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Holy Eucharist - Sunday at 9 am
Morning Prayer - Tuesday at 8:30 am


PACE OF GRACE



SUMMER EDITION

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Summer 2019

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Dear Parishioners of Grace Church:

We are thrilled to announce The Reverend Patricia (Trish) Cunningham has answered the call to be our Missional Priest in Charge. The Vestry members who had a conversation with her were impressed with her background, spiritual intellect and, most importantly, her pleasing personality. Currently she is Interim Vicar of Good Shepherd, Episcopal Church in Berkeley, California. Prior to her move to California in 2014 she held positions in Connecticut following her graduation from Yale Divinity School and Ordination in 2007. She and her husband, David, will be moving to the house they own in Old Saybrook this fall. Her starting date with Grace Church is contingent with their move.

Summer has arrived! Hopefully this season includes time for relaxation and reflection. The long days and warm weather allow us to enjoy God's creation in many ways. We hope you are able to take advantage of those times.

During July, Holy Eucharist will be celebrated with The Reverend Valerie Miller on the 14th, 21st and 28th. On the first Sunday of July Karen Halpert will lead us with Morning Prayer.

As you enjoy the beauty of our New England summer keep the Church in your prayers.

Faithfully,

Your Wardens, JoAnn & Walt



Here are the lectionary readings for each Sunday and Holy Day in July and August

	First reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel
4 th Pentecost July 7	2 Kings 5:1-14	Psalm 30	Galatians 6:[1-6], 7-16	Luke 10:1-11, 16-20
5 th Pentecost July 14	Amos 7:7-17	Psalm 82	Colossians 1:1-14	Luke 10:25-37
6 th Pentecost July 21	Amos 8:1-12	Psalm 52	Colossians 1:15-28	Luke 10:38-42
St. Mary Magdalene July 22	Judith 9:1, 11-14	Psalm 42 1-7	2 Corinthians 5:14-18	John 20:11-18
St. James the Apostle July 25	Jeremiah 45:1-5	Psalm 7:1-10	Acts 11:27-12:3	Matthew 20:20-28
7 th Pentecost July 28	Hosea 1:2-10	Psalm 85	Colossians 2:6-15, [16-19]	Luke 11:1-13
8 th Pentecost August 4	Hosea 11:1-11	Psalm 107:1-9, 43	Colossians 3:1-11	Luke 12:13-21
The Transfiguration	Exodus 34:29-35	Psalm 99	2 Peter 1:13-21	Luke 9:28-36
9 th Pentecost August 11	Isaiah 1:1, 10-20	Psalm 50:1-8, 23-24	Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16	Luke 12:32-40
St. Mary the Virgin August 15	Isaiah 61:10-11	Psalm 34	Galatians 4:4-7	Luke 1:46-55
10 th Pentecost August 18	Isaiah 5:1-7	Psalm 80:1-2, 8-18	Hebrews 11:29-12:2	Luke 12:49-56
St. Bartholomew August 24	Deuteronomy 18:15-18	Psalm 91	1 Corinthians 4:9-15	Luke 22:24-30
11 th Pentecost August 25	Jeremiah 1:4-10	Psalm 71:1-6	Hebrews 12:18-29	Luke 13:10-17



7/10 Nancy Beilman
7/11 Nancy DiPrato
7/15 Sandra Lund
7/18 Shirley Crosswaith
7/19 Camden Tatsapaugh
7/24 Candace Casciano
7/24 Thomas Raimondo
7/24 Gary St. Amand
7/31 Nicholas Casciano



7/14 Laura and William Lynch



8/4 Valerie Dumont
8/8 Everett Weaver
8/9 Jacquie Tallard
8/12 Charlie Albrycht
8/15 Norine Barr
8/15 Elizabeth St. Amand
8/25 Martin Dumont
8/29 Laura Lynch



08/09 Mark and Kathy Shoemaker
08/28 Karen and Frank Halpert



*Save
the Date*



Happy Fourth of July!!!

July 4 Independence Day
July 17 Hi Noon Summer Outing
July 22-25 Vacation Bible School



SENIORS ON THE GO HI-NOON - The group meets monthly (except August) for lunch and activities in the Parish Hall and/or short excursions. Activities planned through Winter 2020 are listed below. All are welcome!

Wednesday, July 17- Dockside Lunch in Clinton & Hammonasset Park – Lobster Landing on the dock in Clinton will be the location of lunch. Lobster Rolls are featured, other items available. The group will then visit Hammonasset Beach for a short stroll. Meet at Church parking lot at 12:00 to car pool.

September 9, Monday – Lavender Pond Farm, Killingworth

October 14, Monday - Gouveia Vineyards, Wallingford

November 4, Monday - Barker Character Comic and Cartoon Museum, Cheshire

December 2, Holiday party 2020

January 6, Monday – Fun and Games in Parish Hall

February 3, Monday – Movie Matinee

March – Restaurant adventure – Location and Date to be determined



BAKE A CAKE – Every month Birthdays and Anniversaries are celebrated the **FIRST** Sunday of the month with a cake served at Fellowship Time after the service. Please consider baking or buying a cake to be served. Notify Debbie in the Church Office by email or phone the month you will bring a cake: office@gracechurchnew.org / 860-666-3331. A cake baked in a standard 9 X 13 pan using one cake mix package or homemade ingredients is a good size.



Newington Food Bank: We continue to support the food bank with tea bags, canned clams, whole or ground black pepper, minced garlic, and instant coffee.

JoAnn Cromwell



Book Club: The Grace Church Book Club gathered on Saturday June 1, 2019 to discuss *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens. Most all of the members thoroughly enjoyed the book “and loved every page of it”.

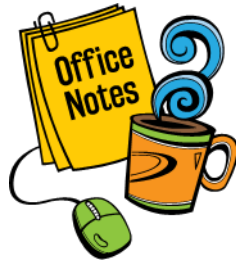
We had one of our best book discussions about a book with lots of discussion themes pursued. To name of few: the red fibers, the role of Jumpin’ and Mabel in protagonists’ life and her relationships with Tate, with Chase and with the girls she sees walking on the beach. It’s a great book and would be an easy summer read if you are looking for a book to read. Many of us couldn’t put it down and read it in two or three sittings.

Our September meeting is Saturday, September 14 in the library from 2 to 4 pm. We will be reading two books over the summer but have only one selected thus far. We will be reading *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett. Even though the book has been around since 2009 and has been made into a movie, several in the group have not read it yet.

The book club is open to all. If a particular selection appeals to you, join us. If you don’t like a book you don’t have to read it. Just come for the discussion, friendship and laughs. Our second selection will be made within the next few weeks. Stay tuned! Happy Reading!

Melissa Haseley

The deadline for the September Pace of Grace is Monday, August 26. Please make every effort to meet this deadline to allow us to distribute the issue promptly. The earlier you submit, the easier it is to publish the issue.



Office Hours: Monday 11-4; Tuesday 1-5: and Thursday 11-5.

Debbie Forrest



Do you like playing with money??? The counters do that every Sunday and occasionally other days.

COUNTERS NEEDED

Join us! You will have extensive training and never be left to count along. On average, we each count about once a month. Many hands make lite work. Come join us.

We are a very flexible group who trade weeks when our schedules require we do so. Most of us have been involved in this Ministry for over 15 years. Very dedicated people.

If your heart has been saying “you can do this” but you are not sure, give it a try by counting for a few weeks before making a final decision.

We do enjoy doing this each week.

Thank you for considering this Ministry,

JoAnn Cromwell
Counting Coordinator



JoAnn, Mabel, and I had the wonderful experience of attending the ordination of two Vocational Deacons (like me) and six Transitional Deacons (serving in this capacity until approval to the priesthood) at our Cathedral on June 29, 2019. Our Regional Missionary, Erin Flinn, was one of the six. The Cathedral was almost at capacity on the ground level. Both our bishops were there as well as former Bishops Smith and Coleridge. The Holy Spirit was present as music, prayers and our beautiful liturgy filled the air. (Yes there was a lot of hot air too as no AC in the Cathedral!) We were all one in celebration of this joyous event!

Thank you Jesus!

Deacon CJ Puskarz



There are watering tasks that you can sign up for as we have asked for the last few summers. The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. The schedule is a week at a time from now to September 24. The watering includes the pots and urns in the Memorial Garden, the bee and butterfly garden in the front, the side garden by the kitchen door and the hanging plant in the front. The hoses will be set up and the “key” to turn on the spigots will be in an accessible place. And of course the weeding can be done at any time, so our summer mantra is “if you see a weed, pull a weed”. And if everyone did that, the weeds would be kept at bay and our gardens would look well maintained.



Ann Pasek, a member of Grace, was very ill on Mother's Day but is now improving. Her heart & body are strong, but she tires easily. She will be 96 soon. If you would like to send her a card, her address is 37 Prince Ave, Newington, CT 06111. If you would like to visit Ann, call Tina (her aide) at 917-392-0089 to schedule a time to do so.



Please join us for a peaceful, centering time of prayer and worship. Early week Morning Prayer is held every Tuesday at 8:30 AM in the Chapel. All are welcome. Beverley Manning and JoAnn Cromwell rotate leading the service.



Sacred Healing: A Summer Film Series: Films and dialogue about race and reconciliation hosted by the north and south central regions, ECCT. The series is open to those in other regions, as well.

- July 30: Blindspotting
- August 6: Do the Right Thing
- August 13: Traces of the Trade

All segments will run from 5:30-9 pm at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Wallingford. Films, and other materials, will be from this year's Trinity Institute, "Scene and Unseen: Facing Race through film" **This film series is not suitable for children, and there is no babysitting.** Registration is free at <https://sacred-healing-film-series.eventbrite.com>



With supply clergy celebrating our services, it's important that everyone wear their name tags. If you are in need of one, please leave a note in the office and Debbie will make one up for you. Thank you!

Supply Clergy



Supply Clergy Schedule:

- July 7 Morning Prayer
- July 14 Rev. Valerie Miller
- June 21 Rev. Valerie Miller
- June 28 Rev. Valerie Miller



QUICK FINANCE UPDATE: MAY 31, 2019

<u>INCOME:</u>	<u>TOTAL BUDGET</u>	<u>YR-TO-DATE BUDGET</u>	<u>YR-TO-DATE ACTUAL</u>
Pledge Income	\$ 87,558	\$ 37,650	\$ 34,906
Total Income	\$125,908	\$ 51,696	\$ 51,415
<u>EXPENSES:</u>	(\$125,328)	(\$ 51,163)	(\$ 42,682)
<u>NET CHANGE:</u>	\$ 580	\$ 533	\$ 8,733





**Creative Energy Team
July and August 2019**

**Happy Summer!!
The sun is finally shining.
I hope all is well in your world for you this summer.**

The Creative Energy Team has made some schedule changes for the rest of the year. For several reasons we have decided not to do the annual Fall Festival. If you have any questions please speak to one of the Creative Energy Team members. They will gladly talk to you.

For this fall we have decided to do some new activities. These activities are for everyone. All ages are welcome to come and participate.

**SUCCULENT PLANT PARTY
FIRDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2019 AT 6:30 PM**

Wine, non-alcoholic beverages and snacks will be for sale.
Please see the attached flyer

**PAINT PUMPKINS ON CANVAS PARTY
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2019
COME AT 1:30 PM ~ START PAINTING AT 2 PM – 4 PM**

Wine, non-alcoholic beverages and snacks will be for sale.
The flyer will be available in August. It will be emailed separately.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26th AND SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27th 9 AM – 4 PM
2019 EPISCOPAL CONVENTION
AT THE CONVENTION CENTER IN HARTFORD.**

We will be selling all of our religious items. We also will be looking for some additional help in 4 hour shifts for each day. See Val, Lynn or Lorraine if you are interested.

**CHOCOLATE FESTIVAL 2020
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2020
1:00 PM - 4:30 PM**

SELLING ALL THINGS CHOCOLATE FOR VALENTINES DAY!!

We will start to do our paper crafting signage and then decide how to package this summer. We would love for you to come join us. Everything is easy to do. We are starting July 9 at 10 am in the Music Meeting Room.

The chocolate making will start immediately after Christmas.
We will be looking for some workers for this day...before, during and after.

If you have any questions or would like to join us to help with any activity we would love to have you.

Wishing you joy and sunshine this summer! Val Dumont

Lay Ministry Schedule
9:00 AM

	July 7, 2019	July 14, 2019	July 21, 2019	July 28, 2019
	4th Pentecost	5th Pentecost	6th Pentecost	7th Pentecost
Supply Clergy	Morning Prayer	Rev. Valerie Miller	Rev. Valerie Miller	Rev. Valerie Miller
LECTOR	Shirley Adams	Paul Crosswaith	Walt Parker	Mabel Maynard
MINISTER OF COMMUNION	Liz Welk	Mabel Maynard	JoAnn Cromwell	Kathy Johnson
CRUCIFER	Karen Halpert	Jane Stewart	Elizabeth Welk	Karen Halpert
PRAYERS	JoAnn Cromwell	Walt Parker	Mabel Maynard	Beverley Manning
USHERS	Mark & Kathy Shoemaker	Nancy DiPrato Lorraine Belyea	Brandon & Kathy Johnson	Jane Stewart Paul Crosswaith
FELLOWSHIP	Mabel Maynard			
NRRRC-10:30am	Beverley Manning		JoAnn Cromwell	
HTFD REGIONAL CTR - 12n			JoAnn Cromwell	
Lay Eucharist Visitor			Elizabeth Welk	
ALTAR GUILD	Jane Stewart Elizabeth Welk Pat Rogorzenski	Kathy Shoemaker Candy Casciano Barbara Johnson	Kathy Shoemaker Candy Casciano Barbara Johnson	Nancy DiPrato Elissa Schumann Marie Ritchie
COUNTERS	Walt Parker Lorraine Belyea	Beverley Manning Nancy DiPrato	Melissa Haseley Paul Crosswaith	Walt Parker Lorraine Belyea

	August 4, 2019	August 11, 2019	August 18, 2019	August 25, 2019
	8th Pentecost	9th Pentecost	10th Pentecost	11th Pentecost
Supply Clergy				
LECTOR	Karen Halpert	JoAnn Cromwell	Shirley Adams	Paul Crosswaith
MINISTER OF COMMUNION	Shirley Adams	Lynn Page	Karen Halpert	Paul Crosswaith
CRUCIFER	Karen Halpert	Jane Stewart	Elizabeth Welk	Karen Halpert
PRAYERS	Karen Halpert	Paul Crosswaith	Marie Ritchie	JoAnn Cromwell
USHERS	Bob MacCalmont Charlie Albrycht	Brandon & Kathy Johnson	Mark & Kathy Shoemaker	Nancy DiPrato Lorraine Belyea
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HTFD REGIONAL	JoAnn Cromwell			
CTR-12n				
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COUNTERS	JoAnn Cromwell Nancy DiPrato	Beverley Manning Paul Crosswaith	Melissa Haseley Lorraine Belyea	JoAnn Cromwell Nancy DiPrato

COME JOIN US FOR A SUCCULENT PLANT PARTY!!



Friday September 6, 2019

6:30pm



Learn how to plant a succulent garden with step by step instructions. The price includes a pot of your choice - a new 5x5 square clear glass or select from a variety of vintage containers. All items to make a succulent garden are included - rocks, soil, moss, plants and a decorative item. Or bring your own container not bigger than 5x5 in for a discount of \$2.50. All for \$38.00.



Your payment of \$38.00
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Wine, non-
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Beverages &
Refreshments sold

