

## Vestry Members

Kirri Kinley - 2024-2026  
Mike Magaha - 2024-2026  
Debbie Hand, Sr. Warden - 2024-2026  
Henry Todd - 2025-2026  
Jodie Webb, Jr. Warden - 2025-2027  
Bill Scott - 2025-2027  
Cyndi Dougherty - 2025-2027  
Heiko Erlenkauser - 2025-2027  
Buddy Bilbrey - 2026-2028  
Jamie Ward, Clerk - 2026-2028  
JoCarol Titmas - 2026-2028  
Tracey Lidlow - 2026-2028

## Delegates to the Convention

Janet Rippy  
Debbie Hand  
Bill Scott  
Jamie Ward  
Jodie Webb 1st alternate  
Carol Miller 2nd alternate  
JoCarol Titmas 3rd alternate

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**GLORY TO YOU FATHER,  
SON, AND HOLY SPIRIT**

## GRACE CHURCH

31 May 2026

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I

TRINITY SUNDAY

# Welcome to Grace!

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## The Word of God

### The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## The First Lesson

### Genesis 1:1-2:4a

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the

# SAVE THE DATE

**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.

**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.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Grace Annual BBQ is **October 10, 2026.**

## Weekly Gatherings

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

Kenya Owens  
Emily Swinford  
Craig Bostick  
Henry Todd  
Danny Ehlert  
Bob Maxwell  
Ava Bostick  
John Taylor  
Dan Fleming

### Baptismal Newbirth Day

03 April  
19 January  
16 June  
17 May

### Those with Baptismal Newbirth Days this week

Lucy Peebles 31 May  
Michelle Ricketson 2 June  
Brett Dixon 6 June

## Grace Notes

- **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 13<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:handrab@yahoo.com) or Barbara Renaud at [barbrenaud@yahoo.com](mailto: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](mailto:cyndidoug458@gmail.com), or see her.
- **June Prayer Class:** Sundays **June 7, 14, and 21<sup>st</sup> 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 22<sup>nd</sup>**. 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.
- **Veterans Drive:** St. Catherine's Guild and Guys Gathering at Grace will begin collecting items for the Richard Campbell Veterans Home Drive **Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>**. Those items may be placed in the tote in the labeled tote in the cloister. See may newsletter for a list of items.
- **Grief Support** will meet **Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m.**
- **Eucharistic Visitor Training:** Arch Deacon Mary Jeffers will hold a eucharistic visitor training on **June 14<sup>th</sup> 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 31<sup>st</sup>** for Melissa Langford's Ordination to deaconate.

earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

So God created humankind in his image,  
in the image of God he created them;  
male and female he created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

**Canticle 13** (read responsively by half verse)  
**Song of the Three Young Men, 29-34**

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; \*  
**you are worthy of praise; glory to you.**  
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; \*  
**we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**  
Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; \*  
**on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.**  
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; \*  
**we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**  
Glory to you, beholding the depths; \*  
**in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.**  
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \*  
**we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.**

**The Second Lesson**

**2 Corinthians 13:11-13**

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

**The Holy Gospel**

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

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

**Matthew 28:16-20**

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

**Priest:** *The Gospel of the Lord.*

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

**The Sermon**

**The Rev. Deacon Melissa Langford**

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**The Holy Communion**

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**Those who serve**

**Vestry-in-Charge:** Jodie Webb

**Second Counter:** Bill Scott

**Lector:** Andy Potter

**Intercessor:** Michelle Ricketson

**Chalice 1:** Jackie Lenhart

**Chalice 2:** Jim Harris

**Church Opener:** Jim Harris

**Deacon:** The Rev. Melissa Langford

**Celebrant:** The Rev. Jack Hardaway

**Expectant Parents**  
Donovan and Erin Colman  
Joey and Asheton Benson

**THE GRACE CODE**



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

**Stewardship Report**  
As of 4/30/2026  
YTD 2026 Revenue \$159,743  
YTD 2026 Expenses \$159,331  
YTD 2026 Surplus \$412

**Altar Flowers**

Flowers are given to the Glory of God in Honor and Celebration of the Ordination of Melissa Langford to the Diaconate by Kathe and Jim Harris.