

# *The Church Mouse*

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER | GRACE COVENANT  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
SEPTEMBER 16, 2018– VOLUME 3

This Sunday we welcome Dick Beale who is filling in for Pastor Doug who is on vacation.

**His Message: “Is Stewardship the Right Word?”**

**Based on these scriptures:**

*Genesis 12:1-3, Matthew 20:25-28, Matthew 22:34-40, Matthew 28:16-20, I Corinthians 12:27-28, and James 2:14-17.*

*We Look forward to sharing with you in worship!*

**NOTE: WE ARE KEEPING OUR EYES ON THE WEATHER AND WE MAY NOT HAVE CHURCH THIS SUNDAY.... WE WILL SEND AN EMAIL IF WE CAN, MOST LIKELY ON THURSDAY. BUT IF YOU DO NOT FEEL SAFE DRIVING OR CAN NOT COME PLEASE KNOW GOD LOVES YOU ANYWAY AND SO DO WE!**

**This is the Sunday that we are having a meeting:  
A Called meeting of the Congregation &  
Members of the Corporation of Grace Covenant  
Presbyterian Church has been called by Session.  
The purpose of this meeting is to elect elders,  
deacons, & directors of the Corporation. The  
meeting will be this Sunday Sept. 16th right after  
worship.**

## **Church Events**

- Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> - Men's Prayer Breakfast is at 7 AM, Taking Off Pounds Sensibly meets at 9 AM, Ensemble 6:15 & Choir at 7 PM
- Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> – Martha Circle is meeting, Session is meeting @ 7 PM
- Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> – Movies Under the Stars is showing 'Cinderella'
- Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> – Centershot begins

# Sunday Servants:

1 <sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY	2 <sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY	3 <sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY	4 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY	5 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY
Dick Foard Mike Fuller Kitty Davis Chris Doyel	Patricia Cowan Louise Theberge John Kupiec Billy Healy	Jim Wesson John Ogburn Todd Coons John O'Briant Lewis Horsley	Doug Price Jane Price Bob McCreary Carter Richardson	Usher Captains
<i>LITURGISTS:</i>				
Patricia Cowan	Sarah Harris	Wynne Beale	Lori Goings	Roberta Wiatt
<i>ACOLYTES:</i>				
Jack Gibson	Nikko Medeiros	Katherine Gibson	Antonio Medeiros	??

## Judges 6:23

*(I am claiming this verse considering the weather:)*

But the LORD said to him, 'Peace be to you; do not fear, you shall not die.'



This program is beginning on September 23<sup>rd</sup> – October 28<sup>th</sup>

**WHERE:** INSIDE GCPC FELLOWSHIP HALL

**WHEN:** SUNDAYS 3:30-5:00 PM

**WHO:** AGES 10-99

**COST:** FREE

All needed equipment will be provided. There will be supervised instruction and shooting with certified instructors followed by a short discipleship lesson to help make Christ the target of our lives!

Sign up by going to our webpage or calling the church office.

### **Remind.com**

We have been using the remind.com service for a while now and continue to hear how effective and helpful it is for our members. We are happy to sign you up for this service using the cell phone number we have on file for you. If you DO NOT want to join this group, please contact Cindy to let her know you want to opt out.

As always, follow us on Facebook and Instagram (thisisgrace101), like our posts, share our posts, and comment on them, too!

## **Annual Spaghetti Dinner**

**The Ware Circle of the King's Daughters and Sons** will be sponsoring our annual spaghetti dinner at the Courthouse Restaurant on Friday, Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-7:30. Tickets are \$10.00 each and all the proceeds will go to local charities. If you will not be able to attend, you can make a donation. Every ticket that is donated will feed a Bread for Life person. I cannot say enough wonderful things about Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church and how wonderful so many of you are to each year purchase tickets. Without your help, the fundraiser could not be successful. Thanks so very much.

***Eva Mullins***

# Columbarium News:

The Columbarium at Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church (GCPC) was dedicated in October 2013 for the purpose of providing a place of Christian memorial for those who have departed from our midst. This peaceful, welcoming garden reflects our Christian faith in the resurrection, the life everlasting and the Church Triumphant. GCPC will maintain the Memorial Garden as a serene area for meditation and prayer and a dignified place of peace and beauty, an asset to our church and a fitting memorial to our loved ones. Each niche has the capacity of inurnment of cremains of 2 people. There were 61 niches in the original wall for the inurnment of cremains of members of GCPC, their spouses and children, and current and former pastors and their immediate families. Past members who reserve niches while members of GCPC may maintain their eligibility. The inurnment of others with special ties to GCPC may be approved by the Board.

To date, there are 36 niches reserved. There are plans to expand the wall to form a circle and include a bell tower.

To plan for this expansion, the Columbarium Committee will be increasing the cost of reserving a niche from \$1,500 to \$2,000 effective January 1, 2019. Anyone wishing to purchase a niche before the January 2019 rate increase may contact Becky Lazos for Columbarium and Memorial Garden Policy and Operating Rules and Certificate of Reservations and Purchase Receipt.

## Children's/Youth Music Ministry Program

**Are you interested? Join us in the first classroom on the right, up the stairs as you leave the sanctuary, after worship on Sunday the 16<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>. Snacks will be provided. This is for ages 4 and up. You and your parents are welcome! Thank you! John & Caroline Peabody.**



# Celebrate!

## BIRTHDAYS

Jeannie Coons	09/04
Caroline Crowder	09/06
Elaine Rountree	09/06
Kimberly Robins	09/07
Mike Goings	09/07
Jon Lucy	09/08
Charlotte Ambrose	09/08
Brittany Lutz	09/08
Meghan Taylor	09/09
Cathy Putnick-Fuller	09/09
Gail Kerns	09/10
Elaine Haislip	09/13
John Rawls Jr.	09/19
Nancy Wesson	09/20
Kristen Pritchard	09/24
Mildred Harden	09/24
Cyndy Moore	09/25
Tex Jones	09/27
Kathy Newborg	09/28

## ANNIVERSARIES

Dick & Robin Hellier	09/04
Buddy & Melva Burnett	09/07
Pete & Barbara Ann Atkinson III	09/11
Steve & Ann Gentry	09/13
E.J. & Ginger Rowe	09/18
John & Rebecca Ogburn	09/19
Laurence & Jill Wilkinson	09/25
Adam & Meghan Taylor	09/26

Addresses for two of our College kids if you want to drop them a note:

**Gwen Robins**, 100 University Place, Studen Union # 3292,  
Newport News, VA 23606

**Sam Lanning**, PO Box 4479, 170 Bluestone Dr.,  
Harrisonburg, VA 22807

# DAILY LECTIONARY:

## Thursday, September 13

Morning: Pss. 97; 147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 16; 62  
Job 29:1; 31:1–23  
Acts 15:1–11  
John 11:17–29

## Friday, September 14

Morning: Pss. 51; 148  
Evening: Pss. 142; 65  
Job 29:1; 31:24–40  
Acts 15:12–21  
John 11:30–44

## Saturday, September 15

Morning: Pss. 104; 149  
Evening: Pss. 138; 98  
Job 38:1–17  
Acts 15:22–35  
John 11:45–54

## Sunday, September 16

Morning: Pss. 19; 150  
Evening: Pss. 81; 113  
Job 38:1, 18–41  
Rev. 18:1–8  
Matt. 5:21–26

## Monday, September 17

Morning: Pss. 135; 145  
Evening: Pss. 97; 112  
Job 40:1–24  
Acts 15:36–16:5  
John 11:55–12:8

## Tuesday, September 18

Morning: Pss. 123; 146  
Evening: Pss. 30; 86  
Job 40:1; 41:1–11  
Acts 16:6–15  
John 12:9–19

## Wednesday, September 19

Morning: Pss. 15;  
147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 48; 4  
Job 42:1–17  
Acts 16:16–24  
John 12:20–26

## Thursday, September 20

Morning: Pss. 36;  
147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 80; 27  
Job 28:1–28  
Acts 16:25–40  
John 12:27–36a



**Our Next Movie Night Under the Stars is going to be Friday, September 21<sup>st</sup>. Bring friends, neighbors, lawn chairs or blanket to watch 'Cinderella'. We are also giving out hotdogs, sodas, water, and popcorn! Beginning around 7 PM**



## PRAYER CONCERNS:

Pray for Cary Franklin, Wesley and Betty Wilson, Dana Gilmour, Harriett George, Tess and Kim Robins, Charlotte Martin, David Guthrie, E J Rowe, Virginia Wilkinson, Stephanie Markoff, David Lipps, Bob McCreary, and Wayne Oliver. If you have a prayer request, even if it is unspoken, you may call the church office and your prayer request will be placed here.

Gloucester House: Wayne Gates  
Brookdale, Williamsburg:  
Virginia Powers, & Barbara Tremblay

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