August 1, 2022

Grace Notes

For the Week of August 1 - 7, 2022

This Week at Grace Church

Evening Prayer Monday - Saturday at 7 pm via Facebook Live

RESUMES Tuesday, 8/9 at 8:30 am - Bible Reflections via Facebook Messenger "Sensible Shoes" by Sharon Brown

Wednesday, 8/3 at 7 pm - *The Book of Daniel* - Study Guide: Daniel: Lives of Integrity, Words and Prophecy by Beth Moore. In Person and via Zoom Meeting ID: 850 0786 3870/Password: 017847 or by clicking <u>here</u>.

Saturday, 8/6 at 2 pm - Troy Area Ultreya Summer Picnic - Palumbo Home

Sunday, 8/7 at 7:30 - Sunday Worship - in person & via Facebook Live Sunday, 8/7 at 9:30 - Sunday Worship - in person & via Facebook Live

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Thursday, 8/18 at 6:30 pm - Vestry Meeting

COVID-19 Update

From our August 1, 2022 email: It has come to our attention that some parishioners have tested positive for COVID-19. If you are feeling unwell with any symptoms (i.e. fever, cough, congestion, headache, sore throat), you should test. If the first test is negative, testing should occur again after 24-36 hours. If you have additional questions on COVID-19 protocols, please consult the <u>CDC web site</u>.

If you are feeling ill in any way, please stay home.

Happy August Birthdays and Anniversaries

For those who celebrate birthdays in August:

August 15 - Bill GrochmalAugust 20 - David PetruskaAugust 22 - Cinny QuantockAugust 25 - Michael LessardAugust 30 - Ben RichAugust 30 - Earl Coons

Happy Birthday to you,
To Jesus be true,
May the Lord bless and keep you,
Your whole life through.

For those who celebrate anniversaries in August:

August 28 - Bill & Linda Grochmal

Please send Dcn. Denise a note of when your birthday or wedding anniversary is so we might celebrate you!

Messy Church Returns

Messy Church returns this Fall. Messy Church occurs one day each month incorporating a Biblical theme and provides fellowship, activities and a free meal to our local community. If you were previously on the team, or feel called to this ministry, please see Dcn. Denise or Mtr. Kathy. We anticipate holding an organizational meeting in August.

NEEDED: Acolytes and Readers

We are in need of acolytes at both the 7:30 am and 9:30 am service. It is a very meaningful experience to serve God on His alter during worship. As part of the alter party, an acolyte leads the party both to and from the alter, as well as handles the sacred vessels of Eucharist. This is a wonderful ministry for someone who wishes to serve during worship, but does not feel called to speak in front of the congregation. Training provided.

We are in need of readers, most especially at the 7:30 service. Reading the lessons is a vital part of worship. This ministry of sharing the Word of God with the congregation is a wonderful ministry for those who enjoy reading scripture. Training provided.

If you feel called to one or both ministries, please see Dcn. Denise as she plans for Fall meetings.

Prayer Requests

For Those Unable to Attend Worship

Please keep in prayer: for Rose Tokarz continued healing; for Sandy Carpenter's vision; for Laura Mara's ability to remain at home; for Gina Lee's release from headaches and comfort in grief; for Deb Yule's health; for Bill Moore's wound to heal and continued increase in mobility; against COVID-19; for all others whom God knows.

Please keep in prayer Mtr. Kathy and Deacon Denise.

Prayer in a Time of Transition

Please keep in prayer the Diocese leadership and the Standing Committee during this time of transition:

Heavenly Father, we praise and thank you for this, your diocese of Albany. Inspire and sustain us in this time of transition. Incline our hearts to do your will, and so direct us in your ways that the leader you are raising up to be our Bishop will find here joyful disciples, making disciples, united in faith, unflagging in hope, and steeped in mutual charity. In your mercy accept our repentance, and grant us peace; look with patience on our enthusiasms; and pour rich gifts and grace upon all who are entrusted with the ongoing work of your church; so that, with diligence and charity, we may discern correctly and walk righteously in your ways. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*

Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe you are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

Weekly Worship

Worship is Holy Eucharist Rite 2, BCP page 355

Readers for August:

	<u>7:30</u>	<u>9:30</u>
August 7	Cinny	Helen
August 14	Bill	Judy
August 21	Jill	Dan
August 28	Cinny	Colleen

Scriptures for 9 Pentecost, Proper 14:

Collect, Proper 14: BCP Page 232 First Reading: Isaiah 1:1, 10-20 Psalm 50:1-8, 23-24 BCP Page 654

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Gospel: Luke 12:32-40

