



# Grace Notes

## The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost October 7, 2018

Mark 10:14b-15. *Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.*

Every Christmas Eve, my rector would tell the story of Jesus' nativity as experienced by the animals in the manger. A gaggle of small children attired in their Christmas finery, set around director, and enraptured as they listened to various animal sounds and everyone's favorite part about the camel "that had a large lip." With love and humor, our priest blessed his young listeners with the story of the One who would recognize and bless children as vital members of the kingdom of heaven.

Dependence, trust, and vulnerability – not mere innocence – qualify children for God's kingdom. Their natural candor, lack of intellectual pride, and absence of jaded worldliness are characteristics Christ wants all of us to cultivate. Children need instruction from adults, but adults also need to relearn and remember these childlike patterns of behavior throughout our lives.

*Make a point to spend some dedicated time with the child you know and love this week.*  
— Forward Day by Day

### Worship Opportunities

Sunday, October 7, 2018

8:00 am Holy Eucharist – Rite I

10:15 am Holy Eucharist – Rite II

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Wednesday, October 10, 2018

8:30 am – Bible Study – Chapel

10:00 am – Holy Eucharist – Chapel

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## Our Mission Statement

Grace Church strives to love and serve God through worship and ministry in our church, the community and the world.



## *Remember in our Prayers*



*In our parish family for: Jenny Wright, Fred Kahrl, Lois Welsh, Phil Koonce, Al Ferguson, Catherine Jacob, and Bill Maier.*

*Let us pray for family and friends: Hank Halterman, Jackie Gallo, Robert Swain, Mary-Lee Banek, Marion Dailey, Joe Amoroso, Brittany and her family, John Hall, Ed Pyles, Bruce, Keith Drew, Diane Engler, Jim Kelly, Laura Lee, Gerry Pepin, Michele Ober, Patricia White; Justin, Tina and Tim; Larry Ferguson, Mark Smith, Joan Dixon, Timothy, CC Wall and Teresa Joan White.*



Happy Birthday to You!

Adaline Brosnihan 10/09

Harry Fullerton 10/13



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**Palestine - Israel**  
**An Adult Education Series**

***Palestine/Israel Adult Education Series*** – This is an education series that will help us have a better understanding of the Israeli - Palestinian Conflict and why this matters to people of Faith. The remaining four sessions will be held Sundays between the two services in Tubbs Hall, beginning around 9:00; each session will end at 10:00.

- **THIS Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup> – 9:15-10:00** – *What Is Really Happening* – In this session, Judy Smart describes the daily challenges faced by ordinary inhabitants in Palestine/Israel at home, at work, at school, and at play. It will include slides that illustrate these challenges.
- **NEXT Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup> 9:15–10:00** – *Why Does This Matter to People of Faith?* – In this fifth and last session discussing the situation of Palestine and Israel, the Rev. John Beaven and Diane Paterson will consider the question of why this ongoing conflict matters to people of faith. Are we as Christians in particular called to reconcile different points of view and to try to create reconciliation?



*The monthly Healing Service will be held during the  
10:15 service **THIS SUNDAY, October 7.**  
Bath Area Food Bank donations will be accepted  
at both services next Sunday as well.*



Reminder: Grace Church continues to collect non-food items for the Little Flock Program. There is a basket in if you have any suggestions. the Narthex where items can be placed; they will be taken to the Seventh Day Adventist Church for clients to pick up. Below is a list of the items that they distribute on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month at the Seventh Day Adventist Church, 889 High Street, Bath. (**The next two dates are Wednesdays 10 and 24 October.**) This program is open to the area communities including Georgetown. The items listed are not able to be purchased with Food Stamps, so this is a much appreciated and needed program. Thank you, as always, for your support and generosity.

## LITTLE FLOCK NON-FOOD ITEMS

- Paper products such as toilet paper and paper towels
- Laundry and dish soap
- Toothpaste and toothbrushes
- Shaving essentials
- Dog and cat food
- Shampoo
- Deodorant
- Diapers
- Hats & gloves in the winter months

## Feast@5:30

This Thursday, October 4<sup>th</sup> Feast @ 5:30 will happen at

### The Moorings.

Plan to come, bring a dish to share (main dish, salad, dessert)  
and join the fun!

For more information, please contact Glenis Elliott at 837-0014  
or via e-mail at [GlenisWayne93@comcast.net](mailto:GlenisWayne93@comcast.net)

## Worship Leaders

October 7, 2018

Celebrant – The Rev Cn Dr Ted Gaiser

Deacon – The Rev Stephanie Batterman

8:00

Lector: John Beaven

First or Single Server: David Wetherbee

Crucifer:

Greeters:

Ushers: Glenis Elliott & Colleen Stevens

Altar Guild: Jackie Berry

Camera:

Coffee Hour: Judy Nash

Altar Guild – Wednesday, October 10 – TBD

10:15

Reta King

Will Neilson

Bethel Keith

Joan Ingersoll & Freida Gaudette

Connie Burt & Brian Buck

Anne Cole & Reta King

Charlie Duffy

Debby & Bill Hayden

### Readings\*

Job 1:1; 2:1-10

Psalm 26

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Mark 10:2-16

\*Each scripture citation has a link to the [LectionaryPage.net](http://LectionaryPage.net) reading.

# Women's Book Club

Paula Conley is looking for a new book and a new date. If you have any suggestions, please contact her at 389-1158.

## FINANCIAL LITERACY FOR WOMEN



Do you want or need to better understand or feel more in control of your personal or family finances? Are there changes that should be considered because of the unexpected, such as job loss, retirement, illness or death?

Grace Church is offering an opportunity for women to come together and talk about financial matters. Please join us on **Saturday, Oct. 13, from 9 - 12.**

Hosted by *Eveline M. McGregor, Vice President, Bath Savings Trust Company*  
& *The Rev. Ted J. Gaiser, Grace Episcopal Church*

## Appearing before the Vestry

Would you like to present a concern or new program idea to the Vestry? You're encouraged to contact our Rector, Father Ted, our Senior Warden, Donna Miller, or our Junior Warden, Nick Sewall, regarding being added to a Vestry meeting agenda. The Vestry has a strong sense of "living in community" and wants everyone at Grace Church to feel free to bring forth and present your thoughts, ideas, and concerns. For consideration, please notify us by the second Tuesday of every month.

## **Lift (elevator) Access to Tubbs Hall**

Our lift is finally functional again and has been certified by the State for regular use. Please remember to always turn the inside key back to the OFF position after you exit. Not only can a person not call the lift from the other floor if the key is still in the ON position, this runs the risk of draining the battery system. Thank you for your assistance in keeping our lift running smoothly so those who need it can access the upper parish hall and participate in the life of our community. *Darla Richter, Office Assistant*

**Continuing Our Education on  
Homelessness in Bath  
and Exploring Possible Solutions**

THURSDAY OCTOBER 25, 6:30 - 8:00 PM AND  
TUESDAY NOVEMBER 13, 6:30 - 8:00 PM

Meeting 5 October 25: Cheryl Leonard from Kennebec Valley Community Action Program (KVCAP). Cheryl will share her experience about establishing a Community Investors initiative to address barriers people face as they try to achieve or maintain financial stability.

Meeting 6 November 13: Presentations on other possible actions to alleviate homelessness in Bath. The teams that were formed on April 25<sup>th</sup> will share their research and ideas. Both Meetings will be held at Bath City Hall  
For more information, contact Nancy Chandler, 449-3237



**Community Connections Calendar – Together Moving Forward**

If you know of other organizations that might like to use our facility please have them contact Father Ted or Glenis Elliott, the Calendar Coordinator and Facilities Use Agreement Coordinator at 837-0014 or [GlenisWayne93@comcast.net](mailto:GlenisWayne93@comcast.net).

- October 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday Book Club – 10:00–11:30 am – Library
- October 4<sup>th</sup> Girl Scouts – 6:00–8:00 pm – Tubbs Hall
- October 8<sup>th</sup> RJP meeting – 3:00–8:00 pm – Tubbs Hall
- October 10<sup>th</sup> Voice Lessons with Erin – 4:00 pm – Music Room
- October 15<sup>th</sup> RJP meeting – 3:00–8:00 pm – Tubbs Hall
- October 17<sup>th</sup> Voice Lessons with Erin – 4:00 pm – Music Room
- October 17<sup>th</sup> RJP Mentor Training – 4:00–7:00 pm – Tubbs Hall
- October 18<sup>th</sup> Girl Scouts – 6:00–8:00 pm – Tubbs Hall
- October 22<sup>nd</sup> RJP meeting – 3:00–8:00 pm – Tubbs Hall
- October 24<sup>th</sup> Voice Lessons with Erin – 4:00 pm – Music Room
- October 29<sup>th</sup> RJP meeting – 3:00–8:00 pm – Tubbs Hall
- October 31<sup>st</sup> Voice Lessons with Erin – 4:00 pm – Music Room



## Calendar of Upcoming Events

If you have any questions or suggestions for this calendar, please call or email Glenis Elliott at 837-0014 or [GlenisWayne93@comcast.net](mailto:GlenisWayne93@comcast.net).

### Weekly Happenings

- Wednesdays Bible Study – 8:30 am – Chapel
- Wednesdays Holy Eucharist – 10:00 am – Chapel
- Thursdays Telecast of Grace Church Sunday Service – 4:00 pm – Local Cable Channel 14
- Thursdays Choir Rehearsal – 6:30 pm – Choir Room

### Meetings & Groups

- October 4<sup>th</sup> Feast @ 5:30 – The Moorings
- October 7<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Palestine/Israel Adult Education Series (**See article in Grace Notes**)
- October 7<sup>th</sup> Blessing of the Animals – Library Park – 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm
- October 11<sup>th</sup> Feast @ 5:30 – The Anchorage
- October 14<sup>th</sup> Final Palestine/Israel Adult Education Series (**Watch Grace Notes for more information**)
- October 16<sup>th</sup> Prayer Shawl – 9:30–11:00 am – Library
- October 16<sup>th</sup> Vestry Meeting – 6:00 pm – Tubbs Hall
- October 25<sup>th</sup> Feast @ 5:30 – Washington House
- October 28<sup>th</sup> Education/Stewardship Presentation – after each service – Tubbs Hall
- October 30<sup>th</sup> Tedford Meal – **FMI** – **contact Debby Hayden – 729-9707 or haydenhurst@gwi.net**
- November 11<sup>th</sup> Stewardship In-Gathering