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Canon Whitney Rice News

Grace Church congratulates Canon Whitney Rice on her nomination as a candidate for the Diocese of Southern Ohio.

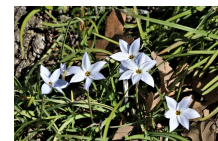


"I invite you to join me in congratulating Canon Whitney Rice on her selection by the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Ohio to be one of the candidates for their next Bishop Diocesan. This is a tremendous honor and is truly a reflection of the brilliantly collaborative work Canon Whitney has undertaken here in the Diocese of Missouri. I fully support Canon Whitney in her process of discernment, knowing that she is open to where God might be calling her while being fully committed to the ministry we share here in the Diocese of Missouri."

The Rt. Rev. Deon K. Johnson

From the Jr. Warden

We have had people stop by the church and thank us for not getting rid of the "little white wild flowers" in our lawn known as the Star of Bethlehem. We have also had people email us about eradicating the little white "invasive" flowers.



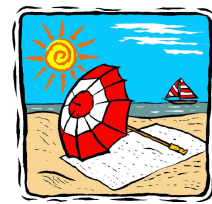
There was an article about this in the June *Gateway Gardening* and it puts us on the good list for keeping them.

The funny thing is, if we put *Weed & Feed* on the lawn, which we cannot afford, there would be no lawn!

Your Junior Warden,
Rebecca Harrison

Summer Selfies - Send Yours In!

We hope you're enjoying your summer so far. Stay in touch with your church family this summer by sharing vacation pictures with us! Whether you're going to an exotic island or the neighborhood pool, take a selfie and send it to [Shari Bonham](#).



We'll post your pictures on our social media pages and the monitor in the narthex. Happy Summer!



The Service Goes On

On July 2nd, the power went out before the 8 a.m. service. Everyone moved to the Parish Hall and the service proceeded with the natural light coming in through the windows.

Knitters, Keep Up the Good Work!

Knitters - Don't forget we are collecting hats, scarves, mittens, of all sizes for the homeless. This summer is the time to knit (or crochet) something to donate, as we are giving them away in the fall.



Place finished items in the basket, on a cart by the exit door in the Parish Hall. It's marked. So far we have a couple of dozen, but could use many more! Thanks to everyone who is donating.

Grace On the Go Planning for 2023-24

This is the time of year when every interested parishioner gets to help plan for the upcoming Grace on the Go year.



There are two ways: (1) Volunteer to be part of the planning committee; (2) Send us ideas in writing for places to visit and the contact information of those places. Please contact [Christie Boyle](#) or at 314-341-1588 to let her know how you would like to have input in upcoming plans.

Grace on the Go plans an activity for each month from September thru May. We welcome new planners to join our core group and greatly appreciate suggestions for future outings. **We will begin to meet the week of July 23** to review each suggestion, vote on which to pursue and when, and choose who will chair each event. A week or so later we will make the final choices and go on to make the arrangements. We want to hear your ideas!

Trinity Hot Lunch Facts

- About 100 meals are made that feed 60-70 people
- Leftovers are stored and taken to the Episcopal Trinity Church on Tuesdays to feed those in need

Thank a Volunteer this Sunday!

The Color Purple Tickets



The Diocesan Commission on Dismantling Racism is offering **FREE** tickets to see **The Color Purple** at the **Florissant Performing Arts Center on August 6 at 2 p.m.**

After the performance, you're invited to gather at St. Stephen's in Ferguson with members of the Commission for a small reception and discussion of the musical.

This is a wonderful opportunity to see this acclaimed show and discuss the story behind it. Author Alice Walker won the Pulitzer Prize and National Book Award for her story about gender and race in the American South. The Rev. Renee Fenner, Rector at the Episcopal Church of All Saints & Ascension in Northwoods, is the assistant director of this musical production.

A total of 20 tickets are available and will be given out on a first come, first served basis. If you would like a free ticket, please [RSVP](#). [Learn more about the event here](#)

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost July 9, 2023 8 a.m. & 10 a.m.

You may also join us at 10 a.m. through Facebook @GraceChurchKirkwood or on our webpage at www.GraceKirkwood.org

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Nursery Sunday hours are 8:45 a.m until 11:15 a.m. each Sunday.

Beyond Our Walls

Hunger Barrel Items Needed

For kids who depend on the school breakfast and lunch programs, summer can be a challenging time to have regular meals. The following are suggestions from the food pantry at Kirk Care (one of the places we take our donated items).



Preferred items

Non-perishable unexpired foods: Meats (chicken, spam), fish (tuna, salmon) • stew • hearty soups • chili, beans (protein canned or dried) • tomato products • fruits

(canned or dried) • pasta, pasta sauces, canned pasta • peanut butter, jelly/jam • ground coffee • rice • breakfast items • low sugar cereal • oatmeal • complete meals & meal kits • dinner mixes (*Hamburger helper*, *Tuna helper*) • macaroni & cheese • dessert mixes • baking staples • protein/power bars

Non-food items:

Paper products (napkins, kleenex, toilet paper, paper towels) • diapers/pull-ups (all sizes including adult diapers) • feminine hygiene products • bar soap, shampoo, conditioner, lotion • cleaning supplies.

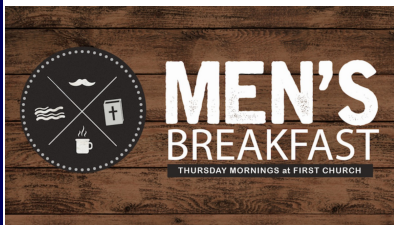
Travel Toiletries

Are you traveling this summer? When staying in a hotel or motel they often provide you with travel toiletries, as well as coffee service packets, which you may not need.

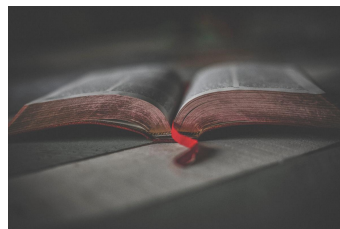


You can collect these unused items for Trinity Food Pantry and the Person to Person Street Ministry to give to the unhoused. Then, when you return to Grace, deposit your bag in the marked box in the parish hall.

Mark Your Calendar!



Men's Breakfast
Wednesdays 8 a.m.
Denny's in Sunset Hills



The Holy Eucharist
Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m.
Anointing of the Sick on the
First Tuesday of each month.
In the Chapel of the Apostles
(on the lower level)

Please Note: Anointing of
the Sick is rescheduled to
Tuesday, July 11, 2023
at 10:30 a.m. due to the July
holiday.



Tuesday Book Group
meets at 10:00 a.m.
at the church and on
Zoom. We're reading
Every Day Is a Gift: A
Memoir—by Tammy
Duckworth. Contact
[Michele Nicosia](#) for more
information.

[Reading schedule](#)

Prayer List

Parish List

John Barrett
Jane & Henry Beers
Shirley Browne
Ethel Cromwell
Katie Conrad
Ginger Dokos
Eric Eickmeyer
David Fly
Ted Guarino
Bill Harrison

Birthdays



July 10
Rebecca Harrison
July 11
Sandi Adams
July 12
Charles Fliss
Nancy Latt

Douglas Jenkins
Mike Lillmars
Chris Manuel
Jim McKown
Steve Mika
Langen Neubacher
Marty O'Leary
Beverly Shands
Brooks Ward
Jane Webster
Eric Woodruff

Friends & Family

Rebecca Bonham
Douglas Jenkins
Michael & Mary Leiweke
Ken Mac
Logan Nelson
Bob Shepherd
Allison Shortlane

Nora Woodruff
July 13
Bill Haggerty
Ava Johnson
Tom Petrie
July 14
Susan Lauber
Michael Shadwick
July 15
Sandra Vuitel

Anniversaries

July 10
Lisa Langen & Don Neubacher
July 15
Amy & Blake Bradshaw



Our Prayer list requests and updates should be e-mailed to theparish office. Names will be left on the prayer list for one month unless the parish office is notified.

Note: the Intercession Prayer Book is now available for people to write their prayer requests.

Pastoral Care

Grace's clergy are available by appointment to discuss personal, pastoral, or spiritual matters; please call or email the clergy directly. The lay pastoral care team members are also available to visit and bring communion to those unable to be at church in person. Please let the clergy or Sara Losse know (saratlosse@yahoo.com) if you or someone you know in the congregation is in need of a pastoral visit.



If you have a concern that you would prefer to keep private, please let the clergy or Ruth Moore know (clesiem01@yahoo.com) so that she can put your need on the prayer chain. Throughout the week, members of the Grace Prayer Chain pray privately for the congregation's special needs.

In case of a pastoral emergency, please call the parish office at 314-821-1806. A priest is on call at all times. In case of hospitalization, when a church member is near death or has died, please notify the clergy as soon as possible so that we may minister to you and your family with prayers and anointing.



Online Giving

We are grateful to everyone who is keeping their pledge current. Your generosity is gratifying and inspiring. To give online please click the link below and checks may be mailed to 514 East Argonne, Kirkwood, MO 63122. If you are out of work and unable to make your pledge, we understand. Please let the parish office know.

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