

REGULAR SUNDAY SERVICE
10:15 A.M. – Holy Eucharist

CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Dr. Ronald E. Ramsey - Interim Rector - 757.818.1630
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LAY READERS

Jerome Bynum | Roscoe Coles | Maria Herbert | Kenneth Miller
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PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Acolytes.....Diane Allen
Adult Choir.....Wanda Watters
Altar Guild.....Melissa Hunter & Kitty Hill
Bereavement Committee.....Michele McCoy & Angela Spruill
Boy Scouts.....Robert Johnson
Brotherhood of St. Andrew.....Jerome Bynum
Finance Committee.....Ruth Rose
Floral Liaison.....Gail Hunt(757.619.1412)
Communications Director.....Melinda Gainer
Christian Education.....Donna Coles & LaQuetta Porter
Daughters of the King (DOK).....Beverly Powell & Angela King
Episcopal Church Women (ECW).....Angela King
Episcopal Youth Community (EYC).....Margaret McCourty
Girl Scouts.....Alisa Greene, Paulette Ellis & Alexis Greene
Lay Minister Coordinator.....Maria Herbert
Mary's Corner Book Store.....Beverly Powell
Men of Grace Church.....Robert Johnson
Outreach Ministry.....Alisa Greene
Praise Dancers.....LaQuetta Porter & Donna Coles
Union of Black Episcopalians (UBE).....Michele McCoy
Ushers & Greeters.....Daschell Copeland & Chucky Carballo
Webmaster.....Valencia Ingram

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
August 3rd, 2025

Grace Episcopal Church

The Servant Church
Since 1883



The Rev. Dr. Ronald E. Ramsey, Interim Rector

Church Office

Tuesday-Friday | 11am-4pm

Fr. Ramsey's Office Hours: Tuesday & Wednesday | 10am-4:30pm
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Our Purpose

To bring people to Jesus and membership in His family, develop them to Christlike maturity & equip them for their ministry in the Church and life mission in the world, in order to magnify God's name.

We extend a warm welcome to **guests, friends, visitors** and **newcomers** joining us for Sunday worship.

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All baptized persons are invited to receive
Holy Communion at the altar.

Christian Education

Bible Study takes place on the first and third Tuesday of every month, via Zoom, from 7-8pm. The Zoom link will be emailed to the parish prior to each Bible Study session. Refer to this bulletin for the appropriate readings.

Readings for Aug 4th – Aug 9th

- **Monday, August 04, 2025:**
Psalm 60; Hosea 11:12-12:14; Colossians 3:18-4:1;
- **Tuesday, August 05, 2025:**
Psalm 60; Hosea 13:1-16; Colossians 4:2-6;
- **Wednesday, August 06, 2025:**
Psalm 60; Hosea 14:1-9; Luke 12:22-31;
- **Thursday, August 07, 2025:**
Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23; Isaiah 9:8-17; Romans 9:1-9;
- **Friday, August 08, 2025:**
Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23; Isaiah 9:18-10:4; Acts 7:1-8;
- **Saturday, August 09, 2025:**
Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23; Isaiah 1:2-9, 21-23; Matthew 6:19-24

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II 10:15AM

Prelude

Processional Hymn: *The Spacious Firmament on High*

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The Acclamation and Collect for Purity

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Kyrie: Roberts (L - 236)

The Collect of the Day

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THE WORD OF GOD

The Lessons

Hosea 11:1-11

Psalm 107:1-9, 43

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Colossians 3:1-11

Gospel Hymn: *The Old Rugged Cross*

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~~The Gospel:~~ Luke 12:13-21

The Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Ronald E. Ramsey

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Prayers of the People (Form IV)

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Confession of Sin

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The Peace

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

The Doxology

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The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer A

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The Sanctus-Benedictus (L - 253)

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Communion Hymns: LEVAS #'s 189, 52, 152

Post Communion Prayer

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The Blessing

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Recessional Hymn: *Love Lifted Me*

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Postlude

The following dates are available if you would like to donate **flowers to be placed on the altar** with a memorial tribute: August 10th, August 17th, August 24th and August 31st. Please call our floral liaison, Gail Hunt (757.619.1412), to make arrangements.



*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God, by **Bonnie Smith**, as she commemorates three special August events.*

Occasion #1: Wedding Anniversary (August 3rd)

Occasion #2: Passing of Husband, Charles T. Smith (August 16th)

Occasion #3: Bonnie's Birthday (August 29th)



The Countdown Begins...

The Grace Church Cookout

(sponsored by Stewardship Vitalization Sub-committee)

takes place on **August 16th**.

The committee is now accepting donations.



13 DAYS...

The **painting of the parish hall and library** is now complete. You may now resume your regularly scheduled use of these rooms.
Thank you for your patience.

For Your Information

Church Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday | 11am – 4pm

Fr. Ramsey's Office Hours: Tuesday & Wednesday | 10am – 4:30pm

Parish Administrator's Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday | 11am – 4pm

Call for a Vestry Secretary

The **vestry** needs a **Secretary** to record minutes at vestry meetings, which resume in September. You don't need to be a vestry member to serve. If you're interested in supporting our church in this capacity, please contact Fr. Ramsey (757.818.1630) or Senior Warden, Alex Hunter (757.548.8017 or 757.615.6381).

If you are interested in obtaining a **FOOD HANDLER'S CARD** for the City of Norfolk, please visit the Virginia Department of Health at www.vdh.gov.

Discernment Committee Prayer

Almighty God, just as you directed Samuel to the calling of David to be King, we ask that our eyes and hearts might be opened so we can see whom you have directed to lead Grace Episcopal Church. Humble us and allow us to rely on your spirit's guidance. Fill our horns with oil O Lord and help us to focus on the heart of the one you will send to lead us. Be with us as we seek the one you have sanctified. We pray for discernment and guidance during this process. O Lord our God, give wisdom to our Discernment Team and to this parish as we seek your direction in finding our new priest.

~Amen

If you or your organization has a planned meeting in the church (outside of church hours), please notify your friendly church sexton so that he can unlock the building for you and secure it afterwards. Please and thank you.

Sermon Notes

Title/Topic/Gospel_____



“Oh my God, listen to me and hear my request . . . We do not ask because we deserve help, but because you are so merciful.”

DANIEL 9:18

PRAYERS FOR WELLNESS AND COMFORT

- Cecelia Anderson.....6320 Auburn Dr, Va. Beach 23464
Dorethea Bagby.....Portside Health and Rehab
4201 Greenwood Dr, Portsmouth 23701
Barbara Bell..... 927 Kenton Ave, Norfolk 23504
Dorothy Burnette..... 421 Clemson Ave, Chesapeake 23324
Mercedes Coveney..... 536 Sandy Lake Ct, Va Beach 23454
John Hopkins..... 5312 Halter Ln, Norfolk 23502
Barbara Massey.....2717 Blueberry Bank, Chesapeake, VA 23325
Doris Parrish.....3645 Wedgefield Ave, Norfolk 23502
Ernestine Swain.....5933 Dorothy Bolton Ct., Alexandria, VA 22310
Robena Vaughan.....Harbor's Edge 1 Colley Ave-AL #302, Norf 23510
Alicia Williams.....Lake Taylor Transitional Care Hospital
1309 Kempsville Rd Norfolk 23502
Mary Woodhouse.....3100 Shore Dr., Apt 710, Va Beach 23451