with this week's Faith-Filled Generosity reflection. Today's reflection comes from the Rev. Matthew Woodward, Rector of Transfiguration Episcopal Church in San Mateo, California. When you have completed your pledge card, you may drop it off when you are at church or return it by mail. For your pledges, consider setting up an online payment at [www.christandgrace.org](http://www.christandgrace.org) and go to "Give" at the top of the page or sign up for automatic payments from personal checking or savings accounts through your bank.

## HOLY EUCHARIST ON SUNDAYS

We have returned to a service of Holy Communion for our 10 AM Sunday services. We know that not everyone is ready to rejoin public worship but welcome you if you are ready to return. Our first concern continues to be that we offer a worship service that is safe for all who attend. Please click the link below to find our guidelines for worship.

This weekly service is livestreamed at 10 AM each week and is then saved on our YouTube Channel. If you are unable to worship with us in person or on YouTube, the saved videos are available about 12 hours after the service for you to watch at your convenience. They will then be saved to our YouTube channel to view later if you are unable to watch them on Sunday mornings.

At this time Holy Communion is bread only for everyone's safety. We believe that Christ is fully present in the bread and in the wine so to receive bread only is to receive full communion. We will explain how to safely receive communion during worship on Sundays.

Now that we will be consecrating the bread, we will have reserved sacrament available for those who would like communion brought to their homes. Please contact Robin+ to schedule a visit.

## *Multiple opportunities to serve!*

- Christ and Grace will be providing bagged lunches on Thursday, November 12 and Thursday, November 19. Please contact Sonyia Elder at 804 691-1735 if you are interested in providing a crockpot of chili, individual desserts, fruit cups, or crackers to serve 100.
- Clothing Drive on Saturday, November 14 from 12: 00 - 2:00 pm outside at the Christ & Grace pavilion. Now that the weather has turned chilly, Martha Merritt for the Homeless is in need of new or very gently used clothing for her clients. Primarily she needs men's clothing, but some women's and children's clothing would also be appreciated. Also, new socks are urgently needed.
- Christ and Grace will be providing Thanksgiving prepared meals to the Hope Center Food Pantry. Each meal serves a family of four and costs about \$45. If you would like to donate the cost of a meal, please make check payable to Christ and Grace and on the memo line put "Outreach Holiday Meal". If you have questions, please contact Debbie Newman 804 691-8153 or Sonyia Elder 804 691-1735.

**“SHOES FOR THE WORLD” Kevin Meza’s Eagle Project, Troop 912 - Fort Lee**

Christ and Grace is happy to be able to assist Kevin Meza with his Eagle Project for BSA Troop 912. Kevin is friends with Ray Ellis and Gavin Zimmerman, members of our parish. Ray and Gavin will be helping Kevin with this collection.

Kevin is working with the Soles4Souls Regional Donation Center in Richmond, VA to collect 250 pairs of new and gently worn shoes for countries around the globe. Your donated shoes will provide relief as well as create sustainable jobs. Help protect the environment by recycling your shoes.

Any style of shoe is accepted, so clean out your closets and bring your shoes to church. We will put a collection box outside on Wednesdays when the office is open. Sunday Collection dates are: November 8th, 15th, and 22nd. Wednesday Collection dates are: Nov. 11th and 18th.

*Choose this day whom you will serve... but as for me and my household, we will serve the Holy One.  
—Joshua 34:15*

Choose, this day.

As for me, I will follow the Beloved.

I will spurn violence and all claim to dominion.

I will stand for justice:

that all may be included in the blessings of life.

With the Crucified One,

I will cast my lot, and my vote,

with the poor in spirit, and those who mourn,

with the gentle, and those who hunger for justice.

I will stand with the peacemakers

and those who are persecuted.

I will follow the one

who fed all who were hungry,

who healed all who wanted to be healed,

and welcomed all who were pushed to the margins.

I will speak only the truth, and only lovingly.

I will examine, confess and resist

my own complicity in systems that harm,

and surrender what I can

so my living may be a blessing for the poor.

I will accept the power God gives me

to resist evil, injustice, and oppression

in whatever forms they present themselves.

I will live with hope and gratitude,

with courage and generosity and kindness.

Choose this day whom you will serve,

but as for me, I will serve the God of love.

Steve Garnaas-Holmes, Unfolding Light

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