



Grace Notes

September 2025

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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.

These reflections are especially pertinent as similar themes will be explored in Bible Study. We will review the connection between liturgical understanding and the worship expressed through Word and Sacraments. The Bible Study focus will be on canonical books, approached with a liturgical perspective. Over the first six weeks, the study will consider various biblical accounts and their relevance to the present day. We are to resume on September 9 at 1:00 pm at Betsy Anderson's house. Please come and join us.

The peace of the Lord is always with us,

Fr. Michael B. Guy Sr., S.T.S.✠



Mark your Calendars Now!

Casanova Community Picnic with Live Music

Sunday, September 7th at 12:30pm

Grace Parish Hall 5108 Weston Rd

Please bring a side dish or dessert to share.

Drinks & barbecue provided.

Suggest you bring a chair.

September Calendar of Events

- Sept 1 Sunday Service, 9am Grace
Sept 2 Chair Yoga at 3pm, the Parish Hall
Yoga at 4pm, the Parish Hall
Sept 3 Center Lunch at 12pm, the Parish Hall
Sept 5 Yoga at 10am, the Parish Hall
Chair Yoga at 11:45am
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Sept 7 Sunday Service, 9am Grace  
Sept 9 Bible Study, 1pm Betsy Anderson's  
Chair Yoga at 3pm, the Parish Hall  
Yoga at 4pm, the Parish Hall  
Sept 10 Center Lunch 12 noon, the Parish Hall  
Sept 12 Yoga at 10am, the Parish Hall  
Chair Yoga at 11:45am  
Sept 13 Sew What? 9:30am, St Luke's  
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Sept 14 Sunday Service, 9am at Grace
Sept 16 Chair Yoga at 3pm, the Parish Hall
Yoga at 4pm, the Parish Hall
Bible Study, 1pm TBD
Sept 17 Center Lunch 12 noon, the Parish Hall
Sept 19 Yoga at 10am, the Parish Hall
Chair Yoga at 11:45am
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Sept 21 Sunday Service 9am Grace  
Fr. Stuart Schadt, Celebrant  
Sept 23 Chair Yoga at 3pm, the Parish Hall  
Yoga at 4pm, the Parish Hall  
Sept 24 Center Lunch at 12pm, the Parish Hall  
Sept 26 Yoga at 10am, the Parish Hall  
Chair Yoga at 11:45am  
Casanova Book Club at 12pm TBD  
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Sept 28 Sunday Service, 9am Grace
Fr. Stuart Schadt, Celebrant
Sept 30 Yoga at 4pm, the Parish Hall
Bible Study at 1pm, Betsy Anderson's

Birthdays and Anniversaries

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
Andy Butler	26 Sept



This Month's Sew What Project:

Continue making pillowcases for *Ryan's Cases for Smiles*.

We're getting close to our goal of 250 pillowcases.

"Ryan's Case for Smiles was founded in 2007 to bring comfort and support to young patients and their families in hospitals around the globe. They started with a simple goal: to create and distribute whimsical pillowcases that give children an emotional boost and remind them that they are not



Treasurer's Report: June and July

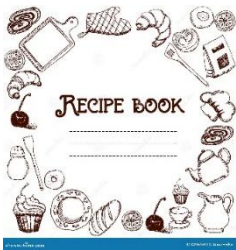
Income in the months of June and July was \$19,114.13 (budget \$19,419.84); expenditures totaled \$24,246.40 (budget \$19,419.84), resulting in a loss for the two months of \$5,132.27. There was a large expenditure in July of \$7,100 for replacement of the air conditioning units at the Parish Hall.

Book value of the Endowment Fund at the end of July was \$73,059.87; market value as of July 31 was \$86,382.78, a gain of \$3,561.33 for the two months.

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.

October Preview: Fall Soup Kitchen



Our seasonal soup kitchen start up is next month! Stay tuned for details about the exact date to pull out those pots and pans and light the fire. In the meantime, start looking at those much-treasured recipes again or perhaps venture into unknown territory and try a new one.

Questions or ideas? Contact Mignonne at 540 272-0014

Grand Piano Looking for Loving Home

Our beloved organist of many years, Michael Calhoun, generously donated his baby grand piano to Grace Church upon his passing. We are now offering this lovely 1992 Samick SG-172 for purchase. It is in excellent condition; anyone who knew Michael personally would attest to how particular he was about his prized possession. The appraised value is \$7,000.

If interested, please contact Bryan Jacobs: 540 222-0355



Help Wanted: Seeking Organist for Grace Church

Grace Church is looking for an organist to play at 9am Sunday Services on a weekly basis. If interested or you know of anyone, please contact Bryan Jacobs: 540 222-0355.

September Serving Schedule

Day	Readings	Altar	Assistant	Offertory	Coffee Host
<i>The Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost Sept 7, 2024</i>	Jeremiah 18:1-11 Psalm 139:1-5,12-17 Philemon 1-21 Luke 14:25-33	Barbara Jacobs/ Diane Gulick	Bryan Jacobs	Sharon Sweeney	N/A
<i>The Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost Sept 14, 2024</i>	Jeremiah 4:11-12,22-28 Psalm 14 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Luke 15:1-10	Joy Goodenough/ Mignonne Spellmeyer	Judy Ball	Sue Ballantine	Barbara Eanes
<i>The Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost Sept 21, 2024</i>	Jeremiah 8:18-9:1 Psalm 79:1-9 1 Timothy 2:1-7 Luke 16:1-13	Barbara Jacobs/ Sharon Sweeney	Bryan Jacobs	Sharon Sweeney	Sue Ballantine
<i>The Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost Sept 28, 2024</i>	Jeremiah 32:1-3, 6-15 Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16 1 Timothy 6:6-19 Luke 16:19-31	Joy Goodenough/ Mignonne Spellmeyer	Judy Ball	Joy Goodenough	Marilyn Ottevaere