

# ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 20, 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, 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.

## DEATH OF A PARISHIONER

Nelson "Fox" Ramsey died on Wednesday, September 2. The family will receive friends from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 19, at the Petersburg Chapel of J.T. Morriss & Son Funeral Home. A memorial service will be planned for a date not yet decided upon. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made to the Harold F. Young Neurosurgical Center at VCU Hospital, Christ & Grace Episcopal Church or a charity of your choice. Condolences may be registered at [www.jtmorriss.com](http://www.jtmorriss.com).

*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.*

## ON LINE WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

For those who are not ready/able to be in church on Sunday, check out the other online options. Here are some suggestions:

Washington National Cathedral, [www.cathedral.org](http://www.cathedral.org)

St. Paul's Petersburg, [www.stpaulspetersburg.org](http://www.stpaulspetersburg.org)

St. Stephen's RVA, [www.ststephensrva.org](http://www.ststephensrva.org)

St. Paul's RVA, [www.stpaulsrva.org](http://www.stpaulsrva.org)

Johns Memorial Farmville, [www.johnsmemorial.org](http://www.johnsmemorial.org)

Manakin, [www.manakin.org](http://www.manakin.org)

St. John's, RVA, [www.saintjohnsrichmond.org](http://www.saintjohnsrichmond.org)

## BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER, 234

*Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

## **CHRIST & GRACE SAFE-DISTANCING PICNIC**

You are invited to a parish picnic! This will be different from past get-togethers, but we hope it will be just as much fun. We ask each family to reserve a spot. This helps us with our planning, and ensures we can contact you in case of inclement weather and the need to reschedule.

Date: Sunday, September 27th, after 10 am service

Where: Christ & Grace side lawn

What to bring:

- A picnic lunch and beverages to feed your own family (we are not sharing or doing potluck)
- A blanket and/or chairs on which to sit

What is provided:

- Safe-distance picnic spots that still allow fellowship with your fellow picnickers
- Bottled water and a sweet treat!

*\*\*Rain date: Sunday, Oct. 4th*

## **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

A safe-distance gathering with a brief service will be held outside on Sunday, October 4th at 1:00 pm and with a drive-through option available as well (more info to come). We will be collecting supplies for the local animal shelter- to bless animals in need of love and care - so please bring items on that Sunday including dog/cat food and treats, kitty litter, blankets/sheets/towels, leashes, pet toys, etc.

## **CHURCH FOR CHILDREN DURING THE PANDEMIC**

It's taken us some time to learn new technology and find the right resources but we are all in this pandemic together! Please check out our new YouTube Channel for children - Christ and Grace Kids

There is a welcome video and a Virtual Vacation Bible School from Gina Mead available for when your kids need a break from school work. In this 3 part series we will be learning about how Jesus is here for us yesterday, today, and tomorrow. There will a Bible story, some questions to answer, and a craft to enjoy. And because the lessons are all online you and your family can watch and participate anytime.

Soon we will begin posting an exciting new Sunday School series called, "What's in the Box?" Each week 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.

"We hope all of our little ones are able to join us as we embark on this new online journey of staying connected together as a church and with our Father, Son, and Holy Spirit." Ms. Gina