



Welcome to Grace Episcopal Church!

Those in need of prayer this week: Nathan, Sue, Eddie, Mary, Kate, Doug, Hortencia and family, Kathy, Patrick, Patty, Frank, Nan.

Those in need of long term care and prayers: Steve, Barbara, Jeff, Toby, Bambi, Nancy, Mary, Dale, Jan, Gabrielle.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

September 18 - ROMEOS lunch at 'Bout Time at Noon.

September 20 – JEWELS lunch is at 12:30pm at the NEW Black Bear Café. RSVP to Marcia at 435-275-7818.

Confirmation, reception, re-affirmation classes are continuing, late registrations are still welcome. **9:30 to about 11 Saturdays.**

Tuesday, September 25 – Men’s Discussion Group will meet every Tuesday at 10:30am.

Bereavement and grief support group for those who have lost a loved one to suicide. **Sept. 27, 6:30-7:30 pm.** Contact Fr. Tom or Ron Welch 402-641-1189 for more information.

Sunday, September 30 – Health Fair at Shepherd Of The Hills Methodist Church, 920 Tonaquint Drive. See flyer on the Community Bulletin Board.

October 6 - Oktoberfest – Food Live Music, Dancing, Contest for best dressed and beer stein. Trivia contest. Contact Marcia at 435-275-7818 or Marcia at mburchstead@centruylink.net.

DEADLINE FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS IS WEDNESDAY AT 2:00PM.

Scripture Forecast:

Sept. 23 – 18 Pentecost Jeremiah 11:18-20 Psalms 54 James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a	Sept. 30 – 19 Pentecost Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29 Psalms 19:7-14 James 5:13-20
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Stewards of the Service NEXT Saturday 5:30pm 9-22

TBD	Crucifer
TBD	Chalice Bearer
TBD	Ushers
Yvonne Lambros	Server
TBD	Lectors
TBD	Intercessor
Carol Ann Mitchell	Fellowship



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The Old Testament reading from Isaiah is the third of the poems called the “Servant Songs.” In them, the prophet foresees the servant of God, who is suffering persecution and death for his faithfulness to God, a death which would be redemptive for all people. The first Christians, following Jesus’ teaching, understood Isaiah’s oracle to have been fulfilled in the dying and rising of Jesus.

Again we read from the Epistle of James. After describing the characteristics of those who are at peace with God, the author states that strife, jealousy, and estrangement are the products of allying ourselves with the world rather than with God.

The people of God enact, in song, story, and Sacrament, their unity with Jesus, who is dying and rising in their midst. The fruits of that unity are seen in their lives of ministry, acceptance, and love for all people.

Stewards of the Service NEXT Sunday 10:30am 9-23

Walt Brickwedel	Crucifer
Patrick Schwab/TBD	Chalice Bearers
Gabrielle S/TBD	Ushers
TBD	Server
Walt B/Betty B	Lectors
Marcia Burchstead	Intercessor
Marcia B/Dennis H	Coffee Hour & Clean Up