

This Week at Grace

Sunday, August 12

Holy Eucharist at 8 & 10 a.m.

Not Just Donuts Coffee Hour after both services:

8 a.m. hosts: Carla Hildebrandt

10 a.m. hosts: Carol Rush, Marty O'Leary

Sunday Adult Forum at 9 a.m.

Nursery for infants & toddlers, 9:45 - 11:30 a.m.

(no children's or youth classes today)

Trinity Hot Lunch at 1 p.m.

Monday, August 13

Parish office closed on Mondays

No church events scheduled

Tuesday, August 14

Holy Eucharist at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel

Women's Book Group at 10 a.m.

Labyrinth Open Hours, 1-4 p.m.

Grace Vestry Meeting at 7 p.m.

Wednesday, August 15

Men's Group Breakfast at 8 a.m. (Steak 'N Shake)

Staff Meeting at 10 a.m.

Thursday, August 16

Christian Twist Yoga at 6:30 p.m.

Friday, August 17

Labyrinth Open Hours, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Saturday, August 18

Church School Ministry Workshop at 9 a.m.

Altar Guild at 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, August 19

Holy Eucharist at 8 & 10 a.m.

Not Just Donuts Coffee Hour after both services:

8 a.m. hosts: Church School Committee

10 a.m. hosts: Susanne Haring, Marilyn Wilton

Sunday Adult Forum at 9 a.m.

Back to School Pancake Breakfast at 9 a.m.

Nursery for infants & toddlers, 9:45 - 11:30 a.m.

Visit our website for updated news & events:
www.GraceKirkwood.org



Parish Family News

Happy Birthday:

August 12 Phillip Brunswick,
Pat Lynn Fitzroy, Dean Waldemer



August 14 Deborah Caby

August 16 Sarah Sehie

August 17 Joy Proctor

August 18 Jean Heimios

August 19 Bryan Sehie

Happy Anniversary:

August 12 Jana & John Adams

August 13 Jane & Tom Petrie

August 16 Kelly & Richard Eschenroeder



Grace and Gratitude:

Our sincere thanks goes out to the following members and friends for their service to our community:



◇ **Carol Guarino** for her help keeping our new garden beds looking beautiful.

By the Grace of God
and with the Consent of the People
The Rt. Rev. Andrew M.L. Dietsche,
Bishop of New York
will ordain
Michael Benjamin Evington Kurth
to the Sacred Order of Priests
in Christ's one
Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church
Saturday, Sept. 15, 2018
10:30 a.m.
The Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine
Amsterdam Avenue and 112th Street.
New York City
Your prayers and presence are joyfully requested

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janis.greenbaum@gracekirkwood.org.

The Messenger

Sunday, August 12, 2018

News of the people and ministries of . . .



Summer Sunday Forum: Life Lessons through Humor

Sunday, August 12, 19, 26

9:10 - 9:50 a.m. / Kean Library

Mother Ginny leads a summer discussion series using classic television comedies to find faith in everyday life. Today and for the next two weeks, we'll have fun watching episodes of *M*A*S*H*, then chat about how we can learn about ourselves and our journeys through humor.

Summer Outreach Meeting

Sunday, August 26 / 11:30 a.m.

LaVielle Conference Room

Grab snacks and a drink, and join us in the LaVielle Conference Room to make fall outreach ministry plans.

Outreach ministry coordinators who can't make this meeting should contact Michele Nicosia (nicosmb@att.net) to let her know about your plans for the year ahead.

Sister to Sister: Episcopal Women in Community

Saturday, August 25 / 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

St. Francis Episcopal Church, Eureka

The Diocesan Episcopal Church Women (ECW) invite all to a one-day retreat. Keynote speaker Shug Goodlow will highlight the spirit in sisterhood. The Rev. Melanie Jianakoplos Slane will celebrate Holy Eucharist. \$20 includes continental breakfast and lunch. Register by August 17 at:

<http://tiny.cc/ECW2018retreat>.

Get Ready for Back to School:

⇒ **Church School Workshop**
Saturday, August 18 / 9 a.m. - Noon
LaVielle Conference Room

New and returning Church School team members come together to make plans for the new program year at Grace. Whether you'd like to teach, greet visitors, or help with special events, everyone who enjoys working with children, youth and families is encouraged to attend!

⇒ **Pancake Breakfast**
Sunday, August 19 / 9 a.m.
Albright Parish Hall

Bring your family and friends to enjoy a delicious (and free!) breakfast, register for Sunday school, and take home information about all our children's, youth and family programs for the year ahead. This event is hosted by the Church School Committee.

⇒ **Sunday School Open House**
Sunday, August 26 / 9:30 a.m.

Students and parents are invited to our first day of classes. Meet this year's teachers and engage in a Bible story with your children. Parents leave for worship at 10:00; students stay until 10:30.

Grace on the Go Sunken Cities: Egypt's Lost Worlds

Thursday, Sept. 6 / Sign up in Parish Hall
Tour this highly acclaimed exhibit at 11 a.m. (arrive by 10:30 a.m.) Car pools leaves at 10 a.m. **\$15 for the tour must be paid by 8/26/18.** The 20-person limit may be increased (no guarantee), so sign up quickly. Lunch follows at 12:30 p.m. at the museum's Panorama Restaurant. Get your parking ticket stamped in restaurant for \$5 garage parking.

Christian Formation

Confirmation at Grace Episcopal Church Classes begin September 9

Are you interested in...

- learning more about the Episcopal Church?
- reaffirming your baptismal vows?
- making a mature commitment to Christ?

Contact Fr. Todd or Christian Formation Director Janis Greenbaum to be a part of this year's confirmation class. The program is open to adults and youth, 8th grade and older.

Community of Hope Training Begins September 8

Chris Kurth and Deborah Caby lead a new Community of Hope training session at Grace Church this fall. COH is a non-denominational ministry designed to provide pastoral care to the elderly, the lonely, the sick, the hungry, the imprisoned and the young. This ministry will enhance and enrich your spiritual formation through teaching, prayers and a network of support shaped by the theology of St. Benedict. The next training begins September 8 and continues weekly on Monday evenings through November, with dinner provided. If you would like more information about COH, please contact Chris Kurth, Deborah Caby or Fr. Todd.

Dismantling Racism Training

Friday-Saturday, Sept. 28-29

8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. (both days)

Trinity Episcopal Church, St. Charles

Learn to recognize and eliminate institutional racism in the Church at this diocesan event. This intense two-day workshop includes historic and current material, multimedia, small groups, role plays, facilitated dialogue, and spiritual nourishment. The training is free, with lunch and snacks provided. It is mandatory for all Vestry members and highly recommended for everyone. Only 30 spots are available — register now to save your spot at diocesemo.org.

Outreach and Social Justice

Winter Clothing Collection

September 1 - 27

Albright Parish Hall

Donate new and gently used winter clothing items for our neighbors in need. These items will be distributed during the annual Hands on Kirkwood community service day, Saturday, Oct. 6.

DESIRED HOK ITEMS: *No summer clothes, please!*

⇒ **Gently used winter items for men, women, and children:**

Coats, fall jackets, sweaters, sweatshirts, hats, gloves, mittens, scarves, mufflers, earmuffs, boots, socks, jeans, slacks, sweatpants, suits, shirts, winter skirts/dresses, blankets

⇒ **Also any children's items:**

help us by dropping off large kids' items at Kirkwood Baptist Church, starting Oct. 1

All kids' clothes, children's books, toys, games, car seats, booster seats, infant carriers, child plates, chairs & play tables, towels, blankets, bedding

⇒ **Nurses for Newborns:**

Disposable diapers, baby blankets and layette items

⇒ **Cell phones/cords:**

Clear your phone memory and bag it with its charger cord.

Fill the Hunger Barrel

Please remember our neighbors in need. Drop your non-perishable food donations in Grace's red hunger barrel in Albright Parish Hall each Sunday. Your donations will be distributed through food pantries at Kirk Care and Trinity Episcopal Church.

Offerings to Outreach

As you pass the offering plate down the pews today, please share your blessings with those in need.

All loose plate offerings (those not designated to our annual fund) will go to Grace's outreach ministries, helping us to do God's work in the world. *Thanks for your generosity!*



Spirituality and Fellowship

Holy Ground

Monday, August 13 / 6 p.m.

All women are invited to enjoy a potluck dinner and fellowship at our casual summer gathering. We won't have a program this month, but please bring any ideas you have for upcoming programs or projects. We'll resume our "regular" Holy Ground meetings with dinner, program and Holy Eucharist on Monday, Sept. 10.

Women's Book Group

Tuesdays / 10 a.m. / Kean Library

The Book Group continues discussion of *If You Lived Here, I'd Know Your Name: News from Small-Town Alaska*, by Heather Lende (pages 171-229). All are invited to come for the fellowship — even if you don't read the book. *Our next featured book is *Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine: A Novel* by Gail Honeyman. Place your order with Michele Nicosia no later than August 13.

Ring in the New Music Year

Openings available in our handbell choirs

Handbell Choir Director Ella Heigham is looking for youth and adults to join our handbell choirs. A little musical background is required. Choirs rehearse once a week (beginning later this month) and play at scheduled worship services throughout the year. Talk with Ella Jean to learn more!

Invite • Welcome • Connect

Invite a friend to experience the **Grace Church labyrinth** with you. This meditative walking device has a single, winding path for your contemplative journey. Groups should contact the church office for available times. Individuals are welcome any time the parish hall is not in use, along with these open hours this summer:

Tuesdays: 1 - 4 p.m. Fridays: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Intercessory Prayer List

Please remember in your prayers:

Vernon Balster	Dorothy Bardwell	Barry Bell
Lorette Billings	Brock	Marilyn Brown
Sue Clancy	Chris Clark	The Rev. Paris Coffey
Wheeler Compton	Connie	Randy Cook
Ron Dickinson	Harvey Dohn	Tom Dotson
Harriet Foiles	Ellen Friedla	David Fly
Alyce Goessling	Jimmy Gordon	Mary Etta Heggie
Linda Hope	Martha Johnston	John Mann
Lucille Miller	Marilyn Monson	Sandra Morin
John Nelson	Bill & Connie Nix	Paula
Danny Passarella	Chloe Poe	Rhonda
Rosie	Bob Starsky	Steve Starsky
Kent & Marilyn Wilton		Lucas Woehle

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.

Sacraments

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

- ◆ All Saints' Sunday (Nov. 4, 2018)
- ◆ The Baptism of our Lord (Jan. 13, 2019)
- ◆ The Great Vigil of Easter (April 20, 2019)
- ◆ Pentecost (June 9, 2019)

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).