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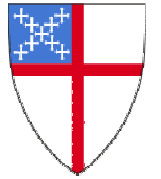
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Grace Notes



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Grace Church, Millbrook, NY

RECTOR'S REFLECTIONS

THE REV. DR. MATTHEW CALKINS

Youth and Age

April and Easter, always a joy. New life, after a long winter. Alleluia amen. But time has a steady tick, and the cycle of birthdays and baptisms, wedding and funerals goes on in each season, each generation growing up and growing old. I was born in 1955 so this is a round number year for me. I resonate with President Obama and his talk about how much can happen in the fourth quarter. I hope so!

But wherever you are in the game of life, Grace has a place. In this issue of Grace Notes you may find matters of interest for all ages. But I would like to direct your attention to two areas of our ministry, youth and older age.

Children's Sunday. The children will lead the service on Sunday, April 19th, helping with readings, ushering, prayer and homily—and altar decoration! It is a Sunday in which we celebrate our mother Earth with a “greening of the cross” (come and see). Care for crea-

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tion is a central theme of our spiritual formation as well as the challenge of our time—and especially for those who are young now.

Youth Mission. The Grace Youth Group continues to meet and work on community service projects, such as helping out at the Lunchbox and making a visit to the Fountains. We are also finalizing plans for two—that's right two—mission trips this summer. In late July, there will be a mission trip to Navaho land in Arizona. In August, a van full of mid-Hudson youth will join a diocesan wide youth pilgrimage to sites of the civil rights movement, including a memorial service in Hayneville, Alabama to mark the fiftieth anniversary of the murder of Jonathan Daniels.

EPIC Event. On April 19th, we will host the first gathering of EPIC—Engaging People In Change—the new regional youth leadership development program we are launching, following a model pioneered by Rural and Migrant Ministry across the river: Youth Arts Group. If you had a chance to meet the dynamic young program director, Abby Nathanson, on Sunday March 15th, great. If not, I hope you'll take a chance to read about the program and stop by. It is going to be, as we say, “awesome.” Go to epicjustice.org to learn more.

Are You Prepared? For those in the fourth quarter, we offer a three-part speaker series beginning on the last Saturday of April and continuing for the next two Saturdays. The title is “Are You Prepared? Facing the Financial, Medical and Spiritual Questions of Aging and End-of-Life.” Look inside for more information, but here I want to commend those on the stewardship committee, led by Linda Hogan, for their hard work preparing this series. Our beloved elder, Bill Augerson, who passed away earlier, was part of the planning; his memory will be honored by the effort to help people get prepared for some of challenges of older age.

Youth and age. Church is one of the few places where the generations get together these days. We all tend to live our lives in age-similar cohorts. But

God loves us all, and the way of Jesus is a way for all ages. “Let the children come to me,” he said, and “unless you have the heart of a child you cannot enter the kingdom.” “Come to me,” Jesus said, “all you who are leaden and heavy-burdened, and I will give you rest.” Sounds like good news to me. Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Matthew†



Health Care Ministry

To quote the National Episcopal Health Ministry, “The local congregation is a place where health professionals and lay people can work together to keep people well, to empower and educate, to advocate for health and care for people in need” As we start this new ministry at Grace, we are reaching out to the community to see just what the needs are, and how best to meet them. Dianne McNeil, RN, ANP and Karen Whitton LSWR, will next make themselves available at coffee hour after both services on April 12th, to meet with individuals to discuss their concerns and ideas. Or you can reach out to either of them at any time as we try and see how this endeavor will evolve.

Also, in the near future, we will be starting a support group, open to the greater community, where those going through the health care system can come together to share experiences. Again to enlighten and empower each other, knowing what others have gone through, how they have handled symptoms and gained strength from each other. This is an extension of the Healing Service that will continue on Wednesday mornings.

Holy Week & Easter at Grace

Palm Sunday, March 29th

Services at 7:30 and 10:00 am

Holy Week Services

Wednesday, April 1st at 7 pm
Ecumenical Service at Lyall Federated Church



Maundy Thursday

April 2nd at 7 pm

Good Friday, April 3rd

12 noon Service at St. Peter's. Matt Calkins Preaching
7 pm Service at Grace. Albert Ogle Preaching

Holy Saturday, April 4th

7 pm - The Great Vigil of Easter Eve

Easter Sunday, April 5th - Services at the regular Sunday times -
7:30 and 10:00 am

Men at Grace

Celebrate Mothers Day at Grace!!! Sunday, May 10th beginning at 11:00 am, We will be preparing a sumptuous brunch. Full menu to follow. You won't find better at the finest restaurants. You will find friends and loving fathers. Come and enjoy the first of a new tradition at Grace.

Additional Lay Services Schedule

Holy Thursday

April 2nd 7:00 pm Service

Chalice: Lynda Boissey
Ushers: Rudy Family
Acolyte: Madeline Lacey
Reader: Joe Garzetta

Good Friday

April 3rd 7:00 pm Service

Chalice: John Lacey
Ushers:
Acolyte: K.C. Bryant
Readers: Marion Thompson, Ida Leung, Joe Garzetta, and Lisa Lacey

Holy Saturday

April 4th 7:00 pm Service

Chalice: Ida Leung
Ushers: Jean Hayes
Acolyte: Mariel Mustello
Readers: Confirmands and Sponsors

EPIC

Announcing EPIC: Engaging People in Change, the newest youth leadership team in Northeast Dutchess launching at Grace Church! Anyone who would like to learn more about this group and what we're about is welcome to join us at our open house on Sunday, April 19th at 4:00 at Grace Church's Parish Hall. This will be an opportunity to meet the staff and students from our sister program, the Youth Arts Group (<http://yag.ruralmigrantministry.org>) and learn about the application process for the founding group that will be launching in September. Learn more at epicjustice.org, and please RSVP to abby@epicjustice.org. If you're interested in volunteering with us to be a part of making this happen, fill out the volunteer interest form. To stay in touch with us as we grow, sign up for our mailing list.

Calendar and Prayer Cycle

April 2015



Sunday Service Schedule:

7:30 Holy Eucharist

10:00 Family Service & Holy Eucharist

- Sunday School 11 am - 11:35 am

Weekday Services:

Healing Service: Wednesdays at 10 am

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 7 pm Ecumenical Service at Lyall Church <i>Dichiara</i>	2 6:15 pm ESL 7 pm Maundy Thursday <i>Dixon</i>	3 Good Friday Noon Service at St. Peters 7 pm Service at Grace 3-5 pm Food Pantry <i>Doyle</i>	4 7 pm Easter Eve Vigil <i>Mr. & Mrs. C. Dyson</i>
5 Easter Sunday Services at 7:30 and 10 am <i>Mr. & Mrs. J. Dyson</i>	6 <i>Fedigan</i>	7 6:15 pm ESL <i>Fellows</i>	8 <i>Fettes</i>	9 6:15 pm ESL <i>Fish, Jr.</i>	10 3-5 pm Food Pantry <i>Freeman</i>	11 <i>Furman</i>
12 Last Directory Photo Day <i>Gallagher</i>	13 <i>Garzetta</i>	14 6:15 pm ESL <i>Gerbi</i>	15 <i>Gomez</i>	16 6:15 pm ESL <i>Mr. & Mrs. L. Graham</i>	17 3-5 pm Food Pantry <i>Gunther</i>	18 <i>Mr. & Mrs. J. Hall</i>
19 10 am Earth Day Svc. 11:30 am Vestry Meeting 4 pm EPIC Open House <i>P. Hall</i>	20 <i>Hammond</i>	21 6:15 pm ESL <i>Hayes</i>	22 <i>Heisey</i>	23 6:15 pm ESL <i>Hogan</i>	24 3-5 pm Food Pantry <i>Huber</i>	25 6 pm Financial Decisions and Planned Giving <i>Jagar</i>
26 11:30 am - 3 Lunch Box <i>Kasin</i>	27 <i>Kiewra</i>	28 6:15 pm ESL <i>King</i>	29 <i>C. Kinsey</i>	30 6:15 pm ESL <i>R. Kinsey</i>		

Are You Prepared? Financial, Medical and Spiritual Questions Around Aging and End of Life

This is a 3-session speakers' program, scheduled as follows, each beginning at 6 pm in the Parish Hall.

Join us for these thoughtful and learning experiences around future planned giving, medical directives and the spiritual aspects of later or end-of-life planning. Presentations will allow plenty of discussion and will be followed by light refreshments.

April 25th - Financial Decisions and Planned Giving –
Pamela Wesley Gomez, Berkeley Divinity School, co-author of the *Guide to Planned Giving* from The Episcopal Church Foundation

May 2nd - Medical and End of Life Decisions –
Dr. Daniel Aaronzon, recently retired President of Vassar Brothers Medical Center.

May 9th - The Spirituality of Aging and End of Life Decisions –
A Panel and Discussion with Mary Lou Walker, author and former NYS teacher of the year; Dianne McNeil, RN, ANP and nurse for Hospice; and the Rev. Dr. Matthew Calkins, Rector, Grace Episcopal Church, Millbrook.

Please call Maria Galli at 845-677-3064 or email to mcgalliatgrace@aol.com by April 17th to register and indicating dates of attendance.

Special Earth Day Service Led by Children of Grace Sunday, April 19th - 10 am



9th Annual Grace Golf Tournament & Gala Dinner Monday ~ July 13th, 2015



Guest Speaker: Dr. Sam Simon
President and Founder, Hudson Valley Fresh

Hudson Valley Fresh is a non-profit dairy cooperative comprised of nine farms, dedicated to preserving the Hudson River Valley's agricultural heritage as one of the premier food regions of the United States.

The tournament and dinner will take place at:
The Millbrook Golf and Tennis Club
#103 Rt. 343, Millbrook, N.Y 12545

To register or to view the photo gallery and video clip from last year's event visit our website at:

<http://www.gracemillbrook.org/hello-world/grace-gala-golf-tournament>

Golfers, Diners, Sponsors, and Volunteers are wanted. Please see Doug or Robin Capers, Brenda deMartine, Pam Freeman, Betty Rae Nittiskie, or Bill Schumacher for more information.



Save the date! Sunday, June 7th
Celebration for Confirmands & Sunday School

Sunday School

Sunday School classes will be taking a **break on Easter Sunday, April 5th**. Classes will resume on April 12th, and continuing on the 19th, 26th and May 3rd. **Classes will be taking another break on May 10th which is also Mother's Day.** Classes will resume on May 17th, 24th and 31st. **May 31st is the last day of Sunday School for this year.**

Other Events/Dates:

Date to be Determined – Sunday School and Youth Group members will go to The Fountains to plant some plants in containers with interested residents. Lisa will arrange for purchasing necessary supplies and plants and will speak with Margo about a date.

April 5th – Easter Egg Hunt - Becky Scribner agreed to coordinate this with the youth group again this year.

April 19th – we will celebrate Earth Day; the children will prepare the service and participate in specific parts of it. Father Matt to pursue this further/gather more information and ideas for the kids.

May 16th – Blessing of the Fields

May 31st – last day of Sunday School for this year.

More Dates of Interest:

Week of July 26th – Mission trip to Navaho land; John and Lisa Lacey will coordinate and send out information to youth group members and their parents. Lisa is going to work on the logistics.

August 11th - 16th – Pilgrimage to Alabama to honor and remember Jonathan Daniels; this is open to anyone who would like to participate; RMM has expressed an interest. Father Matt will organize and share information.

Betty Rae Nittiskie, John and Lisa Lacey – Sunday School Coordinators

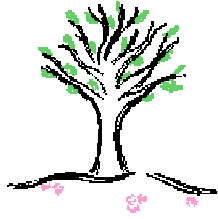


THE CELEBRATION OF A NEW MINISTRY
 INSTITUTING
 THE REVEREND DR. MATTHEW H. CALKINS
 TWENTY-FIFTH RECTOR
 OF
 GRACE CHURCH

SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2015

4 P.M.

RECEPTION TO FOLLOW



April 2015 Service Schedule (Revised)

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	<u>April 5 - Easter</u>	<u>April 12</u>	<u>April 19</u>	<u>April 26</u>
<u>7:30 am Service</u>				
Usher	Jean Hayes	Bruce McGilvray	Barney Calame	Maurice Neville
Reader	Valerie LaRobardier	Beth Willis	Kathryn Calame	Joan McGilvray
Chalice	Beth Willis	Joan McGilvray	Brenda deMartine	Valelerie LaRobardier
Coffee Hour	Easter Sunday No Coffee Hour	The Calames	Karen Whitton	Betty Rae Nittiskie
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<u>10:00 am Service</u>				
Usher 1	Gomez Family	Swift Family	Rudy Family	Susan Quigley
Usher 2				Paula Wilson
Reader	Joe Garzetta	Lynda Boissey	ML Ball	Marion Thompson
Acolyte	Mariel Mustello	Steven Bryant	Madeline Lacey	Jonathan Kolessar-Wright
Chalice 1	Jim Kolessar	Lisa Lacey	Lynda Boissey	ML Ball
Chalice 2	Pam Freeman	Sharon Schumacher	John Lacey	Ida Leung
Server 1				
Server 2				
Coffee Hour	To be determined	Mustello Family	Freeman Family	Kasin Family
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<u>Readings</u>				
First Reading	Acts 10:34-43	Acts 4:32-35	Acts 3:12-19	Acts 4:5-12
Psalms	Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24	Psalms 133	Psalms 4	Psalms 23
Epistle	1 Corinthians 15:1-11	1 John 1:1-2:2	1 John 3:1-7	1 John 3:16-24
Gospel	John 20:1-18	John 20:19-31	Luke 24:36b-48	John 10:11-18



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	<u>May 3</u>	<u>May 10</u>	<u>May 17</u>	<u>May 24</u>	<u>May 31</u>
<u>7:30 am Service</u>					
Usher	Bruce McGilvray	Barney Calame	Bruce McGilvray	Maurice Neville	Jean Hayes
Reader	Valerie LaRobardier	Kathryn Calame	Barney Calame	Beth Willis	Joan McGilvray
Chalice	Joan McGilvray	Beth Willis	Joan McGilvray	Brenda deMartine	Valerie LaRobardier
Coffee Hour	Cathy Shanks	Brenda deMartine	Dawn Carolie	Jean Hayes & Hollie Sturges	Karen Whitton
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<u>10:00 am Service</u>					
Usher 1	The Ball Family	Lorie Whiteley	Mustello Family	Pickney/Byron	Quigey/Wilson
Usher 2		Sharon Schumacher			
Reader	Ron Mustello	Paula Wilson	Lorie Whitely	Ida Leung	Dawn Galente
Acolyte	KC Bryant	Madeline Lacey	Mariel Mustello	Matthew Kolessar-Wright	Steven Bryant
Chalice 1	John Lacey	Ida Leung	Sharon Schumacher	Jane Meigs	Lisa Lacey
Chalice 2	Lynda Boissey	Lisa Lacey	Barbara Rudy	Jim Kolessar	Ida Leung
Server 1					
Server 2					
Coffee Hour	Freeman	Meigs	Podmaniczny	Thompson	Mustello
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<u>Readings</u>					
First Reading	Acts 8:26-40	Acts 10:44-48	Acts 1:15-17, 21-26	Acts 2:1-21	Isaiah 6:1-8
Psalms	Psalms 22:24-30	Psalms 98	Psalms 1	Psalms 104: 25-35,37	Psalms 29
Epistle	1 John 4:7-21	1 John 5:1-6	1 John 5:9-13	Romans 8:22-27	Romans 8:12-17
Gospel	John 15:1-8	John 15:9-17	John 17:6-19	John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15	John 3:1-17