

# GRACE NOTES NOVEMBER 2022

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#### What is the "church?"

The **church** is the body of **Christ**—his heart, his mouth, his hands, and feet—reaching out to the world: Now you are the body of **Christ**, and each one of you is a part of it. (1 Corinthians 12:27, NIV)





#### THE FIVE FINGER PRAYER.

Thumb: Those Closest to you; your family.

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**Pointer:** Those that point you in the right direction (teachers, doctors, priests); ask for wisdom 4 support.

Index (tallest finger): Those that lead us (Government); as for guidance & wisdom.

**Ring** (weakest finger): Those that are weak, in trouble, or in pain. We cannot pray too much for them.

**Pinkie** (smallest finger): Our prayers for ourselves 4 our own needs.

We will be remembering the saints who have passed during the previous year on November 6<sup>th</sup>. Please provide the names of those you would like to remember to Barbara at

easternviewdesigns@gmail.com. Final date to provide names: November 1st. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

#### SR WARDEN'S NOTES

Dear Grace Family,

The Holiday season is quickly approaching. As you know, this is the month that reminds us to always give thanks. Even in the midst of an uncertain economy and unsettling world, we are thankful for the blessings we have.

October was full of good things! "Saint Mignonne" spearheaded another awesome soup kitchen at the Parish Hall which was a delicious success! Many of the Grace saints were present to help and we thank you!

"Saint Bryan" has stepped up to carry the banner for us at the official consecration of the newly elected Bishop, E. Mark Stevenson, on December 3, 2022. Thanks, Bryan! Meanwhile, "Saint Barbara" is ensuring that our banner is ready to be displayed by finetuning a few "stitches." Thanks, Barbara!

Since our active members in the congregation are all at or approaching many hurdles in their later years, we ask for your prayers for those that may be troubled or hurting, AND for their families.

You will note that this newsletter requests your help (yet again) for any and everything we do. Please prayerfully consider helping in any of the areas shown. With that, I feel I must provide notice. For personal reasons, I will be away from Grace for calendar year 2023. Please be generous with your assistance and notify a Vestry member if you would be willing to take on any tasks that I am currently doing (Grace Notes, website, Facebook posts, the Directory, the birthday list, scheduling, Vestry, altar, lay reading, acolyte, offertory presenter, graveyard cartographer, or coffee host.)

Love and many blessings,



#### TREASURER'S REPORT - SEPTEMER 2022

Income for the month of September was \$18,359.15 (budget \$8,464.00); expenditures totaled \$9,203.50 (budget \$8,464.00), resulting in income for the month of \$9,155.65. Included in the \$18,359.15 income in September was \$9,400.00 received from our insurance company to cover the cost

of replacing the two air conditioning units in the Family Center less our \$1,000 deductible.

The book value of our endowment fund is \$62,847.24; market value as of September 30 is \$57,801.53, a loss for the month of \$4,672.68.

Please continue to pray for Grace Church that it will grow spiritually, financially and numerically.

# Judy Ball, Treasurer



### FEED MY SHEEP (FMS)

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

"Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, "I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

"Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?'

"The King will reply, I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me." Matthew 25:31-40 (NIV)

Your continued support is **Vital** to keep this ministry going. Checks may be made out to Grace Episcopal Church and mailed directly to the church. Please make a notation on your check that reads: FMS. Cash is always welcome and can be put in an envelope (labeled for FMS) and left in the collection plate. Thank you for your continued support.

Thank you!



#### BIRTHDAYS FOR NOVEMBER

<b>BOB HARTSELL</b>	4-NOV
PAUL DAWSON	5-NOV
<b>BRYAN JACOBS</b>	7-NOV
SUE PAYNE	13-NOV
JIM CIRILLO	18-NOV
ROB MOLINE	21-NOV
JANICE RICHARDS	26-NOV

## **WEEKLY EVENTS:**

- Yoga at Grace Parish Hall on Tuesdays at 4PM and Fridays at 10AM.
- **Sew What?** and any other creative tasks you would like to bring will be held at Grace Parish Hall in Casanova this month on **November 12** from 9:30 to 12:30.
- The Center lunch held each Wednesday at noon, Grace Parish Hall. Bring a dish to share!

# **NOVEMBER SCHEDULE**

DAY 2022	READINGS	ALTAR/FLOWERS	ACOLYTE/READER	OFFERTORY PRESENTER	COFFEE HOST
NOV 6 All Saints Day	Haggaí 1:150-2:9 Psalm 145:1- 5, 18-22 or Psalm 98 2 Thessaloníans 2:1-5, 13-17 Luke 20:27-	10AM, time ends. TU	SATURDAY NI	e's. Daylight sa	Sharon Sweeney vings
NOV 13 Twenty- third Sunday after Pentecost	Isaíah 65:17- 25 Cantícle 9 2 Thessaloníans 3:6-13 Luke 21:5-19	Carol Cordell/ Sharon Sweeney	Betsy Anderson	Barbara Jacobs	Sue Ballentíne
NOV 20 Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King	Jeremíah 23:1- 6 Cantícle 16 Colossíans 1:11-20 Luke 23:33- 43	Betsy Anderson/ Mignonne Spellmeyer	Howard & Díana Charnock	Betsy Anderson	Barbara Eanes
NOV 27 First Sunday of Advent	Isaíah 2:1-5 Romans 13:11-14 Matthew 24:36-44 Psalm 122	Barbara Jacobs/ Díane Gulíck	Bryan Jacobs	Howard Charnock	Judy Ball

IF ANY DATES DO NOT FIT YOUR SCHEDULE, PLEASE ARRANGE TO TRADE WITH SOMEONE ELSE.

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# Ilease join in! Available openings:

ALTAR PREPARERS **ACOLYTES** 

COFFEE HOSTS

FLOWER ARRANGERS

**READERS** 

OFFERTORY PRESENTERS

VESTRY MEMBERS



#### **AMAZON SMILE FOR GRACE CHURCH**

Don't forget to sign up with Amazon Smile to have 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible items given to Grace Church at no cost to you! You can also go to the Grace Church website home page and click on the link there.

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