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Holy Eucharist - Sunday at 9am  
Morning Prayer - Tuesday at 8:30am

# *PACE OF GRACE*



# *2017*



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 Third Easter 8:20 AM Choir Rehearsal 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist	1 12:00 PM Hi Noon 6:00 PM Property Committee Meeting 6:00 PM Boy Scouts - PH	2 8:30 AM Morning Prayer – C 8:30 AM Employment Group - MMR 7:00 PM Narc Anon - PH, MR	3 6:00 PM Drop the Rock – L 6:30 PM Pastoral Care Committee Meeting - MMR	4 9:30 AM Tai Chi – PH 12:00 PM ECW Luncheon at Aqua Turf 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal MMR 7:00 PM AI Anon - PH, MR, L	5	6 9:00 AM Family Promise Training – PH 9:00 AM Safe Church Training at St. Andrew's
7 Fourth Easter 8:20 AM Choir Rehearsal 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist	8 6:00 PM Boy Scouts – PH	9 8:30 AM Morning Prayer – C 8:30 AM Employment Group – MMR 7:00 PM Vestry Meeting 7:00 PM Narc Anon - PH, MR	10 8:30 AM Chili Prep - K 6:00 PM Drop the Rock - L	11 8:30 AM Chili Prep - K 9:30 AM Tai Chi - PH 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal MMR 7:00 PM AI Anon - PH, MR, L	12 6:30 PM Sewing/Crafting for Fall Festival	13
14 Fifth Easter 8:20 AM Choir Rehearsal 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist 	15 6:00 PM Boy Scouts - PH	16 8:30 AM Morning Prayer – C 8:30 AM Employment Group MMR 7:00 PM Narc Anon - PH, MR	17 6:00 PM Drop the Rock - L	13 9:30 AM Tai Chi - PH 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal MMR 67:00 PM AI Anon - PH, MR, L	19	20 2:00 PM Book Club – Library
21 Sixth Easter 8:20 AM Choir Rehearsal 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist 10:30 AM Liturgical Committee Meeting	22 6:00 PM Boy Scouts - PH 6:00 PM Property Committee Meeting (if necessary) MMR <b>California Kitchen Fundraiser</b>	23 8:30 AM Morning Prayer – C 8:30 AM Employment Group MMR 7:00 PM Narc Anon - PH, MR	24 6:00 PM Drop the Rock – L	25 9:30 AM Tai Chi - PH 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal MMR 7:00 PM AI Anon - PH, MR, L	26	27
29 Seventh Easter 8:20 AM Choir Rehearsal 9:00 AM Holy Eucharist	29 3:00 PM Boy Scouts Blue & Gold Dinner 	30 8:30 AM Morning Prayer – C 8:30 AM Employment Group MMR 7:00 PM Narc Anon - PH, MR	31 6:00 PM Drop the Rock – L	1 9:30 AM Tai Chi - PH 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal MMR 7:00 PM AI Anon - PH, MR, L	2	3

Room Key: PH=Parish Hall; L=Library; MMR= Music Meeting Room; MR=Meeting Room; C=Chapel; K=Kitchen



# *Pace of Grace*

*May, 2017*

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Dear Grace Church Family,

In this month of May let us honor our mothers, past and present. Please pray this prayer as often as you can throughout the month. I found it online and it touched my heart. I share it with you.

Gracious God,

We thank you for adopting us into your family through the miracle of your grace, and for calling us to be brothers and sisters to each other. In this month, particularly, loving God, we pray for our mothers:

- who cared for us when we were helpless
- who comforted us when we were hurt
- whose love and care we often took for granted.
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We pray for:

- those who are grieving the loss of their mother,
- those who never knew their biological mother, and now yearn for her
- those who have experienced the wonder of an adopted mother's love
- the families separated by war or conflict.
- Lord, give them special blessings.

Keep us united with you and with each other, so that we can be and become all that we are meant to be.

<http://www.thoughts-about-god.com/prayer/mothers-day-prayer.html>

JoAnn Cromwell  
Senior Warden



Here are the lectionary readings for each Sunday and Holy Day in May

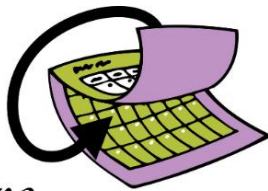
	First reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel
<b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b> May 7, 2017	* <u>Acts 2:42-47</u>	<u>Psalm 23</u>	<u>1 Peter 2:19-25</u>	<u>John 10:1-10</u>
<b>Fifth Sunday of Easter</b> May 14, 2017	* <u>Acts 7:55-60</u>	<u>Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16</u>	<u>1 Peter 2:2-10</u>	<u>John 14:1-14</u>
<b>Sixth Sunday of Easter</b> May 21, 2017	* <u>Acts 17:22-31</u>	<u>Psalm 66:8-20</u>	<u>1 Peter 3:13-22</u>	<u>John 14:15-21</u>
<b>Ascension of the Lord</b> May 25, 2017	* <u>Acts 1:1-11</u>	<u>Psalm 47</u> or <u>Psalm 93</u>	<u>Ephesians 1:15-23</u>	<u>Luke 24:44-53</u>
<b>Seventh Sunday of Easter</b> May 28, 2017 <i>(If Ascension not observed here)</i>	* <u>Acts 1:6-14</u>	<u>Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35</u>	<u>1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11</u>	<u>John 17:1-11</u>
<b>Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth</b> May 31, 2017	* <u>1 Samuel 2:1-10</u>	<u>Psalm 113</u>	<u>Romans 12:9-16b</u>	<u>Luke 1:39-57</u>



- 05/01 Paul Barr
- 05/14 Nathaniel Page
- 05/15 Mary Albrycht
- 05/17 Nancy Tatsapaugh
- 05/24 Mitch Page
- 05/26 Baylen Bielitz
- 05/29 Lynn Page



- 05/04 Thomas and Susan Raimondo
- 05/07 Nicholas and Candance Casciano
- 05/09 Steven and Nancy Tatsapaugh



*Save the Date*

- May 1<sup>st</sup>: Hi Noon
- Property Committee Meeting
- May 3<sup>rd</sup>: Pastoral Care Committee Meeting
- May 4<sup>th</sup>: ECW Luncheon at the Aqua Turf
- May 6<sup>th</sup>: Family Promise Training
- May 9<sup>th</sup>: Vestry
- May 14<sup>th</sup>: Mother's Day
- May 20<sup>th</sup>: Book Club Meeting
- May 21<sup>st</sup>: Liturgical Committee Meeting
- May 22<sup>nd</sup>: Property Committee Meeting  
(if necessary)
- May 29<sup>th</sup>: Boy Scouts Blue & Gold Dinner



**HI-NOON** - A group of "Young at Heart" Church friends meets monthly (except summer) for lunch and activities in the Parish Hall and short excursions. All are welcome!

**May 1, Monday:** Meriden Adventure - Visit Thompson Chocolate Factory Store followed by a trip to Castle Craig Tower on East Peak - One of most beautiful views in Connecticut - On a clear day you can see Long Island Sound. Following a bag lunch in the Parish Hall the Group will car pool to Meriden.

**June 5, Monday:** Annual Picnic, Parish Hall & Patio - Meal provided - volunteers for salads / desserts, Donation for meal.

**Summer:** Lobster Roll & Hammonasset Park - Meet at Church 12.00 Noon - Following lunch at **Lobster Landing**, Clinton, (lobster rolls, or hot dogs or kielbasa roll) the group will have a short stroll on the beach and visit the new Meigs Point Nature Center.



**Safe Church Training:** St. Andrew's in Rocky Hill will be hosting a Diocesan-wide Safe Church training on May 6th from 9:00-11:30 a.m. Traditionally this is an all-day requirement; however, they have come up with a new hybrid program where you can do much of this online. This shortens the day considerably.

Below is a hyperlink directly to the registration.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/hybrid-basic-comprehensive-safe-church-training-rocky-hill-tickets-32159115781>



Creative Energy Team  
May 2017

**ECW Luncheon** –We will be going on Thursday May 4<sup>th</sup> to the Aqua Turf for the yearly luncheon and speaker. We also will have our Grace Filled Creations Booth open for business. Hope to see you there.

**Restaurant Night** - We are going to California Pizza Kitchen in Westfarms Mall on Monday, May 22. Bring your coupon for a 20% donation back to our church. It is good for all day. Take out, eat in or catering – it all counts! Look for your coupon in the narthex and also by email just before the date. Remember, all day Monday, May 22 at California Pizza Kitchen in Westfarms Mall. Bring your coupon!

**Fall Festival** - The Fall Festival will be held on Saturday, October 28, 2017 from 9am - 3pm. Grace's Café will be open along with our own booth Grace Filled Creations. Our Bake Sale and Sweet Treats table will be showcasing their many talents again! Nancy Tatsapaugh and her Band EdNa will be playing again.

We are busy compiling our list of Artisans, Crafters and Vendors to out letters via email or regular mail. If you have a favorite Artisan Crafter or Vendor you would like to see, please let us know so we can add them to our list. Please see or call Lorraine Belyea at 860-666-3959 or Valerie Dumont at 860-690-0727.

Our next crafting date is actually a sewing date. There is something for everyone to do. Please join us on Friday, May 12 at 6:30 in the Parish Hall. This is a parish event where we are asking all to help out.

If you would like to be a part of the Fall Festival in any capacity, from crafting, sewing, knitting or helping with the various smaller committees, please see Valerie Dumont, Lynn Page or Lorraine Belyea. All help is welcome!

**Silent Auction** – The Silent Action will be a separate event this year on the first weekend in December. It will be an evening of music and Silent Auction. Look for details! It would be nice to have a chairperson to

help organize this as Lynn and I will be getting ready for the Fall Festival. Please think about how you can help with this FUNraiser.

If you have any questions, comments, suggestions or wish to help, please contact one of us to ask. Valerie Dumont at 860-690-0727, Lynn Page at 860-667-1835 or Lorraine Belyea at 860-666-3959.

### **Calling all Knitters and Crocheters or lovers of Yarn**

We have had new yarn donated for you to create something for the Fall Festival. The yarn is put away, but is always available for you to make something. Some suggestions - hats, scarves, mittens, baby items, towels with crocheted top with button, washcloths for the kitchen, or anything you wish to create. There are several baby hats already started that are the same pattern if you wish to finish them. Thank you for your creations.

*Valerie Dumont*

On Saturday April 22 the Grace Church Book Club met to discuss their latest read: *Early Warning* by Jane Smiley, book two of the 100 year trilogy chronicling the Langdon's, an Iowa farm family. The group will read the last book *Golden Age* for the next book club on May 20. All are invited to attend. The kick off our summer reads will on June 17 and



the book selection is *My Name is Lucy Barton* by Elizabeth Strout. A story about the fractured bonds within a family prove to be "fertile storytelling ground for Strout in this exquisite novel" according to the write-up for 16 New Reads for Book Clubs Looking for a Challenge.

This listing of books will keep the group reading for months; they are focusing on 5 to get them started and some members of the group intend to read them all. Nancy Beilman continues to be our discussion facilitator and does an excellent job keeping us focused and usually has a list of questions to keep the conversation flowing. Join us on May 20 from 2 to 4 pm in the church library. Happy Reading!

*Melissa Haseley*



Altar Guild: Many thanks to all of the Altar Guild for their fine work between Ash Wednesday and Easter. If you ordered flowers, the cost was set by the florist and is a minimum of \$30. Thank you.

*Elizabeth Welk*



The UTO Ingathering will be May 7th. Envelopes will be in your pews. Please place on plate with regular offering.

The United Thank Offering (UTO) is a ministry of The Episcopal Church for the mission of the whole church. Through UTO, men, women, and children nurture the habit of giving daily thanks to God. These prayers of thanksgiving start when we recognize and name our many daily blessings. Those who participate in UTO discover that thankfulness leads to generosity. UTO is entrusted to promote thank offerings, to receive the offerings, and to distribute the monies to support mission and ministry throughout The Episcopal Church and Provinces of the Anglican Communion.

*Beverley Manning*



National Nurses Week



May 6th through May 12th is National Nurses Week. Also National Teachers day is in May 9th. Please thank teachers and nurses for their dedicated work!



Also the day center is looking for volunteer help with different tasks. Contact Don Carlson at [dcarlson@fpct.org](mailto:dcarlson@fpct.org) if interested.

**Family Promise Training:** For those who are volunteering for Family Promise, there are two training sessions left. The last training date is Saturday, May 6:

9:00 – 11:00 am at Grace

or

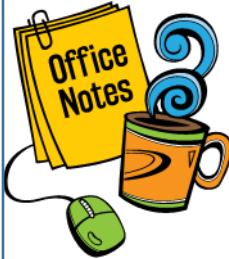
12:30-2:30 pm @ Bridge Community Church, 43 School Street, Bristol

If you are planning to attend, please call Executive Director, Don Carlson at Family Promise at 860-259-5649 so he brings enough training materials.

**Donations:** The Family Promise Day Center is looking for the donations (either individual or group donation from a congregation) of the following items:

Office paper, detergent, paper towels, toilet paper, printer cartridges (Epson 220 Ink, colors black, blue, magenta and yellow), stamps, gift cards and gas gift cards.

One thought was that a parish take on one item above and volunteer to have it replenished as needed. There will be more on this later



The deadline for the June Pace of Grace is Thursday, May 25<sup>th</sup>. Please make every effort to meet this deadline to allow us to distribute the issue promptly. The earlier you submit, the easier it is to publish the issue.

*Debbie Forrest*

The illustration shows a yellow notepad with a silver clip at the top left, labeled "Office Notes" in black text. To its right is a green computer mouse with a black cord. Further right is a brown coffee mug with a white handle and a blue swirl design. A blue swirl of smoke or steam rises from the top of the mug.



**Lay Ministry Schedule  
9:00 AM Holy Eucharist**

	<b>May 7, 2017</b>	<b>May 14, 2017</b>	<b>May 21, 2017</b>	<b>May 28, 2017</b>
	<b>4 Easter</b>	<b>5 Easter</b>	<b>6 Easter</b>	<b>7 Easter</b>
<b>LECTOR</b>	Paul Crosswaith	Mabel Maynard	Karen Halpert	Nancy Tatsapaugh
<b>MINISTER OF COMMUNION</b>	Mabel Maynard	JoAnn Cromwell	Liz Welk	Shirley Adams
<b>CRUCIFER</b>	Karen Halpert	Jane Stewart	Liz Welk	Karen Halpert
<b>PRAYERS</b>	JoAnn Cromwell	Walt Parker	Mabel Maynard	Nancy Tatsapaugh
<b>USHERS</b>	Jane Stewart	Marty Dumont	Bob MacCalmont	Brandon & Kathy
	Paul Crosswaith	Chelsea Belyea	Charlie Albrycht	Johnson
<b>FELLOWSHIP</b>				
<b>NRRRC-10:30am</b>		JoAnn Cromwell		Beverley Manning
<b>HTFD REGIONAL</b>		JoAnn Cromwell		
<b>CTR-12n</b>				
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>	Barbara Johnson	Barbara Johnson	Marie Ritchie	Marie Ritchie
	Nancy DiPrato	Nancy DiPrato	Pat Rogorzenski	Pat Rogorzenski
	Elizabeth Welk	Elizabeth Welk	Kathy Shoemaker	Kathy Shoemaker
<b>COUNTERS</b>	Beverley Manning	Walt Parker	Beverley Manning	JoAnn Cromwell
	Nancy DiPrato	Lorraine Belyea	Bette Forcash	Paul Crosswaith