

MONTHLY MEETINGS

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| Stewardship – 1 st Monday, 7:30 pm | Grace Church Choir – Wednesdays, 7:30pm – 9:00 pm |
| Health Ministries – 2 nd Sunday, 12:15 pm | Communications—Last Monday of the month, 6:30 pm |
| Finance Committee– Friday before Vestry, 7:00pm | Grace’s Kitchen – Last five days of the month , 11:30pm-1:00pm |
| Vestry – 3 rd Wednesday, 7:30pm | PCO Board – Date and Time to be Determined |
| Men’s Guild – 3 rd Sunday, 12:15 pm | Staff Meeting—1st Wednesday 10:30 am, Vestry Lounge |
| Women of Grace - 3 rd Sunday , 12:15 pm | |

THIS WEEK AT GRACE April 24-May 1, 2016

SUNDAY, APRIL 24— FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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| 7:45 am | Holy Eucharist Rite 1, <i>All Saints’ Chapel</i> |
| 9:30 am – 10:15 am | Adult Forum, “Spiritual Progress: Essays of the 17 th Century,” <i>Grace Lounge</i> |
| 10:30 am | Choral Holy Eucharist Rite II, <i>Church</i> |
| 12:15 pm | Youth Group, <i>Grace Lounge</i> |
| 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm | Grace Youth Choir, <i>Church</i> |
| 4:00 pm | Watchung Convocation, <i>St. John’s Church, Sommerville</i> |
| 4:00 pm – 9:00 pm | Friendship World Outreach, <i>All Saints Chapel & Lounge</i> |

Monday, April 25 *Parish Office Hours 9:00 - 12:00 pm; 1:00 - 3:00 pm*

Feast of Saint Mark the Evangelist

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| 6:30 pm | Communications commission, <i>Karen Moore’s home</i> |
| 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm | ESL Classes |
| 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm | AA, <i>Knickle Hall</i> |

Tuesday, April 26 *Parish Office Hours 9:00 - 12:00 pm; 1:00 - 3:00 pm*
11:30 am-1:00 pm *Grace’s Kitchen, Knickle Hall*

Wednesday, April 27 *Parish Office Hours 9:00 - 12:00 pm; 1:00 - 3:00 pm*
12:00 pm –1:00 pm *Service of Healing with Eucharist All Saints Chapel*
11:30 am-1:00 pm *Grace’s Kitchen, Knickle Hall*
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm *ESL Classes*
7:30 pm *Vestry Meeting, Grace Meeting Room*

Thursday, April 28 *Parish Office Hours 9:00 - 12:00 pm; 1:00 - 3:00 pm*
11:30 am-1:00 pm *Grace’s Kitchen, Knickle Hall*

Friday, April 29 *Parish Office Closed*
11:30 am-1:00 pm *Grace’s Kitchen, Knickle Hall*
7:30 pm-9:00pm *Growing in Grace, Grace Lounge*

Saturday, April 30 *Parish Office Closed*
11:30 am-1:00 pm *Grace’s Kitchen, Knickle Hall*
5:30 pm – 7:00 pm *Steps to Serenity: 12-Step, Grace Gymnasium*

SUNDAY, MAT 1— SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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| 7:45 am | Holy Eucharist Rite 1, <i>All Saints’ Chapel</i> |
| 9:30 am – 10:15 am | Adult Forum, “Spiritual Progress: Essays of the 17 th Century,” <i>Grace Lounge</i> |
| 10:30 am | Sunday School <i>Classroom 3</i> |
| 10:30 am | Choral Holy Eucharist Rite II, <i>Church</i> |
| 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm | Grace Youth Choir, <i>Church</i> |
| 4:00 pm – 9:00 pm | Friendship World Outreach, <i>All Saints Chapel & Lounge</i> |

Next Sunday’s Readings Sixth Sunday of Easter **1st Reading:** Acts 16:9-15 **Psalm 67**

2nd Reading: Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5 **Gospel:** John 14:23-29

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **THE VENERABLE YAKUBU NOAH RAIMI WILL PREACH AT NEXT SUNDAY'S EUCHARISTS AND PRESENT ISLAM: MY EXPERIENCE & EXPRESSION ON FRIDAY, MAY 6 AT 7:30 IN GRACE'S LOUNGE**
- **THE YOUTH GROUP MEETS TODAY AFTER THE 10:30 EUCHARIST IN GRACE LOUNGE.**
- **NEXT SUNDAY IS OUR MONTHLY COLLECTION FOR THE FOOD PANTRY. PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING IN CANNED OR BOXED FOODS AS PART OF YOUR SUNDAY OFFERING.**
- **PLEASE PICK UP A COPY OF FR. GIDEON'S EASTER MESSAGE ON THE PARISH HOUSE INFORMATION TABLE**
- **ON FRIDAY, MAY 20, GRACE EPISCOPAL CELEBRATES THE FEAST OF JOAN OF ARC. PLEASE SEE THE POSTER IN TODAY'S BULLETIN.**
- **PARISH PRAYER LEAGUE Interested in Joining? Please see Carol Taitt or Fr. Gideon**
- **An OFFERINGS & INTERCESSION BOX is located by the door leading to the Parish House from the church. There are forms to fill out for your prayers and offerings.**
- **Coffee Hour Volunteers. The Women of Grace needs volunteers to host Coffee Hour after the 10:30 a.m. Sunday service. If you are interested in volunteering as a host, please contact Brenda Loncke, chair of the Hospitality Committee and vice president of The Women of Grace.**

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Re:MEMBER Church Directories

The sign also features three photographs: a family with a dog, a group of people, and a portrait of an elderly woman. A signature 'Re:MEMBER' is visible at the bottom right of the sign.

It's great to be able to put names and faces together. When our relationships grow, our ministries also flourish. That's why we're creating a new pictorial directory of Grace Church Plainfield members and ministries. The directory will help us grow in fellowship and learn more about each other and our church.

We want everyone at Grace – long-time members and new ones – to be included in the directory. So please schedule your appointment for a no-cost photo session as soon as possible. It won't cost you anything to have your picture taken. Plus, you'll get a free 8X10 copy of your photo. If you wish, you'll be

able to buy more copies to give to family and friends.

The photo sessions are

May 11, 12 and 13 from 3 p.m. until 7 p.m.;

and Saturday, May 14 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Please sign up as soon as possible. There are three ways to make your appointment:

1. On our website – www.graceplainfield.org
2. Visiting <https://scheduling.cokn=763&typld=54923&step=2>
3. Selecting a time on the sign-up sheet at church. For more information about the sign-up sheet, contact Karen Moore or Vince in the parish office.

APRIL EARTHQUAKES STRIKE HARD IN ECUADOR AND JAPAN
April 19, 2016

Episcopal Relief & Development urges prayers for all those impacted by the earthquakes that shook two regions over the weekend.

The coast of Ecuador was hit by a massive earthquake that registered 7.8 on the Richter scale and killed more than 270 people. Thousands of people have also been injured and displaced, especially in the coastal areas and cities.

Two earthquakes also struck the southern tip of Japan within 24 hours of each other. Following a series of aftershocks, at least 42 people have been found dead and over 110,000 are reported to have been displaced from their homes.

Episcopal Relief & Development has reached out to church partners in each country. Please continue to pray for all those displaced by these disasters, and for first responders and volunteers who are working to rescue those in danger and care for people in need. Contributions to Episcopal Relief and Development's International Disaster Relief Fund will support relief efforts.

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THE COMMUNITY GARDEN OF GRACE

You're invited to participate!

There is a limited number of 3' x 8 plots available to our neighbors who like to plant their own vegetables.



If you are interested, please call the church office at: 908-756-1520.



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Come celebrate

THE FEAST OF ST. JOAN OF ARC



Friday, May 20th

6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Adults: \$10.00

Children: \$5.00

All proceeds benefit

the Grace Youth Ministry

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ISLAM: MY EXPRESSION & EXPERIENCE

**How Islamic terrorists misconstrue the Quran
& A call to appraise our multi-faith diversities**

Presented by

The Venerable Yakubu Noah Raimi, Ph.D

Professor of Theology & African Studies

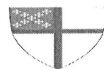
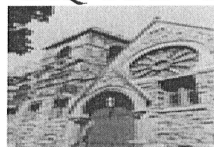
& Executive Director, African Theological Education Network, Nigeria

Friday, May 6, 2016 at 7:00 pm

Light refreshments served

All are Welcome!

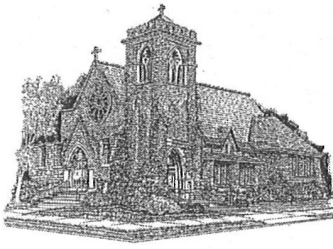
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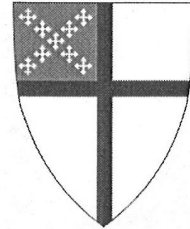
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The Venerable Gideon A. Uzomechina, D.Min., *Priest-in-Charge*

The Reverend Theodore E. Moore, *Deacon*

Mr. Andrew Kilkenny, *Director of Music & Organist*

Mr. John Taitt, *Treasurer*

Mr. Noel Taitt, *Assistant Treasurer*

Mr. Vince Chiumento, *Parish Office Administrator*

Ms. Karen Moore, *Board President, Plainfield Community Outreach, Inc.*

Ms. Patience Smith, *Project Director, 21st Century After School Program*

Mr. David Holmes (Chef D), *Grace's Kitchen Coordinator*

Wardens : Trevor King (2016) Lawrence Ishmael (2017)

Vestry

Jason Algeo (2017), Clerk

Dennis Bazzey (2018)

Anita Griffith (2016)

Brenda Loncke (2018)

Timothy Mann (2017)

Winsley Rudder (2018)

Manny Santana (2016)

Carol Taitt (2017)

Harry Watson (2016)

Diocesan Convention

Deputies 2016

Victoria Blenman

Timothy Mann

Harry Watson

Alternate Deputies 2016

Anita Griffith

Carol Taitt

John Taitt

To schedule baptisms, weddings, or funerals, please call the parish office