

GRACE ABOUNDS



Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

August 18, 2023

Spotlight: School Supplies Donations Needed

Grace Church is collecting school supplies this month for the folks who frequent the food pantry at Sts. Peter and Andrew Church in Providence. Below is a suggested list of things to be donated. We'll be collecting the items at Grace **through this coming Sunday, August 20**. Thank you for your generosity!



- Backpacks in various sizes
- 3-Ring Binders
- Notebooks
- 2-Pocket Folders
- Crayons
- Markers
- Scissors
- Pencils
- Dry Erase Markers
- Pencil Cases
- Glue Sticks
- Pens
- Rulers
- Paper



Summer Worship Schedule

For the month of 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
opportunities for your participation!



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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

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).

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

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

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) or Vivian (vblais@gracepvd.org) for more details.



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!



Sunday Morning Worship **The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**

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



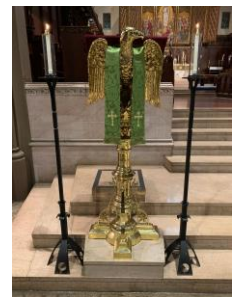
This service will be live-streamed to the [Grace Church YouTube Channel](#). Please use the link provided above to watch. The service will also be archived on the [Grace Church website](#) for 'on-demand' viewing after Sunday morning. We hope this experience allows those who are not able to join us in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

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

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

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost **August 20, 2023**

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.



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

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