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

# *PACE OF GRACE*

## September




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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Fifteenth Pentecost 9:00 am Holy Eucharist	3  <b>HAPPY LABOR DAY!</b>	4 8:30 am Morning Prayer - C 8:30 am Employment Group - MMR 7:00 pm Narc Anon - PH, MR	5 6:00 pm Drop the Rock - L	6 9:30 am Tai Chi - PH 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal - MMR 7:00 pm AI Anon - PH, MR, L	7	8 2:00 pm Book Club Meeting - L 7:00 pm Concert at Trinity (From 50's to Now)
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**Room Key:** PH=Parish Hall; L=Library; MMR= Music Meeting Room; MR=Meeting Room; C=Chapel; K=Kitchen



# *Pace of Grace*

## *September, 2018*

"The Pace of Grace" is a monthly publication of  
Grace Episcopal Church, 124 Maple Hill Avenue, Newington, CT

Dear Fellow Parishioners:

With the fading of the summer hot days and plentiful rain we look forward to the many activities planned at Grace this fall.

**Services:** Supply priests have been scheduled to lead our Sunday morning Eucharist Services and Christmas Eve and Day Masses. Starting in October one monthly Sunday service will be Morning Prayer with music. Morning Prayer is also held Tuesday mornings in the small Chapel at 8:30. A schedule of services is listed on the calendar in this newsletter.

**Priest:** While there is not a Priest in Charge during our transitional period, Rev. Jose Martinez is available for parishioner needs. He may be contacted through the Church office: 860-666-3331

**Permanent Priest:** We are in the process of working with the Diocese to find a permanent priest. With a budget that only permits a quarter time priest (the status of retired Father David), the Diocese has suggested we share a priest with Trinity of Wethersfield. Your Wardens have had numerous meetings with Trinity's Wardens and your Vestry will soon meet with their Vestry to discuss cooperation. Until the Diocese puts forth a candidate to interview, no specific plans can be made.

**Creative Energy Team:** This dedicated group has been busy this summer finalizing plans for its many events. Their fund raising activities are critical to our budget. Read the full details about the happenings in this newsletter including: Dining for Dollars in September, Fall Festival in October and the Holiday-Sing-Along and Silent Auction in December. Your support of these activities, both time and financial, is critical to their success.

**High-Noon:** The Hi-Noon group (made up of Grace parishioners and friends) enjoyed a lunch on the dock at Lobster Landing in Clinton followed by a short visit to Hammonasset Beach in July. Their next activities will be a visit to the Newington Farm Museum at the Kellogg-Eddy House in September and lunch and merriment at Gouveia Winery, Wallingford in October. See the listing of all the monthly activities through June 2019 in this newsletter.

**Rectory Rental:** The rectory has been rented to a Newington couple and their son. Special thanks to Mark Shoemaker for leadership of this project which is a welcomed and needed source of income.

**Book Club:** You are invited to read along with the group. See the article listing the books and dates of meetings.

**Other Outreach Projects:** Some of the many ways the Grace Family supports the community include: Backpacks filled with school supplies for Prudence Crandall Center, Chili dinners prepared for The Friendship Center and South Park Inn, The United Thank Offering for the Church in Jerusalem, food collection for the Newington Food Bank (basket for donations in Narthex) and providing meeting space for AA, Al Anon, and Narc Anon.

We look forward to seeing you involved in the many offerings at Grace.

Faithfully,

Your Wardens,

JoAnn & Walt



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

	<b>First reading</b>	<b>Psalm</b>	<b>Second Reading</b>	<b>Gospel</b>
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 17) September 2, 2018	Song of Solomon 2:8-13	Psalm 45:1-2,7-10	James 1:17-27	Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23
Labor Day September 3, 2018	Ecclesiasticus 38:27-32	Psalm 107:1-9 or Psalm 90:1-2,16-17	1 Corinthians 3:10-14	Matthew 6:19-24
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 18) September 9, 2018	Proverbs 22:1-2,8-9, 22-23	Psalm 125	James 2:1-10, 11-13, 14-17	Mark 7:24-37
Holy Cross Day (Exaltation of the Holy Cross) September 14, 2018	Isaiah 35:4-7a	Psalm 98	Philippians 2:5-11 or Galatians 6:14-18	John 12:31-36
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 19) September 16, 2018	Proverbs 1:20-33	Psalm 19	James 3:1-12	Mark 8:27-38
St. Matthew September 21, 2018	Proverbs 3:1-6	Psalm 119:33-40	2 Timothy 3:14-17	Matthew 9:9-13
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 20) September 23, 2018	Proverbs 31:10-31	Psalm 1	James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a	Mark 9:30-37
St. Michael and All Angels September 29, 2018	Genesis 28:10-17	Psalm 103	Revelation 12:7-12	John 1:47-51
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 21) September 30, 2018	Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22	Psalm 124	James 5:13-20	Mark 9:38-50



9/02	CJ Puskarz
9/06	Jeanne Bailey
9/14	Phyllis Backofen
9/18	George Johnson
9/20	Beverley Manning
9/20	Father David Parachini
9/25	Robert Belyea
9/25	Donald Buckingham
9/29	Bette Forcash



**SENIORS ON THE GO**

HI-NOON - A group of "Young at Heart" Church friends meets monthly (except August) for lunch and activities in the Parish Hall and/or short excursions. All are welcome!

Activities planned though June 2019 are listed below. **September 10, 12 noon** - Kellogg-Eddy Farm Museum. Following a bring your own lunch in the Parish Hall, the group will carpool to museum.

**October 15** - Gouveia Vineyards, Wallingford - This meeting is later in the month than usual to hopefully catch the colorful fall leaves at their peak at this hill-surrounded vineyard. Meet at Church at Noon - Bring lunch & appetizers to share/eat at winery. All beverages--wine, soda, water-- must be purchased at winery.

**November 5** - Harriet Beecher Stowe Center, Hartford

**December 3** - Christmas Party, Parish Hall

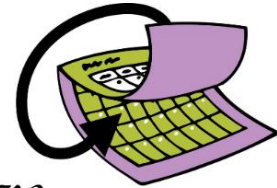
**January 7, 2019** - Fun and Games in Parish Hall

**February 4** - Movie Matinee in Parish Hall

**March 4** - Epicurean Adventure - Restaurant to be announced,

**April 1 and May 6** - Activity to be announced,

**June 3** - Picnic--Parish Hall and Patio



*Save the Date*

September 8	Concert at Trinity
September 8	Book Club Meeting
September 10	Hi Noon
September 11	Vestry Meeting
September 20	Dining for Dollars at Bertucci's
September 23	Liturgical Committee Meeting
September 30	Chili + Rice & Beans Cookoff at Trinity



**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](mailto: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.

**Pill Bottles for Kateri:** One of the items in short supply in Nigeria is pill bottles. Fr. Tom Furrer, Trinity Wethersfield, will collect any empty pill bottles, washed and labels removed (use baby oil or rubbing alcohol to remove the glue from the bottle with ease), and take them on his next trip in October. A collection basket is available in the Narthex. JoAnn Cromwell will bring them to Wethersfield



Creative Energy Team  
September 2018

**We have a busy fall season planned here at Grace!!**

Please take part in the many happenings of Grace, share in our fellowship, share in the joy of being together, be a part of our energy and laugh along with us. Even though we do a lot of work we still have a good time!!

**September 20, 2018 is the Dining for Dollars at Bertuccis in Newington.** It is an all-day affair for lunch and dinner, eat in or take out. Go once or twice! Share your coupons with your family and friends!! Grace receives 25% off your total meal check. The only thing you have to do is go and give your coupon to your waitress. The more that go the better we do. So take part, go with family and friends. Enjoy the treat of eating out!! Look for coupons in early September.

**Fall Festival 2018 is October 20!!!** This is one of our biggest fundraisers of the year. Come be a part of it. Yes, it is a lot of work, but we have fun, laugh, run like crazy all day and laugh some more! So if someone hasn't asked you... step up and ask one of us what I can do to help for the Fall Festival. There are jobs to do starting now up to the day off and then cleaning and packing up for next year. Many jobs are sit down jobs, easy jobs, basic shopping jobs, getting our church ready jobs. Nothing is out of the ordinary that we do.

This we year we have again our award winning chili from **Grace's Cafe** plus other breakfast and lunch items. Coffee, tea and water are available for free all day. Something we started last year is delivering lunch to our vendors. It was very successful so we will be doing it again this year. We also will have our **Bake Sale and Sweet Treats** table. Please expect a phone call or to be asked to bake something. Usually small items, such as cookies, brownies, small breads, are great items to donate. Our **Grace Filled Creations** table will be back in the Narthex. We will be creating an assortment of hand crafted items to sell along with our religious jewelry and Prayer Beads. Our very own Nancy Tatsapaugh will be playing with her band EdNa, along with friends from the band The Sawtelles. We are looking forward to hearing them again.

For our vendors we have indoor and outdoor space...upstairs and downstairs. Our patio will be open with table and chairs for dining. Our Alpaca Lady, Linda Hettrick, from Quinnipiac Valley Alpacas will be returning again and bringing her two alpacas to spend the day with us. She is really looking forward to coming again. We also have an assortment of other artisans, crafters and direct sale vendors. I encourage everyone to share some of our flyers with your family and friends. We can only be successful if the public, along with your families and friends, attend.

Look for our colorful flyers to hand out or to hang in public places. If you are interested in helping please see one of us to ask how you can do to help.

**Our last big event will be the Holiday Sing-A-Long with Silent Auction on Saturday December 1, 2018.** Mei-Tsen Chen, our organist, will be handling the music and the Sing-A-Long while The Creative Energy Team will be hosting the Silent Auction along with homemade desserts and wine. Coffee and tea will also be served. More info will be coming! If you are interested in donating a basket please speak to any of our team members and let us know what you are thinking.

Look for one of us to see what you can do to help!! Valerie Dumont, Lynn Page, Lorraine Belyea, Melissa Haseley, Mari Merwin, Jane Stewart, Laura Lynch and Jeanne Parker.

Thank you in advance for any and all help.  
Valerie Dumont



**Newington Food Bank:** The Newington Food Bank needs canned chicken, cinnamon, brown rice, oatmeal, and microwave popcorn. Thank you!





The United Thank Offering (UTO) is a ministry of The Episcopal Church for the mission of the whole church. Through UTO, individuals are invited to embrace and deepen a personal daily spiritual discipline of gratitude. UTO encourages people to notice the good things that happen each day, give thanks to God for those blessings and make an offering for each blessing using a UTO Blue Box. UTO is entrusted to receive the offerings, and to distribute 100% of what is collected to support innovative mission and ministry throughout The Episcopal Church and Provinces of the Anglican Communion.

OCTOBER 14, 2018 Grace Episcopal Church will observe the United Thank Offering Ingathering. Blue boxes are available now, and we will put the envelopes in the pews.

*Beverley Manning*  
UTO Chair



The September book club will meet on Saturday, September 8, 2018 at 2 pm in the church library. For our summer reading three books were selected. It was originally intended to discuss all three at the September

gathering, however it was suggested that one of them warrants a separate discussion.

The September discussion will be on *The Same Sky* by Amanda Eyre Ward and *A Thousand Splendid Suns* by Khaled Hosseini.

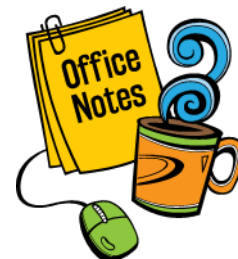
The third book, *Waking Up White* by Debbie Irving will be the focus of the October discussion. The October date is October 13 and the discussion will be facilitated by CJ.

Happy Reading! Melissa



### Garden Watering

There are still watering tasks that you can sign up for. The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. The schedule is still blank through 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 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.



The deadline for the October Pace of Grace is Monday, September 24th. 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.

The office will be closed for vacation September 10-14.

*Debbie Forrest*





**Save the Date:** October 14, 2018  
2:00 pm in the Sanctuary  
Concert to benefit Parkinson's Disease  
Offered by Mei-Tsen and her talented musicians.  
We will be looking for a little help in the way of  
ushering and food set-up.  
Look for more details in the October messenger  
and bulletins.



With supply clergy officiating 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!

**North Central Region Convocation St. Albans in Simsbury:**

<https://ncregion-pre-convention-convocation2018.eventbrite.com>

Plan on joining members of ECCT's North Central Region on Saturday, September 15th at St. Alban's, Simsbury to learn more about ECCT's Mission Council (formerly the Executive Council); hear stories from region members who attended the 79th General Convention of The Episcopal Church in July, where the church continued its work across a spectrum of issues, including evangelism; racial reconciliation and justice; and, care of creation. Hear about changes that were made that will affect revisions to The Book of Common Prayer; the Bishops' resolutions on Gun Violence; Learn more about our own Annual Convention in Connecticut scheduled for October 26 and 27, 2018 in Mystic, CT; and help us continue our exciting journey with God's mission!!

Registration will be open until Wednesday, September 12.

*Mabel Maynard*

## Supply Clergy



### Supply Clergy Schedule:

<b>September 2</b>	Rev. James Kellaway
<b>September 9</b>	Rev. Jim Speers
<b>September 16</b>	Rev. Jim Speers
<b>September 23</b>	Rev. Jim Speers
<b>September 30</b>	Rev. Jane Stickney

**Bertucci's**

*Dining for  
Dollars*

When you present this flyer, up to  
**25%** of all proceeds from your event\*  
will be donated back to:

**Grace Episcopal Church**

Thursday, September 20th  
11:30 am - 10:00 pm

Dine-in, Carryout or Bertucci's-own Delivery.\*\*

ALSO RAISE  
DOLLARS WITH  
**2GO**

\*Bertucci's awards funds raised from fundraising events based on a tiered give-back. Organizers can receive up to 25% when their event generates \$2,000 or more in net sales, excluding tax, tip, gift card sales, and offers/discounts. Give-back Tiers: Raise up to \$999 in net sales and receive 15% back; Raise up to \$1,999 in net sales and receive 20% back; Raise \$2,000 or more in net sales and receive 25% back.

\*\*If ordering online, please select "Pay at Restaurant" and present this flyer when picking up your order to ensure the organization receives your donation.

Bertucci's of Newington - 2929 Berlin Turnpike, Newington, CT 06111 Ph:860-666-1949

Lay Ministry Schedule  
9:00 AM Holy Eucharist

	September 2, 2018	September 9, 2018	September 16, 2018	September 23, 2018	September 30, 2018
	15 Pentecost	16 Pentecost	17 Pentecost	18 Pentecost	19 Pentecost
<b>LECTOR</b>	Mabel Maynard	Karen Halpert	JoAnn Cromwell	Shirley Adams	Paul Crosswaith
<b>MINISTER OF COMMUNION</b>	Lynn Page	Paul Crosswaith	Karen Halpert	Kathy Johnson	Mabel Maynard
<b>CRUCIFER</b>	Karen Halpert	Elizabeth Welk	Jane Stewart	Karen Halpert	Elizabeth Welk
<b>PRAYERS</b>	Paul Crosswaith	Marie Ritchie	Walt Parker	JoAnn Cromwell	Mabel Maynard
<b>USHERS</b>	Jane Stewart	Bob MacCalmont	Brandon & Kathy	Nancy Beilman	Mark & Kathy
	Paul Crosswaith	Charlie Albrycht	Johnson	Marianne Doolittle	Shoemaker
<b>FELLOWSHIP</b>	Walt Parker				
<b>NRRRC-10:30am</b>	JoAnn Cromwell		Beverley Manning		JoAnn Cromwell
<b>HTFD REGIONAL</b>	JoAnn Cromwell				JoAnn Cromwell
<b>CTR-12n</b>					
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>	Nancy DiPrato	Kathy Shoemaker	Kathy Shoemaker	Elissa Schumann	Elissa Schumann
	Marie Ritchie	Jane Stewart	Jane Stewart	Candy Casciano	Candy Casciano
	Elizabeth Welk	Pat Rogorzenski	Pat Rogorzenski	Marie Ritchie	Marie Ritchie
<b>COUNTERS</b>	Walt Parker	Beverley Manning	JoAnn Cromwell	Walt Parker	Melissa Haseley
	Lorraine Belyea	Nancy DiPrato	Paul Crosswaith	Bette Forcash	Lorraine Belyea