

## Grace Notes

- **Flowers** are given in memory of Jerry Powell and Ned Powell by Gill Powell.
- **SAVE THE DATE:**
  - **Grace Church BBQ** will be **Oct. 11 2025**
  - **Autumn Market at Grace: Saturday September, 6th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**
  - **Grace Fall Festival/Rally day** will be **September 14th from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.**
  - **All Saints Ale** on All Saints **Sunday, November 2nd, 4-7 p.m.** on Grace Church Patio.
- **WWW** Our fall book results are in! We'll be reading *Everything Happens for a Reason (And Other Lies I've Loved)* by Kate Bowler, *Holy Envy* by Barbara Brown Taylor, and *Searching for Sunday* by Rachel Held Evans. Join us in September as we start with *Everything Happens for a Reason*.
- The **Music Ministry** at Grace church is growing. Starting **Wednesday, September 3rd at 5:15 to 5:45 p.m.** in the parlor the **POPSICLE CHOIR** will begin rehearsals. This choir is for boys and girls who are in grades 2 through 6. There are no auditions. Parents are welcome to come and observe. We have enough robes for 20 children or grandchildren. Our goal will be to sing in the church service once before Christmas, once before Easter and on Mother's Day 2026.
- **THE GRACE CODE**

Scan or tap to visit:



- New to Grace
- Outreach giving
- Facebook page
- Family Promise
- Fall Market sign-up

- **The Last Confirmation Class** before Bishop Richards's visit on **Nov. 2nd Continues today Sunday, Aug. 24th at 9:15 a.m.** in the Parlor. Also good for baptisms, weddings, new members, and studying the faith.
- If you are **interested in being confirmed** on Nov. 2nd with Bishop Richards's visit contact the parish office. You will need to fill out a form.
- **South Main Chapel and Mercy Center** has an urgent need for tuna, potted meats and other canned foods with pop-top lids for their snack packs that are given to people in need.
- If you would like to **donate to Family Promise** scan the Grace QR Code.
- **EYC** is hosting an Autumn Market to raise money for their October trip. If you are interested in having a booth at the Market scan or tap The Grace Code to sign up. For more information contact Sharon at [slgeorge864@gmail.com](mailto:slgeorge864@gmail.com).
- **Grief Support** will meet **Thursday, August 28th at 10 a.m.**
- **Moms Meet-up** is **Saturday, August 30th at 9:30 a.m.** at E-City Java.
- **Fifth Sunday Morning Prayer with Eucharist** will be **Sunday, August 31st** for both services.
- **Thank you** to everyone that helped with school supplies for Summer Food For Kids.
- **Thank you** to everyone who donated and helped make prayer scarves, blankets, and shawls.

- Want to learn more about helping with Sunday Worship? Anyone twelve and older is welcome to become a Crucifer, Torch Bearer or Server/Gospel Bearer. Youth are welcome, but these roles are NOT just for kids. Confirmed members over eighteen can also serve as Eucharistic Ministers (Chalice Bearers) We have openings for all roles at both the 8:00 and the 10:30 services. Please contact Abigail Burden at [Mrs\\_Burden@yahoo.com](mailto:Mrs_Burden@yahoo.com) for information about the 10:30 service, or Kathe Harris at [kbeach4s@charter.net](mailto:kbeach4s@charter.net) for the 8 a.m. service.
- **Save the date - Grace's 27th annual BBQ** will take place at the Farmers Market on **Saturday, Oct. 11th from 5-8 p.m.** with proceeds going to Family Promise. This is a wonderful way to support each other and our community. We will need your help! There are many ways you can assist in making this happen. Danny will have tickets for you to take and sell, and sign-up sheets will be in the cloister. Sponsorships at the 1/2 Pig, Whole Pig, and Whole Pig+ level are available! If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Danny Ehler (864) 276-2579 or Carol Miller (303) 507-8816.
- **Deacon Mary's Sending Forth Party.** Please join us on **September 7th** after the 10:30 liturgy to celebrate Deacon Mary's Ministry at Grace.

## Vestry Members

Mike Digby - 2025  
 Janet Rippy, Clerk- 2023-2025  
 Louis Lebrun, Jr. Warden - 2023-2025  
 David Burden - 2024-2025  
 Kirri Kinley - 2024-2026  
 Mike Magaha - 2024-2026  
 Debbie Hand, Sr. Warden - 2024-2026  
 Jodie Webb - 2025-2027  
 Bill Scott - 2025-2027  
 Cyndi Dougherty - 2025-2027  
 Heiko Erlenkauser - 2025-2027

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# YOU ARE SET FREE

## GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

24 August 2025

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I  
 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

# Welcome to Grace!

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## The Word of God

### The Collect

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### The First Lesson

#### Jeremiah 1:4-10

The word of the LORD came to me saying,

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,  
and before you were born I consecrated you;  
I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the LORD said to me,

"Do not say, 'I am only a boy';  
for you shall go to all to whom I send you,  
and you shall speak whatever I command you,  
Do not be afraid of them,  
for I am with you to deliver you,

says the LORD."

Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,

"Now I have put my words in your mouth.  
See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,  
to pluck up and to pull down,  
to destroy and to overthrow,  
to build and to plant."

### The Psalm

**Psalm 71:1-6** (*read responsively by half verse*)

*In te, Domine, speravi*

- 1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; \*  
**let me never be ashamed.**
- 2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; \*  
**incline your ear to me and save me.**
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; \*  
**you are my crag and my stronghold.**
- 4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, \*  
**from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.**

5 For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, \*  
**my confidence since I was young.**

6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;  
from my mother's womb you have been my strength; \*  
**my praise shall be always of you.**

### The Second Lesson

#### Hebrews 12:18-29

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken-- that is, created things-- so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

### The Holy Gospel

Deacon or Priest: *The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.*

People: *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

#### Luke 13:10-17

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he

said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Deacon or Priest: *The Gospel of the Lord.*

People: *Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

### The Sermon

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**The Peace**

**Brief Announcements (preferably in Haiku format)**

### The Holy Communion

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## Those who serve

**Vestry-in-Charge:** Mike Magaha

**Second Counter:** Mike Digby

**Lector:** Carol Miller

**Intercessor:** Kathe Harris

**Chalice:** Kathe Harris

**Church Opener:** Drew Laven

**Chalice 2:** Annette Guiseppi-Elie

### Those with birthdays

#### this week

Jimmy Poupalos

Sandy Kress

Caroline Ripley

Robert George

Maxine Urquhart

Glenda Swinford

Diann Simms

Jackie Lenhart

James Pennell

### Baptismal

#### Newbirth Day

10 September

11 January

05 March

01 January

01 September

### Those with Baptismal Newbirth Days this week

Cindy Hopkins

26 August