

<u>Link to the Bulletins for</u> <u>August 23</u>

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Calendar Highlights

Saturday, August 22 9am Overeaters Anonymous, Undercroft Commons 11am Al-Anon, Undercroft Commons 11am Overeaters Anonymous, Ascension House

Sunday, August 23
7:45am Holy Eucharist, Main Church
9am Holy Eucharist, Main Church
10:15am Holy Eucharist for Families with Young Children, Chapel
11am Holy Eucharist in Spanish, Chapel
11:15am Holy Eucharist, Main Church
1:30pm Vestry Meeting, Room 1
5pm Holy Eucharist, Chapel

Monday, August 24 6:30pm Overeaters Anonymous, Undercroft Commons

Tuesday, August 25 9:30am Staff Meeting, Library 7pm Still Water Mindfulness

This Week at Ascension

Jesus is the Way

"When it comes to the mystery of death, like the mystery of life, how can any of us know anything? If there is a realm of being beyond where we now are that has to do somehow with who Jesus is, and is for us, and is for all the world, then how can we know the way that will take us there?

"I am the way, and the truth, and the life', is how he answers. He does not say the church is the way. He does not say his teachings are the way, or what people for centuries have taught about him. He does not say religion is the way, not even the religion that bears his name. He says he himself is the way. And he says that the truth is not words, neither his words nor anyone else's words. It is the truth of being truly human as he was truly human and thus at the same time truly God's. And the life we are dazzled by in him, haunted by in him, nourished by in him is a life so full of aliveness and light that not even the darkness of death could prevail against it.

"How do we go where he is? How do we who have a hard enough time just finding our way home in the night find the way that is his way, the way that is he? Who of us can say, and yet who of us doesn't search for the answer in our deepest places?

"As for me, I think what we are to do is to keep on ringing and ringing and ringing, because that ringing - and the longing, the faith, the intuition that keeps us at it - is the music of the truth trying to come true even in us. I think that what we are to do is to try to draw near to him and to each other any way we can because that is the last thing he asked of us. 'Love one another as I have loved you' John 15:12) is the way he said it... By believing against all odds and loving against all odds, that is how we are to let Jesus show in the world and to transform the world."

- from Frederick Buechner, Secrets in the Dark

Announcements (click for more info)

Practice, Chapel 7pm Codependents Anonymous, Ascension House 8:30pm Al-Anon, Ascension House

Wednesday, August 26 10am *The Portable Jung* Book Group, Library 8pm Gamblers Anonymous, Ascension House

Thursday, August 27 10am Yoga, Chapel 11am Episcopal Seeking Seniors, Asbury

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Worship Leaders

Sunday, August 23 Preacher: (The Rev.) Randy Lord-Wilkinson

Flower Delivery: Musu Rogers, Esther Sawyer

7:45 AM Reader/Prayers: Jackson Douglas, Chalicists: Sharon Hayden, Wadai Dennis, Healing Prayer: Jean Cohn, Acolytes: Ron Hayden, Jackson Douglas, Aidan Douglas, Welcome Team: Herald Douglas, Lisa Murdock, Altar Guild: Leslie Sanya, Wadai Dennis

9:00 AM Readers: Andrew Greene, Betsy Hasegawa, Prayers: Carleton MacDonald, Chalicists: Shirley Allen, Major Clemens, Healing Prayer: Randy Lord-Wilkinson, Acolytes: Stacy Taylor, Kayleigh Yankie, Alex Hanson, Welcome Team: Esther Allotey-Taylor, Bev Stennett, Christine Kroma, Altar Guild: Caryl Thomas, Adoma Baffoe, Dotty Pfadenhauer

11:15 AM Reader: Laura Shay, Chalicists: Kirk Fitch, Anika Lalmansingh, Healing Prayer: Laura Shay, Welcome Team: Penelope Cudjoe, Musu Rogers, Altar Guild: Laura Shay, Georgana Maines

5:00 PM Reader/*Usher*: Pete Minderman

Eucharistic Visitors: Meredith Horan, Enid Cole

HEADLINERS

Newcomers' Luncheon, August 30
Joining Education for Ministry

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Christian Formation for Children, Fall Schedule

The Portable Jung

Daring Greatly, New Book for the Wednesday Morning Group

Still Water Mindfulness Practice Group

Listening Heart Community at Ascension

WORSHIP

Attention Worship Leaders and Those Interested in Becoming a Worship Leader

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Worship Rosters, July-September

SERVICE

Gaithersburg HELP

Ascension's Cancer Support Group

LIFE AT ASCENSION

Ascension's Adventure Group Upcoming Events

Ministry Fair, 2015

Fiesta de las Americas, September 20

Hospitality Hour

Prayer Request Updates

Prayers

FOR THOSE WHOSE LIVES ARE CLOSELY LINKED WITH OURS:
The Church of Our Saviour, Brookland Parish
The Church of Our Saviour, Hillandale
St. Bartholomew's Church
St. Augustine's Church, Washington
The Angus Dun Committee

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for San Diego - (IX, The Episcopal Church)

PRAY FOR COMFORT, HEALING, COURAGE, AND HOPE: Lee, Peg, Becca, Sally, Heather, Donna, Susan, Johnetta, Doris, Sarah, Joyce, Sherri, Roz, Nancy, Janet, Lou, Jake, and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

We pray for Ascension's Minister of Music Discernment Team.

We pray for peace in the world and all who are serving our country here and abroad, especially those in harm's way, and their families. For all people affected by natural disasters, violence, and war.

We pray for all special intentions, and those on our extended Healing Prayer List.

ALTAR FLOWERS:

Given by Ron and Jan Hauber, in celebration of their 46th anniversary.

Given by Betsy Hasegawa, in honor of her parents Helen and Jerry Jenkins' 65th wedding anniversary.

THANKSGIVING:

We give thanks for the life of Anne Yobst, formerly Anne Dalzell, mother of Janet Klein, Martha Cook, and Mary Gawlik, who died on August 9.

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