

# GRACE ABOUNDS



Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

June 30, 2023

## Summer Worship Schedule Change

For the months of July and August, we will suspend the  
Sunday 8:00 AM Spoken Eucharist  
and the Wednesday 12 Noon Spoken Eucharist.  
Please join us for the 10 AM Eucharist on Sunday mornings during  
those months.



## Refugee Ministry Sign-Up and Details

Working in partnership with Dorcas International our  
ministry has three opportunities for your participation!



1. Our apartment-preparation will become bi-monthly. You can simply sign up, show up, and scrub, or sweep, or hammer, from 9 to around 1 or 2pm. Our first opportunity is **Saturday, July 1st** Text or email Bill Galligan to join the fun! (P: 508-328-1831; [wgalligan@gmail.com](mailto:wgalligan@gmail.com)).
2. Through our "Restart Kits for Refugees" you are invited to fill a tub with specific items new arrivals will need to help them set up their new homes. Copies of the requested items and procedures are found on the tables at the back of the church. You can sign up easily by [clicking here](#) or speak with Bill or email Holly Gray at [hollyandmike@gmail.com](mailto:hollyandmike@gmail.com)
3. In teams of two we are invited to become mentors for newly arrived families. Under the guidance of a Dorcas Case Manager, mentors are matched with a specific family to be a welcoming friend, someone who can help new arrivals navigate, discover resources, practice English, or whatever is needed. A description of responsibilities and commitments is found on the back of the Restart Kits at the back of the church. For information or to express interest please contact The Rev. Mike Coburn (P: 401-421-8755; [mikecoburn77@gmail.com](mailto:mikecoburn77@gmail.com)).

Please join us in this important expression of our community's welcoming spirit and faith!

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## Flower Power!

Not only are flowers beautiful to look at, it has been proven they are also good for our mental health! Research has shown that flowers brighten hospital patients' moods, enhance happiness in dining areas and even contribute to creativity in office settings.



We know there are a lot of gardeners in the parish, and it would be wonderful if folks could bring in some of their lovingly nurtured garden flowers for all to enjoy during Coffee Hour. Bring your own vase or obtain one from the kitchen! Afraid there might be multiple floral donations? No worries - our buffet table is quite long (whether in The Pavilion or outdoors) so multiple arrangements will never be a problem! We can even place them in different locations (for example, Pavilion tables, coffee station, etc.).

Worried what will happen to your flowers after coffee hour on Sunday? Our Parish Administrator, Sara, will display them in the church during the week or perhaps place a vase in the side door entrance to welcome visitors, etc., wherever they land they will definitely be put to good use!

So start creating those fun backyard bouquets to share with our Grace community on summer Sundays! **Any questions, email Diane Stamp at [flowers@gracepvd.org](mailto:flowers@gracepvd.org)**

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## Nursery Care Help Needed

The Nursery at Grace is seeking a second person to help watch our community's young children (up to age 4) on Sunday mornings! Compensation is \$20/hr (for coverage up to 4 hours) or volunteer hours for those who need them. If you or someone you know is interested, please reach out to Jonathan ([jhuyck@gracepvd.org](mailto:jhuyck@gracepvd.org)) or Vivian ([vblais@gracepvd.org](mailto:vblais@gracepvd.org)) for more details.



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## Coffee Hour Donations Needed

Ever wonder where that delicious food at Coffee Hour comes from? From you! Parishioners are welcome and encouraged to bring food to share at Coffee Hour. Homemade or store-bought, fresh fruit or baked goods – whatever you are moved to share! Simply place items on the large rectangular tables in The Pavilion before church. Your fellow parishioners thank you!



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## Summer Choir at Grace

During the summer months we will enjoy the leadership of our summer choir! Summer Choir is open to anyone who sings with the Grace Church Choir, or anyone who would like to try singing in the choir. We meet in the Choir Room at 9:15 AM on Sunday mornings, rehearse the hymns and psalm, and prepare a simple anthem or two.



You don't need to give previous notice, but if you would like to try Summer Choir, please email Vince Edwards for more information. Feel free to sing one Sunday, or every Sunday! Please note: We may not vest once the weather turns hot, so please wear our summer choir "uniform" - white blouse or shirt, black (or very dark) shorts, pants or skirt and dark-ish shoes (sandals are fine!).

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## Sunday Morning Worship **The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

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~ Sunday Morning YouTube Link ~  
**[Click here!](#)**

This service will be live-streamed to the [Grace Church YouTube Channel](#). Please use the link provided above to watch. The service will also be archived on the [Grace Church website](#) for 'on-demand' viewing after Sunday morning. We hope this experience allows those who are not able to join us in person on Sunday to participate in the worship.

To view the Order of Service for **The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**, **[CLICK HERE!](#)**

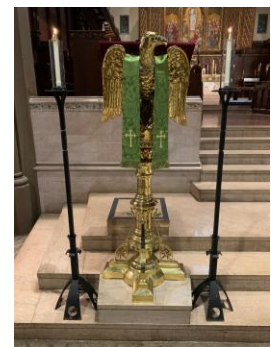
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Regardless of how you choose to participate in our worship life together,  
ALL ARE WELCOME at Grace Church!

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## **The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost** **July 2, 2023**

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*



For the texts of the readings for **The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**, [please click here.](#)

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