



Grace Church of West Feliciana Parish

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

**Newsletter for
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Our Preschool is a Wander-full Place to Grow

It is that time of the year again.... PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION!! We are eagerly anticipating the next academic year at Grace Preschool! It is a blessing to be able to continue our commitment to providing a quality, Christian-based foundation through our preschool program. We strive to provide an environment that will nurture growth in each aspect of a child's life; spiritually, emotionally, academically and socially.

We are currently using the A Beka curriculum, which not only offers a solid foundation based on Christian principles, but also incorporates academic and developmental skills and exercises to help our youth grow spiritually and intellectually. We focus on introductory academic skills such as letter and name recognition, number recognition and rote counting, shapes, opposites, and rhyming words to name a few. We work daily on developing age appropriate social skills through supervised free play opportunities such as the incorporation of our Montessori-inspired centers and activities. We encourage participation and cooperation with others through group activities on the rug, playground activities, art classes, and children's chapel.

Our daily routine begins with the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance followed by an update of our Calendar, and a review of the days of the week. Each week we learn a new letter and build on that letter throughout the week with various arts and crafts, Bible stories, songs, and games. We attend Children's Chapel weekly where the children learn Bible stories, Christian songs, and other age-appropriate lessons. With the addition of our new Arts Program in 2015, our preschoolers now enjoy various creative mediums and make wonderful and unique masterpieces for all to enjoy.

We celebrate the seasons of the year and of the church through activities that include special cakes or meals, dress-up, speakers from the community, events, and field trips. Each year the preschoolers get to have memorable experiences in and out of the classroom. The preschoolers extend their learning by interacting and feeding exotic animals up close with our annual visit to BREC Zoo and Barnhill Preserve. In the fall, the West Feliciana Fire Department and Freddie the Fire Truck help teach the preschoolers all about fire safety with demonstrations by the firefighters themselves!

We seek to incorporate an emphasis on the practical applications of Christian lessons in all we do. We teach our Preschoolers to be thankful and to have a giving heart, with the idea that "sharing is caring!" Each year we show them this by collecting items for various charitable organizations. At Christmas, we visit St. Francisville Country Manor and the kids share beautiful Christmas carols with the residents! Every spring we have our annual Trike-a-thon, which raises money for the children at St. Jude's Research Hospital.

God has blessed us with wonderful preschoolers and with the amazing support of their families! We hope to have these same blessings next year, so that we may continue our commitment to build a solid foundation for our children and for our community!

Please help us spread the word that Registration begins on March 1. We expect to have a full house and a waiting list, so we need you to register early.

Teaching through Christ, Diana Weller

Grace's Chancellor retires: After more than a decade of faithful service, Donna Wright Lee has chosen to retire from the volunteer chancellor position she has held at Grace Church. Donna has helped the church deal successfully with a number of difficult situations over the years and we are very grateful for her leadership and wise counsel. Donna leaves us in the capable hands of Stewart Hughes who has agreed to be our new chancellor effective immediately. Please join us for a special coffee hour on Sunday, April 17 after the 10:00AM service to thank Donna for her faithful service and to welcome Stewart to his new role at Grace Church.

A request from the bookkeeper: Please throw away your old offering envelopes. The bookkeeper doesn't keep lists of assigned envelopes for past years! Using someone else's current number leads to a wrong posting for your donation.

This Sunday is UTO Spring Ingathering. Please bring your boxes to put in the offering plates. New boxes will be available to fill for the Fall Ingathering. UTO envelopes will be inserted in the liturgy sheet to put checks and cash in.

Congratulations to our newly elected Vestry Wardens: Dr. Landon Anderson will be Senior Warden and Tiger Olsen was reelected to be Junior Warden. Dare Didier will continue to serve as Clerk and Stewart Hughes was elected as Chancellor.

Community Mission Appeal 2016

The Diocese has announced the 2016 Community Mission Appeal (CMA) kickoff. This year they are asking each church to hold a special collection on one Sunday during Lent, which we will do on Sunday, March 13, 2016 at the 10:00AM Service.

The Community Mission Appeal - or CMA - is the collection plate that is dedicated to taking our diocese's mission beyond the physical walls of our churches. Through CMA, the Diocese provides donations to our parishes so that they can grow their ministries.

One hundred percent of the gifts received through CMA will go directly to churches in the Episcopal Diocese of Louisiana to support the development and continuing strength of mission work. This summer the Diocese will invite churches to apply for a Community Mission Appeal Grant. A committee will review the grant proposal and the Diocese will announce grant recipients at the Annual Convention to be held November 4 and 5.

How to give: To contribute financially, please visit the Diocesan website at www.edola.org or send a check with "CMA" written in the memo line to:

The Episcopal Diocese of Louisiana
Attn: Community Mission Appeal
1623 Seventh Street
New Orleans, LA 70115

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

Mark Armstrong, Landon Anderson, David Barnes, George Black, Wayne Blake, Russell Daniel, Cecil May Dwyer, Rob Fisher, Kent Mitchell, Tom Morris, Sara Nelson, Emile Pourciau, Margie Sheets, Anne Timmons, Wendell Wade, Donna Wright, Madeline Wright.

Birthdays

Jean Hill, Donna Wright-3/2; Jim Roland-3/3; Joseph Horn-3/4; Savannah Korn, Carol Stamey-3/5; Claire Ricks-3/7; Hayden Howle-3/9; Daniel Schneider, Carl Fontenot, Wyatt Olsen-3/10; Carly Whatley, Daniel Gore-3/11; Carolyn Douglas, Kathy Beauchamp-3/12.

Wedding

Anniversaries

David and Kathy Beauchamp-3/2; Emmette and Emily Barrow-3/4; Trey and Emily Marchive, David and Iris Stewart-3/5.

Other persons prayers are asked for:

Sadie Aitken, Charles Barham, Mercer Barney, Jolie Berry, MiMi Bornman, Leo Brown, Ben Brown, Steve Brown, Willie Bryant, Randy Bryant, Debbie Bunch, John Caruthers, Jenny Clark, Bodo & Kitty Claus, Troy Cothorn, Kathleen Davis, Debbie Desmar, Helen Desselles, Molly Douglas, Mark Ellison, Gretchen Epling, Jennifer Erickson, Louise Ewin, Mark Feltnier, Dennis Flynn, Matthew Gill, Myron Hamey, Roy Hardin, Parke Henderson, Elmo Hegwood, Wayne Hudnall, Joel James, Lindsey Johnson, Jill Joffrion, Mary Jo Kaly, Cecil Kelly, Jody Lemoine, Bob Lewis, Jessica Liddle, Max, Paul McGuff, Ralph McKenzie, Laine Martraine, Mary Anne McCrory, Ruby McKee, Robin Michel, Dorothy Anne Millikin, Jim Mire, Jimmy Mitchell, Rusty Melton, Alice Mier, Mike Morris, Randall Nachman, Emily Neumann, Ashley Palmer, Barton Platte, Susanna Prescott, Holly Price, Peter Purpera, Carol Ratcliff, Tammy Riggs, Gwin Shanks, Kaizlyn Shockley, Cade Stapleton, Gary Thomas, Glenn Thomas III, Terri Thompson, Denham Turner, Darold Whitmer, John Woodward.

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

Men's Prayer Breakfast Is Wednesday, March 2 at 7am. **We need a cook!** Call the Church Office if you would like to share your talent by preparing breakfast.

West Feliciana Food Pantry: For the month of March the Food Pantry is collecting soup, Soup and more Soup!

Vacation Bible School will be the week of July 11-15, 2016. Mark your calendars now, and if you would like to help during that week, give Christie Reinhardt a call, 938-8504.

*****Choir Corner*****The Grace Choir is delighted to welcome a new member to its bass section - - Robert Hannaman. Welcome Robert!! We still need more singers as we prepare for Holy Week, Easter and a Choral Evensong service later in the year. If interested, talk to any choir member or call Mel at 225-931-3382.

C. S. Lewis lunches: Grace Church will be partnering with St. Alban's Chapel on LSU to sponsor a lunch on March 2nd during their C. S. Lewis' studies. The lunch starts at 11:30, but the volunteers will need to leave our church parking lot around 9:30am. If you would like to volunteer to help serve the lunch, please call Kelly Ward at 721-2253. Dare Didier said they participated last year and it was great fun. So join them!

Donations for Easter lilies for Easter Sunday may be given by putting a check in the offering plate on Sundays or by mailing a check with a list of who is to be memorialized, who it is in honor of or what it is in thanksgiving for. Donations need to be received by March 18th.

Chalice bearer training: Fr. Kang will offer training to be a chalice bearer sometime in the new future for those who are interested in this ministry. Please call Fr. Kang at the church office at 635-4065 if you would like to be included in this class.

Please Mark Your Calendar

Palm Sunday Services: March 20 at 7:30AM at Saint John's and Grace and at 10:00AM at Grace.

Wednesday of Holy Week: March 23, Holy Eucharist at 5:15PM

Maundy Thursday: March 24, Holy Eucharist and Washing of Feet at 7:00PM at Grace.

Vigil at the Altar of Repose begins at 8:15PM.

Cleaning of the Church by the Youth Group begins at 8:30PM, followed by TBA activity.

Good Friday: March 25, Passion of our Lord Service at 12:00Noon.

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

Saturday of Holy Week: March 26, Great Vigil of Easter at 7:00PM

Easter Sunday: March 27, Holy Eucharist at 7:30 and 10:00AM. Easter Egg Hunt immediately following the 10:00AM Service.

We Have Daily Morning Prayer Now on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 8:00AM, Thursdays at 9:15, and Fridays at 7:00AM

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Sunday Ministry Assistants & Calendar

Sunday, February 28, 2016

Acolytes: Collin Loyacono, James Kirschling,
Emma Olsen, Ella Corinne Howle
Chalice bearers: 7:30am: Carol Stamey
10:00am: Rucker Leake, George Newton
Ushers: Robert Singer, Glenn Thomas
Lectors: Meg Kendrick, Richard Kendrick
Vestry Rep: Tiger Olsen
Altar Guild Team 4
Altar Greenery: Ronnie and Pat Martin
Sanctuary Candle: Ronnie and Pat Martin
Coffee Hour: Dr. Adam and Carly Whatley
Babysitters: Maggie Higgins, Landry Higgins

Sunday, March 6, 2016

Acolytes: Ethan Lyon, Pull Opperman, Joseph
DeJean, Logan Reinhardt
Chalice bearer: 7:30am: Lucie Butler
10am: Brandie Olsen, Joey Gammill
Ushers: Kelly Ward, Carl Fontenot
Lectors: Ellen Klein, Rucker Leake
Vestry Rep: Dr. Adam Whatley
Altar Guild Team 1
Altar Greenery: Robert and Cheryl Singer
Sanctuary Candle: Kenneth and Dixie Blue
Coffee Hour: Joe and Dahn Savell
Babysitters: Madie Kane, Shelby Griffin

Lent 3

February 28, 2016

7:30am - Eucharist
8:45-9:45 - Bible Study
10:00am - Eucharist
Coffee Hour
4-6 pm - Youth Group

Lent 4

March 6, 2016

7:30am - Eucharist
8:45-9:45 - Bible Study
10:00am - Eucharist
Coffee Hour
4-6 pm - Youth Group

Wednesday, March 2

7:00am - Men's Prayer Breakfast
9:00am - Women's Bible Study
5:15pm - Holy Eucharist
6:00pm - Supper and Prayer Book Study

Thursday, March 3, 2016

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

Friday, March 4, 2016

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

Sunday, March 6, 2016

7:30am - Eucharist
8:45-9:45 - Bible Study

10:00am - Eucharist

Coffee Hour

4-6:00pm - EYC meetings and supper

Wednesday, March 9, 2016

9:00am - Women's Bible Study
5:15pm - Holy Eucharist
6:00pm - Supper and Prayer Book Survey

Thursday, March 10, 2016

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

Friday, March 11, 2016

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