



# Grace Church of West Feliciana Parish

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

## Newsletter

October 21 & 28, 2018

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## *A Letter from the Senior Warden of Grace Church*

It is time again for the members of Grace Church to come together to express, in the form of a financial pledge to the Church, our thanks to God for the great gift of community. Each pledge makes it possible to continue the vital ministries of our congregation. We have been incredibly blessed to worship in this beautiful and historic place. However, over the last few years we have incurred significant expenses associated with the maintenance of our Church, Jackson Hall, the Cemetery, and all other dwellings or facilities owned by Grace. Your pledge makes up about 70% of our budgeted annual income and we are deeply dependent on it.

Many of you are aware that we have been blessed with income from other sources over the years. This income has had a tremendous impact in our ministries, facilities, and the historic grounds we are entrusted to care for by God. The truth about this income, however, is that we cannot rely on it every year, which makes it even more important for each of us to pledge the most we can. We are also blessed to have family trusts, but most of the funds from these trusts are restricted to a particular purpose like the cemetery trees, the organ, the Golsan House, etc. We are not able to use this revenue for our operating expenses. Our operating budget comes directly from pledge donations. This budget includes mission and outreach, personnel, maintenance, Jackson Hall expenses, insurance, utilities, etc. Your pledges allow us to continue operations, fund our current ministries, and expand to create new ministries to serve and love our neighbors as our Lord, Jesus Christ, commands us to do.

I am reminded each day of how blessed we are to be part of the Grace Church family. There is not a day that goes by that I do not thank God for the ability to worship at Grace and I am humbled by the love my family receives from this congregation every day. I ask you today to show your appreciation and love of God by meeting your 2018 pledge and to increase your 2019 pledge by at least 1% of your annual income. This increase will allow us to faithfully serve our church and the wider community that has come to see Grace as a beacon of hope in times of fear and darkness.

We ask that everyone submit their pledges by December 15<sup>th</sup>, so we can properly prepare our budget for 2019. It is important for our budget that we fill out the pledge card with the actual amount we intend to give and not a lower amount when we know we will give more. This is the only way we can properly prepare for the upcoming year. When I drive the rolling hills of our beautiful Parish, walk the grounds of Grace Church, attend one of the many festivals and re-enactments, or participate in the multiple fundraisers in town, I am reminded of the gift of community. We live in one of the most beautiful areas of Louisiana and we are truly fortunate to belong to this area and this church. Please remember this when making your contribution.

Personally, I am grateful to have experienced some of the best years of my life in this church, marrying my wife, baptizing my son, being chosen to represent you on our vestry, and working with our youth and children's programs. I feel honored to be connected to every one of you in Christ's love. If we work together we can ensure that Grace will continue to be a place that our families and friends can enjoy for many years.

Lastly, let me remind you that we have an incredible Vestry and that Zed Howell, our amazing Junior Warden, Fr. Roldan, and I are available to meet with you, walk around buildings and grounds to show you our need, and explain how your pledges are put to good use for the advancement of our church and ministries. Please feel free to contact us at any time. Thank you for all your love and support,

Thomas Richard Kendrick  
Senior Warden

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**What's Happening at Grace?**

**Restoration of Jackson Hall:** The restoration will commence on Saturday, October 27th, 2018. The main entrance doors to Jackson Hall will be blocked for the duration of the build. We ask all Preschool parents, parishioners and staff to use the side entrance by Fr. Roldan's office. The debris bin will be placed on the two handicap spaces to the right hand side of Jackson Hall as you face the building. We will create signs to reserve the three spaces on the left of the main doors for handicap use. All Coffee Hours, children's ministries, and adult formations will be moved to the Golsan House effective Wednesday, October 24, 2018. Please call us if you have any questions.

**Furnishing the Golsan House:** We have decided to furnish the Golsan House in hopes of using it in the future as a short-term ministry house for retired clergy, sabbaticals, or visiting clergy guests. We want the house tastefully done. If you have some furniture that you feel would fit within the historic nature of the house, please let us know (beds, dining set, living room furniture, etc.) A small committee will be set to help us make decisions on furniture and decorations. We have a few months to decide, as we will be using the house for fellowship until construction is finished in Jackson Hall. For questions, please call Fr. Roldan+

**Bishop Jenkins will celebrate the Holy Eucharist** at St. John's Chapel on Sunday, October 21st at 7:30 a.m.

**Church Mice returns!** Our next Church Mice for all pre-k through 5th grade students will be on Sunday, October 21st from 4-6 p.m. A fun lesson, craft, and dinner will be provided. Bring your little ones to learn more about their faith and to grow the bonds of Christian fellowship.

**The Grace Youth Group** will be hosting other youth groups from across our diocese for a Youth Hike in Clark Creek on Sunday, October 21st. Wear clothes and shoes that can get wet and muddy! Meet in the Grace Church parking lot at 1 p.m. They will return by 5 p.m.

**The Grace Youth Group** is creating a trunk for Trunk or Treat at the West Feliciana Sports Park on Thursday, October 25th. If you would like to donate candy for them to give out, please drop off bite-sized wrapped Halloween candy to Jackson Hall.

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

Brianna Blanchard,  
Jason Kennedy,  
Charlotte Maxwell,  
Tom Morris, Eric  
Nelson, Sara Nel-  
son, Kay Tengler,  
Anne Timmons,  
Glenn Timmons  
Wendell Wade,  
Pam Willson, Jake  
Wray, Madeline  
Wright.

**Birthdays**

Ellen Williams,  
Madeline Horn-Oct.  
21;  
Jane Daniel-Oct. 22;  
Mallory Achord,  
Jason Bell, Betsy  
Daniel, Natasha  
Kirschling, Mark  
Mulkey, Nicole  
Means-Oct. 25; Lisa  
Horn-Oct. 27; Kyle  
Rhody-Oct. 28; Da-  
vid Treppendahl-  
Oct. 29; Adair Cun-  
ningham, Michelle  
Weller-Oct. 31;  
Ann Leggett, Clara  
Beaumont-Nov. 1;  
Susan Davis, Paul  
Opperman-Nov. 2.

**Wedding**

**Anniversaries**

Neil and Blaire Le-  
Blanc-Oct. 27; Co-  
rey and Lisa Foster-  
Nov. 1; Jeff and Jo-  
Anne Ford-Nov. 2.

*Other persons prayers are asked for:*

Claiborne Arbuthnot, Charles Barham, Micaela Kell Bennett, Wayne Bergeron, Isabella Bertucci, Leslie Bickham, Phillip Bowen, Ben Brown, Steve Brown, Willie Bryant, Randy Bryant, Jenny Clark, Kitty Claus, Sandy Davenport, Kathleen Davis, Debbie Desmar, Helen Desselles, Cathy Doslavic, Molly Douglas, Amy Dwyer, Mark Ellison, Jennifer Erickson, Ellen Ewald, Mark Feltnner, Dennis Flynn, Matthew Gill, Jane Hamilton, Roy Hardin, Parke Henderson, Wayne Hudnall, Joel James, Michelle Jeansonne, Jill Joffrion, Henry Jones, Mary Jo Kaly, Cathy K., Jody Lemoine, Jessica Liddle, Max, Charlotte Mayeaux, Ralph McKenzie, Lainee Martrain, Mary Anne McCrory, Ruby McKee, Robin Michel, Bill Miller, Jimmy Mitchell, Randall Nachman, Barton Platte, Susanna Prescott, Carol Ratcliff, Tammy Riggs, Cole Rourke, Gwin Shanks, Kaizlyn Shockley, Cade Stapleton, Roland Touns, Deborah Vines, Dennisia Williams, Rufus Yerger, Grayson Zeringue, Lynn Zinn.

*Those serving in the armed forces:* Parker Blanche, Amanda Brown, Jay Christopher, Ryan Coacher, John Davis, Joseph Dooley, Polly Finley, Bryan Geltz, Edward Jenkins, Laura Latson, Shawn Lemons, Terry Palmer, James Powers, Jeff Ragusa, Christopher Willis, Matthew Young, Aaron Zuccaro, 745th & 746th Exped Squads, 379th & 926th Exped. Support Squads, 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault).

The Grace Church Family Yard Sale will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, October 27th. Come out to find new treasures and help fundraise towards the Jackson Hall renovation. Our Children and Youth ministries will have food and refreshments for sale as well

**Diocesan Convention is Friday, October 26 to Saturday, October 27** at St. Martin's School in Metairie. Representing Grace will be Fr. Roldan, Richard Kendrick, Zed Howell, Leslie Daniel, and Sharon Gauthier. Please keep our delegation in your prayers as the represent Grace.

**Bishop's Visit:** Bishop Morris Thompson will be visiting Grace on Sunday, December 2, 2019. He will confirm four of our youth and will officially receive at least 14 new comers to Grace. The Reception will take place at the Golsan House. To contribute a food item for the reception, please contact Meg Kendrick at 225-635-4065 or sign-up in the Narthex.

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**Ministry Highlight: Rector's Discretionary Fund**

Rector's Discretionary Funds have been established by Canon, III.9 5(b)(6), of the Episcopal Church, regarding "almoner's funds," as well as a long tradition implementing this canon in our congregations. The canon provides as follows: "The Alms and Contributions, not otherwise specifically designated, at the Administration of the Holy Communion on one Sunday in each calendar month, and other offerings for the poor, shall be deposited with the Rector or Priest-in-Charge or with such Church officer as the Rector or Priest-in-Charge shall appoint to be applied to such pious and charitable uses as the Rector or Priest-in-Charge shall determine. When a Parish is without a Rector or Priest-in-Charge, the Vestry shall designate a member of the Parish to fulfill this function."

The one Sunday collection a month is used by the Rector to alleviate need in West Feliciana Parish primarily, although, on occasion, the Rector assists the needy in our Diocese and Honduras, where we have had a thriving ministry since 2010. The most common requests for assistance come in the form of small rent grants, utilities, emergency food, gas, and prescription assistance. Occasionally, we make small grants to schools or the food bank. To donate to the Rector's Discretionary Fund, write a check to Grace Church with a MEMO: Rector's fund.



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**2019 Pledge Card**

In Thanksgiving for God's goodness, and support of the ministry of our Church,  
 I / we will give \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per week / month / year in 2019. **(circle one)**

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Print name: \_\_\_\_\_

I / we would like offering envelopes \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

Address \_\_\_\_\_

This is an expression of faith and intent, and not a legal obligation. Contact the Church Treasurer to make any adjustment. Please return your pledge card as soon as possible by mailing it to P.O. Box 28, St. Francisville, LA 70775 or by dropping it in the offering plate on Sunday.

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## Sunday Ministry Assistants & Calendar

### Sunday October 21, 2018

**Acolytes:** Hayden Howle, Ella Corrine Howle, Joey Penno, Jesse Means, IV.

**Chalice bearers:** 7:30 a.m.: Bryan McClendon;  
10 a.m.: Landon Anderson, Joey Gammill

**Ushers:** Tom Morris, Zed Howell

**Lectors:** Landon Anderson, Dixie Blue

**Vestry Rep:** Heather Howle

**Altar Guild:** Team 2

**Children's Church:** Carly Whatley

**Altar Flowers:** Anne Klein

**Sanctuary Candle:** Carolyn Douglas

**Coffee Hour:** Heather & Rob Howle

### Sunday October 28, 2018

**Acolytes:** Mary Barrow, R.E. Barrow, John Barrow Klein, Evelyn Pollet

**Chalice bearers:** 7:30 a.m.: Carol Stamey  
10 a.m.: Maria Gerry, Sara Klein

**Ushers:** Will Plettinger, Shannon Pollet

**Lectors:** Missy Higgins, Heather Howle

**Vestry Rep:** Drew Nordgren

**Children's Church:** Alicia Dwyer

**Altar Guild Team 3**

**Altar Flowers:** Jane Daniel

**Sanctuary candle:** Betty Sessions

**Coffee Hour:** Heather & Rob Howle

### October 21, 2018

7:30am - Holy Eucharist

Grace & St. John's

8:45 a.m. Bible Study

10:00am - Holy Eucharist

Coffee Hour

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### Wednesday, October 24

5 - 7pm - Youth Group

5:15pm - Eucharist

### Thursday, October 25

9:15am - Morning Prayer

10:00am - Worship: SF Country Manor

### Friday, October 26

7:00am - Eucharist

8:30am - Lectionary Bible Study

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8:30am - Lectionary Bible Study