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This Week At Grace

Grace Episcopal Church
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June 9– June 15, 2019

[Acts 2:1-21](#); [Romans 8:14-17](#); [John 14:8-17, \(25-27\)](#); [Psalm 104:25-35, 37](#)
<http://www.lectionarypage.net/>

Sunday: Anniversaries: Barry & Sandi DeMatthews
8:00 & 10:30 a.m. **Holy Eucharist**
9:15 a.m. **Graceway Café/ Adult Study Forum**
9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
10:30 a.m. Children's Church

Monday: Birthdays: David Roberts

Tuesday: Anniversaries:
9:15 a.m. **Holy Eucharist**
10:30 a.m. Bible Study
4:00 p.m. Handbell Choir rehearsal

Wednesday: Birthdays: Scott Ryder
Anniversaries: Harry & Maria Idell, Sam & Joyce Senatro
6:00 p.m. **Holy Eucharist**

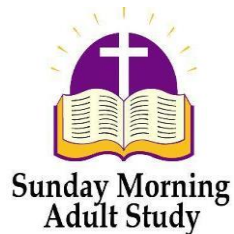
Friday: Birthdays: Dottie Clements, Edith Hryndak

Saturday: Birthdays: Joan Wickham
9:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study



On the Feast of **Pentecost** in the church year, fifty days after Easter and ten days after the Ascension, the clergy wear red vestments **to signify the work of the Spirit, which came upon the disciples as tongues of fire.**

It is also a custom in many churches, including here at Grace for the people in the congregation to **wear red** on the Feast of Pentecost as well.



New Adult Forum Study Series Starts This Sunday, June 9

The next Adult Forum session will begin on Sunday, June 9 with a video/participant guide program of Kathie Lee Gifford's, **The Rock, the Road and the Rabbi.**

The class begins at 9:20 am and concludes at 10:20 am. Participant guides are \$7.50 each.



VBS FINAL DECORATING

Saturday, June 15, 10:00 am- VBS volunteers will decorate Parish Hall with our many wonderful props and backdrops.

Sunday, June 16, after 10:30 service-Volunteers will set up the main altar area in the Sanctuary. VBS starts and ends here each day with music and song. Anyone willing to help would be greatly appreciated. And as always, **keep us in our prayers.**



Sunday, June 16, Father's Day – Please return your filled baby bottles with your coins, cash or check contributions to the RESOURCE FOR WOMEN CENTER in Daytona Beach.

This is a non-profit organization whose mission is to provide a compassionate, Christ-centered response to women in our area facing unplanned pregnancies. <https://freepregtestdaytona.com/>
Please do not remove the tags from the bottles. Thank you.



WEAR YOUR HAWAIIAN SHIRTS TO CELEBRATE FATHER'S DAY AT GRACE!

Sunday, June 16

Join us in our fun tradition here at Grace. We honor fathers by wearing festive Hawaiian shirts on Father's Day.



**NEXT ECW CRAFT WORKSHOP –
SATURDAY, JUNE 22 AT 9:30 A.M.**

PLEASE NOTE: We normally meet on the first and third Saturdays of each month but the second June workshop has been changed to **June 22** to accommodate VBS. No “crafty” experience is needed to join us. All are welcome!



Tuesday, June 25, 12:30 pm.

Lunch Bunch will meet at the OLIVE GARDEN in the Port Orange Pavillion: www.olivegarden.com. Please sign up in the narthex or call the church office so we can reserve enough seats. All are invited.



SAVE THE DATE!

On **Saturday, June 29 at 10:00 AM** there will be an informational meeting for all Northeast Deanery **Junior Daughters of the King** at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church in Deland.

Junior Daughters of the King provides girls or young women the opportunity to grow in their love and knowledge of Jesus Christ, while serving their church and community. Any girl or young woman between the ages of 7-21, who has an interest, is invited to come.

For more information: Contact Jamie Roberts, Co-Chairman of Junior Daughters of the King for the Central Florida Diocese, 386-405-3867 or angelicjamie@hotmail.com.



SAVE THE DATES:

ECW JAM MAKING SESSIONS:

Saturdays 9:30 to Noon on **August 3, September 7 and October 5**

Learn how to make jam for our Christmas Sale!

Space is limited in our Parish Hall kitchen so please sign up by contacting Nancy Brunner, 808 469-7706 or sb2qa@aol.com



If anyone has **4oz OR 6oz MASON JARS** left over from last season, we will be collecting them in the narthex until July 13. Please leave them under one of the benches in the narthex. Thanks!



Grace Church PRAYER CIRCLES are a powerful spiritual gift of prayer from your fellow parishioners **encircling** you with God's loving comfort when you need it most.

Upon receiving a prayer request, text messages are sent to a group of about 30 "prayer warriors" who immediately stop what they are doing and offer a prayer on your behalf. Within minutes a growing chorus of prayer ascends to the throne of God for your prayer concerns or thanksgiving.

There are many ways to initiate a prayer request: call the office, use the sign-up sheet in the narthex, submit through our website or call Ministry Leader, Sherri Davids, 386 679-2968.

Requests remain confidential and discreet- no last name or details are used. Names remain with our Prayer Circles, Weekly Prayers Lists and Sunday Prayers of the People for one month unless otherwise requested.

This powerful but silent ministry is one of our largest ministry groups. More prayer warriors and those committed to the prayer needs of Grace Church are most welcome! Please contact Sherri for more information.



Introducing:

The Rev. Don Lyon

We are so pleased to welcome Fr. Don as our Retired Associate Rector. He and his wife Karen live in Deland and he has retired after a long career in the priesthood, most recently as Rector of St. Barnabas Church in Deland for 17 years.

He is a native of Rhode Island and grew up there and southern Massachusetts. He received his BA from Boston State College and his MA from the University of Iowa. After teaching high school in Massachusetts for five years, he entered Bexley Seminary in Rochester NY and was ordained. His commitment to the priesthood runs in the family. One of six children, his father was also an Episcopal priest and his brother-in-law recently retired as a bishop in Massachusetts.

He married his wife Karen in 1967. They have two daughters and four grandchildren. Karen, a life-long educator has most recently retired as principal of St. Barnabas Episcopal School.

Fr. Don has a love of music. He plays guitar as several other instruments and music has always been a part of his ministry. He will be assisting Grace as chaplain of several of our ministries as well as helping with Sunday services and bible studies among many other functions.

When you see them on campus, be sure to welcome him and his wife Karen to our Grace Church family.



Our new **Parish Picture Directories** are here. If you had your picture taken earlier this year, you are welcome to take **one copy**. They can be found in the Narthex and each one is labeled with your name.

Our Current HUM Food Pantry Needs:

Cereal
Pasta Sauce

Canned Fruit
Mac & Cheese

Grace Church Pet Food Pantry Needs:

Dry or Wet Cat & Dog Food
Dog Treats

Gallon Ziploc Slider Style Bags

For monetary donations, make checks out to "Grace Episcopal Church" with "Pet Food Pantry" on the memo line. Thank you so much!

T – Bag Needs:

Capri Sun drinks or boxed fruit drinks

Pentecost Prayer

Breathe in me O Holy Spirit
that my thoughts may all be holy;
Act in me O Holy Spirit
that my works, too, may be holy;
Draw my heart O Holy Spirit
that I love but what is holy;
Strengthen me O Holy Spirit
to defend that is holy;
Guard me then O Holy Spirit
that I always may be holy.

- St. Augustine of Hippo (AD 354-430)

talk amen

Sunday, June 9

Isaiah 11:1-9 *He will not judge by what he sees with his eyes, or decide by what he hears with his ears.* (v.3b NIV)

I live half a block up the street from a large lake. From our living room window during the day we see sunlight sparkle on the water. At night we see twinkling headlights from the streets and traffic on the far side.

There are two McDonald's in opposite directions from this lake, both about three miles away. We can't see either one from our window, but we have taken quick lunch trips to both. We always trust they'll be right where people told us they would be, where we indeed found them when we last visited.

The beautiful lake view we can see is a welcome sight to our eyes. But there are times we need and want more than what we can see immediately through the window.

The same is true for our spiritual lives. That's why Our Heavenly Father sent us His gift of the Holy Spirit, to guide us in finding all that God has for us. Because that provision is more than we can see at first.

Psalm 118; 1 Corinthians 2:1-13; John 14:21-29

Monday, June 10

Psalm 56 *When I am afraid, I will trust in you.* (v.3)

Four years ago, I suffered a stroke. All my balance and movements became hampered. I depend on my wife's care to stay in our home. Yesterday (as I write) she had to spend the day in the ER for her own severe back pain. I was left alone in our house until we could learn if she would be coming back or staying in the hospital.

In those hours I got to practice trusting in God. I didn't know what was happening with my wife. Seeing only the surface events, I understood none of them. But what we can see, the weapons of the world, are not what we fight with. The Lord delights in us, making us survive, victorious and blessed. At the supper hour, my wife's friend who had spent the day with her brought her home. The doctors could find no infections or issues.

Today, on a new day, the promises and challenges will be repeated. We have another opportunity to make our hearts steadfast in the Lord. It will be a good day because of that!

Deuteronomy 30:1-10; Psalms 57, 58; 2 Corinthians 10:1-18; Luke 18:31-43

Tuesday, June 11

Luke 19:1-10 *When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today."* (v.5)

When I have lost or mislaid something, I want to find it right now. It is not enough to enjoy memories of when I used to have the object or to be able to intellectually explain why car keys have a value to me. It is the same for God. God's first question in the Bible is when He asks after Adam's whereabouts. Even God wants to enjoy our immediate company, not just have us watch Him from a safe, lofty distance.

We may feel like our faint hearts are calling to Him from the ends of the earth. Our souls seem to know our hope can only be found in Him—if we can just find him. Our Heavenly Father

already wants to be found by us. That is why He has already come so very near. His promise is that we will find life in Him.

And not only us. The blessing will spill over to our children as well. We are what Jesus came to seek and save.

Deuteronomy 30:11-20; Psalms 61, 62; 2 Corinthians 11:1-21a

Wednesday, June 12

Deuteronomy 31:30—32:14 *Remember the days of old; consider the generations long past. (v.7a)*

G. K. Chesterton defined “tradition” as the way we give our ancestors the vote. By honoring what our forefathers have handed down to us, we agree that they are giving us something valuable. They are sharing the hard lessons they learned of how to treat those treasures. We save time by not wasting ours in trying out dead ends they already learned to avoid. We recognize they came to know something real that is still true in our day.

It is the reason we take time to read both the Old and New Testaments of the Bible. When we see the record of how God nourished the saints of old with honey from the rock, it gives us reason to hope when we go through desert experiences. We are assured God will deliver the needy who cry out for help.

This is how we can boast of the things that show our weakness. They enable us to praise the greatness of our God, who never changes and always helps us from one generation to the next.

Psalm 72; 2 Corinthians 11:21b-33; Luke 19:11-27

Thursday, June 13

Psalm 71 *Even when I am old and gray, do not forsake me, O God, till I declare your power to the next generation... (v.18)*

As a child I learned I would be given no more lemonade to drink until my glass was empty again. Dessert would not be provided until my supper plate was cleared. Refills and treats were generously and gladly provided. But they were not going to be wasted if I didn’t need them or wasn’t ready for them.

God, who knows each person’s heart, provides for us in somewhat the same way. He is our help and deliverer and does not delay. He is the refuge to whom we can always go. And He draws us into sharing His rescue work by showing us others who are in need when we have an abundance.

Others need it. The Lord needs it, too. He calls on it from our hands to give us opportunity to declare Him to others. And He replaces His provisions for us all as we encounter new days and fresh needs. Thus, His generosity is manifested in every time of need, His perfect power in the very times of weakness.

2 Chronicles 6:18-31; Psalm 70; 2 Corinthians 12:1-10; Luke 19:28-40

Friday, June 14

2 Chronicles 26:1-22 *He had people working his fields and vineyards in the hills and in the fertile lands, for he loved the soil. (v.10b)*

My wife prepared a narrow strip of ground behind our apartment so she could grow her own vegetables. A few years ago, she cut the top from a pineapple she bought at the grocery and planted it beside our driveway. She now has a dozen pineapples she has carefully replanted as

they sprouted new *hijos*. She shares a bumper crop of the fruit each year with our Florida neighbors. She loves to garden!

So does God. And He calls us to work with Him sowing the seed and tending the harvest for His kingdom. The Father does not want to be a burden to us. What He wants is not our possessions but our hearts. He wants to bring us peace that we can share with others. It brings Him sorrow if people fail to see that. And it brings Him sorrow if we fail to join Him in tending His garden.

Let our prayer be: "May those who hope in you not be disgraced because of me, O Lord."

Psalm 69; 2 Corinthians 12:11-21; Luke 19:41-48

Saturday, June 15

Psalm 75 *It is God who judges: He brings one down, he exalts another.* (v.7)

On the television program *Shark Tank*, inventors and entrepreneurs describe their products to a team of wealthy investors, hoping one of them will put up the money that will allow the product to be successfully brought out in the consumer market. The people preparing to risk their money on these requests pepper the entrepreneurs with questions. It is an intense encounter. The investors bluntly bring down one dreamer and exalt another. Their first priority is not to make friends. They are there to make more money.

Paul, while desiring young Christians to grow strong and faithful, keeps a clear eye on the goal Jesus has. "Our prayer is for your perfection," he writes. "Aim for perfection."

He stresses this because he knows the Lord who loves them will also have questions for them. Jesus doesn't mind when we pray for things and ask him questions. But his first priority is building his Father's kingdom. So, we need to be ready when he replies by saying, "I will also ask you a question."

2 Chronicles 31:2-10, 20-21; Psalm 76; 2 Corinthians 13:1-14; Luke 20:1-8

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**Prayer List for the Week of
June 9, 2019**

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health: Comfort and relieve your sick servants, and give your power of healing to those who minister to their needs, that those for whom our prayers are offered may be strengthened in their weakness and have confidence in your loving care; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

Medical Health & Outpatient Care, Surgeries & Hospitalizations: Victor, Bill, Judy, Doug, Ellie, Evlyn, Terri, Teresa, Michele, Debera, Ann, Rebecca, Cheryl, Ron C., Richard, Carolyn, Sandy, Rosie, Joleen, Emily, Olivia, Vic, Ruth Ann, Paula, Gail, Jim, Ed, Audrey, Al, George, Kathleen, Elizabeth, Loren, Patricia, Dalton, Mike, Peyton, Stephen, Les, Ryan, Jackie, Joan, Toby, Earline, Sherrie, Barbara, Cathy, Jim, Bill, Dianne, Dave

Shut-ins: Gladys, Matt & Marlene, Phyllis, Rev. Joe, Rev. Sybil, Kathy, Mary H., Kathy S., Merry Lee, Joe & Earline

General Intercession: For the military and civil service in Iraq, Afghanistan, Pakistan, and throughout the world; for First Responders; for the peace of Jerusalem & the Middle East; North & South Korea, for the leaders of all nations; for our own in military service: Richard Santi, US Air Force; Sgt. Joshua Millar, Army, L.Cpl. Nicolas Jayms McClure, USMC.

For our upcoming Vacation Bible School, being held at Grace Church from June 17-21. We ask your blessings upon our children, staff, and volunteers, that this would be a joyful, life-changing event for all.

Deceased: Those who have gone ahead to be with our Lord, especially those who have lost their lives in natural disasters, First Responders, and those serving our country.

Grace Parish Prayer Cycle: Robert Gervan & Jackie Nicewonder, Larry & Jane Graham, Jackie Grainger, Frances Greene, Matthew and Marlene Greene

Parish Ministry of the Week: Offering Counters

Thanksgiving: For the abundant blessings bestowed upon Grace Church.

Birthdays: David Roberts, Scott Ryder, Dorothy Clement, Edith Hryndak, Joan Wickham

Anniversaries: Barry & Sandi DeMatthews, Harry & Maria Idell, Sam & Joyce Senatroy, Larry & Janet Carrico

Grace Church Clergy & their families: Rick & Carolyn Burhans, Don & Karen Lyon, Bill & Susan McCaffrey

In Port Orange: New Hope Baptist

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

SUN – St. Mark’s Episcopal Church, Haines City; St. Margaret’s Episcopal Church, Inverness; St. John’s Episcopal Church, Kissimmee

MON – St. Peter’s Episcopal Church, Lake Mary; St. Francis of Assisi Church, Lake Placid; Church of the Good Shepherd, Lake Wales

TUE – All Saints Episcopal Church, Lakeland; Christ the King Episcopal Church, Lakeland; St. David’s Episcopal Church, Lakeland

WED – St. Stephen’s Episcopal Church, Lakeland; Shepherd of the Hills Church, Lecanto; St. James Episcopal Church, Leesburg

THURS – Christ Church, Longwood; Episcopal Church of the Resurrection, Longwood; Church of the Good Shepherd, Maitland

FRI – Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Melbourne; Hope Episcopal Church, Melbourne; St. John’s Episcopal Church, Melbourne

SAT – St. Sebastian’s by the Sea, Melbourne Beach; St. Luke’s Episcopal Church, Merritt Island; St. Edward’s Episcopal Church, Mount Dora

You can make a prayer request on our webpage at www.graceepiscopalportorange.org or contact Rev. Susan McCaffrey or the parish office with all updates and changes. As a general rule, prayer requests will remain posted for four weeks. They'll gladly be "renewed" upon receipt of updates.