



ALL THE GOOD NEWS

GRACE CHURCH

MAY 2026



Jack-in-the-Pulpit

SUMMER CLASSES



June Prayer Class: Sundays June 7, 14 and 21 at 9:15 AM in Fr. Jack's study. We will be discussing the modern classic Help Thanks Wow by Anne Lamott

Episcopal Christianity Class: Sundays in July and August at 9:15 a.m. in Fr. Jack's study, for those who would like to be baptized on All Saints Sunday, or confirmed, or who want to study the faith and talk about interesting things.

Pax,
Fr. Jack

Whitsun Ale

Grace will have a Whitsun Ale drop-in on **Pentecost Sunday, May 24th from 4 - 7 p.m.** at the home of Brett and Rebecca Dixon. 389 Graham Rd. Anderson SC 29625. Bring a dish to share and enjoy some of Brett Dixon's home brewed ale.

Wednesdays in July - VBS - for all!

This year, the whole church is invited to VBS! On July 8th, July 15th, July 22nd, and July 29th, we will have VBS from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Our theme this year is "All God's Children; The Church Family Gathers for Summer." This VBS is built for the entire church, so there's something for everyone!

Wednesday Night Dinner!

20 May, Details TBA!

Sundays

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

11:30 Coffee Hour





ACTION

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ST. CATHERINE'S GUILD

We have decided we want to add one more outreach project. We will continue our Richard Campbell Veterans Home Drive and our Christmas stockings to the homebound of our church. Also, we do not collect dues, but the ladies donate what they can, and in December we donate this money to a local charity. Join us at our May meeting on **May 2nd at noon** at Grace as we discuss a possible new project. We are considering how we might help a local orphanage. We would love to have more ladies join our group. The more ladies we have in our group, the more we can do for our community. For more information, please call Anne Martin at (864) 561-2187

RICHARD CAMPBELL VETERANS HOME DRIVE

Its Time! St. Catherine's Guild and Guys Gathering at Grace Drive for the Veterans will begin on Sunday, May 24th, Memorial Day weekend, and run through Sunday, June 28th. Look for the baskets in the cloister to leave your donations for the residents at Richard Campbell Veterans Nursing Home. They appreciate personal care items, such as diabetic and non-skid socks, deodorant, body wash, and body spray/cologne, and they enjoy diabetic and non-diabetic snacks. Little Debbie cakes are a favorite. Puzzles are another favorite - please no missing pieces! You can also leave checks at the church office made out to Grace Church (memo: St. Catherine's Guild/Veterans Drive). Your donations will go to the Activities Director to be used to fund special activities and needs. Please give generously to these men and women who have served our country in our times of need and now need help from us. Thank you so much for your support!

SATURDAY SERVANTS

Saturday Servants is set to begin again for the month of May. We will be meeting on the following Saturday's: 5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23 and 5/30. Volunteers are needed to make the sandwiches/lunch bags and to help distribute them. We begin at 9:00am and are generally finished by 12:30. We are also in need of donations of grape jam, creamy peanut butter and water. You can leave them in the bin in the parish hall. Please reach out with any questions to Tracey Lidlow at:
tjlidlow@gmail.com.

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GRACE COMMUNITY GARDEN

Thank you to everyone who has helped to get the Grace community garden ready and planted. If you would like to be added to the weekly email update email Danny Ehlert at danny.ehlert@googlemail.com



MULCH MADNESS

We will have mulch madness Saturday May 9th beginning at 8 a.m. We need volunteers to help spread mulch and beautify the church grounds. Bring your shovels, rakes and wheelbarrels and be ready to work.

AIM AND ANDERSON SOUP KITCHEN



Grace Church outreach is heavily involved in helping our community. One of the ways we help is by collecting food items for AIM and the Anderson Soup Kitchen. Food items may be brought to the church and placed in the brown wooden food box located in the cloister. Lee Hancock will make sure these items are delivered in a timely manner.

Mark 12:44 "For all of them have contrived out of their abundance: but she out of her poverty has put in everything she has, all she had to live on."





GATHERINGS AT GRACE

GRACE LADIES PRAYER GROUP

The Grace Ladies Prayer Group meets every Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the Parish Library. All ladies are invited to join us in prayer.



OUTREACH

Outreach meets Sunday, May 3rd after the 10:30 service.

GRIEF SUPPORT

Grace Grief Support welcomes anyone who may be in a journey of loss to meet once a month at grace for a time of conversation, fellowship, and sometimes lunch. Our next meeting will be Thursday, May 28th at 10 a.m. in the Parish Hall. All are welcome! For more information contact John Taylor at newberryjohn@yahoo.com

GUYS GATHERING AT GRACE

We will be fixing breakfast Sunday, May 10th after the 10:30 service for ladies of Grace. All men are welcomed to join to help.

Our next dinner will be Thursday, May 21st at 6 p.m. All men are welcome to join us.

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

DOK will meet Saturday, May 9th at 10 a.m. If you are thinking of joining or have questions, please join us.





GATHERINGS AT GRACE

WOMEN, WINE, & WISDOM

Spring has arrived, and so has a fresh chapter for the WWW community of readers and seekers. During the month of May, we will be reading and discussing *Liturgy of the Ordinary* by Tish Harrison Warren. In this gentle, richly layered book, we're invited to look at the holiness tucked inside the unremarkable moments of our days: making the bed, losing our keys, sitting with a friend over a cup of coffee -- a reminder that grace doesn't show up only in the grand moments.

We meet on Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8:00 pm in the parlor. Whether you're a longtime member or simply curious, there is always room at the table.

Pick up a copy from your favorite bookseller and come as you are.

FIBER, FRIENDS, AND FELLOWSHIP

Beginning May 5th, we will meet every Tuesday in the parish hall from noon - 3:00 p.m. Join us as we knit, crochet, chat, and get to know one another. Bring any portable project you want to work on, or we do have supplies available. For more information Contact Lisa Mattison at lisamattisonrn@gmail.com

WOMEN, WINE, & WISDOM APRIL RETREAT



Fraud Protection Class

United Community Bank is considering hosting a Fraud Protection Class at Grace to help individuals and families stay safe from scams, identity theft, and financial fraud. Topics may include: Recognizing common scams, protecting your personal and banking information, tips for safe online and mobile banking, and what to do if you suspect fraud. At this time, we are gathering interest to see if this class would be beneficial for our church community. If you would be interested in this class please contact Nikki in the church office.

Eucharistic Minister Training

Arch Deacon Mary Jeffers will be holding a eucharistic minister training on Saturday, May 9th from 10 - 11:30 a.m. at Grace. If you are currently trained as an eucharistic minister, Nikki will be reaching out to let you know if it is time to renew your training. If you are not trained and would like to be, please contact Nikki in the church office to let her know.



NAMING YOUR CALL

Exploring Lay Ministry

Join Us On
May 2, 2026

At
10:00 AM -
2:00 PM

All Saints' Episcopal
505 Calvert Ave
Clinton, SC 29325

REGISTER



FREE EVENT

Come discover your spiritual gifts, discern where you feel called to lead, and develop practical action plans to turn a sense of calling into active ministry. Get equipped with tools, clarity, and confidence for ministry leadership to further the kingdom of God.

 The Episcopal Diocese of
Upper South Carolina

www.edusc.org

Important

The Church building has been rekeyed. If you have a key it will no longer work. If you need a code for the key pad contact Nikki in the church office to get your code and safe church training.



Blessing of The Garden





Easter Breakfast

Family Newsletter

May 2026

VBS

It's time for Vacation Bible School! This year, VBS will look a little bit different - and the whole church is invited! On July 8, July 15, July 22, and July 29, we will have VBS from 5:30-7:30pm. Our theme this year is "All God's Children: The Church Family Gathers for Summer." We will be playing, singing, crafting, and learning about God's word! If you're out of town one week, don't worry! Each lesson stands by itself, so you don't have to be at every week (though we'd love to have you!). This VBS is built for the whole church, so all are welcome to join us. There's something for everyone!

If you would like to volunteer to help, please let Sharon know. We will need people to help prepare dinners and assist in other capacities as needed. Don't worry though, you will still be able to enjoy the evening!

GRACE ON THE GO

Our theme for Grace on the Go this month is:

What are We Waiting For?
The Coming of the Holy Spirit



If you are not currently receiving Grace on the Go but would like to, please contact Sharon.

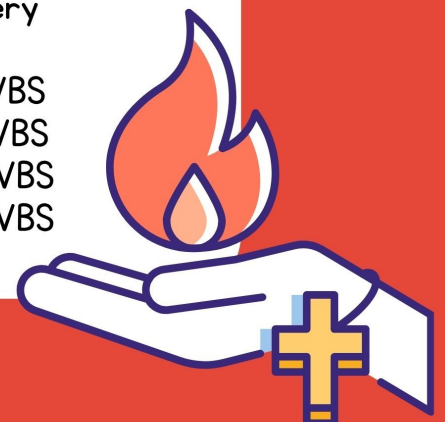


DATES TO KNOW

5/1 - GOTG (May) begins delivery

5/28 - GOTG (June) begins delivery

7/8-VBS
7/15-VBS
7/22-VBS
7/29-VBS



YOUTH NEWSLETTER

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EYC END OF YEAR PARTY

Celebrate the end of the school year with us!

On May 24 from 5-7pm, we will be having a water day during our regular EYC time. Come eat popsicles, pizza, and enjoy water balloons to kick off the summer!

Teens are invited to wear appropriate swimwear.

EYC RETREAT

The EYC Retreat will be in Highlands, NC from October 8-11. Initial deposits (\$50) and paperwork is due June 1. Please talk to Sharon for more information.

Our retreat theme is Living in Love: The Four Loves.

STUDENT SHOUTOUT

Congratulations to all of our graduating seniors!

If you have a graduating senior, please make sure you reach out to Sharon so we can recognize them!



DIOCESAN MISSION

TRIP

The diocesan mission trip to Laurel Ridge, NC is open for registration. Please reach out to Sharon if your child is interested. The trip is June 21-26. Students must be registered and paid in full by June 1.



Youth at Grace



Holy Week @ Grace





BIRTHDAYS

5th Hugh Osburn
5th Ellie Cooper
8th Catherine Cutting
8th Matthias Kloeck
8th Van Colman
9th Maggie Cox
10th Kay Martin
11th Gail Carnes
13th Lauris Ames
16th Marty Mathis
19th Barbara Davis
21st Barbara Renaud
21st Kathryn Heeney
21st Finley Mathis
22nd Lisa Bodenheimer
23rd David deHoll
23rd Susan Carpenter
23rd Erin Huges
24th Sherri Mathis
25th Caroline Bates
26th Alexander Burgess
28th Kathe Harris
29th Donna Maddox

Baptismal Newbirth Days

6th Micheal Cerps
6th Nita Colman
7th Scott Mattison
8th Bedd Boyer
11th Julia Woodson
13th Caroline Foster
13th Lisa Joseph
14th Rodman Foster
15th John Gurrad
15th Celeste Shaw
17th John Taylor
19th Ava Camak
19th Jim Harris
22nd Christopher Wilford
27th Darrell Burgess
27th Ellis Ripley
29th Dianne Peeler
29th Ariel Sisler
31st Lucy Peebles



Expectant Parents

Brent and Kirri Kinley
Donovan and Erin Colman
Joey and Asheton Benson



MEMORIALS

Received March 16, 2026 through April 15, 2026

In Memory of Bryan Rumble to the Pastoral Care Fund by:

Anonymous

In Memory of Catherine Campbell by:

Linda Lothery

Mark & Patty Stamey

In Memory of Catherine "Kitty" Smith by:

Mary-Harris Edwards

In Memory of Gary Kerley by:

Billy and Mary Coulter

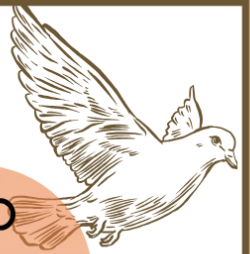
In Memory of Dr. Jerry Powell and Ned Powell to the Flower Fund by:

Marlena & Edgar Dupre

In Memory of Maxine Urquhart to the Rector's Discretionary Fund, the Pastoral Care Fund, and the Outreach Fund by:

Carol Miller

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



Stewardship

As of 3/31/2026

YTD 2026 Revenue \$118,873

YTD 2026 Expenses \$122,568

YTD 2026 Deficit \$3,695

Sending Forth

Please join us Sunday, May 3rd during the 10:30 a.m. service for our Sending Forth of our graduating seniors. There will be a special coffee hour afterwards to celebrate them.

Save the Date

VBS: July 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th

Grace Annual BBQ: October 10th

EYC Retreat: October 8th-11th

Grace Fall Festival: October 18th

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PLEASE JOIN US FOR

LUNCH
WITH
LESLEY

Please join us for lunch to have a chance to connect, share perspectives and hear more about where FAVOR is headed and how we continue to strengthen recovery across the community.

Date: May 6th
Time: 12:00-1:00 PM
Location: Grace
Episcopal Church
711 S McDuffie St,
Anderson, SC 29624

Please let us know by May 1st if you can attend.
RSVP to Janelle Walker at Janelle@favorupstate.org



PRAYER LIST

John Bostater: by Kathy Bostater
Karlann Bostater: by Kathy Bostater
Bill & Anne Jameson: by Kathe Harris
Michael Bays - Cancer
Jean Wilson: by Pam & Joe Herold
Sharon Honeycutt - Jodie Webb's Mother
Robyn Bundy: by Stuart & Gail Adamo
Mary Oppermann: by Joey Opperman
Matt McAlister: by Marty Jenkins
Mary Anna Scott - Pat Bradham's Sister
Mitchell Fullerton: by Susan & Steve Fullerton
Dewell Garner: by Linda Hoffman
Tammy Chamblee: by John Heeny
Lake Morris: by Lynne Prince
Carroll Price: by Heather Morhardt
Doctor Rajeev Malik: by Gill Powell
Rogers' Family: by Sara Cheek
Stephen Heeney: by John Heeney
Bonita Glover - Healing: by John Heeny
Erwin Karl: by Pam & Joe Herold
Beckham Owens: by Maxwell Jeffers
Stephanie Flaherty: By Jackie Lenhart
Larry Strong: by Jodie Webb
Irene Rose: by Pam & Joe Herold
Lola Josey: by Linda Hoffman
Millie Chamberlean: by Lisa Tucker
Elaine Junkins-Suzanne McMahan's sister
David Bradham: by Pat Bradham
Sutton Jeffers: by Maxwell Jeffers
BHS' 67 gals: by Pam & Joe
Riley Gilbert: by Jackie Lenhart
Bill Shaver: by Linda Hoffman
Jeff Nelson: by Kirri & Brent Kinley
Pam Herold: by Joe Herold
Sam & Cayce Baker by Cindy Baker
Jeane Dixon by Brett & Rebecca Dixon
Ruby Eppler: by Cindy Baker
Captin Tracy Pumford by: Janet Rippy

Matthew Sharkey
Susan Fullerton
Linda Wilson
Joe Ball
Mason Winarski
Joshua McMillan
Amelia Hanks
Diane Obright
Connie Whiteside
Alex Gundry
Missy Parson
JoAnn Watson
Kervin Family
Bill Speer
Eddie Benenati
Sandy Sloan
Greta Jacobsen
Bob Cooper
Suzanna McMahan
Vivian Fink
Gary Bechert
Lib Christeson
Frederick Hall
Sarah Reeder
William Moore
Rick Schlup
Debi Frantz
Judy and Mark Blakenship
Kathy Benson

Those in the Military

Xander Melecia
Matthew Robertson
Stephine Kern
Tracey Pumford



GRACE CHURCH

Office Hours

Monday 8:10 a.m. - 2:10 p.m.

Tuesday 8:10 a.m. - 2:10 p.m.

Wednesday 8:10 a.m. - 2:10 p.m.

Thursday 8:10 a.m. - 2:10 p.m.

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The Grace Code



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