

Grace Church of West Feliciana Parish

"A loving congregation seeking unity with God and each other in Christ"

Grace Hires New Parish Administrator



We are happy to announce that, after a lengthy search process, Margaret (Meg) Kendrick has been selected as the new Parish Administrator for Grace Church of West Feliciana Parish. Meg has been working at Grace since September 1, 2016, when the Episcopal Diocese of Louisiana named her the 2016 Flood Relief Assistant Coordinator. She held that position for a full calendar year, in addition to being a non-stipendiary youth minister for Grace. When Meg's assignment for the Diocese ended in August of 2017, the church hired her as youth minister and communications director, a position she still holds today. In this capacity, Meg has been responsible for all the youth and children programs of the church, including children's chapel, preschool chapel, church mice, and youth group. As communications director, Meg has been responsible for updating the website and mobil app on a weekly basis, managing a *Remind* system for our youth groups, helping with bulletin inserts, and managing the church's Facebook page.

The retirement of Mrs. Anne Klein after 38+ years of employment presents unique challenges and opportunities for our church. The most obvious challenge is the loss of the historical perspective and experience Anne has about all church and cemetery related matters. To address this issue, we have developed an extensive training plan and Meg and Anne have already begun meeting several times a week for training. This training plan encompasses human resources functions, communications (newsletters, Sunday bulletins, parochial report, annual meeting booklets, etc.), basic financial management, parochial responsibilities, and customer service. Each of these categories has a long list of functions Anne is currently responsible for and for which Meg will be responsible after April 9th.

The opportunities for our church come in the form of technological advances we are planning to implement to streamline and enhance the management of our church. It is absolutely true that when it comes to many of the administrative tasks involved in the management of a church "there is an app for that!" In the next few weeks we intend to do a comprehensive assessment of our technology systems, both in terms of hardware and software. We will then make necessary upgrades to make our lives a bit easier in the future. We have also decided to transfer all of Meg's current communications responsibilities to her new position of Parish Administrator. This will ensure a smooth transition for our communications programs. We will keep you informed about these technology upgrades as the time approaches.

Although we interviewed several highly qualified individuals, I believe Meg is the right person to help us during this important time of transition. She holds a bach-

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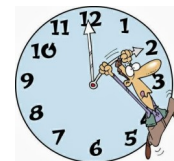
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elor's degree in Christian Formation, a master's degree in Human Resource Management, and a teacher's certification for Pre-K to 3rd grade education. As such, Meg will be a wonderful support to the rector and vestry, the preschool, and our religious formation programs. A technologically savvy millennial, who grew up in the information technology age, Meg already uses much of the technology we will implement at Grace to facilitate communication with our members and community partners. Meg is an Episcopalian, whose husband, Richard, has been on vestry since 2016. I had the honor of preparing Meg and Richard for Confirmation and Marriage, I celebrated and preached at their wedding, and I baptized their son, Thomas.

I know that there is some anxiety about our children and youth programs, as Meg, with Richard's support, has done a great job and we have experienced considerable growth and stability during her tenure. Both Meg and Richard, with the support of a selected group of members will be meeting with me over the next few weeks to create a transition plan for all of these programs. Both Meg and Richard will remain as volunteers as time allows and Meg will continue to be a resource for whomever becomes our youth leader in the future. Please continue to pray for us and let us know if you would like to volunteer with our children and youth programs.

Please join me in welcoming Meg to her new role within the church. I hope to see all of you on April 7 at 6:00pm for Mrs. Anne's retirement party. Blessings to all of you, Fr. Roldan+

Daylight savings time is this Sunday, March 11th at 2 a.m., move your clocks ahead an hour!



Over 50's Group: St. James Gumbo: Join us **this Friday**, March 9th in our parking lot to leave at 11am to go to St. James Church in Baton Rouge for their delicious Gumbo. We've got a van to transport you; some people may want to drive on their own. Call the church office if you didn't sign up already. We should return to St. Francisville around 2pm.

Women's Quarterly Breakfast will be on Saturday, March 10, 8:30-10:30am at First Baptist Church in the Family Fellowship Center. This is open to all women of all faiths. Please come for a time of prayer and fellowship. For more info call their church office at 635-6111.

Church Mice will return on Wednesday, March 14th. It is open to all preschool through 5th grade students. Come join us to learn more about Lent, share a meal, and have some fun! Class will begin at 6 p.m. and end at 7 p.m.

St. John's Church monthly service will be March 18th at 7:30am.

The No-Bake Cake sale has reached a total of \$1,030.00. You still have time to send in your check made out to Grace ECW and mail to Sharon Gauthier at Box 668, St. Francisville. Thank you for your support for the Youth Facility to be built at Solomon Conference Center.

Donations for Easter Flowers may be sent to the Church or put in the offering plate on Sunday. The last date to receive donations is Palm Sunday, March 25th.

Looking ahead: We will have a farewell party for Diana Weller on Saturday, May 10 at 6:00pm here at Grace Church. Mark your calendars as we say farewell to our Preschool Director.

Pentecost Sunday is May 20. This year we are going to have a pot-luck lunch here in Jackson Hall following the 10am service. Grace Church will furnish the meat; please bring a dish to share. There will be lots of games and activities for the children to do. More info will be given as we get closer to the date.

Intercessory prayers are asked for Grace Church members who are ill:

Thomas Kendrick, Jason Kennedy, Tom Morris, Eric Nelson, Sara Nelson, Olivia Pass, Kay Tengler, Wendell Wade, David Walker, Pam Willson, Jake Wray, Madeline Wright.

Birthdays

Carly Whatley, Daniel Gore-March 11; Kathy Beauchamp, Carolyn Douglas-March 12; Beau Farmer, Lyn Lokey-March 13; Jim Weller, Eddie Gore, Sarah Roland-March 14; Beverly Walker, Cozette Stevens-March 17; -March 18; Asher Simcoe-March 19; William Klein, Tom Tully-March 21; Cora Fuller-March 22; James Harvey III, Bob Finley-March 23; Lynn Leak-March 24.

Wedding Anniversaries

Glenn and Anne Timmons-March 16; Troy and Lynn Ballard, Kenneth and Dixie Blue-March 17; Christian and Chip Tregle-March 24.

Other persons prayers are asked for:

Sister Abigail, Claiborne Arbuthnot, Charles Barham, Micaela Kell Bennett, Isabella Bertucci, Leslie Bickham, Phillip Bowen, Ben Brown, Steve Brown, Willie Bryant, Randy Bryant, Jenny Clark, Kitty Claus, Bob Crowley, Sandy Davenport, Kathleen Davis, Debbie Desmar, Helen Deselles, Cathy Doslovic, Molly Douglas, Amy Dwyer, Mark Ellison, Jennifer Erickson, Mark Feltner, Dennis Flynn, Matthew Gill, Jane Hamilton, Roy Hardin, Parke Henderson, Wayne Hudnall, Joel James, Michelle Jean-sonne, Jill Joffrion, Henry Jones, Mary Jo Kaly, Cathy K., Jody Lemoine, Bob Lewis, Jessica Liddle, Max, Charlotte Mayeaux, Ralph McKenzie, Laine Martrain, Kathy Drew Matter, Mary Anne McCrory, Ruby McKee, Bennie McNeely, Robin Michel, Bill Miller, Jimmy Mitchell, Randall Nachman, Barton Platte, Susanna Prescott, Susan Pray, Jeanette Rackley, Carol Ratcliff, Tammy Riggs, Gwin Shanks, Kaizlyn Shockley, Cade Stapleton, Roland Toups, Denham Turner, Dennisia Williams, Rufus Yerger.

Those serving in the armed forces: Parker Blanche, Amanda Browning, Jay Christopher, Ryan Coacher, Ben Colia, John Davis, Joseph Dooley, Bryan Geltz, Edward Jenkins, Laura Latson, Shawn Lemons, Terry Palmer, James Powers, Jeff Ragsa, Christopher Willis, Matthew Young, Aaron Zuccaro, 745th & 746th Exped Squads, 379th & 926th Exped. Support Squads.

Lenten Bible Study: "A God on the Side of Sinners: Reflections on the Parables of Luke Chapter 15" is being taught by the Rector every Wednesday during Lent at 6:00pm. Please join us for a light soup and salad meal and the study. Invite a friend to join you.

Altar Flowers/Greenery are needed: Altar flowers are needed for May 27, July 8, 29, November 18, 25. The Sanctuary Candle sign up list has been filled. Please call the church office if you want to sign up for one of these dates.

Coffee Hour: If you would like to help with Coffee Hour on a Sunday, there will be a sign up list in the Narthex this Sunday. This will help our Monthly Chairs fill their Sundays and share the responsibilities. All that is needed on a Sunday are cookies, coffee, orange juice or other light refreshments.

Birthdays and wedding anniversaries: Has your birthday or wedding anniversary not been listed in the newsletter or liturgy sheet? Send an email to secretary@gracechurchwfp.org with these dates including the year. Our database won't accept just the date without the year, but the year is never published...the computer just beeps until I put something in, which makes you really old! Thanks, Anne Klein

Spring Daffodil Sale: The Friends of the West Feliciana Parish Library Fundraiser is accepting orders for their bouquets of yellow daffodils to be picked up on Wednesday, March 14 from 10am to 1pm at the library. A bouquet of 40 flowers is \$25; 1/2 case \$100 (250 flowers) and a case \$200 (500 flowers). They will text or email you a reminder on March 14 to pick them up at the library. Share them with your co-workers, friends and family. They are in a bud stage but by Sunday, they should be fully open to enjoy. Make checks to Friends of the WFP library and mail to Box 1962 St. Francisville or drop off at the library. Forms are available in Jackson Hall to be filled out.

Your prayers are asked for the family of Marsha Turner, sister of Melissa Higgins and Miles' Higgins Aunt who died on Sunday, February 25.

Your prayers are asked for the family of Dolores Best, mother of Ellen Klein who died on Saturday, Feb. 24th. Services were held in Mississippi later that week.

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**Holy Week and Easter**

**Palm Sunday:** March 25, Join us in front of the church to receive your Palm Cross and for the beginning of the service, and then we will process inside to continue the service.

**Maundy Thursday:** March 29, Holy Eucharist and Washing of Feet at 7:00PM at Grace Vigil at the Altar of Repose begins at 8:15PM in Jackson Hall.

Cleaning of the Church by the Youth Group begins at 8:00PM, followed by TBA activity.

**Good Friday:** March 30, Passion of our Lord Service at 12:00 Noon.

Stations of the Cross in Grace Cemetery at 3:00PM.

**Saturday of Holy Week:** March 31, Great Vigil of Easter at 7:00PM

**Easter Sunday:** April 16, Holy Eucharist at 7:30 and 10:00AM. Easter Egg Hunt immediately following the 10:00AM Service.

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## Sunday Ministry Assistants & Calendar

### Sunday March 11, 2018

**Acolytes:** Hayden Howle, Nicole Mulkey, Ella Corinne Howle, Karina Mulkey  
**Chalice bearers:** 7:30am: Bryan McClendon  
10am: Maria Gerry, Sara Klein  
**Ushers:** Richard Kendrick, Tom Morris  
**Lectors:** Sarah Rhody, Glenn Thomas  
**Vestry Rep:** Zed Howell  
**Altar Guild Team 1**  
**Altar Greenery:** Johnnie and Sheryl Wynters  
**Sanctuary Candle:** Tiger and Brandie Olsen  
**Coffee Hour:** Dianne Christopher  
**Babysitters:** Madison Pollet, Shayn Rayford

### Sunday, March 18, 2018

**Acolytes:** Paul Opperman, Matilda Fox-Smith, Charles Fox-Smith, Lilly Higgins  
**Chalice bearers** 7:30am: Carol Stamey  
10:00pm: Rucker Leake, Mark Mulkey  
**Ushers:** Tiger Olsen, Will Plettinger  
**Lectors:** Trish Toburen, Will Plettinger  
**Vestry Rep:** Heather Howle  
**Altar Guild Team 2**  
**Altar Greenery:** Kenneth and Dixie Blue  
**Sanctuary candle:** Joe and Maria Gerry  
**Coffee Hour:** Sheryl Wynters  
**Babysitters:** Sarah Roldan, Julie DeJean

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### Wednesday, March 14

7:00am - Eucharist  
5 - 7pm - Youth Group  
5:15pm - Eucharist  
6:00pm - Supper & Lenten Bible Study  
6:15pm - Church Mice

### Thursday, March 15

9:15am - Morning Prayer  
10:00am - Worship: SF Country Manor

### Friday, March 16

7:00am - Eucharist  
8:30am - Lectionary Bible Study

### Sunday, March 18

7:30am - Eucharist (Grace & St. John's)  
9:15am - Bible Study  
10:00am - Holy Eucharist  
Coffee Hour

### Wednesday, March 21

9:00am - Lenten Bible Study  
5 - 7pm - Youth Group  
5:15pm - Eucharist  
6:00pm - Supper & Lenten Bible Study

### Thursday, March 22

9:15am - Morning Prayer  
10:00am - Worship: SF Country Manor

### Friday, March 23

7:00am - Eucharist  
8:30am - Lectionary Bible Study