

Grace Memorial
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

September Newsletter





Join the Women of Grace for the monthly Wine Down Wednesday gathering at Si Senor located at 1905 W. Thomas, Suite V, Wednesday, September 6th at 5:30 p.m.

The hostesses for this month are Angie Tyrone, Karla Wyld, and Carmela Wallace. All Grace ladies are invited so please come and bring a friend!

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 monthly on the second Tuesday, September 12th in the Parish Hall at 9:30 for a "meet and greet". The meeting starts at 10 and ends by noon. There is a business meeting then a guest speaker.

A Day on Deacons

Do you want to know more about the role of deacons in our church? Are you discerning a personal call to the diaconate? Join us on September 6th at the Solomon Episcopal Conference Center for A Day on Deacons. Register for the free event at seccla.org

VESTRY MEETING

Sunday, September 17th, following 10:00 service.

The meeting will be held in the Parlor

Mtr. Liz's Maternity Leave

While Mtr. Liz will be out on maternity leave., the Rev. Dr. Mary Anne Heine will be serving on Sunday mornings and providing pastoral care for the congregation. Should you need any assistance, please contact Jo Ziller, our senior warden at 985-510-0756 or The Rev. Dr. Mary Anne Heine at 985-386-9273.

Book of Common Prayer

We will begin the class on *Sunday, September 17th* starting at 8:45 and running until 9:45 so that we all can get to the 10 am Service without rushing, especially for those scheduled to serve. We will use "Welcome to the Book of Common Prayer" by Vicki K. Black, and due to a generous donation from a parishioner, the book will be provided.

The class is open to everyone, and all are welcome. It is essential that those folks who wish to be Confirmed or Received into the Episcopal Church when the Bishop visits in December attend the class. If you have any questions, contact either

Debbie Valenti at valentid@bellsouth.net (985)507-0088

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Family Promise

On September 27th we will have a guest speaker from Family Promise, a national organization helping low-income families achieve lasting independence. First Presbyterian Church in Hammond is one of our community's host churches.

There are many ways in which our congregation can assist in the ministry. We could provide support services such as preparing and serving meals, visiting guests, playing with children, helping with homework, and other activities.

One evening during the week of September 10th through the 17th, a few of the vestry members will visit First Presbyterian when they are hosting Family Promise and gather information and discern what kind of support we can provide. If you want to see First Presbyterian, along with the Vestry, when they are the host church, please contact me at either laurafreeze707@gmail.com. or (985)981-3333. Laura Freeze, Outreach Coordinator.



The church office will be closed

Monday, September 4th in observance of Labor Day!

Fun Day at Grace

Movies and Football coming to Grace!! The Saints and possibly LSU. Terry, Paul, Chris, and Keith are putting their heads together and will figure out how best to stream movies for the kids and football for all. Saints football will be at Grace after the Sunday service on October 8th - please bring tailgate food to share.

The vestry is looking at how best to stream our Sunday Service live on Youtube and Facebook.

HEY VESTRY, WHAT'S UP?

From the July Vestry Meeting

The vestry has secured a property management company to oversee the renting of the rectory, screening potential renters, and addressing issues that arise with the upkeep of the rectory.

The rectory is currently rented for six months. The rent collected will be deposited in the rectory depreciation fund.

The Vestry is working on the following projects around the Church:

Obtaining estimates to repair and upgrade the exterior lighting around the church-

Obtaining estimates to address the heating and a/c issues in the Education Building - those issues need to be addressed before the vestry can consider other uses for the building.

Obtaining estimates for the a/c repair in the Parish Hall.

Keith is looking into using the church fans to ensure they are safe to use.

Outreach

- THE PUMPKINS ARE COMING IN OCTOBER!!! Lee is heading up the patch and will share some of her new ideas!
- There are some "exploratory ministries" the vestry is considering - serving lunch for Southeastern students at the Wesley Center on campus and exploring the ministry of "Family Promise." Let your vestry members know if you have any ideas or would like to help.
- The Vestry members are Jo Ziller, Paul Bartow, Buck Maurin, Chris Tucker, Keith Wilson, Terry Adams, Deborah Correjolles, Beth Jelks, Sue Nichols, Lee Leguyader, and Laura Freeze.



The Pumpkin Patch opens October 15th!!

The pumpkins arrive (that's the plan) on Saturday, October 15th. Please come out and help us unload and sell these beauties. The Patch opens as soon as we get them unloaded. 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! Contact me (Lee LeGuyader a bayviewgab@aol.com) to sign up to help.

Save the Date: Sunday Fun Days in Fall

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

Church Staff

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 Dottie Purser 9/10
 Betsy McHale 9/10
 Jeanette Gasaway 9/11
 Logan Sullivan 9/11

Dell Andrews 9/13
 Bekah McAllister 9/17
 Brooke Gasaway 9/17
 John Cate Dameron 9/18
 Susan Tucker 9/19
 Beau Wasson 9/19
 Joseph Rudy Brazan 9/20
 Chuck Spangler 9/20
 John Voorhees 9/24
 JoAnn Ziller 9/25



✝ Scripture Reading

September 3, 2023

Exodus 3:1-15
 Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c
 Romans 12:9-21
 Matthew 16:21-28

September 17, 2023

Exodus 14:19-31
 Psalm 114
 Romans 14:1-12
 Matthew 18:21-35

September 10, 2023

Exodus 12:1-14
 Psalm 149
 Romans 13:8-14
 Matthew 18:15-2

September 24, 2023

Exodus 16:2-15
 Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45
 Philippians 1:21-30
 Matthew 20:1-16