



# Grace Notes

## The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

October 21, 2018

**Mark 10:37-39a.** *And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you're asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able."*

James and John want a piece of the glory Jesus will attain. They eagerly affirm willingness to endure the suffering and death awaiting Jesus, but without understanding that "the cup" and "the baptism" Jesus speaks of are the inevitable and necessary steps preceding glorification. The privileges and power James and John lust after will crush Jesus, but his death and resurrection will ultimately dismantle them.

"We are able," is an assent to enter a deeper baptism than the one experience in our infancy. It is a baptism that calls for us to completely renounce this world's divisive and abusive forms of power and privilege and become vulnerable and powerless servants. As it did for Jesus, "We are able" may require suffering and physical death. May we seek to honor his boundary-breaking ministry by not only saying, "We are able," but by becoming the disciples he has called us to be.

*How would you answer Jesus? Are you "able"?*

*-- Forward Day by Day*

### Worship Opportunities

Sunday, October 21, 2018

8:00 am Holy Eucharist – Rite I

10:15 am Holy Eucharist – Rite II

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Wednesday, October 24, 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, 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!

Hannah Gates 10/23

John Beaven 10/24

Beverly Pratt 10/25

Mark Westrum 10/27



# Outreach

Dear Grace Church Family,

Our Outreach Journey continues, and the time has come to disburse funds for 2018. Colleen, Fr. Ted and I met recently and decided to use the same procedure as last year to help us determine which organizations Grace will support.

To submit a request for support from Outreach, please provide the following:

- Name of the organization to be supported (with mailing address)
- Amount being requested
- Whether or not Grace has funded this program in previous years
- The requester's relationship with the organization
- The ways in which you believe the program reflects the mission of the church
- A brief statement indicating why Grace should support the program

All requests must be submitted to the office by **Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>** to receive full consideration. If you would like to participate in the decision making for this year's funding requests, please join us on **Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm**. If you would like to read the proposals in advance, please speak with Glenis or Colleen.

Sincerely,

Glenis Elliott, Colleen Stevens & Father Ted Gaiser, Outreach



## ***Stewardship Campaign - Fall 2018***

Stewardship Packets were mailed on October 17<sup>th</sup>. If you don't receive the Packet by Sunday, Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>, please ask your Stewardship Committee: Avel Payne, Jay Taylor, Lynne Wolfe or Dave Wetherbee.

### Stewardship Calendar - Upcoming Events

- October 17<sup>th</sup> Stewardship Packets were mailed to the Parish.
- Mid-October Your 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Financial Statements will be available
- October 28<sup>th</sup> Grace Church Budget Process. Sessions will be held after both the 8:00 Service and the 10:15 Service.
- November 11<sup>th</sup> Ingathering at both Services.



**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 25th will share their research and ideas.

Both Meetings will be **held at Bath City Hall** For more information, contact Nancy Chandler, 449-3237



**Palestinian Olive Oil**

One way to support Palestinians is by purchasing their excellent agricultural products. Palestinian olive oil makes a special holiday gift and comes in different flavors and sizes. The company Canaan Palestine also sells almonds, herb mixes, edible grains, and honey.

If you're interested in learning more about what is available, check out the website [canaanpalestine.com](http://canaanpalestine.com) and let me know what interests you. If there is sufficient interest, I plan to put in an order for products in early November. Because we are a faith-based organization we receive a significant discount and yet Palestinian farmers will still profit from our purchase.

Diane Paterson, [dcp@zwi.net](mailto:dcp@zwi.net).



**All Saints' Day Celebration  
Sunday November 4<sup>th</sup>**

The Children's Church will be participating with a special program highlighting many of the Saints of God. They will be participating with the choir in the procession and the recession. This will be a wonderful celebration with lots of music and community participation.

**Bring a picture of your saints and loved ones to be placed in front of the altar.**



**Reminder: Daylight Saving Time ends at 2:00 am Sunday, 3 November. So be sure to turn BACK your clocks one hour before going to bed on Saturday night to make sure that you won't miss any of the All Saints' celebration.**

**And while you're at it, replace any batteries you may have in smoke or CO detectors in your house. Play it safe!**



## Grace Book Club

Grace Book Club begins again Thursday, **October 25th at 11:00 am** in the Library. We will be reading *Anything is Possible* by Elizabeth Strout. FMI contact Paula Conley 389-1158 or [ldychocchip@gmail.com](mailto:ldychocchip@gmail.com).



## Feast @ 5:30

**This Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup> ↔ NOTE NEW DATE**

Feast @ 5:30 will happen at

**Washington House.**

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)



Reminder: Grace Church continues to collect non-food items for the Little Flock Program. There is a basket in 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 24 October and 14 November**). 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



Worship Leaders  
October 21, 2018

Celebrant – The Rev Cn Dr Ted Gaiser  
Deacon – The Rev Stephanie Batterman

	<u>8:00</u>	<u>10:15</u>
Lector:	Glenis Elliott	Mary Swain
First or Single Server:	Donna Miller	Will Neilson
Crucifer:		Martha Mayo
Greeters:		Reta & Dick King
Ushers:	Marty Lakeman & Nick Sewall	Barbara & Ed Lovely
Altar Guild:	Jim Paterson	Paula Conley
Camera:		Fred Sergant
Coffee Hour:	David Paterson	Ellen & George Browning
Altar Guild – Wednesday, October 24 – Pat Longworth		

Readings\*  
Job 38:1-7, (34-41)  
Psalm 104:1-9, 25, 37b  
Hebrews 5:1-10  
Mark 10:35-45

\*Each scripture citation has a link to the *LectionaryPage.net* reading.



## 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



## Grace's Fall Clean Up

As the weather turns colder and the leaves fall, it is time for us to put our grounds to bed for the winter. Please come to the fun Fall Clean up on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27 from 9 to 11 AM. We will rake leaves,

pick up debris and spruce things up! If available, please bring rakes, large tarps, loppers, a garden cart and trash barrels. We will have coffee, tea, cider, and some goodies to keep the crew will fed!!! Come for whatever part of the time you can. Many hands make light work!!! Call Nancy Kinner (603-479-3777) if you have questions. [Rain date: Sat. Nov 3.]



## 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 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 23<sup>rd</sup> Flute Choir - 1:00–3:00 pm – Lower 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 30<sup>th</sup> Flute Choir - 1:00–3:00 pm – Lower 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 18<sup>th</sup>** Feast @ 5:30 – Washington House – **Note change in date**
- Mid-October Financial Statements will be available
- October 21<sup>st</sup> Worship Committee Meeting – 11:30 am – Library
- October 25<sup>th</sup> Women's Book Group – 11:00 am – Library FMI contact Paula – **(See item above)**
- October 25<sup>th</sup> Continuing Our Education on Homelessness in Bath and Exploring Possible Solutions (Session 5 – 6:30–8:00 pm – Bath City Hall
- October 28<sup>th</sup> 2019 Budget Process – sessions after each service – Tubbs Hall
- October 30<sup>th</sup> Tedford Meal – **FMI – contact Debby Hayden – 729-9707 or [haydenhurst@gwi.net](mailto:haydenhurst@gwi.net)**
- November 4<sup>th</sup> All Saints' Sunday
- November 11<sup>th</sup> Ingathering at both Services
- November 13<sup>th</sup> Continuing Our Education on Homelessness in Bath and Exploring Possible Solutions (Session 6 – 6:30–8:00 pm – Bath City Hall