

ALL THE GOOD NEWS GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH



September 2024



26th Annual BBQ

As Fall approaches we are gearing up for one the most exciting events of the year at Grace, the 26th Annual BBQ! This year the proceeds will go to Family Promise, a non-profit organization whose mission is to help families with children escape homelessness and thrive. We come together to support a wonderful, worthwhile cause. This year we are very happy to announce that we are returning to the Anderson County Farmer's Market on Saturday, Oct 26th, and it will definitely be an event filled with fellowship, great food, and lots of fun. We need lots of volunteers to help make this happen, and you'll be seeing sign up sheets and information for how you can be a part of this special event through the months of September and October. Please contact Danny Ehlert (864) 276-2579, or Carol Miller (303) 507-8816 for more information.

NOW IS YOUR CHANCE! Interested in marriage, or baptism or confirmation or studying the faith? The next class of **Episcopal Christianity** begins Sunday **September 8th** at **9:15 a.m.** in the parish library. The classes dates are Sept. 8, 29, Oct. 6, 13 and 27.

PRAY ALWAYS: the Church is open for silent prayer Monday through Thursday 9-10 a.m.. Please come pray. Let's mark off this time and space for the Lord.



Sundays

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II 11:30 Coffee Hour



News from Deacon Mary

NEW FREE NAMI Family-to-Family Course- Beginning Sunday, September 8, 2024

Our next 8 session Family-to-Family course begins on Sunday, September 8- October 27, 2024 in Clemson from 2:30- 5:00 pm. This course is for families who have an adult relative (age 17+) with a mental illness such as depression, bipolar, PTSD, OCD, anxiety, schizophrenia, and co-occurring brain and addictive disorders. Topics covered will be symptoms, brain biology, medications, communication skills, problem-solving skills, empathy, self-care, recovery, and advocacy. The course is, absolutely, free, confidential, and non-judgmental. You'll be given handouts every week, and by the end of the course, you will have a great resource to refer back to.

Pre-registration is required and class size is limited to 20 people. To register or for more information, call Michelle Ready, 864-882-5131, (landline- no texts)

Support groups will meet on the first Tuesday of the month (September 3) at 6:15 pm at the First Baptist Church of Pendleton, 351 S. Broad St.. Park behind the church and follow the signs. There is an elevator.

Annual NAMI AOP Affiliate Meeting and Ice Cream Social- September 3, 2024 at 7:30 pm

The annual meeting is to inform everyone about what our affiliate is doing, announce educational opportunities, and give everyone the chance to get involved.



An Invitation from the Champions Center for Special Children

Please join us on **September 14, 2024 from 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.** for a night of unparalleled excitement and philanthropy as we transform the Bleckley Station into Gotham City for one night!

Indulge in gourmet delights, electrifying entertainment, and an atmosphere filled with the spirit of heroism. Every moment of this evening is dedicated to unleashing the CHAMPION within each child we serve. Every ticket purchased isn't just an admission-it's a lifeline. It's a chance to be a HERO in the lives



of those who need it most. Together, let's create a world where every child has the opportunity to thrive, regardless of their challenges.

Your ticket includes Gala access, gourmet food and beverage stations created by Sullivan's Metropolitan Gril, Emmy Award winning live music from Dr. Gilliard's Rock & Roll Explosion, and an evening filled with immeasurable fun and purpose! Don't miss this opportunity to be part of something truly HEROIC.

For complete event details, please visit: Thechampionscenter.com/50years

Needed: Scarves and Prayer Shawls for Pastoral Care and for the women of AIM's Women and Children's Succeeding Program

Everyone who would like to knit, crochet, or create scarves, prayer shawls, or lap blankets is invited to participate in this ministry. The shawls and blankets for Pastoral Care will be given to people who are going through a difficult time and need a reminder that their Grace Episcopal Church family is with them in prayer. The scarf, prayer shawl, or lap blanket will also be a sign of comfort and support. If you have any questions about this ministry or would like to help, please contact Deacon Mary at

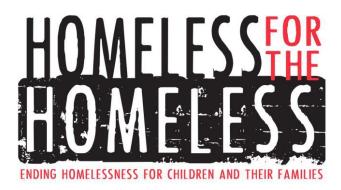


jeffers6sc@att.net. Free varn is available.

There will be an ingathering and Blessing of the scarves, shawls, and blankets on Sunday, September 15th.

Saint Catherine's Guild News

Saint Catherine's Guild News: We will be meeting on **Monday, October 7th,** at noon in the parish hall at church for lunch and socializing, and we will be planning our Christmas meeting. Please join us for a relaxing and fun afternoon! Just bring a sandwich. Drinks, chips and dessert will be provided. For more information, call Anne Martin (864) 561-2187.



BUILD A BOX CITY: Join us **September 20th - 21st from 5p.m. - 7 p.m.** at Anderson County Recycling and Education Center to live in a box city over night while navigation the "poverty simulation" of support services of families. For more information visit familypromiseanderson.org





GATHERINGS AT GRACE

Women Wine Wisdom

WWW will begin each **Tuesday night from 6:30—8 p.m.** at Grace starting **September 3rd.** Please join us to discuss what bubbles up from the book 'Brave the Wilderness' by Brene Brown. We will take turns leading discussion. If you come about 6:15, we have time to say hello, get caught up, share a snack or get a glass of wine. We each bring a small something to share ONLY IF time permits. If you can only bring yourself, you are most welcome! We don't have much storage space, so please plan to take home what is leftover that you brought. All we ask for WWW attendance is the willingness to listen and share differing points of view about what we read. Sometimes when we question our own beliefs, we come out stronger and more solid in that belief. Sometimes things are discussed in such a way our hearts are changed and broken open. We are new! God works in these discussions and in our hearts. Join in if this speaks to you.

Fiber Friends and Fellowship



We meet every **Tuesday at 11:00 a.m.** Join us as we knit, crochet*, chat, and get to know one another. If you want to learn knitting or crocheting, we will help you and provide materials. * Bring any portable project of handcrafting. **ALL ARE WELCOME!** For more information contact Kay Martin at kaymartinster@gmail.com or Lisa Mattison at lisamattisonrn@gmail.com

GRACE GUYS GATHERING

We will meet **Thursday**, **September 19th at 6:00 p.m**. If you have any questions please contact Tom Pearce at gm.thomas.pearce@gmail.com



Grief Support Group

Grief Ministry at Grace

The Grief Support Group meeting will be held Thursday, September 19th at 10:00 a.m. followed by going to lunch together. All are welcome; it does not matter where you are on this journey of loss. If you have any questions or would like more information you can contact Carol Miller at carolmiller622@gmail.com, (303) 507-8816 or Deacon Mary at jeffers6sc@att.net.

Open Invitation

The **Mental Wellness Group** meets once a month. If you are interested in joining or want more information, contact Deacon Mary Jeffers at Jeffers6sc@att.net. All are Welcome to join.





Grace Ladies' Prayer Group

The Ladies' Prayer Group meets every Wednesday, at 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday Night Dinner

Join us **Wednesday**, **September 18th at 6 p.m.** for a Wednesday Night Supper.

Proceeds go to Family Promise



Youth Group September Newsletter



LEAF

Large Episcopal Area Fellowship (LEAF) will be held September 29 from 5-7pm. We will be going to meet with other EYC groups for a night of food, fun, and fellowship! Please let Sharon know if you are interested in going or driving!

YOUTH RETREAT

It is nearly time for our youth retreat to Charleston! All payment is due on September 15. Please note this is a week later than the original due date.

FAMILY NIGHT @ BIG AIR

Bring the whole family to jump around at Big Air in Anderson! Join us at 5pm on September 2l, and we'll pay for your one hour jump! Please reserve your spot by September 8 so we can get tickets! *families are responsible for their own food*

WAYS TO SERVE

Chaperone for EYC Retreat (10/4–10/7)

EYC Meals/Second Adult

Driver/Chaperone for LEAF (9/29)

Children's Chapel (I-2 Sundays/Month)

IMPORTANT DATES

September 8 Children's Chapel

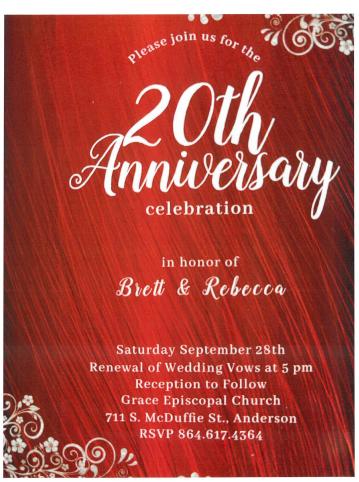
September 14 Fall Market – 9–2pm Grace Parking Lot

September 21 Family Night at Big Air

> September 22 Children's Chapel

September 29 LEAF Holy Cross - Simpsonville We invite you to celebrate the 20 yr wedding anniversary for Brett and Rebecca Dixon with a Renewal of Vows ceremony here at Grace on Saturday, **Sept. 28th at 5 p.m.** and a reception to follow in the Parish Hall. Please text RSVP by **Sept. 15th** to (864) 617 -4364. Please no gifts.





Please join us for a Baby Shower honoring Kirri and Brent Kinley on **Sunday**, **September 29**, after the 10:30 service during coffee hour. If you would like to give a present, they are registered with www.babylist.com/list/kirri-kinley.

Thank you to Marie Cope for serving as our supply clergy in August.



All Are Welcome!

Dear people of Grace,

I have left a few churches in my life for personal reasons and professional reasons. Never have I had a send off as we did today, August 4. Thank you to everybody who stayed for the occasion, and to everyone who brought food. Someone said to me, "You will never eat as good as you do here," and they are correct. Thank you to Kay Martin and her knitting group for the beautiful blanket. For the well wishes, the hugs, and other gifts—thank you! Grace is truly a unique and special place. Keep it that way.

Much love to all, Rodney

September Birthdays

1st Cory Trotter 2nd Dixie Harris 3rd John Cullen 3rd Scott Taylor 6th Martha Gregory 7th Erik Erlenkeuser 9th Beth Cheek 9th Donovan Colman 11th Dixie Smith 12th Gloria Byrd 12th Emerson Potter 13th Dena Cullen 13th David Burden 14th Fay Theriot 14th Dylan Bilbrey 15th Norm Avinger

15th Nancy Devine

15th Teagan Roberts 16th Pete Crosby 16th Royce Brown 17th Zoe Willis 18th Linda Hoffman 18th Lawrence McMillan 18th Julien LeBrun 18th Nathanael Burden 19th Jim Boyer 19th Brett Dixon 19th Joey Oppermann 21st Betty Gurrad 21st Jane Williams 23rd Rosalind Hammett 23rd Carly Campbell 25th Brent Kinley 27th Jeri Sellers

29th Don Cleveland 29th Vicki Raymond 30th JT Cooper



MEMORIALS

Received July 16, 2023 through August 15, 2024

In Memory of Julia Maxwell Snellgroves by:

Gill Powell

In Memory of Ruby Nell Johnson by:

Mary-Harris Edwards

If donors prefer to remain anonymous, please indicate this with your Memorial or Honorarium

Stewardship Report 2024 Total as of 8/28/24

YTD 2024 Revenue \$279,864 YTD 2024 Expenses \$260,711 YTD 2024 Surplus \$19,153

Upcoming Events

- -Labor Day: Office closed Monday, September 2nd
- **-WWW:** begins meeting Tuesday, September 3rd 6:30-8 p.m.
- -Episcopal Christianity Class: Sunday, September 8th and 29th at 9:15 a.m.
- -Children's Chapel: Sunday; September 8th and 29th
- **-Outreach:** Tuesday, September 10th at 5:30 p.m.
- -Brookdale Communion Visit: Wednesday, September 11th at 11:00 a.m.
- **-EYC Fall Market:** Saturday, September 14th 9 a.m. 2 p.m.
- -Champions Center for Special Children Gala: Saturday, September 14th 7 p.m. 10 p.m.
- -Blessing of Scarves: Sunday, September 15th
- -EYC Retreat Payment Due: Sunday, September 15th
- -Vestry Meeting: Monday, September 16th at 6 p.m.
- -Wednesday Night Dinner: Wednesday, September 18th at 6 p.m.
- -Grief Support: Thursday, September 19th at 10:00 a.m.
- -Grace Guys Gathering: Thursday, September 19th at 6 p.m.
- -Homeless 4 Homeless Build a Box City: Friday and Saturday, September 20th 21st 5 p.m. 7 a.m.
- -EYC Family Night at Big Air: Saturday, September 21st 5 p.m.
- -Morning Prayer: Sunday, September 22nd
- -Diocesan General Convention Event: Saturday, September 28th
- -Dixon Vow Renewal: Saturday, September 28th 5 p.m.
- -Kinley Baby Shower: Sunday, September 29th after 10:30 service.
- -EYC going to LEAF: Sunday, September 29th 5 p.m. 7 p.m.



Fr. Jack's 20 years



School Supplies 2024



Greta Jacobsen and Bo









VBS 2024









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Pray for healing and comfort

Requested by

John Bostater Karlann Bostater Kathy Bostater
Kathy Bostater

Lauren - healing

Sharon Homer-Drummond

Debi Frantz

Michael Bays - cancer

Matthew Sharkey

Judy and Mark Blakenship

Cameron Miles

Robyn Bundy Stuart and Gail Adamo

Joshua McMillan

Diane Obright

Kaylee Muthart

Mary Anna Scoot - Pat Bradham's sister

Mitchell Fullerton Susan and Steve Fullerton

Missy Parsons

JoAnn Watson

Lake Morris Lynne Prince

Carroll Price Heather Morhardt

Kervin Family

Rogers' Family Sara Cheek Stephen Heeney John Heeney

Bill Speer

Eddie Benenati

Sandy Sloan

Rudy Mary Jeffers
Julius Darius Jones Mary Jeffers
Stephanie Flaherty Jackie Lenhart

Larry Strong Jodie Webb

Catherine Campbell

Bob Cooper

Noah Holman Janet Rippy
Millie Chamberlean Lisa Tucker

Suzanna McMahan

Gary Bechert

Lib Christeson

Frederick Hall

Jim and Ruby EpplerCindy BakerMaxine UrquhartCarol MillerRiley GilbertJackie LenhartBill ShaverLinda Hoffman

Lola Jasey Linda Hoffman

Bill and Anne Jameson Kathe Harris

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Susan Fullerton

Linda Wilson

Jean Wilson Pam and Joe Herold

Joe Ball

Mason Winarski Michael Wellborn

Sharon Honeycutt - Jodie Webb's mother Jodie Webb

Susan Anderson Amelia Hanks

Mary OppermannJoey OppermannConnie WhitesideJim FillinghamMatt McAlisterMarty Jenkins

Alex Gundry

Fred Wiese Barbara Renaud

Anne Martin - Recovering

Dewell Garner

Tammy Chamblee

Doctor Rajeev Malik

Bonita Glover - Healing

Erwin Karl

Beckham Owens

Linda Hoffman

John Heeney

Gill Powell

John Henney

Pam Herold

Maxwell Jeffers

Greta Jacobsen

Mike Rose Pam Herold

Lola Josey-Linda Hoffman's Sister Jimmie McGaw Heart Surgery

Vivan Fink

Expecting Families: Brent and Kirri Kinley, and Kevin and Samantha Thompson