

## This Week at Grace Church

### Sunday, Feb. 24

*The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany*

**Holy Eucharist** at 8 & 10 a.m.

**Not Just Donuts Coffee Hour**

after both services, hosted by:  
8 a.m. Sara Losse & Harriet Foiles  
10 a.m.

**Nursery**, 9 - 11:30 a.m.

**Sunday Adult Forum** at 9 a.m.

**Confirmation Class** at 9 a.m.

**Sunday School** at 9:30 a.m.

**Gloria Deo Handbell Choir** at 11:15 a.m.

### Monday, Feb. 25

*Parish office closed on Mondays.*

**No Grace events scheduled**

### Tuesday, Feb. 26

**Women's Book Group** at 10 a.m.

### Wednesday, Feb. 27

**Men's Group Breakfast** at 8 a.m.

**Morning Prayer** at 9:30 a.m.

**Staff Meeting** at 10 a.m.

**St. Dunstons Handbell Choir** at 4:30 p.m.

**All Saints Handbell Choir** at 7 p.m.

### Thursday, Feb. 28

**Parish Choristers** at 4:15 p.m.

**Christian Yoga** at 6:30 p.m.

**Parish Choir** at 7 p.m.

### Friday, March 1

**Invite Welcome Connect Reception**  
at 6 p.m.

### Saturday, March 2

**Invite Welcome Connect Workshop**  
at 9 a.m.

**Altar Guild** at 9:30 a.m.

### Sunday, March 3

*The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany*

**Holy Eucharist** at 8 & 10 a.m.

**Not Just Donuts Coffee Hour**

after both services, hosted by:  
8 a.m. Diane Warhover, Mary Merriweather  
10 a.m.

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**First Sundays @ 5 p.m.**

Visit our website for updated  
news & events:  
[www.GraceKirkwood.org](http://www.GraceKirkwood.org)

## Parish Family News

### Happy Birthday:

**Feb. 24** Ronald Cobb,  
Lynn Schmittgens,  
Alex Van Rees



**Feb. 25** Liz Shands, Emma Sward

**Feb. 27** Peggy Capriglione

**Feb. 28** Christie Boyle, Emma Casey

**Feb. 1** Mitchell Cookson,  
Thomas Henson, Michael Lillmars

**Feb. 2** Matthew Woodruff

**Feb. 3** Harey Aylsworth,  
Lincoln Aylsworth, Edie Barnard

### Happy Anniversary:

**Feb. 24** Alice & Ron Jones



### Spring Cleaning at Grace

**Saturday, March 16 / 10 a.m.**

Grace's Altar Guild is asking for some help from the parish. We will be cleaning the church and could use any extra hands we can get. We are washing down all of the pews, ironing the wax off of seat cushions and the carpet, and dusting everywhere.

Most of it is not strenuous, but takes time unless we get extra helpers. Please contact Rebecca Harrison for more information or to volunteer.

### Your Online Shopping \$\$\$ Support Grace Church

Go to [smile.amazon.com/ch/43-0653320](http://smile.amazon.com/ch/43-0653320) and support Grace Episcopal Church through your Amazon account. Amazon will donate a portion of your online purchase back to our church. Tens of thousands of items are eligible for this program!

**\*Please note:** Use the **complete** online address listed above to be connected to our church account.

### Not Just Donuts Coffee Hour

Do you enjoy coffee hours after our worship services? Consider hosting for an upcoming Sunday... it's easy and fun! Please sign up on the sheet in the kitchen.

*The Messenger* is a weekly publication of Grace Church. If you have information you would like included, please contact Janis in the church office: [janis.greenbaum@gracekirkwood.org](mailto:janis.greenbaum@gracekirkwood.org).



Grace Episcopal Church is marking our 160th anniversary as a parish in 2019. As we prepare to celebrate that milestone, we are launching plans to carry our church into the future.

**Our Journey Continues...** is a capital campaign designed to provide a permanence to the care of our buildings and grounds. The majority of the money raised by this campaign will add to our Legacy Fund for the care of our facilities in perpetuity.

### Upcoming Events:

#### March 13:

Detailed campaign brochures will be mailed.

#### Sunday, March 17, 24, 31:

All are invited as campaign co-chairs Lesley Hoffarth and Tim Engelbrecht will join the Rev. Todd McDowell for casual Q & A sessions in Kean Library from 9 until 10 a.m.

### Prayers for Our Journey:

**read** → Isaiah 40:31

O God, forgive us for always being in such a hurry. Teach us to slow down, to wait and to listen.

**pray** → In our waiting and listening, bring renewal to our hearts, our families and this parish.

This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

**reflect** → **Lord, what do you want to do through me?**



# The Messenger

Sunday, Feb. 24, 2019

Weekly news of the people and ministries  
of Grace Episcopal Church

## Invite Welcome Connect at Grace Church

**Workshop: Saturday, March 2 / 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. / Albright Parish Hall**

**Adult Forum: Sunday, March 3 / 9 a.m. / LaVielle Conference Room**

Transformation happens when we welcome all as Christ! That's the foundation of Invite Welcome Connect and the ministry of Mary Parmer. Mary will be at Grace next weekend for a diocesan workshop on Saturday, followed by a special Sunday Adult Forum. If you have not yet registered for the workshop, see Shari Bonham in the church office TODAY! If you can't make the Saturday event, be sure to join us Sunday morning between services as Mary leads our adult forum. We encourage all ministry leaders and anyone looking to be inspired to attend!

## Sunday Adult Forum: Let's Talk About Ash Wednesday

**TODAY! Sunday, Feb. 24 / 9 a.m. / LaVielle Conference Room**

Mother Ginny prepares us for the upcoming season of Lent with this special series of classes. We begin by taking a closer look at the meaning of Ash Wednesday. We'll discover how Lent can bring us closer to what it means to be a Christian. Grab a cup of coffee and join the casual discussion us in LaVielle Conference Room.

## The Search for our Next Bishop: Let your voice be heard!

**Online Survey: available through Monday, Feb. 25**

**Holy Listening at Grace: Sunday, March 10 / 11:15 a.m.**

The Rt. Rev. Wayne Smith will be retiring as our bishop in April 2020. The search for the 11th Bishop of the Diocese of Missouri is underway. Members of the Bishop Search and Nominating Committee want to hear what's important to you in that search.

⇒ We invite everyone to complete a survey on the diocesan website:  
<https://www.diocesemo.org/news/2019/01/31/survey-eleventh-bishop-here>

⇒ Talk directly with members of the search committee:  
**Holy Listening session, Sunday, March 10** after the 10 a.m. service.

## First Sundays @ 5: Mardi Gras

**Sunday, March 3 / Albright Parish Hall**

**Crafts @ 4:30 p.m. / Worship @ 5 p.m. / Dinner @ 5:30 p.m.**

Prepare for the upcoming season of Lent with a Mardi Gras theme at this month's alternative worship service. Come a little early to make a Mardi Gras mask and a special "Alleluia" poster (to hide in Lent and return at Easter). We'll celebrate with a casual worship service including Holy Eucharist, and wrap up the evening with dinner served by the Acolyte Guild. All ages are invited to enjoy an evening of faith, food and fun!

## Christian Formation and Worship

### Sunday School

**TODAY! / 9:30 a.m. / Youth Room**

All students in pre-K through high school are invited to follow Jesus and the way of love in our weekly Christian formation programs. Classes overlap with our 10 a.m. worship service, with children returning to church in time to share Holy Communion with their families.

### Youth Confirmation Class: Confirm Not Conform

**TODAY! Sunday, Feb. 24 / 9 a.m. / Youth Room**

Our confirmation students come together to discuss why we do what we do in church and how we respond to God's blessings in our lives.

### A Lenten Pilgrimage to Montgomery, Alabama

**April 3-6**

St. Paul's Episcopal Church and Christ Church Cathedral invite you to join a motor coach pilgrimage to Montgomery, Alabama to reflect upon and be transformed by a visit to the **National Memorial for Peace and Justice** and the **Legacy Museum**, dedicated to the horrible legacy of racially motivated mob violence and lynching of African Americans. The pilgrimage will also include stops at historical Civil Rights locations along the route. The Rev. Rebecca Ragland will lead and facilitate reflections. The trip costs \$499 and includes lodging and some meals. **Call Directions Tours at 314-577-0077** and tell the receptionist you are with the Diocese of Missouri.

### Grace Youth Mission Trip

**June 2-9, 2019**

**Commitment deadline extended to March 3**

All high school youth are invited to be part of this Grace Church tradition! Spend a week working with Habitat for Humanity while you live, play and pray with friends. **\$150 activity fee must be paid by March 3.** Please contact Janis in the church office: [janis.greenbaum@gracekirkwood.org](mailto:janis.greenbaum@gracekirkwood.org).

### Diocesan Youth Summer Mission Trip: Appalachia Service Project

**July 13-20, 2019**

**Sign up Deadline: March 15**

Youth who have completed grades 8-12 are invited to be a part of a week of service in the Appalachian Mountains this summer. The Rev. Canon Loren Lasch is leading a trip in partnership with the Appalachia Service Project to work with families in Central Appalachia to make homes warmer, safer, and drier. There will be jobs for all skill levels in this ministry. Space is limited! Register online at [diocesemo.org/youth](http://diocesemo.org/youth). A \$50 deposit is required; total trip cost is \$600. Contact the Rev. Canon Loren Lasch at [llasch@diocesemo.org](mailto:llasch@diocesemo.org) or 314-255-1383 with questions.

### Month of Grace + Prayer: A Retreat in Everyday Life

**March 16 - April 13**

**Eden Theological Seminary & Peace United Church of Christ**

Become more aware of God's presence in your daily life! Individuals or couples meet privately with a spiritual companion once a week and then pray on your own every day. There is no registration fee, but retreatants are invited to share the costs of the retreat as they are able. Contact Jen Einspahr at [churchoffice@peaceucstl.org](mailto:churchoffice@peaceucstl.org) or 314-968-1727 to register **by March 7.**

## Spirituality and Fellowship



### Women's Book Group

**Tuesday, Feb. 26 / 10 a.m. / Kean Library**

The Book Group continues discussion of *Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption*, by Bryan Stevenson. All are invited to enjoy fellowship — even if you don't read the book.

### Tech Tutors: First Fridays at the Shepherd's Center

**Friday, March 1 / 1-2:30 p.m.**

**Shepherd's Center at Webster Hills UMC, 1333 W. Lockwood Ave.,**

Just got a new smartphone and you can't figure out how to use it? Or, you got a tablet as a gift and you don't know what it can do? You need a Tech Tutor! Shepherd's Center resident techies, including Grace member **Alice Pierce**, will be available the First Friday of every month to give you one-on-one assistance with your technology issues. Bring your phone or tablet with you. Just stop in, no registration necessary. Grace is pleased to help support the Shepherd's Center, providing services and programs for seniors in our community.

### Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

**Tuesday, March 5 / 5:30 - 7 p.m. / Albright Parish Hall**

All are invited for our traditional pancake supper. Meals are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 12 (\$15 family max). Volunteers are needed: please sign up on the bulletin board in Albright Parish Hall to help set-up, cook, and serve at this fun event!

### Grace on the Go: Tour the Holocaust Museum

**Monday, March 11 / 9:30 a.m. / carpools leave Grace at 9 a.m.**

Join Grace on the Go for a guided tour of the Holocaust Museum in Creve Coeur. The Holocaust Museum & Learning Center preserves the legacy of the Holocaust, educates about its causes and empowers visitors to make the world a more tolerant place by rejecting all forms of hate, racism, and bigotry. Following the tour, the group will enjoy lunch together at the Shack on Lindbergh. Sign up in Albright Parish Hall.

### Chef Wars: Fundraising event for the Shepherd's Center

**Sunday, April 14, 5:30-8 pm**

**Kirkwood Community Center (111 S. Geyer, Kirkwood, 63122)**

Relax and enjoy some of the finest dishes prepared by executive chefs from our most prestigious senior living communities. Silent Auction and 50/50 too! Tickets are \$40/person (food, beer/wine included). This delicious event raises money for the Shepherd's Center, inspiring dynamic living among older adults through volunteerism, enrichment and community connection. Call 314-395-0988 or buy a ticket online: [shepherdscenter-wk.org](http://shepherdscenter-wk.org)

## Pastoral Care

Grace's clergy are available by appointment to discuss personal, pastoral or spiritual matters; please call or email the clergy directly.

In case of a pastoral emergency, please call the parish office at 314-821-1806. For pastoral emergencies after office hours, call the parish office and press "7" to be connected to the priest-on-call 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

In case of severe illness, hospitalization, when a person is near death or at the death of a member of the church, please notify the clergy as soon as possible in order to secure the ministrations of the church.

## Intercessory Prayer List

*Please remember the following members and friends in your prayers:*

Vernon Balster	Carroll Bollard	DC Bollard
Kathy Bradford	Marilyn Brown	Chris Clark
Jackson Clark	Paris Coffey	Katie Conrad
Janie Cooper	Ellen Friedla	David Fly
Craig Franklin	Betty French	Carol & Ted Guarino
Lisa Hale-Waechter	Mary Etta Heggie	Cindy Hein
Cathy Hilton	Jay & Friends	Martha Johnston
Alice Jones	Carolyn Klebolt	Opal Lackey
Avery Link	Chris Meyer	Kit Mills
Lucille Miller	Marilyn Monson	Chloe Poe
Simoney Roatcap	Heather Schmitt	Alinda Sledge
Kathryn Theis	Linda Ustruck	Bob Waechter
Blake Walker	Lucas Woehle	Kent & Marilyn Wilton

*Please contact Janis in the church office to update this list.*

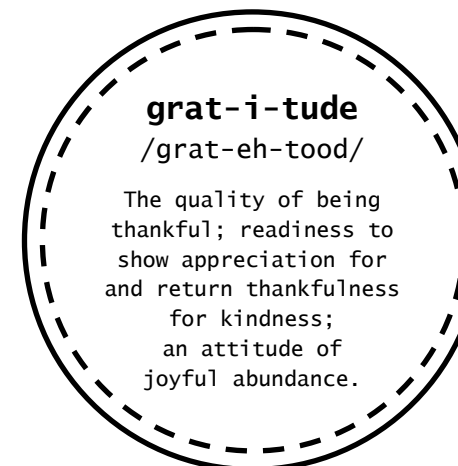
*Please contact Ruth Moore to add a name to our confidential Prayer Chain.*

## Sacraments

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism is administered four times each year at Grace Church:

- ◆ The Great Vigil of Easter (April 20, 2019)
- ◆ Pentecost (June 9, 2019)
- ◆ All Saints' Sunday (Nov. 3, 2019)
- ◆ The Baptism of our Lord (Jan. 12, 2020)

Please contact the church office to arrange for a baptism or marriage, request the Reconciliation of a Penitent (confession) or Unction (anointing of the sick).



Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow. May we never forget the good things God has done for us.

*A message from your  
Capital Campaign Gratitude Team*