

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

Grace Church Endowment

Matthias Kloeck
Lee Hancock
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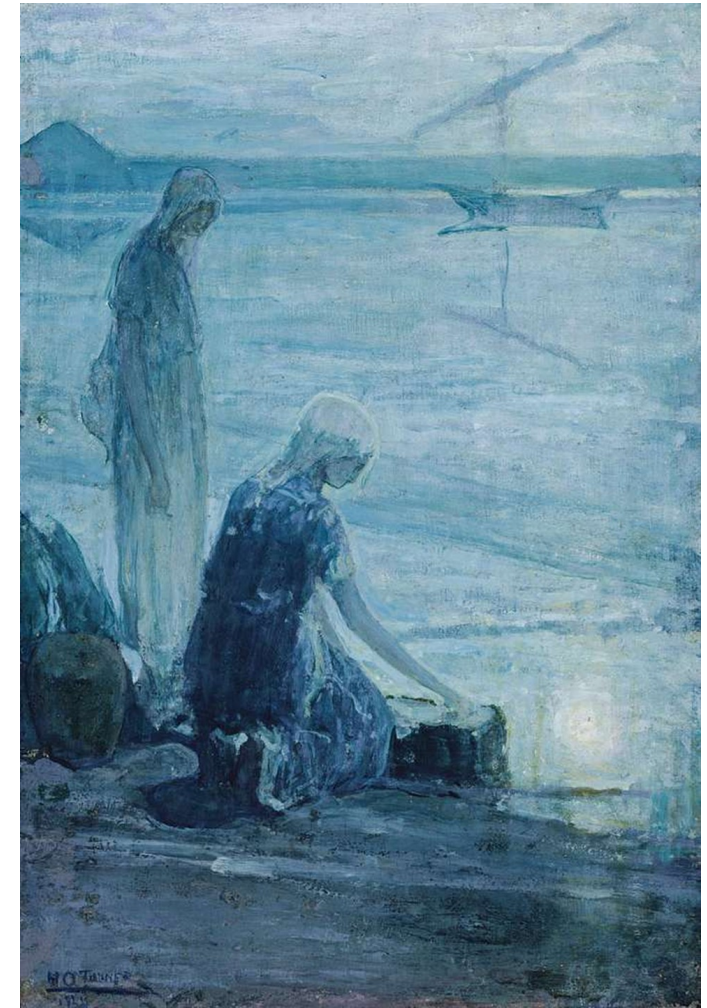
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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.



Henry Ossawa Tanner 1894

I DREW HIM OUT OF THE WATER

GRACE CHURCH

23 August 2026

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to Grace!

The Liturgy Begins on page 323

The Word of God

The Collect

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The First Lesson

Exodus 1:8-2:10

Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, “Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.” Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labor. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labor. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them.

The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, “When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live.” But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, “Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?” The midwives said to Pharaoh, “Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.” So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, “Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live.”

Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him,

SAVE THE DATE

Grace Annual BBQ is October 10, 2026.

It’s almost fall, yall! Save the date for the Fall Festival on October 18, after the 10:30 service.

The annual EYC Holiday Vendor Market will be held November 7, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.. If you are interested in having a space, please talk to Sharon Dorsey.

Weekly Gatherings

Fiber, Friends, and Fellowship: FFF meets every Tuesday from 10 a.m.—Noon.
Bridge Card Group: Wednesday from 3-5 p.m. in the library.

Those with birthdays this week

Tracey Lidlow
Jimmy Poupalos
Sandy Kress
Caroline Ripley
Robert George
Glenda Swinford
Jane Kelly
Diann Simms
Jackie Lenhart
James Pennell

Baptismal Newbirth Day

15 September

10 October
11 January
05 March
01 January

1 September

Those with Baptismal Newbirth Days this week

Cindy Hopkins 26 August

Grace Notes

- **Fourth Sunday Loose Offering** goes to the Anderson 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.
- **FFF:** Meets every **Tuesday from 10 a.m. - noon.**
- **Episcopal Christianity** Class: Will conclude today, **Sundays August 23 at 9:15 a.m.** We will meet in Fr. Jack's study.
- **Grace is in need of new Ushers.** If you would like to be apart of this team, contact Maxwell Jeffers at jeffers6sc@att.net or (864) 653-8647.
- **Grief Support** will meet **Thursday, August 27th at 10 a.m.** in the Grace library.
- We will have **Morning Prayer Sunday, August 30th** for both liturgies.
- **Pastoral Care** will be **celebrating** long time member Linda Hoffman on her 90th Birthday on **Sunday, September 20th** during coffee hour. Everyone is invited to join.
- **Saints and Sinners dinner groups** resumes early October. Spring members are auto enrolled. There is a sign-up sheet or you can contact Tanya Pusey at 864-359-9878 or email tigerpride49@gmail.com

THE GRACE CODE



Scan or tap to visit:

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

Congratulations to Hunter and Lori Foley on the birth of their daughter Jacey Wynn Foley born on August 17, 2026.

Altar Flowers

Flowers are given to the Glory of God in honor of Tony & Annette Guiseppi-Elie by Jim & Kathe Harris.

and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, "This must be one of the Hebrews' children," she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?" Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Yes." So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages." So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, "because," she said, "I drew him out of the water."

The Psalm

Psalm 124 (read responsively by half verse)

Nisi quia Dominus

- 1 If the LORD had not been on our side, *
let Israel now say;
- 2 If the LORD had not been on our side, *
when enemies rose up against us;
- 3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive *
in their fierce anger toward us;
- 4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us *
and the torrent gone over us;
- 5 Then would the raging waters *
have gone right over us.
- 6 Blessed be the LORD! *
he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
- 7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; *
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
- 8 Our help is in the Name of the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth.

The Second Lesson

Romans 12:1-8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God-- what is good and acceptable and perfect.

For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

The Holy Gospel

Priest: *The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.*
People: *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

Matthew 16:13-20

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Priest: *The Gospel of the Lord.*
People: *Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

The Sermon

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The Peace
Announcements (*Please notify the rector beforehand*)

The Holy Communion

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Those who serve

Vestry-in-Charge: Tracey Lidlow
Second Counter: Mike Magaha
Lector: Dylan Hankins
Intercessor: Annette Guiseppi-Elie
Chalice 1: Jackie Lenhart
Chalice 2: Annette Guiseppi-Elie
Church Opener: Drew Lavan
Celebrant: The Rev. Jack Hardaway

Stewardship Report

As of 6/30/2026
YTD 2026 Revenue \$230,502
YTD 2026 Expenses \$238,502
YTD 2026 (Deficit) \$8,000

Expectant Parents

Joey & Asheton Benson