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"This Week At Grace" Grace Episcopal Church 4110 S. Ridgewood Ave. Port Orange, FL 32127 386 767-3583 www.egracepo.org parish@egracepo.org facebook.com/egracepo.org Office hours: Mon.-Thurs. 9 am - 1pm

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY - NOV. 2 - NOV 8, 2025

Daniel 7:1-3,15-18; Psalm 149; Ephesians 1:11-23; Luke 6:20-31 The Lectionary Page

Sunday:

8:00 am HOLY EUCHARIST
9:15 am Graceway Café
9:30 am Choir Rehearsal

9:30 am Lectionary Sunday School

10:30 am HOLY EUCHARIST- livestreamed

10:30 am Children's Sunday School

Monday: Birthday: Marlene Greene

Tuesday: Birthdays: Wallace Guay
12:00 pm Veteran's Display Making

12:00 pm BAM

12:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday: Birthdays: Susan Wright

6:00 pm **HEALING SERVICE** *livestreamed*.

Thursday: Anniversaries: Robert & Roseann Kurrle

Friday: Birthdays: Sherri Davids

Saturday:

9:00 am Men's Bible Study

10:00 am ECW General Meeting

11:00 am ECW Crafts

Collect for Sunday:

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

The Flowers on the altar this Sunday are given to the glory of God from Edith Hryndak for family and friends and from Bill McCaffrey in memory of Rev. Susan McCaffrey.



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS THIS SUNDAY, NOV.2

Remember to turn your clocks back one hour before you go to bed this Saturday, Nov. 1

This means we get an extra hour of sleep on Sunday morning!



TUESDAY NOV.4 at NOON HELP NEEDED for VETERANS DAY DISPLAY

Come help Rev. Jonnette design and decorate our Veteran's Day display .

She has been collecting photos of you or your family veterans for a special tribute on Sunday, Nov. 9.

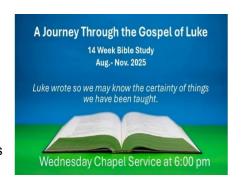
There is still time to give Rev. Jonnette photos and a brief description of you, or your veteran family member, to be included in the Veteran's Day display. Name, branch of military, when they served and any pertinent information to share will be most appreciated!

Please include your name and phone number so that your photos and materials may be returned (medals, yearbooks, commendations, etc.)

WED. NOV. 5 at 6:00 pm GOSPEL OF LUKE STUDY CONTINUES

Week 13: Luke 16:1–17:37 – Parables and Teachings on the Kingdom

Our Wednesday noon services have ended but this study continues at the 6:00 pm service.



Through November Fr. Gary leads us in a **WALK WITH JESUS** from His birth narratives all the way to His approach to Jerusalem in chapter 19.



WED. NOV. 5 at 6:00 PM - HEALING SERVICE.

If you or someone you know would like to receive prayers and anointing for healing in mind, body, or spirit, this service is available to everyone in the community.



NEXT ECW GENERAL MEETING SAT. NOV. 8 - 10:00 am to 11:00 am

All women of Grace are invited to join us for fellowship as we continue planning for our upcoming activities.

At 11:00 am, after the meeting, we will continue with craft making for the **Christmas Market on December 6.**



\$15 Adults \$10 Teens Free - Kids under 13



Tickets on sale this Sunday, Nov. 2

ANNUAL GRACE FAMILY THANKSGIVING DINNER

SAT. NOVEMBER 15 at 5:00 pm

You and your family are invited to a meal of turkey and all the trimmings prepared by chef Bob Normington.

This is always a popular, wellattended event and a great way to get your family and friends together without cooking!

Take -out meals are also available.



St. Nicholas Sunday Baby Gift Donation for Chiles Academy:

A public charter school for teen parents and their children.



Please bring on Nov. 16

Unwrapped Gifts for Infants & Toddlers

- *Toys for children 6 mo. to 2 years
- *New clothing size 6 mo. to 2 years
- *Diapers size 5 & 6 are always needed.
- *Monetary donations also accepted.



The Chiles Academy's mission is to provide a community of support and guidance for pregnant and parenting students, with the goal of helping them attain a high school diploma.

Thank you from Grace Outreach Ministry for reaching out into our community with Christ's arms of love

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Website: The Chiles Academy

PICK UP a COPY of this FLYER This SUNDAY.

These gifts that you generously donate each year assist the teen mothers who are continuing their high school education at Chiles Academy.

Please return unwrapped gifts by Nov. 16.

Thank you!





UPCOMING CURSILLO WEEKEND NOVEMBER 14-16



The mailbox for Palanca letters is in the narthex this Sunday.

Please place your letters of prayers and support for your fellow parishioners:

TEAM MEMBER: Sharon Harlow

CANDIDATES: Holly Frink, June Millar, Sheridan Perry, Cathy Petersen, and Judy Tabb.

Cursillo palanca letters are spiritual support letters filled with prayers, sacrifices, and encouragement, sent to participants of a Cursillo retreat to uplift them during their faith journey. website: Palanca Requests - National Cursillo



WALKING THE MOURNER'S PATH January 7 - February 25, 2026

Eight Wednesday Sessions, 4pm to 5:30pm Please Register before Nov. 30.

Centered on the healing and restorative power of God's love, this eight-week program is designed to transform grief into joyful living.

Register by contacting Rev Jonnette, 386.314.5595. There is a \$60 materials fee for this program which will be led by Rev. Jonnette.

Website: Walking the Mourner's Path - Mourners Path Grief Ministry



The CHAPEL is OPEN BEFORE 10:30 am SUNDAY SERVICES

for those seeking quiet, peaceful solitude for prayer before the service.

ECW's CHRISTMAS MARKET is their biggest fundraising event each year.

All money they raise goes directly to benefit Grace Church. Stay tuned for details about how the entire congregation can help, such as:

Make homemade baked goods, cookies, jams, jellies, relishes, candies.

Donate Raffle items (or items to include in a raffle basket).

- *Handmade Afghans, quilts, etc.
- *Large holiday novelties or lawn ornaments
- *Products from businesses with their business cards





ADVENT RETREAT

DEC 13, SAT. 8:30 am - 12:00 NOON. MARY MAGDALENE, APOSTLE TO THE APOSTLES

A time to consider the healing, forgiveness, discernment, and transformation of our walk with Jesus as modeled in the life of Christ's disciple, Mary Magdalene.

Led by Rev Jonnette.

Please sign up in the narthex by Dec. 7. Cost: \$5.00.



CAREPORTAL MINISTRY REQUEST

Do you have a Dresser or Chest of Drawers you no longer need?

A mom in Holly Hill was recently reunited with her 15-year-old daughter. She has a good bed but needs a dresser. She would like something black or white, but anything would be appreciated. Size does not matter but the more drawers the better.

Please contact Mary Finger at 239 464-6715.

CarePortal's mission is to help vulnerable children and families in the foster care system. CarePortal creates connections that can change lives, transform communities, and reverse the foster care crisis in our nation. Because every child matters.

Website: <u>CarePortal | OneFamily</u>

AN OPPORTUNITY to GIVE your GIFT OF LOVE for the MISSION of GRACE.



ALTAR GUILD LOOKING for VOLUNTEERS - The Grace Church Altar Guild prepares the church and chapel for every service, including all special services such as weddings, funerals, and baptisms. We care for the altar and the vestments, linens, and vessels.

All you need is a heart for reverence and a willingness to learn. We will train you. For more information, please contact Rosie Shaw at

rshaw81@cfl.rr.com or 386 265-5740.

HUM PANTRY CURRENT NEEDS:

CEREAL and **SHELF STABLE MILK, QUART SIZE.**

GRACE CHURCH PET FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:

Dry or Wet Cat & Dog Food Dog/Cat Treats
Gallon Ziploc Slider Style Bags

For monetary donations, make checks out to "Grace Episcopal Church" with "Pet Food Pantry" on the memo line.

ECW ACTIVITIES FOR 2025

November 8th General Meeting 10:00 am to 11:00 am. Crafts 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

November 15th 10:00 am Shell Art and ornaments and Orbee Vases

December 3 – 5 Set up Christmas Market

December 6th Christmas Market – 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

December 9th ECW Board Meeting 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

December 20th ECW General Meeting and Christmas Party 10:00 am

E-MAIL

ECW EMAIL -All Grace women are automatically members of the EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN (ECW), our very active service and fellowship ministry. We maintain a separate e-mailing list to send out requests and news for specific ECW events. If you would like to be included in

the ECW e-mail list, please send your name and email address to ecwgrace@gmail.com.

OUR VISION

Grace Church is a welcoming community of hope and healing, where all can experience and share God's transforming love.



OUR MISSION

We are the Church of Open Arms.

OUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The following guiding principles help us measure our actions and decisions as a community of faith:

- Through worship, we experience the presence of God through Word,
 Sacrament, Music, and Community.
- Through outreach, we serve others by providing for their physical, spiritual, and social needs.
- Through congregational care, we express our love for one another.



STRATEGIC PLAN CHRISTIAN ED MINISTRIES:

Each month we pray for a specific group of our ministries.

During NOVEMBER, please keep our many CHRISTIAN

EDUCATION ministries in your prayers:

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Adult Sunday School, Cursillo/Ultreya, Home Bible Study/Cell Groups, Men's Bible Study, Vestry, Wed. Evening Study Series. Children & Youth: Children's Sunday School, Vacation Bible School.

Christian Education Ministries provide opportunities for parishioners of all ages to grow personally in their relationship with God.

Objectives

- Provide Christian Education and Formation that is based in Scripture and the
- Episcopal tradition.
- Connect our personal experiences to God's story and empower us to share the Good News with others.
- To offer a safe and nurturing environment for our youth to explore, discuss and learn about and experience God.
- To identify and utilize the skills, talents, and interests of our members to empower them for service in the ministries of Grace.

Strategies

- Provide a variety of study groups appealing to the interests of parishioners.
- Offer and engage the parish with educational opportunities.
 - Bible Studies
 - Seasonal Studies
 - Cursillo
- Vacation Bible School
- Encourage and support small group development.
- Engage the youth with relevant and age-appropriate church programs and activities.
- Provide a relevant and engaging curriculum.
- Develop a program to inventory talents, skills, and interests to involve each member
 of the congregation in some ministry and provide that information to the appropriate
 ministry leader.

Wednesday, Nov. 5 is Week 13

WED. BIBLE STUDY - JOURNEY THROUGH LUKE

Week 13: Luke 16:1–17:37 – Parables and Teachings on the Kingdom

Week 14: Luke 18:1–19:27 – Parables of Grace and the Coming Kingdom



QR CODE FOR ELECTRONIC GIVING -Many parishioners are finding it more convenient to donate to Grace electronically. This QR code will connect you to Donor Box which accepts Google Pay, PayPal, Venmo and credit and debit cards.



PRAYER FOR PEACE IN NOVEMBER

Almighty Father,

In this month of November, I pray for Your peace to fill my heart. Remove from my path anything that may disturb my peace. Help me not to worry about the things I cannot control, and guide me in releasing to You anything that causes me stress or anxiety.

Let me be anxious for nothing in this month of November, trusting fully in Your power to handle all things. Thank You, dear Lord, for the peace that comes from knowing and trusting in You.



Good News Daily

Sunday, November 2

Luke 12:22-31 "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life..." (v.22 NIV)

How often have we heard Jesus' teaching on worry and then disregarded it as we continue to fret about our lives? In this passage Jesus tells us to concentrate on the things above, the kingdom of God. If we do, we are told, all the things of this life that we are so concerned with will be given to us.

Does that mean the condo in the Rockies and the Mercedes I have always wanted? Probably not. Jesus is saying that our needs will be met when we put our trust in God. We may not always have what we want but we will always have what we need.

Quite often we get our needs and our wants confused, and that leads to our feeling deprived, or abandoned, or unappreciated, or unloved. We move through life with a level of constant anxiety that is unbiblical. Let us begin to trust God. He has made us a promise, and He always keeps His word.

Nehemiah 5:1-19; Psalms 24, 29; Acts 20:7-12

Monday, November 3

Matthew 13:36-43 Then he left the crowd and went into the house. His disciples came to him and said, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field." (v.36)

Jesus spoke in parables to describe the kingdom of God. Today he explains the parable of the weeds to the disciples. From this story we understand that the kingdom of God and the kingdom of darkness coexist side by side, at least for the present.

We could take this to mean that the enemy is not only the obvious one who blatantly thwarts the will of God but is also living within the Church. We also understand that it is not for us to decide who is in the kingdom of God and who is not. This is God's responsibility, and we should not presume to know anyone's heart.

This parable also emphasizes the present and future aspects of the kingdom. The seed now growing in preparation for the harvest illustrates the present aspect of the kingdom. The harvest pictures the future aspect of the kingdom. At that time the true character of all people will be revealed and judged. Meanwhile, God's Church represents God's kingdom here on earth, not as a separate isolated group, but as God's people living in the midst of a fallen world. Take heart, we are not alone.

Nehemiah 6:1-19; Psalms 56, 57, 58; Revelation 10:1-11

Tuesday, November 4

Matthew 13:44-52 "When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field." (v.44b)

Here we have two parables, the treasure and the pearl. It is important to remember that the point is the joy of the gospel. When the man finds the treasure and the merchant finds the pearl they are overjoyed and then go and sell everything in order to buy the new reality.

Note that the selling for them was not a sacrifice, but rather a joy. Joy is the core of change and the essence of sacrifice. We need to understand that it is not by telling people to make

sacrifices that they make sacrifices. It is by telling people of God's great treasure that they are willing to sell all they have and follow Him.

We also see that joy enables selling, but only selling gets the treasure. Selling is a condition not for finding, but for having the treasure. The two great lessons of these parables then are, that the gospel has both great joy and also makes great demands on those who hear. Together they give us a complete picture of God's plan for our lives.

Nehemiah 12:27-31a, 42b-47; Psalms 61, 62; Revelation 11:1-19

Wednesday, November 5

Matthew 13:53-58 And they took offense at him. But Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his own town and in his own home." (v.57)

When Jesus returns to his hometown, the people are excited to see him. The excitement turns to disdain, however, when they realize that Jesus is the same kid who grew up in their town. Since they know his beginnings, they cannot bring themselves to acknowledge his divinity.

We sometimes do the same thing with the Scriptures. Because they were written by human authors, we can easily deny their inspired divinity from the Holy Spirit.

Because the people did not believe in Jesus, Matthew tells us that Jesus was limited in what he could accomplish. Faith is the way to Jesus' help. When faith is not present, not much happens.

The simple truth is that where churches believe Jesus is alive, Jesus is alive. The corollary is that where unbelief reigns, a limit is set to the powerful deeds of Jesus. I believe that this is the reason that believing churches grow. The Spirit and miracles are at work in congregations where people have faith. Not faith in themselves, but in the message and person of Jesus Christ. Jesus really is alive, and this is good news for us all.

Nehemiah 13:4-22; Psalm 72; Revelation 12:1-12

Thursday, November 6

Matthew 14:1-12 John's disciples came and took his body and buried it. Then they went and told Jesus. (v.12)

Today we read about the demise of John the Baptist. John got himself into trouble because he confronted a king's immorality. Not only was he an evangelist, but he was also a prophet who spoke the will of God with great power and conviction.

John was a man of integrity and a person who knew what he believed and then acted on those beliefs. In the end he died defending the sanctity of marriage. How often we Christians change our minds because the latest opinion polls show how many people differ with the moral and social positions outlined for us in Scripture.

In today's culture there is a great deal of pressure to conform to the way society views things. As Christians we are called to shape our views and ideas based on Scripture, tradition, and reason. Scripture always is the deciding factor in case of a tie. So, when you come across a new way of looking at things, or a change in the way you have always understood something to be, check with the Book before changing your mind. God will not lead you astray.

Ezra 7:1-26; Psalms 70, 71; Revelation 14:1-13

Friday, November 7

Matthew 14:13-21 The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children. (v.21)

One of the wonderful things about this parable is that it points out that Jesus is Lord of even the most common needs. It shows us that Jesus not only cares about hungry people, but he also does something about it. He does not organize another committee, he feeds them.

Please note that this is another example of the miraculous in the Gospels. Some have spiritualized this story to mean that Jesus inspired the masses to share their lunches with one another and that was the real miracle. This is certainly not the plain meaning of the text; and, if we deny the miraculous in Scripture, we strip the power from revelation of God. God did intervene in the lives of His people, God does intervene in the lives of His people, and God will continue to intervene in the lives of His people.

One final note on today's reading. It is the earliest sign of the Lord's Supper in the Gospels. In verse 19 Jesus performs the four-fold action of every communion. He takes, blesses, breaks, and gives the bread. In giving us food to eat, he gives us himself.

Ezra 7:27-28, 8:21-36; Psalm 69; Revelation 15:1-8

Saturday, November 8

Matthew 14:22-36 But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." (v.27)

We have all been in Peter's shoes: I believe, Lord, help me in my unbelief!

In this story Jesus subdues nature and walks on the water. Once the disciples know it is Jesus, Peter tells Jesus to command him to walk on the water. Jesus tells him (and us) to get out of the boat. Initially, Peter is able to walk, but before long he sinks and must be rescued.

Why does Peter go under? Because, like most of us, he steps out in faith and then begins to look around and realizes that he is in over his head.

The message of this story is at least two-fold. First, Jesus is telling us that, in him, all things are possible if only we trust him and have faith. We can "walk on the water." Second, we find that we cannot do it ourselves and truly are in need of a Savior, Jesus. Notice that when Peter calls out for help, Jesus is there immediately with a saving hand. Remember that when we feel we are in over our heads, and need help, all we have to do is call on the Savior and he will be there to stretch out his hand.

Ezra 9:1-15; Psalms 75, 76; Revelation 17:1-14

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