

# Grace EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | SEPTEMBER 1, 2024 | 8:00 AM SERVICE

"You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition." ~ Mark 7:8

# Welcome to Grace Church

#### WELCOME!

Welcome, we are so glad you are joining us for worship this morning!

#### TODAY'S SERVICES AND EVENTS

Rite One Service | 8:00am
Coffee Hour | 9:00am | Parish House
WonderKids | 9:45am | Sunshine Room
Nursery | 9:45am | Nursery
StoryMakers | 9:45am | Wonder Room
Rite Two Service | 10:00am
Coffee Hour | 11:15am | Parish House

#### WHO ARE WE?

In our reverent worship space, we warmly welcome people who are at all stages of faith, from those who are curious to explore the big questions of life, faith and meaning, to those who are growing and maturing in their faith. Our sermons convey the truth of the gospel and offer practical applications to everyday life. Our desire is to grow in knowledge and love God, and infuse His grace and truth into everything we do. Grace Episcopal Church is traditional and liturgical, and we care for our visitors by clearly explaining the heart and history behind our form of worship. We have found a family here, and we want this church to feel like a family for you, too.

## **OUR BELIEF & PRACTICES**

The Episcopal Church has been called the "bridge church," for we are Protestants who also honor our traditional Catholic heritage as well as contemporary worship. In addition to the Bible, our worship is led by the Book of Common Prayer, which has formed our historical thought and practice in its several editions since 1549. We are deeply sacramental, believing in the Baptism of children and that the Holy Eucharist (Communion) is the central act of worship. All baptized Christians may receive communion.

#### **WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

Rite One Service: Traditional Service without music at 8:00 am Sunday mornings

Rite Two Service: Contemporary Service with music at 10:00 am Sunday mornings. Nursery is open.

Midweek Service: Healing and Prayer Service at 12:05 pm on Wednesdays

## **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**

Your children are very welcome here! If you have babies or children, we have a nursery across the street in the Church Office building for children ages 0-3 years. We offer our WonderKids program for children ages 4-6 where we use the Jesus Storybook Bible curriculum. Our Stor Makers classroom is for ages 7-9. And we also offer Connect Youth sessions throughout the year for ages 10-13.

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#### THE PROCESSION

Please stand

# THE RECOGNITION OF THE FLAG

Almighty God, who hast so linked our lives one with another that we all do affecteth, for good or ill, all other lives; So guide us in the work we do, that we may do it not for self alone, but for the common good; and, as we seek a proper return for our own labor, make us mindful of the rightful aspirations of other workers, and arouse our concern for those who are out of work; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### Celebrant

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

## People

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

# **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

#### Celebrant

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

# THE KYRIE ELEISON

#### Celebrant

Lord have mercy upon us.

# People

Christ have mercy upon us.

#### Celebrant

Lord have mercy upon us.

#### LITURGICAL GUIDE

#### **PROCESSION**

We start our services with a procession of ministers and servers who have chosen to serve God and his people in their act of corporate worship. The procession is led by the cross, reminding those serving and those worshiping that our lives have been set apart by the sacrifice of Christ, on our behalf, for the glory of God.

# THE RECOGNITION OF THE FLAG

Today we recognize the flag in honor of the American Labor Movement and our dedication to the social and economic achievements of American workers.

#### **COLLECT OF PURITY**

We start almost every Episcopal service with this prayer. It is succinct and powerful as it explores the depths of our hearts and our need before God. What better way to start a worship service than to tell God we are here for him, every aspect of our being, and want to become more like him because of our worship.

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# **THE GLORIA**

Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee,

we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,

have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

# THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

This prayer is a moment to catch the theme of the service today. If you grasp it, your participation in worship will be enhanced, and you'll see God connecting the pieces of the gospel with your life.

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

# People

And with thy spirit.

## Celebrant

Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of thy Name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

Please be seated

## THE FIRST READING

# **SONG OF SOLOMON 2:8-13**

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#### Reader

The voice of my beloved!
Look, he comes,
leaping upon the mountains,
bounding over the hills.
My beloved is like a gazelle

or a young stag.

Look, there he stands behind our wall,

gazing in at the windows, looking through the lattice.

My beloved speaks and says to me:

"Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away;

for now the winter is past, the rain is over and gone.

The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come,

and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land.

The fig tree puts forth its figs, and the vines are in blossom; they give forth fragrance.

Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away."

#### Reader

The Word of the Lord.

# People

Thanks be to God.

# **THE PSALM**

Reader

The psalm for today is from Psalm 45, which we will read responsively at the half verse:

My heart is stirring with a noble song; let me recite what I have fashioned for the king; \* my tongue shall be the pen of a skilled writer.

#### THE FIRST READING

The First Reading is always an Old Testament passage. The OT forms a foundation for the New Testament and gives us many examples how God has led his people, displaying his essence and character.

#### THE PSALM

We read a psalm responsively each service as an expression of our emotions before the Lord. The Psalms contain all of our common emotions that derive from our day to day experiences. Read it recognizing that being honest before God, and each other, has great godly benefit.

PSALM 45:1-2, 7-10

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You are the fairest of men; \*
grace flows from your lips,
because God has blessed you for ever.

Your throne, O God, endures for ever and ever, \* a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of your kingdom; you love righteousness and hate iniquity.

Therefore God, your God, has anointed you \* with the oil of gladness above your fellows.

All your garments are fragrant with myrrh, aloes, and cassia, \* and the music of strings from ivory palaces makes you glad.

Kings' daughters stand among the ladies of the court; \* on your right hand is the queen, adorned with the gold of Ophir.

#### Reader

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

# People

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

## THE SECOND READING

**JAMES 1:17-27** 

#### Reader

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they

are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act-they will be blessed in their doing.

If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Please stand

#### THE GOSPEL

MARK 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Deacon

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.

People

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

#### Deacon

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, "Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?" He said to them, "Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

'This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me:

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#### **GOSPEL READING**

Jesus is the Word of God made flesh, who made his dwelling among us. Reading his spoken words from the center of the congregation proclaims that grace and truth come through Jesus Christ.

When we make a little cross on our head, mouth and chest we are reminding ourselves that Jesus' gospel reforms our thinking, cleanses our speech and conforms our hearts to his truth and love.

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in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.' You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition."

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile." For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

## Deacon

The Gospel of the Lord.

#### People

Praise to thee, O Christ.

## **SERMON**

FR. BRIAN STANKICH

# THE NICENE CREED

#### Celebrant

Let us stand together and affirm our faith with the words of the Nicene Creed:

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

#### THE SERMON

God's Word is living and active, and cuts to the heart. That's why we read it, proclaim it, listen to it, meditate upon it, and take the time to make it understood.

#### THE NICENE CREED

If you are looking to unite around one set of beliefs for the Christian life, this would be it. It is broad enough to capture the essentials of our faith and narrow enough to be a definitive statement of biblical truth.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please kneel as able

# THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### Reader

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

The reader leads the people in a series of prayers to which the people respond.

#### Reader

Lord, in thy mercy

#### People

Hear our prayer.

#### Reader

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.** 

# THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

#### Deacon

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

# People

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in

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# PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We pray these established prayers to ensure that we cover important aspects of our lives and the world with corporate prayer. Listen to each prayer carefully, saying the words silently, so that your spoken Amen will ring true in your heart and be added to the prayers of the saints.

#### **CONFESSION**

We recognize our sins before God as a church body, recognizing our humanity and our weekly, daily, momentary need for the Lord and the cleansing blood of Christ. You will notice after some months of confession and absolution that you start to feel clean throughout the week, as if you've been washed and renewed. The 16th-century reformers thought the proper way to approach God was via confession.

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#### **ABSOLUTION**

Having heard the Word of God proclaimed, which has led us to confess our sins, it is now time to receive some assurance that God has forgiven the sins of those who have put their trust in Jesus Christ. It is Christ's power that forgives, embodied by the pronouncement of the priest, that makes tangible the truth that God has removed the barrier between him and us

#### THE PEACE

Exchanging the peace is an ancient custom of God's people. We do it after Confession and Absolution which means we can give the same forgiveness to others that we have received from God. A demonstration that we have renewed relationships in Christ, it also prepares us to together receive Communion as the Body of Christ.

#### **OFFERTORY**

What will you give to God? The money he gave to you? The time he has allotted for you today? The abilities with which you were born? Your next breath? Combine your offering with those around you, and see what God can do with and through our church.



newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Celebrant

Almighty God our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### Celebrant

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him...

## THE PEACE

#### Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

#### People

And with thy spirit.

# WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# THE HOLY COMMUNION

# THE OFFERTORY

The people are invited to offer their gifts to God.

#### Celebrant

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

Please stand

#### Celebrant

All things come of thee, O Lord.

#### People

Of thine own have we given thee.

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And with thy spirit.

Celebrant

Lift up your hearts.

People

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks unto our Lord, God.

People

It is meet and right so to do.

Celebrant

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

The Celebrant offers a Preface, and concludes saying,

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

# **Celebrant and People**

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Please kneel as able

#### Celebrant

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

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#### **COMMUNION**

By taking Communion we obey the Lord's words to his disciples to remember his goodness to us and to proclaim that he is coming again. Jesus turns a simple earthy action - eating bread and drinking wine - into a magnificent celebration for his people. In Communion, Jesus is with us, and we are with each other. Sounds like a party!

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For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy

grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen.* 

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Celebrant

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People

Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Celebrant

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

People

Have mercy upon us.

Celebrant

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

People

Have mercy upon us.

Celebrant

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

People

Grant us thy peace.

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#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

When you pray this prayer, the one Jesus taught his disciples, and that all Christians everywhere pray, reflect on the words, recognizing you are actually talking to your Heavenly Father. Pray it afresh, as if for the first time.

#### **PRAYER TEAM**

Praying with a friend or minister during Communion is a powerful way to experience the presence of Christ. Our clergy and prayer warriors invite you to ask for a breakthrough in your life. The Lord awaits the requests and prayers of his people.

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# EUCHARIST INSTRUCTIONS

Please follow these instructions when you go up to receive communion:

- 1. The ushers will dismiss each row, one at a time.
- 2. Walk up the center aisle.
- 3. When it is your turn to receive the Eucharist, kneel down or stand at the altar rail and extend your hands together, palm up. The priest will place a wafer into your hand.
- 4. The Chalice Minister will then come to you. You have two options; (1) drink from the chalice or (2) have your wafer intincted with wine. If you choose option 2, leave your wafer in hand so that Chalice Minister can place it back in the palm of your hand to consume. You may consume at the rail.
- 5. Return to your seat by the side aisle closest to you.

If you cannot come to the rail to receive notify an usher to have communion brought to you in the pew.

# THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

## People

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

#### 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.

# THE SILENT PRAYER BEFORE RECEIVING COMMUNION

Be present, O Jesus, our great High Priest, as you were present with your disciples, and be known to us in the breaking of bread; who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

# THE SILENT PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING COMMUNION

O Lord Jesus Christ, who in a wonderful Sacrament has left us a memorial of your passion: Grant us, so to venerate the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood, that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of your redemption; who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Please kneel as able

# THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

#### Celebrant

Let us pray.

# People

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and

dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

## THE BLESSING

#### Celebrant

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: and The blessing of God Almighty the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.** 

## THE DISMISSAL

#### Deacon

Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia!

## People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

# **ALTAR FLOWERS**

The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God by Pae Barberie in thanksgiving for His many blessings.

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#### THE BLESSING

When you bless someone, you give them life-changing words. The priestly blessing will impact your day with heaven's power. Be sure to receive it with an open heart.

#### THE DISMISSAL

As if we haven't gotten the message yet from the rest of the service, the Deacon urges us to take our love for God and each other into the rest of the world. This can only happen if we walk through the red doors in the power of the Holy Spirit. Praise the Lord.



# Welcome to Grace Episcopal Church Visitor Information Card

Please fill out this card and place in the offering plate or mail it back to us. We look forward to getting to know you.

	Date:				
Name:					
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Would you like to be signe	d-up for	our Grace	To You		
Weekly Newsletter?	Yes	No			
How may we contact you?	Ph	one T	ext	Email	

# Announcements and Events

#### **COMING EVENTS**

#### SEPTEMBER

9 Women's Bible Study

12 ECW Luncheon

15 Coffee Hour

20 International Taste Tour

22 Coffee Hour

26 Vestry Meeting

29 Coffee Hour

#### **O**CTOBER

6 Newcomers Celebration 13 Coffee Hour+

8am: Coffee Hour Breakfast 10am: Coffee Hour Brunch

20 Coffee Hour

24 Vestry Meeting

25 Pumpkins & Praise Night

27 Coffee Hour

# INTERNATIONAL TASTE TOUR

Join us on Friday, September 20, at 5:00 PM for the International Taste Tour! Bring a dish that represents your heritage! There will be a sign up sheet this Sunday after each service to let us know which dish you are bringing. Don't miss this exciting celebration of global cuisine! Please register for this event with the QR Code!

# **EPISCOGATORS DINNER**

Have you ever considered participating in an outreach program? Whether you have or not, I would like to invite you to join us for our next trip. Seeing God's work in many different people and atmospheres is rewarding. We typically feed the "Episcogators" several times a semester. Our next visit will be on September 8. If you want to help or join us as we travel to Gainesville, contact, Lynn Nobles, at (352)895-5887 or patricia.nobles12@gmail.com.

# **ECW SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON**

You're invited to lunch!

Who: All ladies of Grace Episcopal Church

What: Monthly luncheon gathering Why: Connect with sisters in Christ

Where: Parish House

When: Thursday, September 12 at 11:30am

Bring: A covered dish to share

# OFFICE CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY

The office will be closed tomorrow, Monday, September 2 in honor of Labor Day. We will reopen Tuesday, September 3 at 9:00am.

# Next Week's Bible Readings

Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23 Psalm 125 James 2:1-10, 14-17 Mark 7:24-37

# Announcements and Events

# IN THE COMING WEEK

Sunday, September 1 - Office Closed

8:00am: Rite One Service, Church, Livestream

9:00am: Coffee Hour, Parish House

9:45am: Wonder Kids (4-6), Sunshine Room 9:45am: StoryMakers (7-9), Wonder Room 10:00am: Rite Two Service, Church, Livestream

11:30am: Coffee Hour, Parish House

Monday, September 2 - Office Closed 12:00 Noon: Bulletin Deadline

Wednesday, September 4

12:05pm: Midweek Service, Church

Friday, September 6 - Office Closed

Saturday, September 7 - Office Closed

Sunday, September 8 - Office Closed

8:00am: Rite One Service, Church, Livestream

9:00am: Coffee Hour+, Parish House

9:45am: Wonder Kids (4-6), Sunshine Room 9:45am: StoryMakers (7-9), Wonder Room 10:00am: Rite Two Service, Church, Livestream

11:30am: Coffee Hour+. Parish House

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# BIRTHDAYS

#### AUGUST

25 Katie Miller

26 Caitlin Reed

27 Joan Stark

28 Constance Beck

29 Cameron Dyals

#### SEPTEMBER

2 Deborah Soukup

3 Bobby Stark

If you would like to make a prayer request for either the weekly prayer list or the DOK private prayer list please email Deacon Susan at prayers@graceocala.org. And include which list you are requesting.

If you would like to meet with Fr. Frans or Fr. Brian please contact Catie Hourigan at 352-622-7881 or catie@graceocala.org



If you would like to meet or talk to our Children's Minister, Catie Hourigan, you can contact the church office at 352-622-7881; or by email at catie@graceocala.org

# - Grace Church Leadership -

#### **HEAD**

Jesus Christ

#### **BISHOP**

The Right Rev. Dr. Justin S. Holcomb

#### **WORSHIP TEAM**

The Rev. Frans van Santen: Priest-In-Charge
The Rev. Brian Stankich: Associate Rector
The Rev. Mary Delancey: Deacon
The Rev. Susan Moorehead: Deacon
Josh Reed: Director of Ministry
Adam Pryor: Worship Coordinator
Catie Hourigan: Children's Ministry Coordinator

Dave Rubin: Verger

#### **VESTRY**

Greg Harrell - Senior Warden Michael Owen - Junior Warden Wayne Taylor - Treasurer Carman Smith Michael Ashley Lise Kent Amy Robertson Sanjit Nirmalanandhan Leslie Jones Stephen Ayres

#### Today's Servers

Usher: Tammy Flanagan Reader: Frank Marchese Chalice Minister: Leslie Jones

#### **Prayer Team:**

Altar Guild: Lise Kent, Lynda Peek, James Perdue, Jeannie Piotrowski
Flower Guild: Carolyn Ayres, Lynda Peek, Lynn Nobles, Heather Hetzel, Molly Hetzel
VPOD: Lise Kent

Weekly Services on Our Campus Sunday 8:00am—Rite I Sunday 10:00am—Rite II with music Wednesday 12:05pm—Midweek at Grace

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