



# Grace Church of West Feliciana Parish

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

## Newsletter

June 16 and 23, 2019

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## *The Season of Growing*

On Pentecost Sunday we entered into a season of the church year called "Ordinal/Ordinary/Counted" time. This is the most extended season of the Church calendar, and it will lead us straight to the feast of Christ the King on November 24th, followed by the first Sunday of the New Church year, the First Sunday of Advent, on December 1, 2019. The grand theme of this long season is growing, and it is possible to draw examples from our own human life development cycle to speak about this season.

The church year begins with pregnancy, during Advent. The young virgin is expecting, and the Gospel of Luke fills in some of the details of that gestation period. From pregnancy, we move directly into the birth of Jesus at Christmas, and for several weeks we celebrate the birth of the Christ child, the arrival of the Maggi, the young family's trip to Egypt to escape King Herod. We then study the boy Jesus' appearance at the Temple when he was twelve years old and got separated from his parent's caravan, and then his baptism by John in the River Jordan at the age of thirty.

There is a small Ordinal/Ordinary/Counted time between Epiphany, or the arrival of the three "Kings/Wise Men/Maggi/Astronomers" and Ash Wednesday. We call this season Epiphany, the purpose of which comes from its name. Epiphany means appearing, unveiling, discovering, revelation, manifestation, etc. It is a term commonly used for the manifestation of a divine being. During that short season, God reveals his son to the Church and the Scriptures focus our minds on divine prophecy about the Messiah who is to come into the world. From Ash Wednesday through Holy Week we celebrate the penitential season of Lent, in which we anticipate the coming of the earthly Messiah with an eye on his ultimate, Second Coming, at the end of the ages. This season leads us directly to Holy Week and the Fifty Days between Easter and Pentecost. During these fifty days, the focus is on the birth of the Church, unity as God's desire for the Church, and preparation for the arrival of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

Then the infant church, now filled with power and wisdom by God's Holy Spirit, begins a season of learning, growing, and maturing. If, as many believe, Pentecost marks the birth of the Church, then this Ordinal season, which lasts over six months, marks our elementary, high school, and even college education. We grow in our faith as we learn to "Acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of God's divine Majesty, worship the Unity." As God, "Makes us have perpetual love and reverence for his holy Name." As God, "Grants us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by the teaching of the Church, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to God." And, as God "Grants us the grace of his Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to him with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection."

The purpose of this season is to “Grow in the knowledge and love of the lord and of his Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord” as Paul would tell us, and as we repeat in Church every week at our final blessing. We will listen to Holy Scripture, focus on themes of discipleship and the cost of being a disciple, and will continue to talk about what it means to build God’s kingdom in our midst. We will pray for the strength and the wisdom to become mature believers with unwavering faith and deep commitment to the ethics of love of God and love of others inherent in the Gospel of Jesus. And we will ask for God’s power to avoid the discouragement, exhaustion, and faithlessness that is natural to every journey of faith. Walking in God’s ways will demand that we remain focused, intentionally predisposed to prayer, and willing to explore the problematic themes of our faith.

I invite you to grapple with the serious issues of faith formation during this season of growth. You can do this through Bible Study, engagement in our book clubs, participation in our Fall formation programs, attendance at liturgy, prayer, and consultation with faithful believers. Please remember that I am here for you if and when you need me.

Now, I leave you with the Collect for this coming Sunday. Please know that I am praying for you and your family during this season.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Blessings, Fr. Roldan+

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### *A Note of Thanks*

What a glorious Sunday was Pentecost! Mel, the choir, the bell choir and the readers added so much wonder to this special day. Thank you too to all who contributed to the celebration with our annual Pentecost Picnic. We had so many fabulous dishes to taste and enjoy as well as entertainment for the children with 2 jumpy houses and the snow cone truck providing cool refreshment in this heat and humidity. More than 100 shared in the fun and enjoyment.

Thank you to all the following people for burlap tablecloths, floral centerpiece, individual table flowers, food, Cokes, Diet Cokes, Sprites, ice tea, set up and clean up. Without you we could not have had such a glorious outing for everyone:

Beverly Walker, Lucie Butler, Kathi Kane, Rachel Howell, Debbie Willis, Carol Dufilho, Jane Daniel, Donna Wright, Maria Gerry, Cheryl Singer, Martha Singer, Dwight Singer, Debbie Thomas, Louise Jenkins, Coco Treppendahl, Kathryn Ward, Ellen Williams, Karen Snyder, Sue Steib, Dahn Savell, Susan Leake, Fern Aldridge, Marcy Dunaway, Trish Toburen, Becky Wright, Gloria Fontenot, Carlin Kendrick, Cozette Stevens, Brandi Olsen, Lisa Foster, Renee Wilson, Genie McClendon, Penny Graham, Mary Thompson, Anne Klein, Molly McGraw, Carol Woodward, Suzanne Beckley, Alma Ruth Skaggs, and Penny Reinhardt.

Please forgive me if I left off a name. Some people brought items but did not sign the sheet in the church or in the kitchen. We are so grateful to everyone. Hallelujah!

Thank you, Dixie Blue, Chair

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

Kathy Anderson, Jack Anderson, Valerie Barnes, Diane Christopher, Neal Kelly, Jason Kennedy, Charlotte Maxwell, Tom Morris, Eric Nelson, Sara Nelson, Kay Tengler, Mary Thompson, Wendell Wade, Pam Willson, Jake Wray, Madeline Wright.

### *Birthdays*

Eli Christopher Dwyer-June 16; Jack Anderson, Alicia Dwyer, Erin Fuslier, Matthew McCain-June 17; Teri Tandy, Kenneth Blue-June 18; Taylor Ferris, Linda Flynn-June 19; Leslie Daniel, Cohen Dunaway, Tim Kane, Elaina Klein, Ruth Reed, Laura Thompson, Mary Lyle Whatley-June 20; Neal Croft, Ryan Sparks-June 21; Anne Klein-June 22; Mills McClendon, Mary Camille Bell-June 23; Matt Armstrong-June 24; Shewen McClendon, Charlotte Peno-June 25; Madeline Wright-June 26; Patti Percy, Barbara Norwood-June 28; Laura McClendon, Claudia Tully-June 29.

### *Wedding*

#### *Anniversaries*

Jesse and Nicole Means-June 16; Roman and Chris Roldan-June 17; Rucker and Susan Leake-June 18; Colin and Amanda Browning, John and Sue Steib-June 19; Donny and Susan Davis-June 21; John and Lisa McGehee-June 25; Charles and Louise Jenkins, Bob and Elizabeth Finley-June 28

## Grace News & Upcoming Events

### Other persons prayers are asked for:

Claiborne Arbutnot, Charles Barham, Walker Bell, Micaela Kell Bennett, Wayne Bergeron, Isabella Bertucci, Leslie Bickham, Luanne, Phillip Bowen, Ben Brown, Steve Brown, Mason Brudewick, Willie Bryant, Randy Bryant, Jenny Clark, Kitty Claus, Daryn Conrad, Rob Cox, Frances Woods Curry, Sandy Davenport, Kathleen Davis, Jessica DeLee, Debbie Desmar, Helen Desselles, Cathy Doslovic, Molly Douglas, Amy Dwyer, Mark Ellison, Jennifer Erickson, Ellen Ewald, Sara Fahey, Mark Feltnr, Dennis Flynn, Matthew Gill, Jerry Green, Jim and Claire Hackney, Jane Hamilton, Roy Hardin, Parke Henderson, Wayne Hudnall, Joel James, Michelle Jean-sonne, Jill Joffrion, Henry Jones, Mary Jo Kaly, Cathy K., Mike Larisey, Jody Lemoine, Jessica Liddle, Max, Charlotte Mayeaux, Ralph McKenzie, Lainece Martrain, Mary Anne McCrory, Ruby McKee, Cheryl Meaux, Robin Michel, Bill Miller, Jimmy Mitchell, Randall Nachman, Walter Oliveaux, Barton Platte, Elizabeth Poole, Susanna Prescott, Tammy Riggs, James and Sylvia Roach, Cole Rourke, Gwin Shanks, Kaizlyn Shockley, Rusty Snyder, Cade Stapleton, Angel Thompson, Roland Toups, Millie and Howard Varner, Deborah Vines, Emily Walz, Trey Watson, Den-nisia Williams, Lynn Zinn.

### Those serving in the

#### armed forces.

Parker Blanche, Amanda Browning, Jay Christopher, Ryan Coacher, Carlile Cointment, John Davis, Joseph Dooley, Polly Finley, Bryan Geltz, Edward Jenkins, Laura Latson, Shawn Lemons, Terry Palmer, James Powers, Jeff Ragusa, Christopher Willis, Aaron Zuccaro, 745th & 746th Exped Squads, 379th & 926th Exped. Support Squads, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), 1st 222 Aviation Regiment.

**During the summer, the Church offices** will be closed on Mondays starting Monday, June 17th. The offices will be open Tuesday–Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Bishop Jenkins** will preach and celebrate at St. John’s Chapel on Sunday, June 16th at 7:30 a.m.

**The Finance Committee** will meet on Tuesday, June 18th at 4:30 p.m. in Jackson Hall.

**The Vestry of Grace Church** will meet at 5:30 p.m. in Jackson Hall on Tuesday, June 18th.

**The Church Offices** will be closed on **Thursday, July 4th** in observance of Independence Day. We will be open on Friday, July 5th.

**Vacation Bible School Registration is open for both participants and volunteers!** Please register at <https://vbspro.events/p/events/gracechurchwfpvbs2019>. We can’t wait to for a fantastic week July 8th to the 12th! If you have questions or are interested in helping, please reach out to Alyssa at youth@gracechurchwfp.org or 245-1385. Be on the lookout for the Donate or Borrow Board or if you would like to make a monetary donation, you can make a check payable to Grace Church, memo line Vacation Bible School.

**The Seeker and Sages Book Club** will meet again on **Tuesday, July 23rd** at the home of Coco and David Treppendahl. They will be reading *A Higher Call: An Incredible True Story of Combat and Chivalry in the War-torn Skies of World War II* by Adam Makos with Larry Alexander. Books are available for purchase at The Conundrum Puzzle and Books. Dinner will be provided, please email Coco if you would like to attend: cocotrepp@bellsouth.net.

**Our Children’s Church ministry is growing.** If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to Alyssa at youth@gracechurchwfp.org or 245-1385 to learn more or join for a lesson.

**Grace Preschool is still accepting registrations for the 2019-2020 school year.** Our preschool is open to all students who will be three years old by September 30th, 2019. Registration packets are available in the church offices or online.

**Choir Rehearsals are now held following the 10:00 a.m. service** on Sundays. If you enjoy singing, come join the Grace Choir this summer. New members are needed. Questions? –phone Mel Hale at (225)931-3382 or talk to him or any choir member after church.

**If you are interested in volunteering** with our nursery ministry or know of a teen who would like a job, please speak with Meg Kendrick. We are looking for adult volunteers to help with this important ministry.



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## Sunday Ministry Assistants & Calendar

### Sunday June 16, 2019

**Acolytes:** Emma Olsen, Wyatt Olsen, Olivia Adams, Hannah Adams

**Chalice bearers:** 7:30 a.m.: Lucie Butler  
10 a.m.: Brandie Olsen, Sheryl Wynters

**Ushers:** Tiger Olsen, Will Plettinger

**Lectors:** Bill McClendon, David Opperman

**Vestry Rep:** Dr. Sue Steib

**Altar Guild:** Team 3

**Children's Church:** Carlin Kendrick

**Altar Flowers:** Pat and Ronnie Martin

**Sanctuary Candle:** Will Plettinger

**Coffee Hour:** Lyn Lokey & Lynn Leak

**Babysitters:** Madie Kane, Grant Rome

### Sunday June 23, 2019

**Acolytes:** Paul Opperman, Joey Peno, Cecile Means, Jesse Means, IV.

**Chalice bearers:** 7:30 a.m.: S. Gauthier/C. Stevens  
10 a.m.: Landon Anderson, Joey Gammill

**Ushers:** Shannon Pollet, Joe Savell

**Lectors:** Justin Peno, Dixie Blue

**Vestry Rep:** David Treppendahl

**Children's Church:** Alyssa Louis

**Altar Guild:** Team 4

**Altar Flowers:** Will Plettinger

**Sanctuary Candle:** Meg and Richard Kendrick

**Coffee Hour:** Debbie Thomas

**Babysitters:** Shiloh Felton, Shelby Griffin

### June 16, 2018

7:30am - Holy Eucharist  
at Grace & St. John's

8:45 a.m. Bible Study

10:00am - Holy Eucharist  
Coffee Hour

### June 23, 2019

7:30am - Holy Eucharist  
8:45 a.m. Bible Study

10:00am - Holy Eucharist  
Coffee Hour

### Wednesday, June 19

5 - 7pm - Youth Group Open House

5:15pm - Eucharist

### Thursday, June 20

9:15am - Morning Prayer

10:00am - Worship: SF Country Manor

### Friday, June 21

7:00am - Eucharist

8:30am - Lectionary Bible Study

### Sunday, June 23

7:30am - Eucharist

8:45am - Bible Study

10:00am - Eucharist

### Wednesday, June 26

5 - 7pm - Youth Group

5:15pm - Holy Eucharist

### Thursday, June 27

9:15am - Morning Prayer

10:00am - Worship: SF Country Manor

### Friday, June 28

7:00am - Eucharist

8:30am - Lectionary Bible Study