

*Grace Memorial*  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
*October Newsletter*



## Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross or the Way of the Cross refers to a series of images depicting Jesus Christ on the day of crucifixion with selected prayers. The stations are imitations of the Via Dolorosa in Jerusalem, which is the traditional processional route symbolizing the path of Jesus to Mount Calvary. The purpose of the stations is to help the Christian faithful to make a spiritual pilgrimage through contemplation of the Passion of Christ. It is one of the most popular devotions, and the stations can be found in many Western Christian churches, including those in the Roman Catholic, Lutheran, Anglican, and Methodist traditions. The stations are a series of 14 images arranged in numbered order along a path, along which worshippers—individually or in procession—move in order, stopping at each station to say prayers and engage in reflections associated with the station. The procession is normally led by an officiant. Devotions are most common during Lent, especially on Good Friday. The style, form and placement of the stations vary widely. The typical stations are small plaques with reliefs or paintings placed around a church nave. The stations chosen by Father Paul were solid bronze reliefs mounted on walnut. A copy from a catalogue can be seen in the narthex. Stations can be placed outdoors. However, this is not a viable option for Grace Memorial. The climate and terrain of the church grounds are not conducive to Way of the Cross processions. When Father Jerry was here, he agreed that the interior of the Church was large enough to display the 14 images selected. The plaques can be mounted permanently or displayed only during the season of Lent. The last time we checked on the price of the solid bronze stations the cost plus shipping was \$3300. However, the price has surely gone up in the last year. Delivery was quoted at 16 weeks, which could be even longer now. We have thus far raised \$1000 for the project. Mother Liz said she would take up this issue when she returns. If we wish to have the stations in place for the upcoming Lenten season, we need to decide soon as to whether to move forward on this project.



Steak Night: Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>  
Place: Parish Hall  
Time: 6:00 p.m.  
Cost: \$25  
All men are welcome!



Join the Women of Grace for the monthly  
Wine Down Wednesday gathering at  
Our Mom's in Hammond,  
Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

The hostesses for this month are Deborah Correjjolles,  
Debbie Valenti, and Marsha Adams. All Grace ladies are  
invited so please come and bring a friend!

## Family Promise

We will have representatives from Family Promise come and speak to our congregation during the Sunday Service on Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>. After the service, between 11 a.m. and 12 p.m., they will be in the Parish Hall selling raffle tickets for their annual fundraiser prior to our first Sunday Fun Day and game with the Saints. I encourage everyone to come and hear about this incredible ministry. Thank You as always for your support. Laura Freeze, Outreach Coordinator.

## St. Margaret's Guild / ECW

Our women's group, St. Margaret's Guild, includes every woman in the Parish and any other interested parties who want to participate in outreach/inreach in our church community as well as in the local community. Please join us *Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>* in the Parish Hall at 9:30 for a "meet and greet". The meeting starts at 10 and ends by noon.

## VESTRY MEETING

*Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>* following 10:00 service.  
The meeting will be held in the Parlor.

# Youth Announcement

Reviving the Education Building: We have begun the process of reviving a portion of the Education Building for the youth of the church to have a dedicated space for fellowship and Sunday School. We are asking for donations both monetary and physical items to make the space nice. Below is a list of items we are either hoping will be donated or will be purchasing with any funds donated.

- A used sofa and/or loveseat, chair, etc in good condition.
- A portable air conditioner (a regular box window unit will not work with the type of windows in the building). Needs to be self-evaporating.
- A coffee station.
- A gaming table (ping pong, foosball, etc)
- If you would like to donate or have any questions at all please contact Harley Bourgeois at 985-974-7419.

## Vintage Jewelry Sale

On Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> Hundreds of pieces of vintage jewelry will be selling for 60% off or more. There will be a Sparkling Soiree in the Parish Hall from 5:00- 8:00 to kick off the sale. Come for fellowship, sparkling beverages, appetizer, and live music. The sale will continue to run during the pumpkin patch, October 19<sup>th</sup> -31<sup>st</sup> from 12:00 - 5:00. All the proceeds will go to benefit our youth activities.

## Save the Date: Sunday Fun Days in Fall

- ❖ Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup> - Potluck Tailgate & Fellowship.
- ❖ Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> - Make an Advent Wreath and go caroling.
- ❖ Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup> - Bishop Shannon visitation to Grace Memorial.

### Church Staff

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*Ellis Neal, Sexton*

# Fun Day at Grace

**First Sunday Funday:** Please join us on October 8<sup>th</sup> at noon in the Parish Hall. We will enjoy lunch and fellowship while watching the Saints vs. Patriots football game. The Kemp and Maurin families are providing the main dish of BBQ and attendees are encouraged to bring items to add to the feast. Please use this Sign Up Genius link to let us know what you are sharing: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4BACAB2BA2FBC7D-october#/>

If you have any questions, please reach out to Kay Maurin, [maurin.kaya@gmail.com](mailto:maurin.kaya@gmail.com). We look forward to a great Sunday Funday with you and your family!

### Order a Grace Memorial Saints spirit shirt today!

T-shirts are \$25 each, black short sleeve, and come in sizes Adult S-4XL. The back graphic reads, "On Sundays I'm a Saint." Place your order by emailing [maurin.kaya@gmail.com](mailto:maurin.kaya@gmail.com) by October 1st. Payments can be made in cash, check, or venmo (@kay-maurin). Please reach out to Kay Maurin with questions.



## The Pumpkin Patch opens October 14<sup>th</sup>!

All hands on deck to unload these beauties! A Picnic follows. We need all the hands, big, little, small, large, young, and old. There are jobs for all of us! Contact Lee at 631-312-7026 for further information.

**Pumpkin Patch Sign-Up Sheet:** Look in the Narthex of the church or in the Parish Hall to let us know what shift you will be covering. The Patch is open every day from 12:00 til 5 pm. There are two shifts per day (12:00 - 3:00 and 3:00 - close). Contact: Lee at 631-32-7026 with any questions

This community fundraiser benefits the "Discovery/Renew" project. All proceeds go to them! The Patch will be open everyday noon til 5pm. We are planning a "Fall Festival" on Saturday October 21st with activities for the young and old. Stay tuned for more details!





Jackson Ragan 10/1  
Sarah Spangler 10/5  
Sharon King 10/6  
Carla Davidson 10/7  
Stuart Miller 10/8  
Beth Jelks 10/17  
Tracy Miller 10/18  
Cheryl Rae 10/18  
Cassie Ragan 10/20

Mitchell Webb 10/21  
Dovie Cranford 10/22  
Janet Groce 10/24  
Catherine Clement 10/25  
Conrad Anderson 10/26  
Suzanne Graham 10/26  
Donald Wingfield 10/26  
Donald Farrow 10/30



## † Scripture Reading

### **October 1, 2023**

Exodus 17:1-7  
Psalm 78:1-4,12-16  
Philippians 2:1-13  
Matthew 21:23-32

### **October 15, 2023**

Exodus 32:1-14  
Psalm 106:1-6,19-23  
Philippians 4:1-9  
Matthew 22:1-14

### **October 29, 2023**

Deuteronomy 34:1-12  
Psalm 90:1-6,13-17  
1 Thessalonians 2:1-8  
Matthew 22:34-4

### **October 8, 2023**

Exodus 20:1-4,7-9,12-20  
Psalm 19  
Philippians 3:4b-14  
Matthew 21:33-46

### **October 22, 2023**

Exodus 33:12-23  
Psalm 99  
1 Thessalonians 1:1-10  
Matthew 22:15-22