

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 13, 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, Kathy Ferguson, Horace Higgins, Dianne Holloman, Mark Jones, Pret Kaichen, Josh Lumley, Mike McKibbin, Lilly Rudd, Mark Sheffield, Wendy Taft, Patricia Thorpe, Larry Tucker, 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 - contact the church office 733-7202 for the log in password or for additional assistance.

DEATH OF A PARISHIONER

James Harris died on Wednesday, September 2. The viewing will be this Friday, September 11, 2020 from 9:00 am - 9:00 pm, and the service will be at 5:00 pm Saturday, September 12 at J M Wilkerson Funeral Establishment, Inc., 102 South Ave., Petersburg Virginia 23803-4220

*Rest eternal grant to him, O Lord;
and let light perpetual shine upon him.
May his soul, and souls of all the departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

COLLECT FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

ON LINE WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

There will not be a YouTube worship service this week, so for those who are not ready/able to be in church on Sunday, they can again check out the other online options. Here are some suggestions:

Washington National Cathedral, www.cathedral.org

St. Paul's Petersburg, www.stpaulspetersburg.org

St. Stephen's RVA, www.ststephensrva.org

St. Paul's RVA, www.stpaulsrva.org

Johns Memorial Farmville, www.johnsmemorial.org

Manakin, www.manakin.org

St. John's, RVA, www.saintjohnsrichmond.org

PLAYGROUND BEAUTIFICATION

We were thrilled on Sunday to find that our children's playground had been transformed from an overgrown ocean of weeds into a pristine and inviting area for kids to play. Wish we had a before picture to show just how much work was put into cleaning up this area. Thank you so much to our secret weeders. We are most grateful for all you have done and the children and parents will be as well when they return.

GENTLE REMINDER

The church building is now open on Sunday mornings for worship at 10 am. If you need something from the building during the week, please email or call and arrange with us to pick up things on Wednesdays when we can bring it out to your car. We appreciate your understanding and care for one another.

A SLICE OF THANKSGIVING

So many of you have been wonderful about keeping your pledges and offerings current through these hot summer months, allowing us to continue our ministries and we are grateful for you. We know that not everyone is able to give right now, and we hold you in our prayers.

You can also support Christ and Grace with your prayers, acts of service, and connecting with us through our weekly eNews, online worship, Bible study and in person worship at 10 am on Sunday mornings. We have so much for which to give thanks!

If you need more information about giving please contact the church office or go to "Give" at www.christandgrace.org.

BE THE CHURCH

We are collecting food for the Hope Center Food Pantry. You may bring food and leave it in the plastic bin at the back door. If you would like to send a monetary contribution to the Hope Center they would be most appreciative. Send to The Hope Center at 827 Commerce Street, Petersburg, VA 23803. You can also donate via their website at dcuhopecenter.org.

Some Items needed are grape jelly, crackers, canned meat (tuna, chicken, spam, stew), along with canned fruits and vegetables.

WE ARE READY TO REGATHER FOR WORSHIP

Our Service of Morning Prayer will be at 10 am and last up to 40 minutes. We chose this time because you all were equally divided on your time preferences, so we split the difference. We are so excited to welcome everyone back to Christ and Grace!

WHERE WILL WE SIT?

When you arrive for worship, an usher will help you find a seat. We must remain six feet apart at all times, therefore every other pew will not be used. Cushions have been removed to allow easy cleaning after each use. Please bring a cushion from home each week if you would like. Please see the photos for an idea of how the ushers are able to seat us so that we all maintain a safe distance. At the conclusion of the service the ushers will direct one pew at a time toward the exit. We appreciate your patience as you wait, and we hope you will enjoy the music or use the time for additional prayer.

WHO'S BEHIND THE MASK?

When we regather for in person worship, masks are required. It's one way that we can love our neighbor. If you have a mask, please wear it. If you need a mask, we have beautiful masks created by Marigene Little. They come in all sorts of colors and designs and can be washed and worn over and over. Eventually we will begin to recognize one another even with our masks on and we will look fabulous doing it, thanks to Marigene!