

# The Church Mouse



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER  
GRACE COVENANT  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
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## Worship Opportunity for Sunday September 9<sup>th</sup>

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

**Sermon Title: "Prayer that Moves Mountains"**

*Scriptures: Mark 11:22-24*

Jesus challenges his disciples to be daring in prayer, to have the kind of faith that moves mountains by praying and believing, acting 'as if' what we have prayed for is already ours.

***We Look Forward to Sharing in Worship with you  
this Sunday!***

***Church Picnic is this Sunday after worship at  
Freeport! Bring a friend and a dish to share!***

## Church Events

- Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> -Mary & Rachel Circles meet at 10 AM, IT team @ 1PM
- Sept. 12<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. 13<sup>th</sup> – Hospitality Meets at 7 PM
- A Called Congregational Meeting & members of the corporation for the purposes of electing elders, deacons, & directors of the Corp Sunday Sept. 16th after worship.

# Sunday Servants:

1 <sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY	2 <sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY	3 <sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY	4 <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
<b>LITURGISTS:</b>			
Patricia Cowan	Sarah Harris	Lori Goings	Roberta Wiatt
<b>ACOLYTES:</b>			
Jack Gibson	Nikko Medeiros	Katherine Gibson	Antonio Medeiros

## Psalm 69:6

Do not let those who  
hope in you be put to  
shame because of  
me,  
O Lord God of  
hosts;  
do not let those who  
seek you be  
dishonored because  
of me,  
O God of Israel.



## Sing, Dance, Play!

Join Us in  
Exploring and Planning  
the Future of a new  
Children's/Youth  
Music Ministry Program  
at Grace! Under the  
direction of John &  
Caroline Peabody

**What?** Youth Music Open Houses in September for youth (age 4 and up), parents and adult volunteers

**When?** Sundays, September 16 and September 23 after worship until 12:45pm (SNACKS WILL BE PROVIDED!)

**Where?** The first classroom on the right, up the stairs behind the sanctuary.

**Why?** Music is AWESOME! Music with Youth is EVEN MORE AWESOME!

**Who?** Everyone is welcome- we will explore and more- we want to hear from staff, volunteers, parents AND of course, the YOUTH!

**How?** Email [john@gracecovenant.us](mailto:john@gracecovenant.us) or register online at [www.gracecovenant.us](http://www.gracecovenant.us) to let us know you are coming!

## Centershot Archery Program

Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church is beginning a **Centershot Archery** class **September 23<sup>rd</sup>- October 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Where:** In GCPC Fellowship Hall  
6470 Main Street  
Gloucester, VA

**When:** Sundays 3:30- 5:00 PM

**Who:** Ages 10 to 99 **Cost:** Free

To register go to our web site at: [Gracecovenant.us](http://Gracecovenant.us) or come by the Church and we will give you a sign-up form!

Here is the link: [Centershot Ministry Registration](#)



# Ladies Small Group Bible Study

September is here, and our Small Group will be starting up once again. Please mark your calendars for Thursday mornings at 11:00 beginning on **September 13th** at Cyndy Moore's home.

We will be reading "Glory Days" by Max Lucado and learning how to "live our Promised Land life now".

September 13th will be an introductory session and we'd love to see many new ladies that day. If you don't already have a book you will receive one that morning. Cyndy's phone number is 757-871-2856; address is 3314 Lewis B Puller Memorial Hwy, Saluda (near Rappahannock Community College).



# 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



## 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.

## Choir News:

After Labor Day, the GCPC choirs will re-boot themselves into the new year. The Sanctuary Choir will return to the traditional Wednesday night rehearsals, 7:00 – 8:00, starting September 5. Also rehearsing Wednesday evenings (at 6:15) is the “Ensemble” (for Tenor and Bass voices), they will also start September 5. The Women’s Ensemble will rehearse Sunday mornings before for the full choir, at 9:15 (first rehearsal September 9). All these rehearsals will be in the main choir room in the lower area of the church (sometimes called the lower Fellowship Hall).

I am very excited about starting a full year of work with the fine singers of Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church. We certainly welcome new members, who may join at any time. High School students are welcome to join the Sanctuary Choir. Children’s choir will also start soon, with two “Welcome Days” on September 16 & 23, with full kick-off to start October 21.

The Handbell group, under the leadership of Barbara Fleming, will rehearse on Tuesdays, 4:30 – 5:30.

**--John Peabody, Music Director**



# DAILY LECTIONARY:

## Friday, September 7

Morning: Pss. 84; 148  
Evening: Pss. 25; 40  
Job 19:1-7, 14-27  
Acts 13:13-25  
John 9:18-41

## Saturday, September 8

Morning: Pss. 63; 149  
Evening: Pss. 125; 90  
Job 22:1-4, 21-23:7  
Acts 13:26-43  
John 10:1-18

## Sunday, September 9

Morning: Pss. 103; 150  
Evening: Pss. 117; 139  
Job 25:1-6; 27:1-6  
Rev. 14:1-7, 13  
Matt. 5:13-20

## Monday, September 10

Morning: Pss. 5; 145  
Evening: Pss. 82; 29  
Job 32:1-10, 19-33:1,  
19-28  
Acts 13:44-52  
John 10:19-30

## Tuesday, September 11

Morning: Pss. 42; 146  
Evening: Pss. 102; 133  
Job 29:1-20  
Acts 14:1-18  
John 10:31-42

## Wednesday, September 12

Morning: Pss. 89:1-18;  
147:1-11  
Evening: Pss. 1; 33  
Job 29:1; 30:1-2, 16-31  
Acts 14:19-28  
John 11:1-16

## 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

## 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*

## 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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