



Grace Notes

September 2024

Grace Episcopal Church

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A Word from Our Priest

My brothers and sisters,

I bring you greetings in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and ✠ of the Holy Spirit.

This document is the Apology of Justin the Martyr. It was written around 150CE. Compare this Ordo(order) of worship with our present-day ordo:

On Sunday all are gathered together in unity. The records of the apostles or the writings of the prophets are read for as long as time allows. The presider exhorts and invites us into the pattern of these good things. And we all stand and offer prayer.

When we have concluded the prayer, bread is set out together with wine. The presider then offers prayer and thanksgiving and the people sing out there sent, saying the "Amen". There is a distribution of the things over which thanks has been said and each person participates, and these things are sent to those who are not present.

Those who are prosperous give what they wish according to each one's own choice, and the collection is deposited with the presider, who aids orphans and widows, and those in want because of disease, those in prison, and foreigners were staying here.

We hold this meeting together on Sunday since it is the first day, on which God, having transformed darkness and matter, created the world. On the same day Jesus Christ our Savior rose from the dead. On Sunday he appeared to his apostles and disciples and taught these things which we present to you.

The peace of the Lord is always with us,

Fr. Michael B. Guy Sr., S.T.S.✠

Treasurer's Report – May Data

Income for the month of July was \$8,240.25 (budget \$9,429.75); expenditures totaled \$10,478.47 (budget \$9,429.75), resulting in a loss for the month of \$2,238.22. Expenditures for the month were unusually high as we incurred an expense of \$2,300 for the removal of several trees on the church grounds.

Book value of the Endowment Fund is \$69,782.78; market value as of July 31 was \$78,731.17, a gain of \$1,364.64 for the month.

Please continue to pray for Grace Church that it will grow spiritually, financially and numerically. If you have any questions about this report or any financial matter, please contact me.

Judy Ball, Treasurer

September Calendar of Events

- Sept 1 Sunday Service, 9am Grace
- Sept 3 Yoga at 4pm, the Parish Hall
- Sept 4 Center Lunch at 12pm, the Parish Hall
- Sept 6 Yoga at 10am, the Parish Hall
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- Sept 8 Sunday Service, 9am Grace
- Sept 10 Bible Study, 1pm TBD  
Yoga at 4pm, the Parish Hall
- Sept 11 Center Lunch 12 noon, the Parish Hall
- Sept 12 Ruritan Dinner 6pm, the Parish Hall
- Sept 13 Yoga at 10am, the Parish Hall
- Sept 14 Sew What? 9:30am, the Parish Hall  
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- Sept 15 Sunday Service, 9am at Grace
- Sept 17 Yoga at 4pm, the Parish Hall
Bible Study, 1pm TBD
- Sept 18 Center Lunch 12 noon, the Parish Hall
- Sept 20 Yoga at 10am, the Parish Hall
- Sept 21 Benefit Concert at Little Fork,
Rixeyville, VA ~~~~~
- Sept 22 Sunday Service 9am Grace
- Sept 24 Yoga at 4pm, the Parish Hall
- Sept 25 Center Lunch at 12pm, the Parish Hall
- Sept 27 Yoga at 10am, the Parish Hall
Casanova Book Club at 12pm TBD
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- Sept 29 Sunday Service, 9am Grace
- Sept 30 Yoga at 4pm, the Parish Hall  
Bible Study at 1pm, TBD



**Birthdays and Anniversaries**

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| Shelly Shipe         | 2 Sept  |
| Amy Fields           | 5 Sept  |
| Diane Gulick         | 13 Sept |
| Bennett Warren       | 16 Sept |
| Nathan Moline        | 17 Sept |
| Melanie Lemmel McKee | 18 Sept |
| Michael Calhoun      | 19 Sept |
| Andy Butler          | 26 Sept |



## September Serving Schedule

| Day                                                                    | Readings                                                                          | Altar                                        | Assistant                                 | Offertory         | Coffee Host          |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| <b><i>The Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost<br/>Sept 1, 2024</i></b>    | Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9<br>Psalm 15<br>James 1:17-27<br>Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23   | Barbara Jacobs/<br>Mignonne<br>Spellmeyer    | Bryan Jacobs                              | Susan Payne       | Joy<br>Goodenough    |
| <b><i>The Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost<br/>Sept 8, 2024</i></b>    | Isaiah 35:4-7<br>Psalm 146<br>James 2:1-1-10(11-13),14-17<br>Mark 7:24-37         | Joy<br>Goodenough/<br>Sharon Sweeney         | Judy Ball                                 | Sharon<br>Sweeney | N/A                  |
| <b><i>The Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost<br/>Sept 15, 2024</i></b> | Isaiah 50:4-9<br>Psalm 116:1-8<br>James 3:1-12<br>Mark 8:27-38                    | Carol Cordell/<br>Mignonne<br>Spellmeyer     | Howard<br>Charnock/<br>Michael<br>Calhoun | Sue<br>Ballantine | Barbara<br>Eanes     |
| <b><i>The Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost<br/>Sept 22, 2024</i></b>  | Jeremiah 11:18-20<br>Psalm 54<br>James 3:13-4:3, 7-8<br>Mark 9:30-37              | Barbara Jacobs/<br>Sharon Sweeney            | Bryan Jacobs                              | Joy<br>Goodenough | Sue<br>Ballantine    |
| <b><i>Sept 29, 2024<br/>Sunday After Pentecost</i></b>                 | Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16,<br>24-29<br>Psalm 19:7-14<br>James 5:13-20<br>Mark 9:38-50 | Joy<br>Goodenough/<br>Mignonne<br>Spellmeyer | Judy Ball                                 | Susan Payne       | Marilyn<br>Ottevaere |