



Weekly Mini Notes Newsletter for Week of Sunday, September 6, 2026

Dear Grace Church Community!

The deadline to register for the Grief Counseling is today.

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, September 7th, in observance of Labor Day. Please call or text Jody with any emergencies.

The current bulletin can be found here: <https://gracenewmarket.org/parish-news/>

READINGS FOR SUNDAY

- [Exodus 12:1-14](#)
- [Psalm 149](#)
- [Romans 13:8-14](#)
- [Matthew 18:15-20](#)

WORSHIP TEAM (10 AM Service)

- Chalcist - Jody Kuhn
- Lector - Heather Dernoeden
- Ushers - Jay and Heather Estey
- Altar Guild - Viannye Urbina
- Counters - Jay Estey and Lori Rodriguez

*Please read Scripture ahead of the service and ask Rev. Kiona if you have questions regarding pronunciation.

UPCOMING EVENTS

(Please check our website [HERE](#) for up-to-date information.)

September 10th - GROUP GRIEF COUNSELING

We currently have 2 participants. We are extending the registration deadline until September 3rd.

Beginning September 10th, 6:30 - 8 PM in the Chapel, we will offer Group Grief Counseling on the 2nd Thursday of the month.

A safe space will be provided to process grief & loss and transform it into joyful living.

Offered to mourners past 6 months since the loss.

Registration required. A minimum of 3 people (a maximum of 6 participants) needed to start.

Please notify Jody if you will be attending by September 3rd.

A fee of \$75 will cover the copyrighted booklet and other related expenses.

September 13th - SUNDAY SCHOOL RETURNS AND PARISH BBQ DURING COFFEE HOUR

Sunday School returns on September 13th during the 10 AM service.

We will also have a Parish BBQ to celebrate the close of Summer.

A sign up sheet will be available on Sunday for any sides you might like to bring.

We need volunteers to be on grill duty.

September 15th - VESTRY MEETING

September 20th - CHOIR REHEARSAL BEGINS

Rehearsals will occur every Sunday at 9:20 AM in the sanctuary!
Please join us if you are feeling the call to the music ministry.

September 23rd - SING A LONG TOUR

Please join the choir on their "Sing-a-Long Tour" on September 23rd 10:30 AM at Village Crossing (where George lives). Then we'll have lunch at Panera Bread. Then at 1:00 PM we go to Heartfield (where Marie lives). I'll have addresses for you next week, and songbooks to use that day! Everyone is welcome! Carol Dissmeyer, 410-967-0218.

September 26th - CRAFT DAY

9 AM to Noon in the Parish House

October 4th - BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

October 24th - OUT OF THE DARKNESS COMMUNITY WALK - IN REMEMBRANCE OF MEAGHAN HOLAHAN

This fall Trish Holahan will be participating as part of the Team Leidos - Frederick in the Out of the Darkness Frederick Walk which will support suicide prevention.

Her daughter, Meaghan, lost her mental health battle in July of 2025.

She had just graduated with a Masters in Clinical Psychological Counseling from Northwestern University.

Your donation will help the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP) fund research, create educational programs, advocate for public policy, and support survivors of suicide loss.

Please visit <https://afspwalks.donordrive.com/participant/3523572> and/or speak with Trish Holahan with any questions.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH NEWSLETTERS

The Maryland Diocese Newsletter can be found [here](#). This newsletter is specific to Maryland.

The weekly Newsletter from the Episcopal Church can be found [here](#).

It is a roundup of news, events, and resources from Episcopal Church Center mission areas and offices from all across the United States.

EPISCOPAL RELIEF FUND

Grace Church is collecting funding to go towards "Gifts For Life" through Episcopal Relief and Development. The current focus is water. These gifts will help to build and sustain communities worldwide struggling with hunger, poverty, disaster, and disease.

Please make donations separate from regular giving and note on your check that it is for "Gifts For Life".

VOLUNTEER MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Coffee and Fellowship—Please sign up to serve.

It can be as easy or elaborate as you choose.

FOOD PANTRY

Our food pantry ministry use has increased exponentially. Any and all help is welcome!

Please note, a small refrigerator has been placed in the entryway to keep liquid based pantry items during these hotter weeks.

The over-stock area is in the Parish House.

We are accepting monetary food pantry donations.

Please make checks payable to 'Grace Episcopal Church' and put 'For Food Pantry' in the note section.

FREE LITTLE LIBRARY REMINDER

Please feel free to take, leave and/or return books at the bookshelf in the entry way of the church.

PASTORAL CARE

Priest-in-Charge Office hours: (This week's office hours occurred on Tuesday and will likely occur on Tuesday of next week also.)

Thursdays 3 - 5 PM (except the 3rd week of the month: Tuesdays 3 - 7 PM)

By appointment only.

Please notify Rev. Kiona or contact Jody if you are aware of any parish members in need of pastoral or Eucharistic visitation, rides, meal drop off, or get-well cards.

For pastoral care emergencies, please call 443-264-4628.

Parish Administrator Office hours:

- Sunday: 8:30 - 9:30 AM
- Monday: 8 - Noon
- Tuesday: 7 - Noon (except the 3rd week of the month: Noon - 5 PM)
- Thursday: Noon - 5 PM
- Friday: 7 - 11 AM
- Reach Jody by cell at 301-642-5098 (Please text)

If you are feeling called to a lay ministry, please talk with Rev. Kiona or contact Jody.

NOTE: If you would like to add an event or information to the Mini Notes, please send the information to gracechurchoffice@comcast.net no later than Thursdays at Noon.

Webpage: [Grace Church, New Market](#)