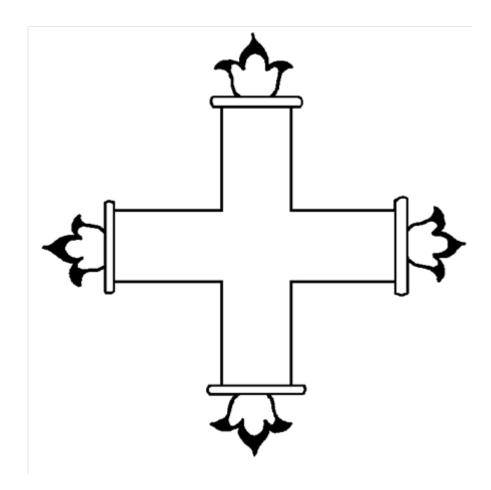
The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 8, 2024 – 10:15 a.m.



St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church Serving our community, the world, and each other through the love of Jesus Christ.

facebook.com/StBarnabasEpiscopal Instagram: @stbarnabasannandale st-barnabaschurch.org • 703-941-2922 Welcome! We are a diverse community committed to carrying out Christ's mission in the world around us, strengthened, nurtured, and guided by the presence of the Holy Spirit. Some of us were born into the Episcopal Church, some of us were received into it as adults, and some of us are discovering it for the first time. We come from various occupations, family configurations, educational backgrounds, interests, and talents. We have found hospitality here, and invite you to join us.

Our religious tradition is best known for the beauty of its Anglican music and liturgy. Contemporary issues are tested by the standards of scripture, tradition, reason, and experience. The conscience of the individual is highly respected, and corporate worship is the means by which Christ shapes our moral values, nurtures and guides our spiritual formation, shapes the character and community of the faithful, and equips us for mission and ministry. If you are not currently active in another congregation, please accept this invitation to worship with us, and to make our church your own.

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10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Prelude S. Ackert

Hymn 493

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

Gloria in Excelsis S-280

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray:

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23

A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favour is better than silver or gold.

The rich and the poor have this in common: the LORD is the maker of them all.

Whoever sows injustice will reap calamity, and the rod of anger will fail.

Those who are generous are blessed, because they share their bread with the poor.

Do not rob the poor because they are poor, or crush the afflicted at the gate;

for the LORD pleads their cause and despoils of life those who despoil them.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 125

People

- 1 They who trust in God are like Mount Zion, * which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.
- 2 The hills stand about Jerusalem; * so does God stand round about the people, from this time forth for evermore.
- 3 The scepter of the wicked shall not hold sway over the land allotted to the just, * so that the just shall not put their hands to evil.
- 4 Show your goodness, O God, to those who are good * and to those who are true of heart.
- 5 As for those who turn aside to crooked ways, God will lead them away with the evildoers; * but peace be upon Israel.

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James 2:1-17

My siblings, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved siblings. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.

What good is it, my siblings, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a sibling is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Hymn 536, vss. 1-2

Open Your Ears, O Faithful People

Mark 7:24-37

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's

crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Hymn 536, vs. 3-4

Open Your Ears, O Faithful People

Sermon The Rev. John Bolin Shellito

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People Form VI

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work; For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world; For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation; For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble; For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the congregations of God; For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Sean, our Presiding Bishop-Elect; for Mark, Gayle, and Bud, our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers; For all who serve God in the Church.

For those on our prayer list and for the special needs and concerns of this congregation, either spoken out loud at this time, or silently lifted up in our hearts.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King; And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

All stand as able

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Welcome and Announcements

The Prayers for Birthdays & Anniversaries

All those with Birthdays and Anniversaries this week are invited to come to the front for prayer.

Watch over your *child/children* [___], O Lord, as *their* days increase; bless and guide *them* wherever *they* may be. Strengthen *them* when they stand; comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *them* up if *they* fall; and in *their* hearts may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of *their lives*; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants [___ and ___ etc], that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Liturgy of the Table

Celebrant

May the peace which passes all understanding guard your hearts and minds, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Hymn 610, vss. 1-3

Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service

Presentation Hymn 124, v. 5

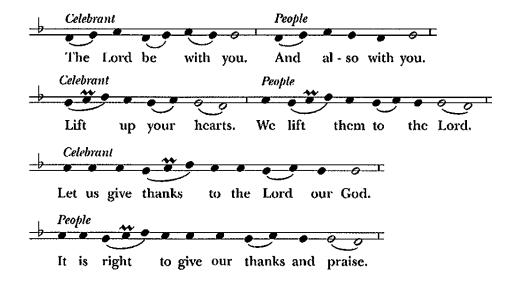
To God the Father, heavenly Light, to Christ, revealed in earthly night, to God the Holy Ghost we raise our equal and unceasing praise.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 1

Enriching Our Worship

The people stand in body or spirit. The Celebrant faces them and sings or says



Celebrant

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus WLP 858

The Celebrant continues

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation,

abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us,
Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread,
and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said:
"Take, eat:
This is my Body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said:
"Drink this, all of you:
This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine.
By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world.
Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your children, that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Barnabas, and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN**.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those

who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem S-154

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died and rose again for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

LEVAS 74

Iesu, Iesu, Fill Us With Your Love

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

Hymn 567

Thine Arm, O Lord, In Days Of Old

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude S. Ackert

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God.

Your gracious presence and generous participation in our congregational life is meaningful and appreciated. Christ is Risen and recognized among us whenever two or three are gathered in God's own Name — in the Name of care and compassion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome this morning Steven Ackert, Guest Organist.

Updated Covid-19 Vaccines and flu shots available

A Recital of Music for Violin & Organ • Sunday, September 8th at 5:00 p.m.

Please mark your calendar for an upcoming *Recital of Music for Violin & Organ*, offered by renowned violinist Cyrus Forough and our own (equally renowned) Stephen Ackert. This will be a free-will concert held at 5:00 p.m. at St. Barnabas'. Your generous donations will help support Mr. Forough's recording project. Please feel free to invite your friends, neighbors, and colleagues to this event.

Barnabees Business Meeting • Tuesday September 10th at 10:00am.

The Women of St. Barnabas' monthly Business Meeting will be held this Tuesday, September 10th at 10:00am in the Richardson Room, to accommodate the Labor Day holiday weekend. All are welcome to join.

CROP Walk, ACCA and the Heritage Food Site

Please plan to join, volunteer for or support the Annandale CROP Hunger Walk, which will be held October 12 at Lake Accotink Park. The 4-mile Walk raises funds for Church World Service (CWS), which works with partner organizations around the world to fight hunger and the challenges of disease, disaster, and displacement. CWS returns part of the funds raised by the Annandale Walk to ACCA to fight poverty locally.

High demand continues for food assistance. Donations and volunteers are needed for both the ACCA Food Pantry and Annandale United Methodist Church's Heritage Mission Center Food Site. ACCA delivers food and personal hygiene products for households with an urgent need for food. The Heritage Food Site hands out bags of groceries once a week. Donated items can be left in the narthex baskets.

Drivers are needed to provide rides to medical appointments for persons age 50 or older who cannot drive themselves. If interested, please contact the Shepherd's Center at 703-941-1419 (10 a.m. -1 p.m. weekdays) or shepherdscas@vacoxmail.com. This program is a joint effort between Shepherd's Center of Annandale / Springfield and ACCA.

To volunteer or if you have any questions, please contact Ken or Camille Mittelholtz or the Parish Office (703-941-2922 or stbarnabaschurch@outlook.com).

Save the Date: WOSB Holiday Bazaar November 16th • Call for Jewelry, Scarves, Etc.

The Women of St. Barnabas' are preparing for their Holiday Bazaar on November 16. The women would welcome donations of jewelry, holiday decorations, scarves, and small "white elegants" household items. Donations can be given to Janet George, Nancy MacLachlan, or Camille Mittelholtz. You may also leave items in the business office; please label the items stating that they are for WOSB and leave your name.

Celebration of Thanks for Catherine Dubas

A Celebration of thanks and best wishes for the future for Catherine Dubas, our former Parish Administrator, will be held **Sunday**, **September 22**, **after the 10:15 service**. This is a change from the announcement that went out in the September Reporter, so please re-mark your calendars! We wanted a little more time to properly organize the event to recognize all that Catherine has meant to the Parish in the last 10+ years.

We will gather in the Richardson Room for an enhanced Coffee Hour to say farewell and express our gratitude to Catherine. Please consider bringing a food contribution such as sandwiches, cheese & crackers, veggie plates, dips, cookies, scones, etc., to add to the fellowship. Please direct any questions to Molly Newling or Grace Robbins.

Art & Music Ministry

The Arts & Music Ministry has just hung a new show, "Collages, Prints, and Paintings from the Collection of Anne Radway and Jonathan Barber." The artists represented are Carolyn Barber, print maker and collage artist; Isabel Field, printmaker; and Donald Radway, oil painter. Jonathan has written more about the artists, which you can find on the chest in the hall of the Narthex. Please feel free to take a copy of each.

We have added a notebook on the chest for you to leave comments, questions or suggestions for the Arts & Music Ministry committee. We really want to hear from the congregation, so thank you in advance.

We hope you will enjoy this show and we look forward to bringing you more in the future. Beth Harper, Grace Robins, Kathleen Stark and Mark Patterson

Your Weekly E-piscopalian

If you know of someone who is finding it a challenge to read the E-piscopalian via email, please be aware that a paper copy of the weekly email is mailed to a select number of people, and our Parish Administrator would be happy to add additional names to the list. Please contact the office or provide the contact information to them. (see above)

Support for Ukraine through ERD

Support Episcopal Relief & Development in providing humanitarian aid in response to the crisis in Ukraine. By donating to the Ukraine Crisis Response Fund, you will help meet critical needs for people fleeing the violence, including food, cash, blankets, and hygiene supplies. To donate through ERD, please visit episcopalrelief.org/Ukraine-crisis.

Prayers for Family, Friends, and Others

If you would like to add names of family, friends, or others to the parish Prayer List (published on Thursdays and in the Sunday bulletin each week), please contact the Parish Office. Thank you.

Forward Day by Day May/June/July Issue Available - Paper and Online

Forward Day by Day, a booklet with daily devotions and scripture is available in either regular or large print for you to pick up. Please contact the office if you would like one or more copies mailed to you (703-941-2922 or stbarnabaschurch@outlook.com).

Forward Day by Day also is available to read on the web at:

https://prayer.forwardmovement.org/forward_day_by_day.php?d=22&m=3&y=2021

Giving

St. Barnabas is strengthened by the generous and caring ministries of many different individuals. Many thanks for all our givers! For those giving financially in addition to through their care, their prayers, their time, and/or their talent, there are a number of ways to make a pledge payment, a freewill offering, and/or a designated offering (for example, to the Rector's Discretionary Fund, Cuba Fund, Church Memorial Fund, J2A Pilgrimage, etc.).

- If you prefer to give by check, you can place your gift in the Offertory plate on Sunday morning or mail in your contribution.
- If you ask your financial institution to mail a check, please be sure to include your name in the memo line so that we can be sure to know how the check is best attributed.
- If it is easier to give online, please go to www.st-barnabaschurch.org. Then click on the Giving tab near the top of the home page and look for "To make a Contribution." If you'd like, you can then choose a designation for your gift from the drop-down menu.

If more details or assistance would be helpful, please contact the Parish Office by calling 703-941-2922 or emailing <u>stbarnabaschurch@outlook.com</u>.

Interim Office Hours

Interim Office Hours will be Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Please arrange any visits in advance

A Letter from Father John+

Dear St. Barnabasians,

I had heard about the "I defied Gravity" hats before I actually had the chance to ski past the top of the actual "Gravity" run on the St. Barnabas' ski trip. But I can affirm that it is quite a drop. And, both the top of a ski slope and the edge of a pool are experiences of coming to the edge of a new and exhilarating beginning—one where gravity's downward pull is about to be upheld in a suspension of space, as if by some miracle. The transition requires a bit of a leap of faith. And, at its best, the beginning of Sunday School is a similar experience of acceleration in faith.

Proverbs is full of wisdom teachings, perhaps having been derived from the pegagogical curriculum initially given to the children of royalty. Proverbs has been criticized for dividing the world into binary categories of "the righteous" and "the wicked" in a way that doesn't always align with the actualities of our human experience. But I think it is true, that "Those who are generous are blessed, / for they share their bread with the poor." (Proverbs 22.9) In our Gospel this Sunday, Jesus demonstrates generosity in being both a learner and a teacher, as he exercises his power for healing. Generosity is its own blessing, and I am thankful for God's own generosity at work here, within our St. Barnabas' congregation.

Interestingly, "Defying Gravity" is a song I still appreciate from Haley and my time in New York, when we at one point we won the lottery for discount tickets to the musical production of "Wicked". The silver screen rendition, like the rest of our program year, awaits us.

Peace and Grace, John

CALENDAR

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist Farewell luncheon for Dr. David Palmer Oneness Mission Church (until 3:30 PM) Ryders' Rounders – Richardson Room (until 8:30 PM)
A Recital of Music for Violin & Organ Sanctuary Ladies' Night Out Al Anon - Lyles Room (until 7 PM)
Serenity Seekers Al-Anon – Richardson Room (until 11 AM)
WOSB Business Meeting – Richardson Room Annandale Safe Youth Project – Richardson Room (until 6 PM)
Wednesday Worship-Morning Prayer – Library Annandale Safe Youth Project – Richardson Room (until 6 PM)
AA Barnabas Group - Richardson Room (until 10 PM)
Annandale Safe Youth Project – Richardson Room (until 6 PM)
Ryders' Rounders - Richardson Room (until 9:30 PM)
Reiki Friends – Richardson Room (until 9:30 PM)
The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Eucharist Holy Eucharist followed by Coffee Hour Oneness Mission Church (until 3:30 PM) Ladies' Night Out Al Anon – Lyles Room (until 7 PM) Ryders' Rounders – Richardson Room (until 8:30 PM)

Parish Retreat • Shrine Mont, Orkney Springs, VA September 27-29, 2024

In Our Prayers

For our Clergy:

Presiding Bishop: The Most Rev. Michael Bruce Curry Presiding Bishop-Elect: The Rt. Rev. Sean Walter Rowe

Bishops: The Rt. Rev. E. Mark Stevenson, Bishop

The Rt. Rev. Gayle Elizabeth Harris, Assistant Bishop The Rt. Rev. James Joseph "Bud" Shand, Visiting Bishop

Rector: The Rev. John Bolin Shellito

For our Vestry, Wardens, Staff, and Seminarian

Our Sister Parish: Iglesia Episcopal San Juan Bautista, Palma Soriano, Cuba

The Archdeaconate of Eastern Cuba

In the Anglican and Diocesan Cycles of Prayer:

For Meade Memorial of Alexandria, Virginia, and Wicomico Parish of Wicomico Church, Virginia.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation (as of August 21, 2024):

Bernard Blair James Hughes Val Nelson Trisha Serven Charles Camp Gertrude Jones Shirley Newman Frank Spink Cricket Camp Sharon Jones Linda Pettit-Waldner Kathleen Stark Margot Donnelly Joy Lyles Alice Phillips Larry Stark Charlie Flaherty Tom Lyles Anne Radway Karen Steidel **Bob Frye Bob Macfarlane** Grace Rampersaud Samuel Tonge Rotha Frye Maria Macfarlane Norma Ricketts Dana Wiseman Preston George Blair MacKenzie Ellen Riddle Dave Wright Joan Gibbs Cindy McLaughlin Barbara Rigden Mary Yeaman

Beth Harper Theresa Merchant Mary Riggs
James Harris Jack Miller Grace Robbins
Roger Hefferan Helen Mosher Ann Sayles

And for:

Scott, Hilah (Behn Ayala); Jerry, Kim, John, Don, John (Beth Harper); Sandy (Betty Jo Fortune); President Volodymyr Zelensky (Bible Study); Ralph, Molly, Morgan (Cindy McLaughlin); Charles, Tracy, Nicole, Charles, Josh, Judy (Cricket & Charles Camp); the Chwirut Family, Bonnie (Diana & Tim Greer); Michelle, Marlena (Ellen Riddle); Peace in the Holy Land, especially remembering the hostages and their families and the victims of occupation and genocide in Gaza (Grace Robbins); Heath (Helen Mosher); Sydney, Patricia (Kathleen & Larry Stark); Jimmy (James Harris); the Troutman Family, Julie (Katie & John Westerlund); Abby & Pete, Martha, Joan, Dan, Josiah, Pam, Dave (Marcel Lisi); John, Lori (Margot Donnelly); Mary (Maria & Bob Macfarlane); Alicia (Maria & Wayne Bottlick); Gerry, John, Floyd (Mary Riggs); Louis, Al & Family (Molly Newling); John & Family (Nancy MacLachlan & Hugh Agnew); Sophia, Charles, Simone, Ingrid (Norma Ricketts); Audrey, Joyce, Valerie, William (Shirley Newman); Caroline, Cyrus (Stephen Ackert); Emily, Edward, the Bailey Family (Theresa Merchant); Cesar (Tom Lyles); Mary, Renata (Ann Sayles); the Atchley Family, Kathy, Mary, Robert, Kathleen (Anne Radway & Jonathan Barber); Amy, Courtney (Barbara & Jack Miller); Carl (Richard Hayhurst).

And for those enrolled in institutions of higher learning: **Jacob** Dugger; **Kyle** Hitchman (Marcel Lisi); **Ken** McKeever; **Garrett** Patterson; **Genevieve** Phillips; **Joey** Robbins (Grace Robbins).

And for the faithful departed: Dr. Alusine Melvin Kanu; John Thomas Wojno (Eileen & Ron Parlow), Francisco Gregg (Maria & Wayne Bottlick).

Participants in the services today are:

8:00 a.m.

Vestry Leader/Closer Sam Batten

Acolyte

Lector Cindy McLaughlin
Chalicist Dave Wright
Opener Mark Patterson

10:15 a.m.

Acolytes TBD

Lectors
Chalicists
Cindy McLaughlin, Michael Dugger
Usher
Beth Harper, Nathan Harpine
Coffee Hour
Potluck Luncheon Reception

Flower Guild Tottuck Euricheon Reception

Flower Delivery TBD

Counters Art Hamerschlag, Ken Mittelholtz Altar Guild Mary Yeaman, Kristen Anderson, Sheena Friend

Participants in the services on September 15 are:

8:00 a.m.

Vestry Leader/Closer Michael Dugger

Acolyte TBD
Lector Ed Ing
Usher John Westerlund

Opener Molly Newling

10:15 a.m.

Acolytes TBD

Lectors Molly Newling, Kathleen Stark

Usher John Westerlund

Coffee Hour Hosts Molly Newling, Beth Harper Flower Guild TBD

Flower Delivery TBD

Counters Linda Hartman, Norma Ricketts

Altar Guild Jocelyn Leatherwood, Sharon Jones, Mary Yeaman

Land Acknowledgement

We remember and honor the Indigenous people of the world, especially the Piscataway Conoy Nation, whose land we now occupy in this region that was once their home, and that was taken from them. We give thanks for them and their care for this land. May we always remember that the Earth does not belong to us; rather, we are charged with stewardship of the Earth, and are all members of our Creator's family. We ask God to help us learn from our past mistakes and be instruments of justice and peace for all people, particularly the original Indigenous inhabitants.