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Bill Hogan, Class of 2019
Jim Kolessar, Class of 2015
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Virginia Neville,
Director

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Grace Notes

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Grace Church, Millbrook, NY

A MESSAGE FROM THE INTERIM PASTOR THE REV. AJUNG SOJWAL

My dear sisters and brothers at Grace,

I hope everyone has had a good time of relaxing, forgetting about work and other commitments for a change, catching up with friends and family, and just plain having fun in the Summer. It is now September and we are all back to the regular and mundane demands on us. Indeed, as the writer of Ecclesiastes says, "For everything there is a season and a time for every matter under heaven." I cannot believe that I have been with you all for eight months now; it seems like it was just yesterday I arrived to your great welcome and graciousness toward me and now I find myself planning to begin the process of finishing my time with you.

In the first half of the year I have been encouraged tremendously by those who showed eager willingness to take up leadership on behalf of the whole Grace Church community in the various ministries of the church. In my not so long time as a parish priest, I have yet to encounter such enthusiasm to make your faith in Jesus Christ a practical reality in and through the life of the church body. We want to make sure that our joy in



the church body. We want to make sure that our joy in being with Christ and His people becomes incarnate in a radical hospitality that all who come into our presence surely encounter Christ in our midst.

In the coming months, I would like us to work toward building such a community of radical hospitality, which will invariably lead us to a place of discomfort. However, that place of discomfort for Christians often turns out to be the thin place where heaven ruptures into our world.

I would like to challenge you all in the coming months to reach out to someone you have never spoken to, find out more about the lives of people you have never had the opportunity to spend extended time with, invite people you have never had in your home to tea, lunch or dinner, get involved in a ministry of the church, take time to find out more about our Latino ministries, Lunch box ministry, the Pre-School, the various committees that work to ensure a faithful stewardship of all that God has blessed us with, become a mentor to one of our youth members, bring a friend to church, organize a get-together of random people; the opportunities to extend yourselves in radical hospitality is endless, I hope you will prayerfully give yourselves to the life and nurture of the Body of Christ that we all belong to.



Your sister in Christ,
Ajung Sojwal

Acolyte Training

Acolyte Training will be held on 9/12, 9/19 and 9/26 from 6 to 8 pm in the Church. This training is for everyone from age 8 to 15 whether they are current Acolytes, were Acolytes at another church or have decided that they would like to serve for the first time. Each session will be different and there are no make up dates for those who miss an evening.

Stewardship "Pledge Season"

"Time, Talents and Treasure"

Pledge Season for Grace Church will begin soon. With your help, we will reach our goal of "building the church community" through pledging our Time, Talents and Treasure, the importance of which cannot be overstated. During this pledge season you will learn how to support our special ministries, community activities and our general operating fund.

Please look, listen and participate this fall as information about financial pledging, the sharing of talents and the giving of time is shared with you through mail, email, church presentations and special activities.

To this end, Rev. Ajung will present three Adult Education programs as follows:

- September 22nd: Stewardship I: The gift of financial resources
- September 29th: Stewardship II: The opportunity to build community
- October 6th: Stewardship III: The grace to worship God fully

Time: 8:30-9:30 am

Place : Parish House

It takes the resources of all our church members to help us grow and remain strong. Thank you for your continued commitment.

Morning Preschool at Grace Church

With the arrival of its new leadership team this summer, Millbrook Community Preschool at Grace Church will celebrate the opening of its doors this fall with fresh new look. Clean, open spaces will define the school. A rich curriculum, warm and nurturing staff, and opportunities for family involvement will continue to be the hallmarks of the program.

Places are still available for the 2013-2014 academic year for both the 3 and 4 year old programs. Please contact the director, Maureen Sarma to learn more and arrange a visit to the school. Phone: (845) 594-3974, email: maureenatgrace@gmail.com

To benefit the school, The Children's Rummage Sale will again take place this autumn on Saturday, October 5th. Donations of clean, gently used, children's items and clothing (sized birth to 12 years) are graciously accepted from mid September. Please do not drop items off, but call (845) 594-3974 to make a arrangements with the director so storage can be arranged.

The school is looking for a donations of the following items: Quality, wooden, preschool grade ride-on toys (suitable for indoor play), and a wooden preschool coat stand and full length mirror for our dress up corner, and 2 compact CD players. Please direct calls to Maureen and spread the word!

A special word of thanks to everyone for the warm welcome we have received over the summer months. Some people have been key sources of support as we settle in: Dave Swift in maintenance, Maria Galli in the office, Bill Hogan, Katherine Mustello, and Cathy Shanks, our wonderful, and always positive link to the Vestry. We are so looking forward to working with the children in the coming year, and becoming part of the Grace Church Community.



Thank you so much for the warm and loving farewell brunch you hosted for us. We were all touched and heartened by your well wishes and prayers for our new adventure. The beautiful framed picture of Grace Church already has a place in our Winchester study and we are looking forward to treating ourselves to the Kennedy Center this fall. Your generosity is overwhelming.

Thank you, especially, for the love and friendship you have extended our family these past eight years. You have brought, and continue to bring, grace and beauty into our lives. Please know that our home in Winchester, VA is always open to you.

Until we meet again,
Diane, Barry, Miranda, and Ella

Mercy, Compassion, Hope

Women of Grace:

Women of Grace will meet at 7 pm on Wednesday, September 11th for evening prayer and on Wednesday, September 25th at 6:30 pm for pot luck dinner in the Parish Hall.

Calendar and Prayer Cycle

September 2013

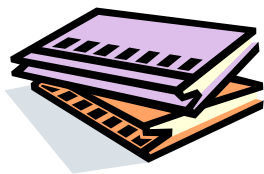


Sunday Service Schedule:
7:30 Holy Eucharist

Weekday Services:
Healing Service: Wednesdays at 10 am

10:00 Family Service & Holy Eucharist
- Sunday School 11 am - 11:35 am

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 <i>Treuille</i>	2 <i>Trevena</i>	3 6:15 pm ESL <i>Tripp</i>	4 <i>Tuccillo</i>	5 6:15 pm ESL <i>Tyldsley</i>	6 3-5 pm Food Pantry <i>Vallarino</i>	7 <i>Van Alen</i>
8 <i>Van Tassell</i>	9 <i>Velletri</i>	10 6:15 pm ESL <i>Verrilli</i>	11 7 pm Women of Grace <i>Vickery</i>	12 6 pm Acolyte Training 6:15 pm ESL <i>Vogel</i>	13 3-5 pm Food Pantry <i>Wainwright</i>	14 <i>Walborn</i>
15 <i>Weaver</i>	16 <i>Weeden</i>	17 6:15 pm ESL <i>Welling</i>	18 <i>Wesp</i>	19 6 pm Acolyte Training 6:15 pm ESL <i>Westney</i>	20 3-5 pm Food Pantry <i>Mr. & Mrs. W. Wetmore</i>	21 <i>Mr. & Mrs. D. Whalen</i>
22 8:30 am Adult Education 11:30 am Vestry Meeting <i>Mr. & Mrs. J. Whalen</i>	23 <i>Whiteley</i>	24 6:15 pm ESL <i>Whitton</i>	25 6:30 pm Women of Grace <i>Willis</i>	26 6 pm Acolyte Training 6:15 pm ESL <i>Wilson</i>	27 3-5 pm Food Pantry <i>Winkler</i>	28 9 am Lunch Box Prep <i>Witt</i>
29 8:30 am Adult Education 11:30 am - 3 Lunch Box <i>Ainsley</i>	30 <i>Antonson</i>					



September 2013 Service Schedule (Revised)

If you are unable to serve, you are responsible for finding your own replacement. Schedule changes after the 15th will not be in Grace Notes. For any questions regarding the schedule, please call the Lay Server Scheduler, Joan McGilvray at 635-3021 or email BMCGILVRA4@GMAIL.COM. Thank You!

	<u>September 1</u>	<u>September 8</u>	<u>September 15</u>	<u>September 22</u>	<u>September 29</u>
<u>7:30 am Service</u>					
Usher	Jean Hayes	Bruce McGilvray	Maurice Neville	Betty Rae Nittiskie	Virginia Neville
Reader	Joan McGilvray	Valerie La Robardier	Barney Calame	Rob Dyson	Kathryn Calame
Chalice	Jack Banning	Joan McGilvray	Kurt Barnes	Valerie La Robardier	Brenda de Martine
Coffee Hour	Brenda de Martine	Rob Dyson	Jean Hayes & Hollie Sturges	Cathy Shanks	Betty Rae Nittiskie
<u>10:00 am Service</u>					
Usher 1	Swift Family	Gomez Family	Scribner Family	Paula Wilson	Rudy Family
Usher 2				Susan Quigley	
Reader	Marion Thompson	Paula Wilson	Bill Augerson	Don Delaney	Jane Meigs
Acolyte	Johnathon Kolessar-Wright	Steven Bryant	Mariel Mustello	Matthew Kolessar-Wright	Madeline Lacey
Chalice 1	Sharon Schumacher	Jane Meigs	ML Ball	Jim Kolessar	Ida Leung
Chalice 2	Barbara Rudy	Lynda Boissey	Jim Kolessar	Sharon Schumacher	Lynda Boissey
Server 1					
Server 2					
Coffee Hour	Thompson Family	Mustello Family	Rudy Family	Augerson Family	Freeman Family
<u>Readings</u>					
First Reading	Proverbs 25:6-7	Deuteronomy 30:15-20	Exodus 32:7-14	Amos 8:4-7	Amos 6:1a, 4-7
Psalms	112	1	51:1-11	113	146
Epistle	Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16	Philemon 1-21	1 Timothy 1:12-17	1 Timothy 2:1-7	1 Timothy 6:6-19
Gospel	Luke 14:1, 7-14	Luke 14:25-33	Luke 15:1-10	Luke 16:1-13	Luke 16:19-31



October 2013 Service Schedule

October 6

7:30 am Service

Usher	Bruce McGilvray
Reader	Beth Willis
Chalice	Joan McGilvray
Coffee Hour	The Nevilles

October 13

Jean Hayes
Barney Calame
Valerie LaRobardier
Brenda de Martine

10:00 am Service

Usher 1	Swift Family	Gomez Family
Usher 2		
Reader	Marion Thompson	Paula Wilson
Acolyte	Madeline Lacey	KC Bryant
Chalice 1	Sharon Schumacher	Jane Meigs
Chalice 2	Barbara Rudy	Lynda Boissey
Server 1		
Server 2		
Coffee Hour	Sandy Podmaniczky	Susan Quigley

Readings

First Reading	Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4	2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c
Psalms	37:1-10	111
Epistle	2 Timothy 1:1-14	2 Timothy 2:8-15
Gospel	Luke 17:5-10	Luke 17:11-19

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October 20

Maurice Neville
Kathryn Calame
Kurt Barnes
Dawn Carolie

October 27

Betty Rae Nittiskie
Joan McGilvray
Brenda de Martine
Karen Whitton

Augerson Family

Ann Westney

Mariel Mustello

ML Ball

Jim Kolessar

Meigs Family

Genesis 32:22-31

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2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

Luke 18:1-8

Paula Wilson

Susan Quigley

Don Delaney

Matthew Kolessar-Wright

Jim Kolessar

Sharon Schumacher

Scribner Family

Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

84:1-6

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Luke 18:9-14

Search Committee Update

The Search Committee has been working hard over the summer to complete interviews with our candidates. We have identified our final candidates and are taking the time to review all our notes. As of this writing, we are preparing to meet one final time in August to determine which of these candidates we would like to forward to the Vestry. At that point, we will give the finalist(s) names to the Diocese, and the Bishop will do one final review to ensure there is nothing that would disqualify them from leading Grace Church. Assuming our candidate(s) are approved by the Bishop, the Search Committee will meet with the Vestry to give detailed information about the candidate(s) so they can schedule their own interviews, check references and make a decision on who will best lead Grace Church. We plan to have the joint meeting with the Vestry sometime in September. At that point, the Search Committee will have completed our part of the search process and will pass the torch to the Vestry.

Please keep both the Search Committee and Vestry in your prayers as we transition to the next phase of the Search Process

Barbara Rudy
Search Committee Chair

The Wednesday Healing Service, suspended for the summer, resumes on September 4th.



Donations Needed for Gracie's Attic

Gracie's Attic needs donations! We have been selling quite a few things this season and our inventory is down. If you have spare time to find things around your home that you may not need anymore, we would appreciate the donation of antique or vintage items. We would especially appreciate furniture, jewelry or other collectibles.

You may leave small items in the church office or contact Kathryn Calame regarding pick-up of larger items (calame.kathryn@gmail.com).

We will arrange to have the shop open one Sunday in September so you can browse and, possibly, find a treasure.

Thanks so much for your support of Gracie's Attic and a special thank you to the volunteers who help out each week.



Building and Grounds Clean-Up Day:

Save the Date! Saturday, October 19th, is the date for the Building and Grounds Clean-Up Day. Come join fellow church members as we brighten and "spruce up" inside, outside and all around our church buildings. A list of chores will be published in the future but, start planning now for a day of fun, good works and great satisfaction. Join the "crew" by contacting Maria at mcgalliatgrace@aol.com or 677-3064.

Grace Rummage Sale

Everything old is new again....put the Grace Church Rummage Sale on your calendar for this coming November 1 - 3 weekend. This special fundraiser will be back at the Parish Hall this year.

Start thinking now about what you might have to donate - perhaps something old but gently used, something of which you have just one too many, or an old treasure for someone new. We are looking for kitchen and household items, furniture, jewelry, consignment quality clothes and coats, and....you name it!

Also, consider joining the great leadership team of Robin Capers and Brenda DeMartine and volunteer to help set up, greet shoppers, stock shelves and clean up. Most set up tasks will have to be completed during the week before the sale. Clean-up takes place on Sunday after the sale. Contact either Robin at 845-677-5405 or Brenda at 845-677-3638 to offer your services. If you have items that you would like to store at the church, please call David at 845-464-7872 in order to gain access to the storage area.

Remember that this is a big fundraiser for the ministries and activities of the church. Why not be a part of it?

