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Parish News for the week of August 26

Welcome to Grace Episcopal Church.

We are glad you are worshipping with us today!

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." John 6:35

Rat Sunday Today

Please welcome the VMI rats that are attending our service today.

**A Web Woven With Grace:
Our Journey with Marc Nikkel**

Celebrate the Feast of Marc Nikkel next Sunday, September 2 with special morning services at 8 and 10:30! Our beloved former Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Heath Light will preach. Members of the Sudanese and South Sudanese Community in Roanoke will join our choir at the 10:30 service and bring several hymns from the Sudanese hymnal. Visitors from other parishes and churches who have been a part of Marc's journey in our diocese will be among us.

We will gather in the parish hall at 9:15 for an exploration of the grace-filled path people from the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia, and our parish in particular, walked with Marc Nikkel, missionary to Sudan from 1981 to 2000, and far beyond. Adults and children will gather together with special guests to learn about our ongoing connection through Marc's own words, through images of the land and people he loved, and through our own creative expression dedicated to a saintly life that touch so many.

Following the 10:30 service, a potluck lunch (**please bring a dish to share**) will take place in the Parish Hall. Iced tea, milk and coffee, grown and produced by Sudanese refugees in Ethiopia, will be furnished. Crafts handmade by the Sudanese and Southern Sudanese Women in Roanoke will be available for purchase and order, as well as copies of Marc Nikkel's collected letters *"Why Haven't You Left?"*

