

Grace Notes

- **Flowers** are given in living memory of Josephine Baber from the Lidlow family.
- **WWW:** Our next book is *Searching for Sunday* by Rachel Held Evans's. Join us on **Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m.** in the parlor as we explore themes of faith, doubt, and grace through Evans' reflections on the sacraments. All women are welcome. Come as you are and bring a friend!
- The **Music Ministry** at Grace Church is growing. Our choirs meet **Wednesdays** with Children's Choir at **5:15 p.m.** and Adult Choir at **6:15 p.m.**
- **Fiber, Friends, and Fellowship** meets every **Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** in the Parish Hall.
- The **Saints and Sinners dinner groups** will start up again this month. This is a great way for both newcomers and long-time parishioners to meet others within the parish. If you are interested in joining us this fall, please contact the church office or Debbie Hand at (316) 617-2409 or handrab@yahoo.com.
- Join us for **Breakfast with Saint Nicholas** on **Dec. 6th at 9:00 a.m.** We will learn about St Nicholas, visit with Saint Nicholas, and eat a yummy breakfast. Tickets can be purchased online (see the Grace Code).
- If you were confirmed, received, or reaffirmed your faith on **Nov. 2nd**, please see Sharon Dorsey for your certificate.
- **Celebrate Grace's 175th** anniversary of being allowed into the Diocese, **Thursday, February 12th 2026 at 6:00 p.m.** Reception following. Bishop Richards will be there and we will have confirmations, receptions and reaffirmations as part of the celebration.
- **Ready for a Leap of Faith?** Our next Episcopal Christianity Class begins **Sunday, December 28th at 9:15 a.m.** in the parish library. It is the last chance to prepare before the Bishop's February 12th visit. This class is for anyone interested in Baptism, Confirmation, Reception, Reaffirmation, or to simply study the faith.
- **Special Farewell Coffee hour** today **Sunday, Nov. 16th**. Join us as we say goodbye to Bryan, and Dixie Harris, and Hugh and Jan Osburn.
- There will be a **concert** to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the inauguration of the Zimmer Organ today **Sunday, Nov. 16th at 4:00 p.m.** in the Church. Robert Glick will be performing.
- **EYC** will have **Friendsgiving** today **Sunday, Nov. 16th from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.**
- There will be a **Clergy Chapter meeting** in the parish hall **Thursday, Nov. 20th from 10:00 a.m. - noon.**
- **Grief Support** will meet **Thursday, Nov. 20th at 10:00 a.m.**
- **Guy's Gathering at Grace** will meet **Thursday, Nov. 20th at 6:00 p.m.**
- **Happening #93** for 10th - 12th grade is **Nov. 21st - 23rd**.

THE GRACE CODE

Scan or tap to visit:



- New to Grace
- Outreach giving
- Facebook page
- Family Promise
- Breakfast with St. Nicholas

- Does washing and ironing altar linens to prepare His Table for services sound like a ministry you would like to join? This ministry is once a month on a rotating basis with 3 other women. Please contact Pam Herold, pherold@herolds.com or (864) 356-1662 if you would like to learn more about this meaningful ministry. Thank you.
- **Breaking News:** A new photo directory is in the planning stage. If you would like to be apart of organizing please contact Connie Pearce at conniepearce56@gmail.com
- **Morning Prayer with Communion** will be **Sunday, Nov. 30th** for both services.
- **Christmas kids lists** are available in the cloister. Consider helping a child have an amazing Christmas by adopting a child. Thanks for your continued generosity.

Those with birthdays this week

Joe Herold
Helen Kerley
Ella Clark
John Taylor
Ed Barnwell
Julie Bates

Baptismal Newbirth Day

04 December
01 April
21 December
17 May
01 December
06 January

Pledge Drive

Week 5
2026: Pledged: \$299,569
Cards : 87
2025 Pledged: \$256,050
Cards: 76

Stewardship Report

As of 9/30/2025
YTD 2025 Revenue \$296,595
YTD 2025 Expenses \$324,406
YTD 2025 Deficit \$27,811

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Kathe Harris

THE PEACEABLE KINGDOM

GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

16 November 2025
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
Twenty - Third Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to Grace!

The Liturgy Begins on page 323

The Word of God

The Collect

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson

Isaiah 65:17-25

For I am about to create new heavens
and a new earth;

the former things shall not be remembered
or come to mind.

But be glad and rejoice forever
in what I am creating;

for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem,
and delight in my people;

no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it,
or the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it
an infant that lives but a few days,
or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;

for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,
and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit;
they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,
and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain,
or bear children for calamity;

for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD--
and their descendants as well.

Before they call I will answer,
while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall feed together,
the lion shall eat straw like the ox;
but the serpent-- its food shall be dust!

They shall not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.

The Psalm

Canticle 9 (*read responsively by half verse*)
Isaiah 12:2-6

Surely, it is God who saves me; *

I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, *

and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing *

from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say, *

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

Make his deeds known among the peoples; *

see that they remember that his Name is exalted.

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, *

and this is known in all the world.

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, *

for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

The Second Lesson

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

The Holy Gospel

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

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

Luke 21:5-19

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

Priest: *The Gospel of the Lord.*

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

The Sermon

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The Peace

Brief Announcements (three short bullet points, or preferably in Haiku format) 😊

The Holy Communion

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Those who serve

Vestry-in-Charge: Bill Scott

Second Counter: Louis LeBrun

Lector: Jackie Lenhart

Intercessor: Annette Guiseppi-Elie

Chalice: Jackie Lenhart

Chalice 2: Annette Guiseppi-Elie

Church Opener: Howard Tallent

Eucharistic Visitor: