

CLARKE PARISH

Grace Episcopal Church / St. Mary's Memorial Church

THE EVANGELINE

June 9, 2021



FROM THE RECTOR

Dear Friends:

This weekend we will lay to rest two very important members of our parish. On Saturday, June 12th at 1 pm at St. Mary's we will celebrate the life of William Cross who was a patriarch of St. Mary's and Clarke Parish. He tended to Wickliffe, owning the farm next door. In his long life, he saw the integration of this parish among other institutions. William will be remembered fondly for his mischievous sense of humor, his love of all things fun, and the hours of dedication that he devoted to this parish.

Maybe it is fitting that the other person whom we will lay to rest is Rev. David Cammack who was the first rector to integrate the parish as one in the 1960s. That service will be at 2 pm on Monday, June 14th at Grace in the churchyard. I know his son Tom, who is known to many of you, would welcome your attendance.

Funerals are sad but they are also celebrations. In the funeral liturgy, we remember the saving sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross and how he achieved victory over death in the resurrection. Every funeral is a celebration of life and an Easter liturgy.

I look forward to seeing many of you on Saturday and Monday.

Blessings,
Justin+

UPCOMING SERVICE SCHEDULE



Clarke Parish
SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

We've made the switch to our Summer Schedule!

Instead of offering worship at 8, 9 and 11 am, we've adjusted the Sunday schedule to offer services at 8, 9 and 10:15 am instead. We will remain on this schedule through Labor Day.

8 am @ Grace Episcopal Church
9 am @ St. Mary's Memorial Church
10:15 am @ Grace Episcopal Church

The Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 13, 2021

Celebrant: Rev. Justin A. Ivatts, Rector

Assistant: Dr. Caroline Mitchell, Seminarian

Visiting Clergy: Rev. Jonathan Tuttle and Rev. Chris Harpster

(visiting from St. Paul's Episcopal Church - Kingsport, Tennessee)

Lessons: 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13; Psalm 20; 2 Corinthians 5:6-17; Mark 4:26-34

8 am at Grace Episcopal Church

Eucharist (Rite I)

Sermon: Caroline Mitchell

Lay Reader: Wendy Oesterling

9 am at St. Mary's Memorial Church

Eucharist (Rite II)

Sermon: Rev. Chris Harpster

Lay Reader: Gwendolyn Malone

Pianist: Hailey Outland

10:15 am at Grace Episcopal Church

Eucharist (Rite II)

Sermon: Rev. Chris Harpster

Lay Reader: John Lincoln

Organist: Wendy Oesterling

Acolytes: Lily Bosworth

Usher: Ben Newlon

[Click HERE - Lectionary Insert for June 13, 2021](#)

VIRTUAL WORSHIP

For those of you who still wish to join us virtually instead of attending in-person worship, the 10:15 am service at Grace Church will continue to be live-streamed each week. Please use the links below to view the service offerings. These links are permanent and will not change week after week.

Our YouTube page:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTT0nfgs77DzKri2qx38Cg>

Our Facebook page:



THOUGHTFUL THURSDAYS!

Evening Prayer at Wickliffe Church

Join us on Thursday evenings at 7:30 pm between Memorial Day and Labor Day weekend for a service of Evening Prayer at Wickliffe. After the service, stay for fellowship, great conversation with friends, and maybe bring your own beverage/snack to enjoy in the churchyard too.



MEMORIAL SERVICE

Mr. William Franklin Cross

December 10, 1924 - June 24, 2020

THIS SATURDAY, June 12, 2021

1 pm at St. Mary's Church



MEMORIAL SERVICE

Rev. David Walker Cammack

June 14, 1925 - August 5, 2020

THIS MONDAY, June 14, 2021

2 pm at Grace Episcopal Church

CHURCH NEWS

Always stay up-to-date with church events
and activities...

CHURCH CALENDAR - Quick View!



June 9 - Wednesday Morning Bible Study / 10:30 am

June 10 - 'Thoughtful Thursday' Evening Prayer at Wickliffe/ 7:30 pm

June 12 - Memorial Service for William Cross/ 1 pm @ St. Mary's

June 13 - Sunday Morning Worship / 8, 9, & 10:15 am with visiting clergy from St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Kingsport, Tennessee at the two later services.

June 13 - UTO Spring Ingathering Sunday/ 8, 9 & 10:15 am services

June 14 - Memorial Service for Rev. David Cammack/ 2 pm @ GEC

June 16 - Wednesday Morning Bible Study / 10:30 am

June 17 - 'Thoughtful Thursday' Evening Prayer at Wickliffe/ 7:30 pm
June 20 - Sunday Morning Worship / 8, 9, & 10:15 am
June 21 - GEC Vestry Meeting / 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall
June 23 - Wednesday Morning Bible Study / 10:30 am
June 24 - 'Thoughtful Thursday' Evening Prayer at Wickliffe/ 7:30 pm
June 27 - Sunday Morning Worship / 8, 9, & 10:15 am
June 30 - Wednesday Morning Bible Study / 10:30 am
July 4 - Sunday Morning Worship / 8, 9, & 11 am
July 5 - OFFICE CLOSED (Independence Day)
July 6 - St. Mary's Vestry Meeting / 1 pm in the Parish House
July 11 - Visiting Clergy = Rev. Dwight L. Brown/ services at 8 @ 10 am
August 8 - Annual Homecoming Service & Picnic at Wickliffe/ 11 am

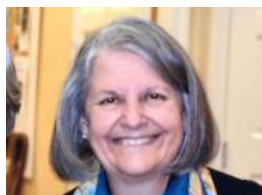
UNITED THANK OFFERING

Spring Ingathering

Share your blessings with Thanksgiving and Love!
 It's time for the UTO collection at Clarke Parish - Spring
 Ingathering Sunday is scheduled for THIS SUNDAY, June 13th
 during the 8, 9, and 10:15 am services.



"Every penny collected responds to human need by offering loving services and transformative assistance to those within our diocese and around the world."
 Offering Envelopes and Mite Boxes are available in the church and fellowship hall.



A MESSAGE FROM WENDY OESTERLING

"Sing a New Song"

Music is a very important element in our worship tradition, especially singing in worship services. We have certainly been reminded of this during the pandemic when we haven't been able to sing together. It's wonderful to be able to sing together again! Thanks be to God!

Beginning this Sunday, June 6, the **Summer Choir** offers an opportunity for anybody who would like to sing with the Grace Church choir to do so. You are cordially invited to come to Grace Church any (or all) Sunday(s) at 9:15 am to rehearse for the service at 10:15 am. The commitment is one Sunday at a time and no prior experience or training or audition is required! We invite friends of all ages, children to grandparents, to come and sing as part of the choir.

Do you like to sing? Have you ever wondered what it would be like to sing in the choir? Have you ever wanted to try it out but not commit long-term? This is your chance! Feel free to ask Wendy or any choir member questions you may have. You don't have to register -- just come on Sunday! Thanks for wearing church clothes when you come. We look forward to welcoming all friends to sing!

COFFEE HOUR
Sign-Up Sheet



Good news...we have resumed offering Coffee Hour after the 9 & 10:15 am services! With the warmer weather, we focusing on lemonade and individually wrapped treats rather than hot coffee and potluck meals. At St. Mary's, coffee hour will be enjoyed in the Parish House. At Grace, coffee hours will be enjoyed outside on the lawn by the chapel. Parishioners are encouraged to contact the office or check the sign-up sheet posted in the narthex to volunteer to host an upcoming coffee hour.

ALTAR FLOWERS!

Now that we're back inside our church buildings and celebrating indoor worship together again, we have resumed our weekly altar flower schedule.



After living through a lengthy COVID shutdown, let's get a fresh start with a blank calendar and get back to having beautiful flowers on the altar each week.

Many parishioners and friends have favorite dates they like to provide flowers on, but I'd like to hear from everyone regarding their wish to continue. I will not assume to know your preference. Please contact the office ASAP if interested in providing altar flowers in 2021. Many open dates are available. Thanks!



ONLINE GIVING

It's as easy as 1,2,3...

We have partnered with [Tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly) - a trusted platform to provide a simple, convenient, and secure way to continue supporting our ministry through online giving from anywhere at any time.

Please consider this option to make a pledge or one-time payment to the church. You can also set up recurring payments, and likewise, you can utilize [Tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly) to give to the General Fund, Grace Giving, St. Mary's Giving, the Rector's Discretionary Fund, the Backpack Program, or 'Other' by selecting from the drop-down menu options.

[Click HERE to Give Online Now](#)

The [Tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly) link is also available by visiting the Parish Website at www.ClarkeParish.org

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