

# CLARKE PARISH - BERRYVILLE, VIRGINIA

Grace Episcopal Church / St. Mary's Memorial Church

## THE EVANGELINE

Keeping you up-to-date on church happenings

June 7, 2023

### Summer Schedule



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#### Clarke Parish

**We are excited to announce the start of our 'Summer Sundays' Worship Schedule, beginning this week on June 11th!** Instead of our usual service offerings, we adjust the Sunday schedule to offer services at 9:15 am (St. Mary's) and 10:30 (Grace) during the summer months. Services will alternate between Morning Prayer and Holy Eucharist each Sunday - When one church is offering MP, the other will celebrate EUCH. You'll have the opportunity to join us for Morning Prayer at one church or Holy Eucharist at the other, allowing you to explore and connect with different styles of worship. Our Summer Sundays schedule will continue through Labor Day, so come and join us as we celebrate our faith together.

#### Other Summer News:

- **Office Hours** - Weekdays 9-1 (or by appointment). Rev. Ivatts is OFF on Fridays / Robin is OFF on Mondays during the summer.
- **Worship Team** - Over the next few weeks, Sarah Cobb Hoptman and Ted Culley will join the worship team and assist with some of the liturgical roles during services. Sarah is currently in discernment for the priesthood, and Ted is in discernment for the diaconate. Welcome to the team!
- **Newsletters** - Beginning in June, we will transition back to a semimonthly distribution of The Evangeline Newsletter. It will be distributed on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month. To encourage readership and to lessen the number of unwanted emails sitting in your inboxes, we will work to create a more concise, better-crafted newsletter to share church news, calendar events, and other happenings. You can also refer to the church website at [www.clarkeparish.org](http://www.clarkeparish.org) for up-to-date information. (*Announcements or submissions for inclusion should be received in the church office no later than Monday of the distribution week.*)

### THIS SUNDAY

Sunday, June 11, 2023

*Second Sunday after Pentecost*

The Start of our Summer Schedule

**9:15 am - Morning Prayer @ St. Mary's**

Officiant/Preacher - Becki Casey  
Lay Reader - Jon Campbell  
Music - Helena Goldberg

**10:30 am - Holy Eucharist @ Grace Church**

Celebrant - The Very Rev. Justin Ivatts  
Preacher - Becki Casey  
Lay Reader - John Lincoln  
Acolytes - Gray Jones  
Music - Wendy Oesterling

Daily Lectionary

*Genesis 12:1-9 / Psalm 33 / Romans 4:13-25 / Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26*

The Altar Flowers at Grace Church are given to the glory of God  
by Lee & Dave McGuigan in memory of Joseph Perkins.



**Sunday, June 18th**

*Third Sunday after Pentecost*

**9:15 am - EUCH @ St. Mary's**  
Celebrant/Preacher - Rev. Ivatts  
Lay Reader - Gwen Malone

**10:30 am - MP @ Grace Church**  
Officiant/Preacher - Rev. Ivatts  
Lay Reader - Ted Culley  
Acolytes - Regan Culley



**Sunday, June 25th**

*Fourth Sunday after Pentecost*

**9:15 am - MP @ St. Mary's**  
Officiant - Caroline Mitchell  
Lay Reader - Gwen Malone

**10:30 am - EUCH @ Grace Church**  
Celebrant - Rev. Ivatts  
Preacher - Caroline Mitchell  
Lay Reader - Kim Davis  
Acolytes - Warren Maiberger

## Church News

### Rector's Reflection

Dear friends -

As we go into the summer, the word that is on my mind is Sabbath. We have all heard this word, especially as it pertains to the Holy Day, which for Christians is Sunday. The Sabbath Day was commanded in the Book of Exodus as the seventh day - the day of rest - in commemoration of the creation story in Genesis where God rested on the seventh day.



The word Sabbath literally means "rest". During these summer months it is a time for all of us to take some sabbath, the pace of many jobs slows over the summer. The Church's program offerings slow. We are all called into a time of sabbath. Maybe it is a time to take a short retreat, to find more prayer time, to study scripture more closely. Or maybe it is simply a time to spend more time with your family, a spouse, your children, your parents, or even your friends.

However you choose to find some sabbath, my prayer is that each of us find some sabbath time this summer.

God bless you all,

Blessings, Justin+

## **Calendar Quick View - Upcoming Events & Activities**

- **June 11 - Start of the Summer Worship Schedule** / 9:15 @ St. Mary's & 10:30 @ GEC Services will alternate between Morning Prayer and Holy Eucharist each Sunday - When one church is offering MP, the other will celebrate EUCH). The Summer Schedule will run through Labor Day.
- **June 14 - Wednesday Morning Bible Study**
- **June 15 - Thoughtful Thursday Evening Prayer Services BEGIN** for the Summer Season / **7:30 pm** @ Wickliffe Church - every Thursday through August 10th with Caroline & Becki.
- **June 19 - Office CLOSED!** Federal Holiday - Juneteenth!
- **June 19-23 - Goldberg School of Music Summer Camp** in the Parish Hall
- **June 21 - Wednesday Morning Bible Study**
- **June 25 - CMSP's Musical Adventures** / 1-3 pm in the McIntosh Chapel @ GEC - A fun family event for all ages! Featuring performances and an Instrument Petting Zoo! FREE
- **June 26-30 - Goldberg School of Music Summer Camp** in the Parish Hall
- **June 28 - Wednesday Morning Bible Study**
- **July 4 - Office CLOSED!** Federal Holiday - 4th of July!
- **July 17-21 - Vacation Bible School @ Clarke Parish! 9 to noon daily**
- **July 20 - Soul-FULL Community Dinner** / The churches of Clarke Parish are signed up to do the cooking, serve the meal, engage with the community, and help clean up. The community meal is open and free to all! Volunteers are needed from 5-7:30 pm at Duncan Memorial Church's Fellowship Hall.
- **August 13 - Wickliffe 'Homecoming' Sunday and Parish Picnic** / 11 am

## **Sing a New Song! Summer Choir**

**Beginning THIS SUNDAY (6/11)**, the **Summer Choir** offers an opportunity for anybody who would like to sing with the Grace Church choir to do so. You are cordially invited to come to Grace Church any (or all) Sunday(s) at 9:15 am to rehearse for the service at 10:30 am. The commitment is one Sunday at a time and no prior experience or training or audition is required! We invite friends of all ages, from children to grandparents, to come and sing as part of the Summer Choir.





## Thoughtful Thursdays Wickliffe Church @ 7:30 pm

Looking for a meaningful way to spend your Thursday evenings this summer? Look no further than Wickliffe Church's 'Thoughtful Thursday' Evening Prayer service led by Caroline Mitchell and Becki Casey. These relaxed services will be held every Thursday

at 7:30 pm from June 15th to August 10th.

We welcome everyone to join us for this special time of faith and community. It's a great opportunity to meet new people, reconnect with old friends, and engage in fellowship! And, after the service, stay to enjoy some wine and snacks in the beautiful churchyard (BYO). There's no better way to spend a summer evening! Wickliffe Church is located at 3568 Wickliffe Road / Berryville. We look forward to seeing you there - It's a terrific way to wrap up the day!



## Vacation Bible School Coming this Summer to Clarke Parish!

### HERO HOTLINE!

### July 17 - 21 / 9 am to noon daily

"Each day at the Hero Hotline Headquarters, superheroes of all ages and abilities answer the call and join the Professor and veteran hero, Super Meer the Meerkat, to provide expert assistance and solutions to Hero Teams

everywhere.

Our team of heroes will spring into action and explore the ultimate Hero Handbook -**the Bible**- to discover how all Heroes can follow the examples set by a cast of supporting Bible Heroes in stories from the Old and New Testaments, who work together to bring peace, build each other up, and share the great story of God's love for us where they are and with the whole world.

As kids (called Heroes) experience these stories through music, drama and storytelling, games, arts and crafts, science, and even snacks, they'll learn that Heroes are called to Follow Jesus, Help Others, Work Together, Listen to God, and Show Grace!"

**COMMUNITY EVENT - OPEN TO ALL - FREE!**

[Click HERE to Register for VBS!](#)

## Clarke Parish Pilgrimage

Please watch this space for details of our upcoming pilgrimages.

**2024 (August)** - A choral pilgrimage for singers and pilgrims to Wells and the Southwest of England. Details will be announced in the next few months.

**2025** - a pilgrimage to the Holy Land at St. George's College. Details TBD.

Please watch this space and plan to join us on one or both of these pilgrimages.

Blessings, Justin+

## Online Giving

Clarke Parish has partnered with Tithe.ly - a trusted online platform that provides a simple, convenient, and secure way to support the church and our ministry through online giving from anywhere at any time!



Please consider this option to make pledge or one-time payments to the church. You can also set up recurring payments, and likewise, use Tithe.ly to give to the General Fund, Grace Giving, St. Mary's Giving, the Rector's Discretionary Fund, the Backpack Ministry, or 'Other' (i.e. Easter Flowers) by selecting from the drop-down menu options.

### ANOTHER GREAT WAY TO SUPPORT THE PARISH

**Looking to cut your tax bill AND help your favorite charities at the same time?**

Normally, when you hit age 70 1/2, you have to start withdrawing money from an Individual Retirement Account (IRA) under the Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) rule.

Forbes: <https://apple.news/AakxgQci-QI6qb9M-MfPIPQ>

[GIVE NOW!](#)

## Just for Fun...

**How well do you know the Bible?**

**Test your knowledge and find out**

**Questions change weekly**

BibleReward.com has created a fun and interactive 10-question quiz. Some questions are pretty easy, and some are straight-up hard, especially when you get into the Old Testament. They will continually update the questions and answers to keep them fresh and challenging. Their goal is to spread the word of God throughout the world in a fun and educational way. Good luck! Let us know how you do.

[Bible Trivia - Click HERE](#)





# CMSP's Musical Adventures June 25

*Featuring performances & Instrument Petting Zoo  
A fun family event for all ages!*

1:00 - 3:00 pm

Grace Episcopal Church, Berryville VA

Free admission



Hosted by Community Music School of the Piedmont | [piedmontmusic@aol.com](mailto:piedmontmusic@aol.com)



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(Grace Episcopal Church OR St. Mary's Memorial Church)

It's a great way to keep up-to-date on everything that's happening around here AND see photos of what we've been up to too!

You can also keep up-to-date by visiting the Parish Website @ [www.clarkeparish.org](http://www.clarkeparish.org)

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