

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2020

ALL IN PERSON SERVICES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS. JOIN US FOR WORSHIP SUNDAYS AT 10 AM ON YOUTUBE.

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, Langley Curry, Ronnie Elder, Lucy Hallman, Hillary Hettinger, Stacy Hettinger, Theresa Hettinger, Horace Higgins, Dianne Holloman, Jim Hunter, Rawn Hyatt, Sharon Plymire, Lilly Rudd, Yava Scott, Mark Sheffield, 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. Contact the church office 733-7202 for the log in password or for additional assistance.

STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S GIFTS/Every Member Canvass Update

Stewardship Update for 2021

The number in our budget for weekly offerings for next year is approximately \$200,000. It's the main source of income to fund church operations and ministries. It usually takes about 100 pledges to reach that amount.

As of today we have received (71) pledge cards out of 140 pledge cards mailed to the families in our parish totaling (\$145,552.00). Thank you for returning your pledge card which allows us to plan for and continue the ministries of Christ and Grace. Your pledge will help keep our congregation living and thriving into the future.

If you need a pledge card, please call the church office at 733-7202.

FAMILY NATIVITY WORSHIP – CANCELLED

Unfortunately this event has been cancelled due to COVID restrictions. The pageant has been cancelled but Christmas will happen. Take time with your family to light a candle, read the Christmas story (Luke 2:1-20), and sing Silent Night together.

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS AT CHRIST AND GRACE

- What's in the Box for Advent? videos for the young and young at heart!
- Holy Eucharist in Advent, Sundays at 10 AM on our YouTube channel. No in person worship at this time.
- Evening Worship in Advent, Wednesdays on our YouTube channel
- Christmas Eve Service, Thursday, Dec. 24 available after 4 pm on our YouTube channel
- Holy Eucharist, First Sunday after Christmas, Dec. 27 at 10 AM, Lessons and Carols with the Diocese of Southern Virginia (more info to come)

HOPE CENTER

Outreach will be providing Christmas 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 Outreach and memo "holiday meal". Questions? Contact Debbie Newman 804 691-8153 or Sonya Elder 804 691-1735

ANGELS NEED TO BE RETURNED BY THIS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20!

Angel Tree

All Angel Tree gifts and \$25 Walmart gift cards can be returned to the church this Wednesday or Friday during office hours or this Sunday from 11 am - 3 pm. Please contact Sonyia Elder at 804 691-1735 for questions.

Battlefield Park Healthcare Center

We may not be able to visit this year, but we can still spread Christmas joy and love! Accepting donations of socks, blankets, tissues, and slippers for 98 residents (male and female). These are due by Sunday, December 20.

CHRISTMAS EVE HOLY EUCHARIST

- Available on our YouTube channel on Dec. 24 from 4pm onward. Click here to view: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCgveCGQgn0okeiNXLcmZI_w
- Bulletin available at: <https://www.christandgrace.org/bulletins.php>
- Be sure to have a candle ready to light when we sing Silent Night.
- Featuring: Colleen Thorburg, harp; Laraine Smith, soloist

COMMUNION ON CHRISTMAS EVE

If you would like to have Holy Communion as you worship virtually on Christmas Eve, please email Robin+ at rteasley@christandgrace.org with your request **by Saturday, Dec. 19**. You may pick up consecrated wafers at church from 11 am - 3 pm Sunday, Dec. 20 or from 10 am - 2 pm Wednesday, Dec. 23. Let her know if you need it delivered to you.

DIOCESAN VIRTUAL SERVICE FOR CHRISTMAS I

As a gift to the Diocese, the Diocesan Office staff, in conjunction with diocesan liturgists, will be offering a service of Lessons and Carols with Eucharist available from 8 am onward on Sunday, December 27. The worship service will be offered virtually to the entire diocese and will be accessed via the diocesan website <http://www.diosova.org/>, YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/user/TheDioSoVa> and Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/diosova?ref=sgm>. It will also be an opportunity for the diocese to worship together during one of the most joyful times of the year. The service recording will be available for on-demand viewing after Dec. 27. O Come Let Us Adore Him!

