

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please update your family prayer requests. Call or email the office before noon on Wednesdays to update the list.

Owen	Betsy	Read	David W.	Mimi B.	Bill B.
Ann and Caleb W.	Frank O.	Martina	Gracia	Terri	
Keegan O.	Dorothy O.	Hope	Dolores	Adam	Lee
Lou	Sandy C.	Tom G.	Ruby R.	Hank	Dick
Susan C.	Rachel C.	Billy	Dana H.	Lance	David Z.
Martha R.	Robert	Kaitlyn R.	Robin M.	Tom	Carey

For Matt Rogers, our seminarian.

All soldiers, sailors, marines & airmen. In the diocesan cycle of prayer we pray for Grace Church, Elkridge; Grace Church, New Market, and Grace Memorial Church, Darlington in Deer Creek Parish. In the Anglican cycle of prayer we pray for The Church of Ceylon. Please add your own petitions either silently or aloud.

❖ Those who have died and whose memorials we offer today. The flowers on the retable today are given in celebration of the birthday of Edward Blanton. Please add your own petitions, either silently or aloud.

❖ Our thanksgivings: The bread and wine for the Eucharist are given for the feeding of God's people and in celebration of the visit of the Maryland Chapter of the Union of Black Episcopalians. Please add your own thanksgivings, either silently or aloud.

All Saints Day will be celebrated Next Sunday, November 7th. If you have a child to be baptized, please speak to a member of the clergy. Baptismal preparation is Saturday, November 6th at 11:00am in the church.

TODAY: 9:00am Adult Education in Room 204. Charlie+ continues his discussion of his sabbatical: Portraying the Gospel: 2 Illustrations and 1 Invitation.



We welcome the Maryland Chapter of the Union of Black Episcopalians (UBE) to St. James.

Maryland Chapter Officers:

Reba Bullock - President
 Carrie H Brown - Vice President
 Linda Harris - Secretary
 Leatrice Curtis - Treasurer
 Thompkins Weaver - Chaplain

Our guests will join us for the 9:00 am lecture, worship with us at 10:15 am and join us for a special Coffee Hour. Please greet our guests and make sure they find the way to all of our activities.

The Union of Black Episcopalians stands in the continuing tradition of more than 200 years of Black leadership in the Episcopal Church.

Beginning with the establishment of St. Thomas Episcopal Church by Absalom Jones in 1794 in the city of Philadelphia through the election of Barbara Harris as Suffragan Bishop of Massachusetts there has always been a strong corps of Black Christians in the Episcopal Church. People like James Holly, Henry Delaney, John Walker, Tollie Caution, Charles Lawrence, Deborah Harmon Hines, and countless other.



Absalom Jones
1746-1818

Organized in 1968 as the Union of Black Clergy and Laity, the

Union is the proud inheritor of the work of these people and an earlier organization, the Convocation of Colored Clergy, the Conference of Church Workers Among Colored People, all dedicated to the ministry of Blacks in the Episcopal Church. The



Barbara Harris
Bishop

name was changed to the Union of Black Episcopalians in 1971.

The Union of Black Episcopalians is a confederation of more than 55 chapters and interest groups throughout the continental United States and the Caribbean. The Union also has members in Canada, Africa and Latin America. <http://www.ube.org/>

Men's Pancake Breakfast Help Needed: If you like flipping flapjacks, ladling syrup or turning sausages, then the Men's Organization could use your help **next Sunday, November 7th**. They'll also need a couple of people in the lobby to collect donations. Please see Charles Fitzhugh or Frank O'Toole if you can help. (Men and women welcome).

Bread and Wine for the Eucharist may be given as a memorial or a celebration. Available dates are December 19th, December 25th and Sunday, December 26th. Please sign up on the chart in the Narthex. The suggested donation is \$35.00.

Altar Flowers as a memorial or celebration may be given on Sunday, December 26th. Please call Sally Cocks at 410-472-0959 if you would like flowers for that date.

Music Notes: Toccata (and Fugue) in d (S. 565, 1708)
J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

The opening measure of this piece is perhaps the most well known motif in classical music ... it has rival only in the famous 4-note motif from Beethoven's 5th Symphony. Many of us associate it with the movie, *Fantasia*, or with some version of *Phantom of the Opera*. Others know it as one of the most exciting warhorses of the organ repertoire. Each year, at "Bach Marathons" across the nation, a performance of this piece will open the event; many, many hours later, this piece closes the event. This Toccata and Fugue is considered by almost all as THE-Bach-Organ-Piece!

It is interesting to note, though, that in the last 25 years, there has arisen a persistent movement in musicology claiming that this piece could not have originated with Bach and was not originally an organ piece. Like many of Bach's pieces, there is no surviving autograph in Bach's hand . . . the earliest manuscript for the (organ) piece stems from the hand of a student of a student, about 25 years after Bach's

death. This fact, and various rather technical arguments (about harmony and style) have lead to "reconstructions" of the Toccata & Fugue ... for solo violin, for solo cello, etc. One can even buy CDs of such performances! The most respected authority on Bach, however, still attributes this piece to Bach.

Most remarkable, perhaps, is that this piece works in so many forms. We can hear it played by a very large orchestra as part of Fantasia, in a very Romantic setting by Leopold Stokowski. We can hear it played by a white-faced masked man in *Phantom of the Opera* in a cavernous room with tremendous reverberant acoustics. We can hear it at St. James', played on our fine organ, marvelous and exciting as only the King of Instruments can be.

Bach always ended his religious compositions with S.D.G. (for Soli Deo Gloria: to God alone the Glory). Let this be heard in the spirit of our offering: S.D.G. *Henry Chen*



Autumn Glory Pancake Breakfast
Next Sunday, November 7th

Breakfast will be served from 9:00 to 12:00.
Donation at the door for the Men's Organization annual fall fund-raiser for local social ministry needs.
Bring your family and friends.

An Out of the Box Event: Fall Clean-up Day in the
St. James Cemetery
November 14th 11:30 am to 1:00pm

🔗 Team Prizes 🔗 Touch Football
🔗 Free Lunch 🔗 Community Service Hours

Bring rakes, leaf blowers, gloves, and tarps.

See Alex Secor or Don Greenawalt for more information and please sign up on the poster in the lobby.

