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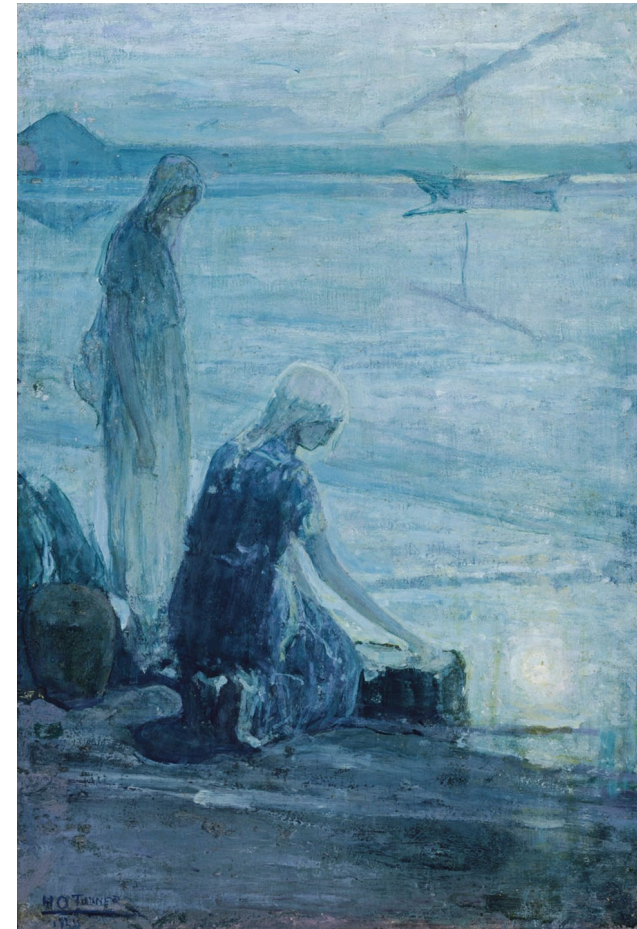
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RIVERS OF LIVING WATER

GRACE CHURCH

24 May 2026
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
WHITSUNDAY

Welcome to Grace!

The Liturgy Begins on page 299.

The Word of God

The Collect

Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs-- in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.

SAVE THE DATE

EYC is going to the movies on [Tuesday, May 26th](#). Time TBD.

Choir End of Year Party: [Wednesday, May 27th 4:30 p.m.](#) at Lake Keowee.

Melissa Langford's Ordination to the diaconate will be [Saturday, May 30th at 11 a.m.](#) at Trinity Cathedral in Columbia.

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.

SAVE THE DATE: Grace Annual BBQ is [October 10, 2026](#).

VBS: we are gearing up for VBS! [Every Wednesday night in July](#) beginning on July 8, we will have VBS [from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.](#), and the whole church is invited! If you are interested in serving in any capacity at VBS this year, please make sure you talk to Sharon so we can make sure you are Safe Church certified.

Weekly Gatherings

Fiber, Friends, and Fellowship: Starting May 5th FFF will begin meeting every Tuesday from 12 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Women, Wine, and Wisdom meets every Tuesday from 6:30 - 8 p.m.

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

Bridge Card Group: Wednesday from 3-5 p.m. in the library.

Those with birthdays this week

Sharon Mathis
Caroline Bates
Alexander Burgess
Kathe Harris
Donna Maddox

Baptismal Newbirth Day

06 January
04 July
16 July

Those with Baptismal Newbirth Days this week

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| Darrell Burgess | 27 May | Dianne Peeler | 29 May |
| Lee Hancock | 27 May | Ariel Sisler | 29 May |
| Ellis Ripley | 27 May | | |

Grace Notes

- **Fourth Sunday Loose offering** goes to the Soup Kitchen.
- **Welcome Visitors:** Please take a moment to fill out the visitor card located in the pew and place it in the offering plate. We are glad you chose to worship with us today.
- **WWW** is asking for YOUR help in our efforts to collect diapers, wipes, and feminine hygiene products support the Anderson County Diaper Bank. Donations may be placed in the cloister. We are grateful to **Louise Knisley** for coordinating collection and delivery on our behalf.
- **Daughters of the King:** If you are interested in learning more about Daughters of the King, we will begin a class on **Saturday, June 13th at 10 a.m.** in the Library. We will have tea and nibbles for our first meeting. It will run for 8 weeks. For more information contact Debbie Hand at handrab@yahoo.com or Barbara Renaud at barbrenaud@yahoo.com.
- **Grace Life** is forming a committee to help with church events and creative new ways to enrich parish life. All are welcome to join. If interested contact Cyndi Dougherty (631) 766-3619 text, email cyndidoug458@gmail.com, or see her.
- **Saturday Servants** will meet **May 30th**. Volunteers are needed. If you are interested in helping contact Tracey Lidlow at tjlidlow@gmail.com.
- **Grief Support** will meet **Thursday, May 28th at 10 a.m.**
- **EYC End of the Year Party: Tonight Sunday, May 24th at 5 p.m.**
- **Parish Life Meeting: Wednesday, May 27th at 5 p.m.** All are welcome to join.
- **Save The Date: THIS SUNDAY!** Grace will have a **Whitsun Ale drop in** today 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.
- **June Prayer Class:** Sundays **June 7, 14, and 21st at 9:15 a.m.** in Fr. Jack's study. We will be discussing the modern classic *Help Thanks Wow* by Anne Lamott. Bring a copy, read chapter 1 for the first week.
- **Summer Food For Kids** will begin on **May 22nd**. We meet at **12pm** to deliver meals and books to children in neighborhoods around the church. We welcome any donations of books for children and teenagers! If you are interested or have any questions, please talk to Sharon.
- **WWW:** Our last meeting before our summer break is **Tuesday, May 26th from 6:30 - 8 p.m.** We will resume our weekly meetings in September.
- **Veterans Drive:** St. Catherine's Guild and Guys Gathering at Grace will begin collecting items for the Richard Campbell Veterans Home Drive **Sunday, May 24th**. Those items may be placed in the tote in the labeled tote in the cloister. See may newsletter for a list of items.
- **Memorial day** is **Monday, May 25th**, the church office will be closed this day.
- **Grief Support** will meet **Thursday, May 28th at 10 a.m.**
- **Eucharistic Visitor Training:** Arch Deacon Mary Jeffers will hold a eucharistic visitor training on **June 14th at 2 p.m.** at St. Michael's. If you are interested in attending this training, please let the front office know.
- **Special Coffee Hour** on **Sunday, May 31st** for Melissa Langford's Ordination to deaconate.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' "

The Psalm

Psalm 104:25-35, 37 (read responsively by half verse)

Benedic, anima mea

25 O LORD, how manifold are your works! *
in wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.

26 Yonder is the great and wide sea
with its living things too many to number, *
creatures both small and great.

27 There move the ships,
and there is that Leviathan, *
which you have made for the sport of it.

28 All of them look to you *
to give them their food in due season.

29 You give it to them; they gather it; *
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.

30 You hide your face, and they are terrified; *
you take away their breath,
and they die and return to their dust.

31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; *
and so you renew the face of the earth.

32 May the glory of the LORD endure for ever; *
may the LORD rejoice in all his works.

33 He looks at the earth and it trembles; *
he touches the mountains and they smoke.

34 I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; *
I will praise my God while I have my being.

35 May these words of mine please him; *

I will rejoice in the LORD.

37 Bless the LORD, O my soul. *

Hallelujah!

The Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body-- Jews or Greeks, slaves or free-- and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

The Holy Gospel

Priest: *The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.*

People: *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

John 17:1-11

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

”I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because

they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.”

Priest: *The Gospel of the Lord.*

People: *Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

The Sermon

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The Casting of Blessed Water (Remember your Baptism)

The Peace

Announcements (*Please notify the rector beforehand*)

The Holy Communion

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Those who serve

Vestry-in-Charge: Debbie Hand

Second Counter: Tracey Lidlow

Lector: Dylan Hankins

Chalice 1: Michelle Ricketson

Chalice 2: Annette Guiseppi-Elie

Church Opener: Drew Lavan

Expectant Parents

Donovan and Erin Colman

Joey and Asheton Benson

Stewardship Report

As of 4/30/2026

YTD 2026 Revenue \$159,743

YTD 2026 Expenses \$159,331

YTD 2026 Surplus \$412

THE GRACE CODE

Scan or tap to visit:



- New to Grace
- Outreach giving
- Facebook page
- Family Promise

Altar Flowers

Flowers are given to the Glory of God in Memory of our fathers J. Oliver Harris and Edwin R. Harris, veterans of World War II, by Jim and Kathe Harris.