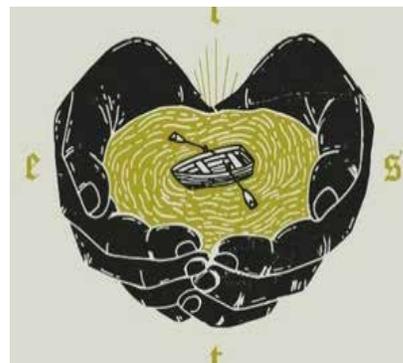


The Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

Year B • Proper 11

Sunday, July 18, 2021 • 9:00 a.m.



Welcome to Church of the Ascension. We are an inclusive community that respects the dignity of every human being. Therefore, whoever you are in terms of race, ethnicity, gender, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, or ability and wherever you are on your faith journey, we welcome you and hope you will give us an opportunity to be your spiritual home.

HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be the One, Holy, and Living God!!

People **And blessed be God's kingdom now and forever! Amen!**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

2 Samuel 7:1-14A

A Reading from the Second Book of Samuel.

When the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you."

But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I

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have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.

People The Word of the Lord.
 Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

People The Gospel of the Lord.
 Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMONETTE

The Rev. Dr. Joan E. Beilstein, Rector

A moment of silence for reflection will follow.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe in God the Father,
From whom every family
In heaven and on earth is named.
We believe in God the Son,
Who lives in our hearts through faith,
And fills us with his love.
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
Who strengthens us,
With power from on high.
We believe in one God:
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE FORM IV

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop; Mariann and Chilton, our Bishops; Joan our rector; Terri our deacon; Bailey our music director; Creamilda our seminarian; and for all bishops and other ministers; and for all the People of God.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Today in our parish we pray for Jennifer, Ian, and Henry Myles; May Nakamura; Stephani Narayanan; Dave Nelson, Emer Donnelly, and Aiofe Nelson; Heidi Nelson, and Scott, Brandon, and Annarose Harris; and Lisa Null and Charlie Baum. We pray also for the birthdays of Karen Regis, Jake Wilson, Marta Brenden, Rod Good, Maggie Thompson, Jim Wolf, and Paula Chiplis. And for the fifty-third wedding anniversary of Art and Marilyn Stump.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. **Especially All who are suffering from COVID-19 ...**
***Faye ... Virginia ... Gloria ... Gwendolyn ... Rachel ... Tina ... Florri ... Dick¹ ... Glen ... Riza ... *Yvonne ... Jean ... *Bob ... Mary ... Lillian ... Joré Yvonne ... Paula ... The Clark Family ... *Andrew ... Pat¹ ... *Kenn ... Rita ... *Kiki ... Sean ... Geoff ... Gloria ... Kitty ... Martie ... Pat² ... Jere ... Dick² ... *Maggie ... The Hunte Family ... Lynn ... Paul ... Barbara ... *Tom ... *Bert ... Pauline ... Linda ... Johannas ... Pat³ ... Mike ... Les ... Marsha ... *Kathryn ... David ... Brian¹ ... *Lisa ... Zobida ... Cynthia ... Rudi ... Severn ... *Carol¹ ... Brian² ... The Seaton Family ... Carol² ... *Martha ... *Joyce ... *Dana... The Tate Family ... *Giselle ... The Thomas Family ... *Helen ... Glenn ... *Libby ... and Judah.**

I invite you now to offer your prayers either aloud or in the silence of your hearts.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY WORDS

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.

People **And of thine own have we given thee.**

HOLY EUCHARIST FORM 1

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

And so, we join the saints and angels in proclaiming your glory, as we say,

SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

We praise you Loving God, for the gift of your Son Jesus Christ, who is for us, the way, the truth, and the life. And so, in faith and hope, we bring you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Gracious God, we now celebrate the memorial of your Son. By means of this holy bread and cup, we show forth the sacrifice of his death, and proclaim his resurrection, until he comes again.

Gather us by this Holy Communion into one body in your Son Jesus Christ. Make us a living sacrifice of praise.

**By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours,
Almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now let us pray as our Savior Christ has taught us,

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. *Amen.***

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

FRACTION ANTHEM

Celebrant The disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread.

People **The bread which we break, alleluia, is the Communion of the Body of Christ.**

THE INVITATION

These are holy gifts for you God's holy and beloved people: Take them in remembrance that Christ lived, died, and rose for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

ADMINISTRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

PLEASE walk up the center aisle of the chapel single file toward the priest.

Only the host will be distributed which is full communion. The common cup is still not allowed at this time.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. *Amen.*

THE BLESSING

DISMISSAL

Join us for a
RETIREMENT PARTY
HONORING

Takoma Park Maryland
Library's
Karen MacPherson

THURSDAY, July 22nd
6:00 PM-8:00 PM
El Golfo, 8739 Flower Ave.

Featuring Mr. Gabel



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Maryland Library

Mustard Seed Ministry Opportunities • July 2021



Ascension's Mustard Seed Ministry offers simple moments of ministry that are easy to complete, often from the comfort of your own home. Don't know what to do to combat the hate and need you see all around you? Choose one or more of the Mustard Seed opportunities below!

- **Restart!** We are hoping to restart the monthly Late Night Walkabouts. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Rev. Terri at reverendterri@aol.com
- **Casserole Ministry.** Please help us feed the local needy. Shepherd's Table asks that rather than making a casserole for Shepherd's Table, you donate the cost of making one (\$10), to Shepherd's Table. Please let Carol Schwobel know of your donation. Cjs_skye@hotmail.com¹
- Knit a baby blanket, sweater, booties or caps for Palestinian newborns at St. Luke's Hospital in Nablus, Palestine. Please drop off your items with Rev. Terri.
- **Donate time around Ascension** to help with yard clean up shoveling or mowing in the spring.
- **Wednesday donations** to support the Adventist Community Center pantry. From 10-11 a.m. on Wednesdays, drop off your donation of cereal at the front of the church.²
- **Drop off a \$10.00 Giant or Safeway food card** at the front of the church on Wednesdays from 10-11 a.m. to help feed the homeless!³
- **Diaper Ministry to benefit Greater DC Diaper Bank.** On Sundays between 11-11:30 a.m. you can drop off items at the front door of the church. Contact Laura Schattschneider at les291@nyu.edu or Drew Snyder at drewsnyder@pobox.com for details.⁴
- **NEW** Register to take Safeguarding God's Children, the diocesan child abuse prevention training. Ascension will offer this in early fall.
- **NEW** Voter Rights. To become involved in an easy way to help secure voter rights, please contact Jane Alperson at jaeal212@gmail.com.

In June, you donated:

1. \$220.00 (22 casseroles) to Shepherd's Table
2. 75 boxes of cereal for Adventist Food Bank.
3. \$450 in grocery store gift cards and comfort packs to the area homeless
4. 289 diapers; 800 wipes for the D.C. Diaper Bank.

Church of the Ascension

In-Person Worship Protocols

Revised July 15, 2021

In accordance with the CDC, Montgomery County, and Diocesan Guidelines
PLEASE READ CAREFULLY



8:00 AM— HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II (in the sanctuary)
to be resumed **Homecoming Sunday, September 12th, 2021**



9:00 AM — HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II (in St. Clare's Outdoor Chapel)
(Every Sunday (weather permitting) – through Sunday, September 5th, 2021)

- **VACCINATION:** It is strongly recommended that all be *fully vaccinated* for the COVID-19 virus, *but vaccination is not required.*
- **MASKS:** *Optional* for outdoor worship.
- **BULLETINS:** Please provide *your own bulletin* (i.e., a print copy, on your phone, on your tablet.) A limited number of paper bulletins will be available for visitors and those who need them. Please take all paper copies of the bulletin with you upon departing the service.
- **GENERAL PARKING:** *Street parking* and the *school lot* behind the church are available.
- **HANDICAPPED PARKING:** The church parking circle at 633 Sligo Avenue is reserved for those with *limited mobility.*
- **SEATING AND SOCIAL DISTANCING:** Please *bring your own lawn chairs* to accommodate yourself and/or your family members. The *benches* in the outdoor chapel *will be reserved* for those who find it difficult to carry chairs to the service. When choosing a seating area, please observe *social distancing* if the people around you are more comfortable with more space between you.
- **RESTROOMS:** The *restrooms* in the Gathering Space will be available for your use. You may reach the restrooms by *walking past the red front doors, turning left, and entering the outdoor Gathering space doors.* The restrooms are immediately to your right.
- **THE PASSING OF THE PEACE:** Bows, waves, peace signs, elbow bumping, handshaking, kissing, or hugging are allowed but *please be respectful* and check if others welcome these gestures or not.
- **HOLY COMMUNION:** Please walk up the *center aisle* of the chapel single file toward the priest. Only the host will be distributed which is full communion. The common cup is still not allowed at this time.



10:00 AM—HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II (in the Sanctuary)

- **LIVE-STREAM:** This service will be *live-streamed permanently.*
- **MUSIC:** *Congregational singing is now allowed but masks ARE REQUIRED to sing. If you need a mask, please ask one of the Greeters/Ushers and one will be provided for you. If you are not fully vaccinated, we ask that you refrain from singing.*

- **RESERVATIONS:** *No reservations* are required for this service.
- **VACCINATION:** It is *strongly recommended* that all attending be *fully vaccinated* for the COVID-19 virus.
- **MASKS:** Are *not required* for fully *vaccinated attendees*. All *un-vaccinated attendees are required* to wear a mask.
- **BULLETINS:** Please provide *your own bulletin* (i.e., a print copy, on your phone, tablet, etc.) A limited number of print bulletins will be available for visitors and those who need them. Please *take all paper copies* of the bulletin with you as you depart.
- **GENERAL PARKING:** *Street parking* and the *school lot* behind the church are available.
- **HANDICAPPED PARKING:** The church parking circle at *633 Sligo Avenue* is reserved for those with *limited mobility*.
- **ENTRANCES:** You may the church through the *ramp entrance* at 634 Silver Spring Avenue or through the *red main doors* at 633 Sligo Avenue.
- **GREETERS:** Will be present to welcome and assist you during the service.
- **SEATING & SOCIAL DISTANCING:** All *available seats* have been marked off in the sanctuary with blue tape. Please find a space that accommodates you and/or your family/friend group. When taking a seat, please observe *social distancing* if the people around you would be more comfortable with more space between you.
- **RESTROOMS:** The *restrooms* in the Gathering Space will be available for your use.
- **THE PASSING OF THE PEACE:** Bows, waves, peace signs, elbow bumping, handshaking, kissing, or hugging are allowed but *please be respectful* and check if others welcome these gestures or not.
- **HOLY COMMUNION:** *Please walk single file* up the center aisle toward the priest. Only the host will be distributed which is full communion. The common cup is still not allowed at this time. Please return to your seat using the aisle to your right to avoid the live stream equipment.
- **COFFEE HOUR:** Coffee Hour will be held in the Gathering Space and outdoors. *If you are not fully vaccinated*, we ask that you move outside when you take off your mask to consume coffee hour beverages and snacks. Thank you for your understanding!



IN-PERSON & ONLINE!

THIS SUNDAY, July 18th, 2021
After the 10:00 AM Service @ 11:15 AM

In the Gathering Space & Lawn Outside!
with bottle beverages and pre-made snacks
(savory and sweet!)

Fully vaccinated - masks optional!
Not vaccinated - masks required at all times,
unless eating outside!

****CAN'T COME IN PERSON? ****

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87381571677?pwd=NEV6aVlkMll4bWlXMTZiZGpKZW5DUT09>

So people can great you virtually!

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Serving This Week

SUNDAY, JULY 18, 2021
The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost • Year B

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Joan E. Beilstein

Rector: The Rev. Dr. Joan E. Beilstein

Deacons: The Rev. Terri M. Murphy

The Rev. Julie Petermeyer

Seminarian: Creamilda Yoda

Director of Music Ministries: Bailey Myers

Lector (10 a.m.): Kenn Derby

LEM (10 a.m.): Annemarie Quigley

Tech Team (10 a.m.): Lia Kvatum and

Buck Buckingham

THE VESTRY OF ASCENSION

• Jane Alperson (22), Senior Warden • Steve Fromyer (23), Junior Warden

• Theo Emery (24) • Anne LeVeque (24)

• Arabella Littlepage (22) • Dick Marks (22) • Chuck McCarter (24)

• Jonathan Mengesha (23) • Laura Schattschneider (22)

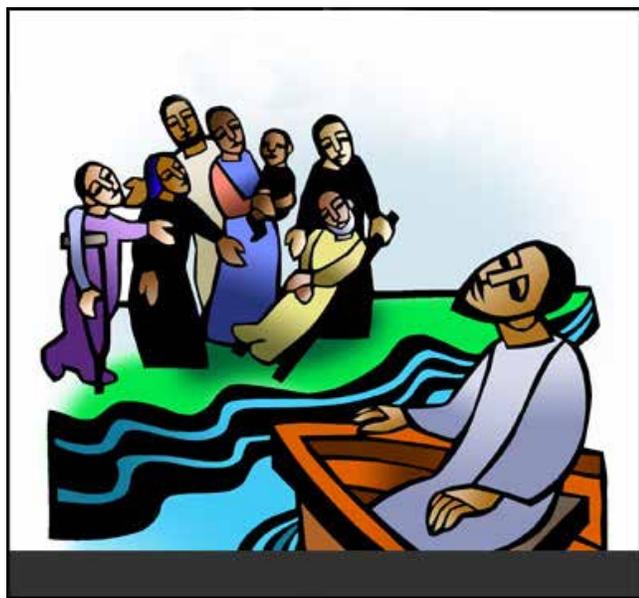
• Blaise Strandquist (23) • Sandra Sussman (23) • Joan Thomas (24)

• Ex Officio: Mary Fromyer – Registrar

• Leticia Read – Clerk of the Works

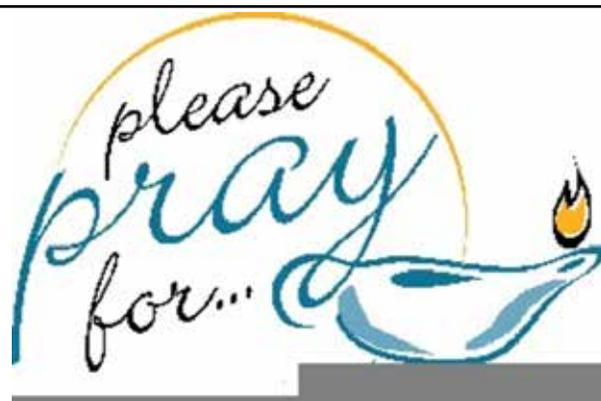
• Leona Cosby – Treasurer • Fred Paul – Assistant Treasurer

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To submit a prayer request or
add birthdays, anniversaries, and other thanksgivings
to the Sunday prayer list please email:
Jennifer Woods, knitpick@mac.com and
The Rev. Dr. Joan E. Beilstein, revdrjeb@comcast.net

*Special Thanks to Chris Chang and Astrocasters for helping
make our live stream possible
by providing our streaming server and cota.live site!*



For peace and an end to violence
and terrorism everywhere.

Our Parish Cycle of Prayer

Jennifer, Ian, and Henry Myles
May Nakamura

Stephani Narayanan

Dave Nelson, Emer Donnelly, and Aiofe Nelson

Heidi Nelson, and Scott, Brandon, and Annarose Harris

Lisa Null and Charlie Baum

For those celebrating birthdays:

July 18: Karen Regis

July 19: Jake Wilson

July 20: Marta Brenden, Rod Good; Maggie Thompson, Jim Wolf

July 23: Paula Chiplis

For those celebrating an anniversary:

July 21: Art and Marilyn Stump (53rd)

In our Diocese:

We pray for leaders in our congregations to engage an offering on
leadership, discipleship, or spiritual formation.

Church of St. Mary Magdalene, Wheaton and Misa Magdalena
St. Christopher's Church, New Carrollton

In the Anglican Communion:

Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda

For those with HIV/AIDS everywhere,
but especially in Africa.

In the World

All with the COVID-19 virus and all who have died.

For people in need of healing

(*indicates a member of the parish; italics, new this week):

*Faye Adams, Virginia Allen, Gloria Alexander,

Gwendolyn Alexander, Rachel Anderson, Tina Arnold,

Florri Aversa, Dick Baker, Glen Bediarum, Riza Bediarum,

*Yvonne Boyd, Jean Brady, *Bob Brown, *Mary Bucher,*

Joré Yvonne Chumbley, The Rev. Canon Paula Clark, Bishop-elect
of Chicago, The Clark Family, *Andrew Clayton, Pat Cox,

*Kenn Derby, Rita Ferrara, *Kiki Feissner, Sean Fitzsimmons,

The Floyd Family, Geoff Grub, Gloria Guinness, Kitty Hall, Martie
Heckman, Jere Herzenberg, Dick Holdstock, *Maggie Howard,

The Hunte Family, Lynn Hutcheson, Paul Jackson,

Barbara Jacobs, *Tom Jacobson, *Bert Joseph, Pauline Lerner,

Linda LeVeque, Johannes Mann-Chow, Pat Martin, Mike Mattson,

Les Maul, Marsha Maul, *Kathryn McCullough, David Meyer,

Brian Newby, *Lisa Null, Zobida Ragbirsingh, Cynthia Roberts,

Rudi Salvermoser, Severn Savage, *Carol Schwobel, Brian Seaton,

The Seaton Family, Carol Fiddler Smith, *Martha Smith, *

Joyce Sterling, Dana Sussman-Martin, The Tate Family,

*Giselle Thomas, The Thomas Family, *Helen Van Doren,

*Libby Williams, Glenn Woodley, Judah Yoda

Please take the Prayer List home for use in daily prayers.