

**MONTHLY MEETINGS**

**Healing Service**  
3rd Sunday During Eucharist

**Starfish Food Collection**  
1st Sunday

**Stewardship**  
1st Monday, 7:30 pm

**Health Ministry**  
2nd Sunday, 12:15 pm

**Investment Committee**  
2nd Monday of March, June, September & December

**Finance Committee**  
Friday before Vestry, 7:00pm

**Vestry**  
3rd Wednesday, 7:30pm

**Men's Guild**  
3rd Sunday, 12:15 pm

**Women of Grace**  
3rd Sunday, 12:15 pm

**Grace Church Choir**  
Wednesdays, 7:30pm – 9:00 pm

**Communications**  
Last Tuesday ,6:30pm

**Grace's Kitchen**  
Last five business days of the month  
11:30pm-1:00pm

**Worship Commission**  
1st Sunday, 12:30 pm

**Youth Group**  
4th Sunday , 12:15 pm



**THIS WEEK AT GRACE February 12-19, 2017**

*Please also check the website, display tables, and bulletin board for more information about other activities in which you might want to participate.*

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12— SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

**RECOGNITION OF FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

8:00 am	Holy Eucharist Rite 1, <i>All Saint's Chapel</i>
10:00 am	Lighthouse Chapel International, <i>All Saint's Chapel</i>
10:30 am	Choral Holy Eucharist Rite II, <i>Church</i>
10:30 am	Sunday School
12:15 pm	Worship Commission, <i>Rector's Office</i>
4:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Friendship World Outreach, <i>All Saint's Chapel &amp; Grace Lounge</i>

Monday, February 13

7:00 pm - 8:15 pm	ESL Classes
7:30 pm – 9:00 pm	AA., <i>Knickle Hall</i>

Wednesday, February 15

7:00 pm - 8:15 pm	ESL Classes
7:30 pm	Vestry Meeting, <i>Grace Meeting Room</i>
7:30 pm –9:00 pm	Grace Choir Rehearsal, <i>Choir Room</i>

Thursday, February 16

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Focus Church Meeting, <i>Grace Meeting Room &amp; Lounge</i>
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**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19— SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**

8:00 am	Holy Eucharist Rite 1, <i>All Saint's Chapel</i>
10:00 am	Lighthouse Chapel International, <i>All Saint's Chapel</i>
10:30 am	Choral Holy Eucharist Rite II, <i>Church</i>
10:30 am	Sunday School
12:15 pm	Woman of Grace, <i>Grace Lounge</i>
4:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Friendship World Outreach, <i>All Saint's Chapel &amp; Grace Lounge</i>

**Next Sunday's Readings: Seventh Sunday after Epiphany**

<b>1st Lesson:</b> Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18	<b>Psalm 119:33-40</b>
<b>2nd Lesson :</b> 1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23	<b>Gospel:</b> Matthew 5:38-48

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please take home this bulletin since it has some important dates and flyers.*

- The Worship Commission will meet today at 12:15 in the Rector's Office.
- The Garden of Grace Committee will meet after the 10:30 Eucharist on Sunday, February 27 in Grace Lounge.
- If you are interested in being trained to serve as Lay Eucharistic Minister (LEM), please contact Deacon Ted Moore at [tmoore12@comcast.net](mailto:tmoore12@comcast.net) or Karen Moore at [kfcmoore@comcast.net](mailto:kfcmoore@comcast.net)
- If you are interested in being trained to serve as acolyte, please contact Harry Watson at [junior1983@excite.com](mailto:junior1983@excite.com) or at 732-456-0531
- **The 2017 Sanctuary Candle Chart is on the wall by the Parish Office.** If you would like to give a Sanctuary Candle, please write your name and the name of the one to be memorialized in the appropriate space. The candle will burn for the week in memory of your loved one. Suggested cost of the sanctuary candle is \$10.
- **The 2017 Flower Chart is on the wall by the Parish Office.** If you would like to dedicate flowers, pick an open date and write your name and the name of the one to be memorialized in the appropriate space. The office will confirm with you the week before. The cost of altar flowers is \$50.

## ¢ents Bargain Clothes for Kids



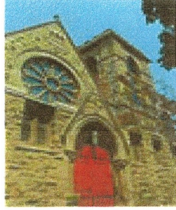
**600 Cleveland Avenue, lower level  
(corner of Sixth Street)**

**9 a.m. to noon every Saturday  
Beginning February 25**

Check out ¢ents Bargain Clothes for Kids, a new thrift shop selling new and gently used children's dresses, pants, sweaters, sneakers, shoes, coats and other clothing.

For more information,  
call Joyce Smith at 908 756-7897

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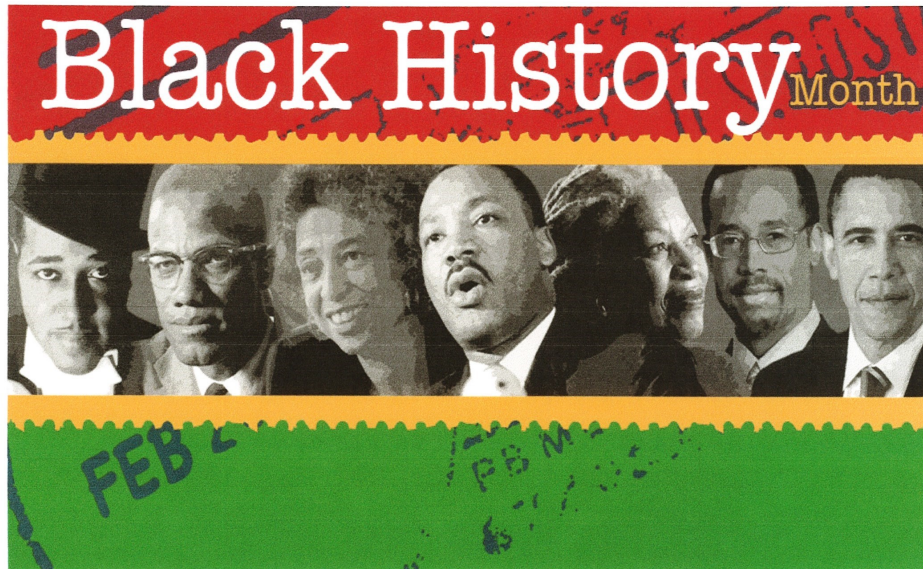
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**Celebrates**



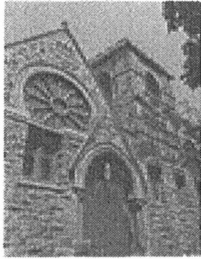
**at a Special Luncheon in Knickle Hall**

**Sunday, February 26**

***Following the 10:30am Eucharist***

Timeline: African Americans and The Episcopal Church

- 1624 First Baptism of African Slaves in American Colonial (Anglican) Church
- 1695 Episcopal Ministry to African Americans is organized at Goose Creek, South Carolina
- 1702-1780 Society of the Propagation of the Gospel (SPG) to work with African Americans in the colonies established.
- 1776-1781 The American Revolution and Episcopal Church emerges
- 1784 Samuel Seabury consecrated first American Bishop by Scottish Bishops
- 1789 Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America established and holds first General Convention in Philadelphia
- 1794 St. Thomas African Episcopal Church, first black parish, established and accepted into Union with the Diocese of Pennsylvania
- 1804 Absalom Jones first African American Episcopal priest ordained
- 1853 Alexander Crummell Becomes a Missionary and Teacher in Liberia
- 1863 The Reverend George Freeman Bragg, who worked to advance the education of African Americans both within society and the Church, is born.
- 1874 James Holly, first African American bishop Consecrated Missionary Bishop of Haiti.
- 1874 First Ordination of a Black Churchman in Mississippi
- 1878 Bishop Payne Divinity School was established in Petersburg, Virginia to train black men for the priesthood.
- 1883 "Sewanee Conference" of Southern Bishops, which set the pattern for "colored convocations" in the south.
- 1884 First African American Delegates sent to General Convention
- 1885 Church Commission for Work Among Colored People (CCWACP)
- 1906 American Church Institute for Negroes Established, whose chief activity was the support of less than a dozen secondary and college educational institutions throughout the South.
- 1910 Canon Law was amended, without mention of race or color, to permit the election of suffragan bishops. Two bishops are elected for ministry to Negroes in time to take their seats at the General Convention of 1919.
- 1919 General Convention adopts the first Church-wide Anti-lynching Resolution
- 1943 Bi-racial Joint Committee on Minorities Formed in National Council to increase participation of African American laymen in the program of the Church.
- 1949 Bishop Payne Divinity School closes due to the decline in enrollment caused by the integration of nearly all Episcopal seminaries.
- 1949 Pro-Civil Rights Clergy begin ministry in Inner City At Grace Church, Jersey City, New Jersey, priests Paul Moore, C. Kilmer Myers, and Robert Pegram started a parish program aimed at inter-racial fellowship and service to ghetto residents, which became a model for other parishes in other northern cities, including St. Augustine's Mission in New York and St. John's Church in Boston. Black priests and congregations, alternately, saw a decline as many were absorbed into neighboring white churches over the next decade. The Urban Mission Priests group was organized to strengthen urban ministry. Black priests joined with whites in this mission.
- 1951 John Walker is admitted as the first African American student to attend Virginia Theological Seminary
- 1952 General Convention adopts resolution on Racial Discrimination stating "[w]e consistently oppose and combat discrimination based on color or race in every form, both within the Church and without, in this country and internationally
- 1959 Episcopal Society for Cultural and Racial Unity (ESCRU) forms to promote acceptance of the Church's policies of racial inclusiveness.
- 1960 ESCRU supports church demonstrations during the summer of 1960 in Atlanta and Savannah, Georgia, when black college students visited white churches for Sunday services.
- 1961 General Convention declares prejudice to be inconsistent with the Gospel by a resolution expressing regret for past and present discrimination within the Church and encouraged all levels of the Church to reconcile itself to the "comprehensiveness of the body of Christ" and to establish worship and study programs in this area
- 1962 The Ven. John M. Burgess first African-American elected Suffragan Bishop in Diocese of Massachusetts
- 1963 Presiding Bishop commits Church to action in the civil rights movement. The statement had a profound impact on the Church. Many interpreted it as the Church's sanction of direct action against segregation.
- 1964 General Convention adopts policy prohibiting racial discrimination in churches
- 1965 Seminary students work in Selma  
Judith Upham and Jonathan Daniels, students from the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Massachusetts, who were present for the Selma demonstrations, decided to return to Selma as ESCRU's representatives. **Jonathan Daniels, seminary student and civil rights crusader, was shot and killed** at close range by a former deputy sheriff in Hayneville, Alabama. Daniels was the 26th civil rights worker killed in the South.
- 1966 Negro Churchmen support Black Power by the National Committee of Negro Churchmen was signed by nine Episcopalians, including Bishop John F. Burgess, Suffragan Bishop of Massachusetts.
- 1968 Union of Black Clergy and Laity (UBCL) forms in Philadelphia to form a united group opposed to racism within the Church and emerged as a powerful and innovative organization on issues relating to racism in the Church. It was renamed the Union of Black Episcopalians in 1971.
- 1970 John Burgess of Massachusetts became the first African American diocesan of the Episcopal Church.
- 1970 Charles Willie elected as Vice President of the House of Deputies, a position he resigned from in 1974 after the House of Bishops considered the ordinations of the "Philadelphia 11" to be invalid.
- 1976 Dr. Charles Radford Lawrence, II elected as President of the House of Deputies  
and would serve in that office until 1985. Dr. Lawrence holds the distinction of being the third lay person and the first African American to hold the position.
- 1989 Barbara Harris is Consecrated Suffragan Bishop of Massachusetts and becomes both the first woman and first black woman bishop in the Anglican Communion.
- 2015 Michael Curry elected Presiding Bishop General Convention chose Diocese of North Carolina Bishop Michael Curry to be its 27th presiding bishop and first black person to be elected as presiding bishop



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## CLERGY AND STAFF

The Reverend Theodore E. Moore, *Deacon*

Andrew Kilkenny, Director of Music

John Taitt, *Treasurer*

Noel Taitt, *Assistant Treasurer*

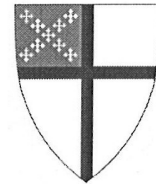
Vince Chiumento, *Parish Office Administrator*

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

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

Marvin Daniels, *Coordinator, Grace's Kitchen*

The Reverend Theodore Moore, *Coordinator, English as a Second  
Language (ESL) Program*



## WARDENS AND VESTRY

### Wardens

Lawrence Ishmael (2017), Jason Algeo (2018)

### Vestry

Carol Taitt (2017), Timothy Mann (2017), Conrad Roberts (2017)

Brenda Loncke (2018), Winsley Rudder (2018), Selma Cato (2018)

Trevor Forbes (2019), *Clerk*; Ivor Blair (2019); Amanda Garcia (2019)

### Convention Delegates (2017)

Kenneth and Victoria Blenman, Ted Moore

### Alternate Delegates (2017)

Jason and Holly Algeo, Gloria King

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