

WELCOME TO ST. GABRIEL'S~SAN GABRIEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH!

We are glad that you have joined us as we encounter God in our worship together. If today is your first visit, we want you to know that St. Gabriel's is a welcoming and authentically inclusive faith community, which means that you are welcome just as you are—wholly made in the image of God. Whoever you are, and wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you are welcome here! We'd like to get to know you, so please share your contact info by filling out a blue information card, they are on the info table at the entrance. You can place it in the collection plate, send an email to the office, or text the clergy for coffee or tea!

Faith formation is important for the spiritual development of us all. Special attention is given to our children, it's the Jesus way! A Children's Story is provided at the beginning of the service and child care is provided for children up to kindergarten age and Sunday school will resume this Fall. The children return from child care and Sunday school before the Peace. Because Eucharist is essential to our faith journey please bring your children for Communion!

Coffee hour is like a second communion at St. Gabriel's, it builds community! We invite you to bring a treat if you can and regardless, visit with one another for awhile after service! While our in-person services and gatherings are mask-optional, you will not feel uncomfortable wearing one at St. Gabriel's because we recognize that there are people who have diverse reasons for taking every necessary health precaution possible. God bless you and thank you for being part of our faith community!

MINISTERS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

At St. Gabriel's~San Gabriel the ministers for worship include the congregation, the clergy, and the staff. If you'd like to volunteer for one of the following roles, let one of the clergy or seminarian know. It is preferred that liturgical volunteers arrive at least ten minutes prior to the service

ACOLYTE LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTER

LECTOR: 1ST READING/PSALM LECTOR: 2ND READING

USHERS/GREETERS TELLERS (Vestry Member + Volunteer)

The Rev. Daniel Vélez Rivera The Ven. Holly Hanback Celebrant and Preacher Deacon

Mr. Peter Schweitzer Mrs. Dana M. Jean
Director of Music Seminarian

THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

- HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II -



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant Blessed be God: ★ Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant 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.

People Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

MIGHTY IS OUR GOD



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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

People Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede

and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

KNOW THE STORY, HEAR THE STORY

Children are invited for a Biblical message related to the lessons of the day.
Children up to Pre-K age can join
Ms. Mildred and Ms. Nellie
n the nursery after the story;
they will return for the Peace
and Eucharist.



THE READINGS

THE FIRST LESSON

2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15C

Lector A reading from the second book of Kings.

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favor with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, "If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy."

When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, "Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me."

But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, "Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel." So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, "Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean." But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, "I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?" He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, "Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, 'Wash, and be clean'?" So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel."

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

THE RESPONSE PSALM 111

Read responsively by the whole verse

1 Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, * in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

- 2 Great are the deeds of the Lord! * they are studied by all who delight in them.
- 3 His work is full of majesty and splendor, * and his righteousness endures for ever.
- 4 He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; * the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.
- 5 He gives food to those who fear him; * he is ever mindful of his covenant.
- 6 He has shown his people the power of his works * in giving them the lands of the nations.
- 7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; * all his commandments are sure.
- 8 They stand fast for ever and ever, * because they are done in truth and equity.
- 9 He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; * holy and awesome is his Name.
- 10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; * those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures for ever.

THE SECOND LESSON

2 TIMOTHY 2:8-15

Lector A reading from the second letter to Timothy.

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David-- that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will

also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful--for he cannot deny himself.

Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand if you are comfortable doing so for the hymn and the reading of the Gospel



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THE HOLY GOSPEL

LUKE 17:11-19

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!"

And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?"

Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

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En su camino a Jerusalén, pasó Jesús entre las regiones de Samaria y Galilea. Y llegó a una aldea, donde le salieron al encuentro diez hombres enfermos de lepra, los cuales se quedaron lejos de él gritando: —¡Jesús, Maestro, ten compasión de nosotros!

Cuando Jesús los vio, les dijo: — Vayan a presentarse a los sacerdotes.

Y mientras iban, quedaron limpios de su enfermedad. Uno de ellos, al verse limpio, regresó alabando a Dios a grandes voces, y se arrodilló delante de Jesús, inclinándose hasta el suelo para darle las gracias. Este hombre era de Samaria. Jesús dijo: —¿Acaso no eran diez los que quedaron limpios de su enfermedad? ¿Dónde están los otros nueve? ¿Únicamente este extranjero ha vuelto para alabar a Dios?

Y le dijo al hombre: - Levántate y vete; por tu fe has sido sanado.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Daniel Vélez Rivera *Vicar of St. Gabriel's~San Gabriel*

THE NICENE CREED

People We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified.

Who has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

People of every age are invited to choose one of the prayers and read it aloud

Lector Father, we pray for your holy catholic church; we pray that every

member of the Church serve you and our neighbors with love

and humility;

People That we may all glorify your Holy Name with one voice.

Lector We pray for all bishops, priests, deacons,

and persons in formation;

People That they may be faithful ministers

of your Word and Sacraments.

Lector We pray for our country and those who govern here and in the

world. We also pray for those who for centuries have suffered from prejudice, racism, and discrimination. We pray for the unjust treatment of the planet and for all people affected by

all natural disasters:

People May God's creation be healed and reconciled.

Lector We pray for greater love in the world and to remember

Bishop Curry's words, "if it's not about love, it's not about God."

People That we may always welcome the unconditional gifts of God.

Lector We pray for the victims of war in Ukraine and Russia, for the

victims of the ongoing gun violence in our country, and for all

women who are denied agency over their bodies;

People That they may be delivered from their grief and their distress.

Lector We thank you for the mission of the Borderland Ministries and

for St. Gabriel's partnership with the Diocese of the Rio Grande. We also ask your guidance as we seek a place of worship and

mission gathered together under one roof as the body of Christ.;

People Fill us with hope and energy to continue loving and serving

you and our neighbors as ourselves.

Lector We remember your saints who have entered into glory, we pray

for the eternal rest of María Miller and Mercedes Gil de Reyes;

People May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Celebrant Let us pray for our own needs, and for the needs of others.

Please pray for those on our Prayer List on pages 22-23. You may offer your prayers of intercession and petition either aloud or in the silence of your heart.

People

Hear our prayers, Holy God. Breathe your Spirit over us and all the earth, that barriers would crumble, and divisions cease. Make us more fully your co-healers of this broken world. Unite us with all people in bonds of love, that the whole earth and all its peoples may be at peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Take a moment and talk to God in the spirit of confession before we pray together

Celebrant

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, ₱ forgive you all your sins

through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness,

and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People Amen.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

This Holy Eucharist is dedicated to the memory of Maria Miller and Mercedes Gil de Reyes

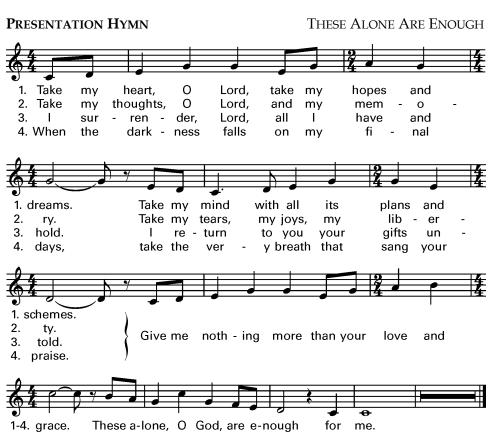
OFFERTORY ANTHEM

THE GIFT OF LOVE H. Hopson

Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire, and have not love, my words are vain, as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess, and striving so my love profess, but not be given by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control, our spirits long to be made whole. Let inward love guide every deed; by this we worship, and are freed.



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EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

Celebrant All things come of thee, Oh Lord,

People and of thine own have we given thee.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

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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. Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:









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Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father, Celebrant

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, People

We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Gabriel, St. James, and all of your angels and saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

Celebrant 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 for ever.

People AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

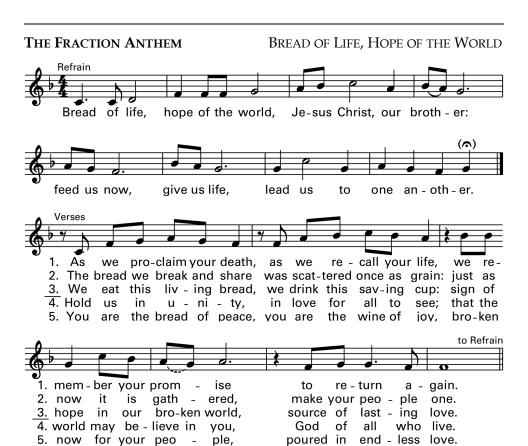
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the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

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu Nombre, venga a nosotros tu reino, hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día; perdona nuestras ofensas, como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden. No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!



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INVITATION TO COMMUNION

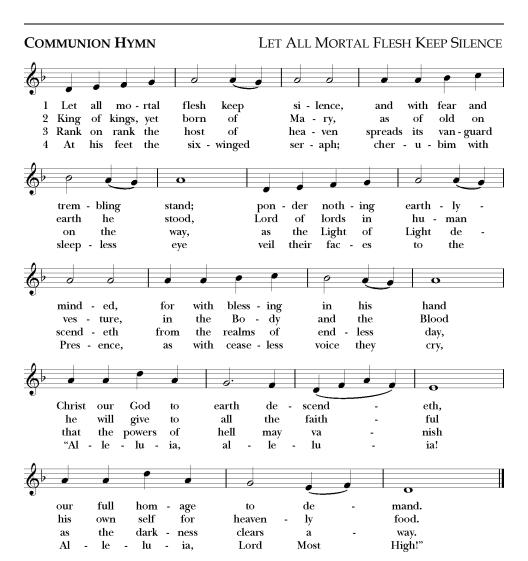
Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts, by faith with thanksgiving.



WELCOME TO THE TABLE OF THE LORD Where all are welcome!

The Church affirms the real presence of Christ in the bread and wine. Believers of all denominations are invited to receive the Sacrament. To receive the bread extend your hands forward. We are not sharing a common cup at this time, so the celebrant will instinct (dip) the bread into the wine before giving it to you. If you do not wish to receive Communion today but would like a blessing, come forward during Communion, cross your arms over your chest, and you will be given a blessing in the name of God. Glutenfree wafers are available.



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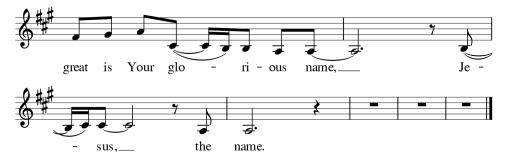
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PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION HONORING VIRTUAL PARTICIPANTS

Celebrant Let us Pray.

People

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of the Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we offer to you praise and thanksgiving for those who cannot partake in the physical Communion of your Body and Blood. Together with them, we remember your death, proclaim your resurrection; and await your coming in glory.

And since they cannot physically receive you today in the Holy Sacrament, we beseech you to come spiritually into their hearts. Cleanse and strengthen them with your grace, Lord Jesus, and may they never be separated from you. May we all live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Please stand if you are able

Celebrant

Let us Pray.

People

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

Celebrant

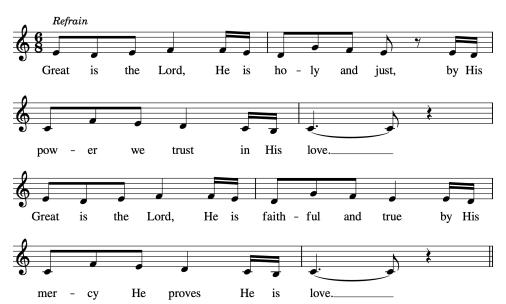
May God give you the grace never to sell yourself short, grace to do something big for something good, grace to remember that the world is too dangerous now for anything but truth, and too small for anything but love.

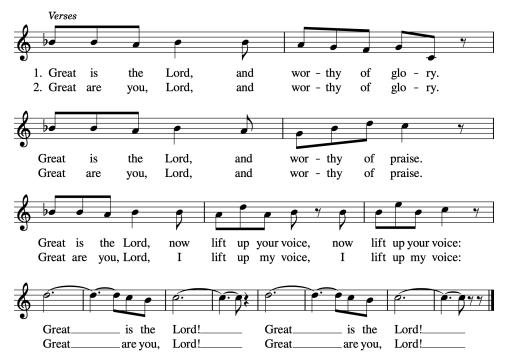
And the blessing of God Almighty: Father, ♣ Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you now and forever more.

People Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

GREAT IS THE LORD





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THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. *People* **Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER LIST

Please remember in your prayers...

THE CHURCH

We pray for the Most Rev. Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury; Presiding Bishop Michael Curry; The Bishops of the Diocese of Virginia: +Susan Goff and +Jennifer Brooke-Davidson, for Bishop-elect Mark Stevenson; for our clergy: Fr. Daniel+ and Deacon Holly; and for our seminarian, Dana.

In our parish, we pray for Lydia Moreno Garcia and Family.

In our Diocese, we pray for Kingston Parish, Mathews; Lynwood Parish, Port Republic/Elkton..

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for The Church of the Province of Central Africa.

St. Gabriel's Community

All members of Saint Gabriel's ~ San Gabriel, St. Gabriel's @ Ashby Ponds, Saint James', and the students and staff of the Belmont Ridge Middle School.

- **St. Gabriel's Lay Leaders & Staff** David (Dj) Gunning, Susan McGlohn, Abi Hernández Cruz, and Eva María Torres.
- **St. Gabriel's Music Ministers** Peter Schweitzer, Carmelo Saavedra, and members of our church choirs.
- St. Gabriel's Sunday School Teachers, Child Care Providers & Helpers A special thanks to our teachers for inspiring our children with creative and heartfelt Christian formation lessons.

All volunteers of St. Gabriel's Social Justice Ministries

For the multigenerational community education ministry volunteers, for the Prayer Shawl and Prayer Square ministry participants, for the ESL volunteers, for the spiritual companions of the Alliance of Women with Love participants; and for the Educando con Amor volunteers.

St. Gabriel's Vestry Rob Buchanan (*Senior Warden*/2024), Carla Rhoads (*Junior Warden*/2024), Steve Rice (*Treasurer*/2023), Dj Gunning (*Clerk*), Karen Ballesteros (2023), Paula Callaghan Morató (2024), César Frías (2024), José Mejía (2024), Isamar Ortega (2025), Sue Schweitzer (2023), Eileen Shaffer

(2025), and Eva María Torres Herrera (2024).

We pray for the New Vision Task Force charged by the congregation to explore options for St. Gabriel's to move under one roof: Janet Taliaferro & Parker Gallagher (co-chairs), Peter Schweitzer, Jennifer Smith, John Jacobs, Octavio Somuano, Bruce LeLacheur, Chuck Mitchell, Carla Rhoads, and Rob Buchanan.

We pray for the healing, wholeness, comfort, guidance, and safe travel of the following people in our faith community: Theresa Shields; Marian Gordin and Molly Mitchell; Colwin Bocasan; Hermelinda Araki; Margaret Schweitzer; Martha Meléndez; Deacon Ema Rosero-Nordalm; Victoria Delgado; Nina Frymoyer; The Abernethy family; Dainise Patterson; Aura Mojica; Lorena Thompson; María Flores; Máximo Vélez; Laura Argueta vda. de López; George Dyson; Anthony Holley; Rob Buchanan; Sheri Muilenburg; Katherine Clayton; Tony and Lesina Visgaitis and family; Mario Roberto Mejía Arias; Juanita Gardner; Michael and Laura Smith & family; Worrall family; Cindy LoSasso; Rob Schwartzman; John Shook; Kelly Wilkinson and family; Rigoberto Somuano and Concepción Rojas; Griselda Frías; Phyllis Simpson; Shelly Rodriguez; Janice Queen; Peter Schweitzer and family; Gonzalo Mendoza; Myrta Mercado; Jack Cusack; Ethan Newland and family; Ruth Brown; Jack and Betty Barden; Gideon Darden

We pray for our college students: Grace Shaffer; Aidan Baron, Lindsey Thompson; Isabella Ballesteros, Samara Umanzor Ortega, Brad Mejía, Zane Knowlton, McKayla Shaffer, Preston Newland, Jacob Denzin, Avera Worrall, Abi Hernandez-Cruz, Annie Cusack, Michelle Balderrama Burgoa, Danny Costanza, Conor Rice, Eddie Queen, Nina Costanza, Leslie Lewis, Marie Victoria Frías Pomárez, Elinore McLain, Samantha Smith, and Kyra Baron.

We pray for our parishioners serving in the Armed Forces: Jamaal A. Boyd (U.S. Army), Joseph Castillejos (U.S. Army), and Karyna Beatriz Saavedra (U.S. Marines).

THE WORLD

Our prayers for President Biden, Vice President Harris, members of the United States Congress, Governor Youngkin, Mayor Burke, and the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors, and for elected officials throughout the world. For the victims of hunger, human trafficking, substance abuse, and natural disasters in the United States and around the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THERE WILL BE A MEETING TODAY AFTER SERVICE FOR THOSE BEING RECEIVED OR AFFIRMING THEIR BAPTISMAL COVENANT

THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED MAKE THE BBQ A GREAT SUCCESS

Special thanks to Cindy LoSasso, Carla Rhoads, Dj Gunning, Parker Gallagher, and everyone who bought a ticket, baked desserts, and to the folks at ResQ BBQ for such great food and service!

EVENT TO CONTINUE MAKING DOLLS FOR CHILDREN LIVING IN SHELTERS AT THE BORDER

The doll making gathering will be this **Thursday**, **October 13 from 6:30pm to 8:30pm** in the Janney Parlor at St. James'. We have all the materials; Melanie and Sheri will help you make dolls. We have a goal to make 500 dolls by Christmas and are asking other churches and community organizations to jump in and help us reach the goal. For more information text or call Carla Rhoads: 703-380-4637

BISHOP'S VISITATION WITH CONFIRMATIONS AND RECEPTIONS

On Sunday, October 23rd at 3pm the Rt. Reverend Susan Goff, Ecclesiastical Authority of the Virginia Diocese, will visit us. There will be one bilingual service only on that day. During a bishop's visitation Confirmations are held and also a beautiful Episcopal tradition of the Reception to The Episcopal Church for those who come from other Christian denominations. The Reception comes with a personal blessing for each person from the Bishop.

We invite you to be Received to the Church by Bishop Susan Goff if in your walk with Christ at St. Gabriel's you feel spiritually fed, have a sense of belonging, feel acknowledged as the person that God made you, have the opportunity to serve God through community service, can freely pray and are prayed for, and more. With the Bishop's blessing you formally become part of this holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. For more information or to register send a text or email Father Daniel or speak with him after the service.

There will be two meetings after the service in the Cafeteria and we ask that you attend at least one of these meetings: Sunday October 9 and Sunday October 16.

PARISH VIRTUAL TOWN HALL MEETING

We will be holding two "town hall" meetings to bring everyone up to speed on the New Vision Task Force's recommendations for St. Gabriel's move in 2023, to talk about next steps, and to ask questions..

Sunday, October 16th there will be a bilingual worship service at BRMS followed by a Town Hall (approx. 11:30am). Presenters will include the cochairs of the New Vision Task Force, Wardens and myself. The Town Hall parish meeting will be bilingual with a potluck following the service:

Tuesday, October 18th at 7pm there will be a virtual bilingual Town Hall parish meeting via Zoom.

Zoom Info:

Meeting ID: 839 3885 2929 **Passcode:** 003285

STEAM CLUB - EDUCANDO CON AMOR

Children in grades K-5 are invited to learn about STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math). Saturday October 15th and 22nd from 10 to noon. Limited space, register at 571-465-2033. A partnership with Inmed, 21630 Ridgetop Circle, Ste. 130, Sterling

PRAYER FOR THE NEW VISION TASK FORCE

charged by our parishioners to explore options for us to move together under one roof

Blessed Lord we ask that you guide the New Vision Task Force members and our faith community as we discern and seek a center for mission and ministry; a place where we can worship you and from where we can do the ministries that Christ commanded on behalf of the community around us and the world. May we hear the Spirit of God on our journey. Amen

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BLESSINGS FROM ST. GABRIEL'S~SAN GABRIEL EPISCOPAL CHURCH

St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church started public worship in the Fall of 2002 to share the good news of Jesus Christ with the growing communities of Leesburg, Lansdowne, and Ashburn in Loudoun County, Virginia. Our mission is to "Encounter God, Build Meaningful Relationships, and Make a Difference in the World" through inspiring worship, faith-building discipleship, warm fellowship, heartfelt pastoral care, active evangelism, outreach, and service. We live into our mission statement through word and deed, with God's help!

St. Gabriel's is a welcoming, hospitable, and inclusive faith community, open to people at any stage in their faith journey with Christ. We value human diversity and seek to be a church that reflects the breadth of those who live in our community. We have life-long Christians as well as spiritual seekers and we welcome you just as God made you, , without conditions or barriers. In our worship services you can dress up or dress down, God doesn't care what you wear, nor do we! We extend an invitation to get to know you so that you can develop your faith and we hope that you will invite others to share the spiritual gifts that you find here!

St. Gabriel's is the first bilingual (English-Spanish), multicultural and multiethnic Episcopal congregation in Loudoun County. Worship takes place in four locations and in two languages: the English-language services are at the Belmont Ridge Middle School each Sunday and at Ashby Ponds on the third Tuesday of every month. The Spanish-language service is at Saint James' in Leesburg, and in warm months we worship one Saturday a month at the Chapel in the Woods. We invite you to help us continue building the kingdom of God in this corner of Leesburg through prayer, love, commitment to God and community, joyful worship, and Christian service. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, know that this is a loving community. Blessings and peace!

WORSHIP

10:00 am Sunday Mass in English

Belmont Ridge Middle School 19045 Upper Belmont Place, Leesburg

St. Gabriel's @ Ashby Ponds Chapel

Third Tuesday of the month at 10:00 am 21170 Ashby Ponds Blvd. Ashburn, VA 20147

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3:00 pm Misa Dominical en español San Gabriel en St. James' 14 Cornwall Street NW, Leesburg

The Chapel in the Woods

Open any time you wish to pray Corner of Battlefield Pkwy/Ft. Evans Rd.

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