

Come and support the Youth Ministry's annual fundraising event! All funds raised will go towards our summer mission trip to Washington DC.

This year, we're inviting all bakers, makers, and creators to contribute baked, grown, and made goods for our Maker's Market! In addition to baked goods and cakes, all art, photography, plants, homemade personal care items, crafts, cards, and any other made goods are welcome for sale.

Please contact Rev. Lauryn (lauryn@gbconline.org) to sign up to contribute and/or attend lunch.

We give thanks to violinist Becca Longhenry from the Richmond Philharmonic Orchestra (RPO), who plays in partial fulfillment of the space-sharing agreement that Grace Baptist has with the RPO.

We extend gratitude to GBC member Lynn Clayton as she shares her musical gifts in this morning's worship.

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## Church Calendar

## Deacon of the Week: Linda Welch

Sunday, May 12 Ascension of the Lord (observed)

9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship

Tuesday, May 14

7:00 pm AA Meeting, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, May 15

6:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday, May 18

7:30 pm Central Virginia

Masterworks Chorale

presents

William A. Payn's Love

Sunday, May 19 Day of Pentecost

9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship

12:15 pm Maker's Market and Cake
Auction, Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, May 21

7:00 pm AA Meeting, Fellowship Hall Wednesday, May 22

6:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, May 26 Trinity Sunday

> 9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Outdoor Worship

Monday, May 27:

Memorial Day: OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, May 28

7:00 pm AA Meeting, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, May 29

6:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, June 2

Second Sunday after Pentecost

9:45 am Sunday School 11:00 am Worship

Tuesday, June 4

7:00 pm AA Meeting, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, June 5

6:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Nursery Care is available to babies and toddlers as needed during worship.

## **About Grace**

Because we believe in God's radical love for all creation as incarnated in the life of Jesus, Grace Baptist Church authentically welcomes all people to join a faith community where we take part in God's unfolding story and practice love of God and love of neighbor in our daily living. We continually seek the Spirit's wisdom in using the gifts of grace for the transforming and healing of the world.



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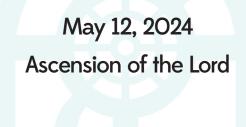
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## May 12, 2024 Ascension of the Lord

Eleven O'Clock in the Morning

Lighting of the Candles

Welcome Courtney Allen Crump

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude Air from the Orchestral Suite No. 3 in D Major, BWV 1068 Becca Longhenry, violin arr. W. Birtel

Lynn Clayton, piano

†Call to Worship Charlotte Fennell

All you who are yearning for connection,

craving rest, dreaming of communities of compassion, come.

For God's Wisdom longs to be inherited.

God's Liberation longs to be danced with.

God's Anger longs for repairs to be made.

God's Peace longs to be sunk into.

Come, let us worship the Beloved,

for God desires us to encounter Transformative Love.

†Hymn 227 *In the Garden* **GARDEN** 

Luke 24:44-53 Wayne Whitlock The Gospel Reading

Found on pg. 861 of the pew Bible.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Call to Stewardship

May our shared resources ease the anxiety of feeling isolated in our struggles.

May they be a reminder that no being is detached from the Whole.

Let us bring forth our offerings in the spirit of solidarity.

Giving of Our Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring J.S. Bach Becca Longhenry, violin Tithes and Offerings arr. W. Birtel Lynn Clayton, piano

† Please rise in body or in spirit. Elements in bold print are to be spoken by the congregation. †Doxology Praise God Who Calls Creation Good

Praise God who calls cre-a-tion, "good;" Praise God for Praise God who died yet lives a wis-domun-der - stood;

peo - ple sing, "a

Time with Children

gain; Let all God's

Lauryn Everic

men." A - men.

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Lift Up Your Hearts Believers Hymn

**ELLACOMBE** 



Prayers of the People

Choral Anthem

Christ Still Rises

Benjamin Brody

Jay Wanner

The Chancel Choir with Becca Longhenry, violin

Christ still rises when fear grips our city, when death takes no pity, when much is unknown. Christ still rises when friends are divided, when joy feels misguided, when we are alone Christ still rises when churches are shuttered, when praises are muttered, when prayers go unsaid. Christ still rises when peace has all faded, when we are most jaded, when faith turns to dread.

Christ still rises when we give to neighbors, when we share our labors, when strangers belong. Christ still rises when we come together, when love is our tether, when hope is our song. Christ still rises when grieving is ended, when bodies are mended, when beauty heals pain. Christ still rises when fear has retreated, when death is defeated, and joy will remain.

The Epistle Lesson

Ephesians 1:15-23 Found on pg. 949 of the pew Bible.

Courtney Allen Crump

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Invitation to Respond

Lauryn Everic

†Hymn 330

Alleluia! Hear God's Story

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†Benediction

Courtney Allen Crump

Postlude

Giga from E Major Partita Becca Longhenry, violin

J.S. Bach