

The Week Ahead at Grace Presbyterian Church: Apr. 13-Apr. 20

For additional information, call the church office or ask an usher!

Sun. Apr. 13	9:30 am Palm Sunday Service 10:15 am Fellowship 11:00 am Lenten Bible Study (Room 3)
Mon. Apr. 14	9:00 am Jazzercise 6:00 pm Reiki Share 7:00 pm Yoga
Tues. Apr. 15	9:30 am Iyengar Yoga 6:00 pm Jazzercise 7:00 pm Session Meeting
Wed. Apr. 16	9:00 am Jazzercise 9:30 am Iyengar Yoga 7:00 pm Essentrics Class
Thurs. Apr. 17	9:30 am Iyengar Yoga 6:00 pm Jazzercise 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service
Fri. Apr. 18	9:30 am Restorative Yoga 12:00 - 3:00 Sanctuary will be Open for Prayer Time
Sat. Apr. 19	8:30 am Jazzercise 8:45 am Iyengar Yoga 4:00 pm Grace for Dinner
Sun. Apr. 20	9:30 am Easter Sunday Service 10:30 am Fellowship

Vision Statement

We are an open and affirming congregation. We genuinely welcome people of all ages, race, ethnicities, genders, sexual orientations, beliefs, and those who are cognitively and or physically challenged. Our vision is to be a community of love and purpose, each one engaged in ministry, seeking to know Christ, growing in discipleship, and embodying God's love for the world.

***** GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Holy Week Schedule (April 14 - April 19)

April 17, 7pm Maundy Thursday (Communion) Luke 22:1-65

April 18 Good Friday Luke 22:66-23:56

Sanctuary will be open 12 noon -3pm for prayer and meditation

April 20, 9:30am Easter Celebration Luke 24:1-12

April 27, 9:30am Easter 2 (Communion) Luke 24:13-35

Lenten Bible Study, Sundays Starting March 9 11:00 -12:30 pm in Room 3

This year we will using the process or practice of Lectio Divina for our Lenten Bible study. Lectio Divina is a contemplative way of reading and praying the scripture. The practice of Lectio Divina has been called a “spiritual reading” of scripture, as it does not focus on knowing the context or language or theology or even the meaning but experiencing the scripture through the presence and power of God’s Spirit. The practice involves reading and meditating on the words and allowing God’s Spirit to guide us to what we need to see and hear. We will focus each Sunday (starting March 9 th), on a selection from the Psalms. It is practice and therefore requires repetition and willingness to try something new and sometimes challenging. No preparation is needed just come with open hearts and minds and a desire to experience the holy. We will learn and practice it together.

Women's Bible Study – open to all women

We are currently studying The Acts of the Apostles.

This is the 5 th book in the New Testament and tells us what happened after the resurrection. Acts is the history of the amazing growth of Christianity. Among other lessons Acts relates how this movement moved from being only for the Jewish Christians but also for the Gentile Christians.

Our next meeting date is April 16. We are not Bible experts by any means. We read a chapter and talk about what it meant then and what it means to us now.

We meet in Room 2 from 12 noon till 1:30.

Questions - Contact Laura Taff - lt9115@gmail.com

Grace For Dinner

If you are a neighbor in need of food, come to our table

Grace Presbyterian Church is offering a FREE dinner

for people facing a food crisis

Saturday, May 10 th-4:00 - 5:30 PM - *Doors Open at 4:00*

Meals prepared by - **Joe's Deli, 3151 Rte. 27 Franklin Park**

Meal choices:

1. Chicken Parmagiana

2. Cheese Stuffed Shells

Please order meals by Monday, May 5th, 732-297-9182 or by email office@gracepcsb.org Please provide your name, phone number, number of meals and if any are vegetarian. One meal per person please. Let us know if you have transportation limits; we may be able to arrange delivery. **If you miss that date remaining meals will be given out starting at 5:15 on a first-come-first serve basis.**

South Brunswick Food Bank Items Needed:

Ground coffee - Jelly - Chef Boyardee, or any canned pasta
Crushed tomatoes - Pancake mix - Syrup Spaghetti, and any boxed pasta Paper
goods: toilet paper, paper towels, tissues, napkins, Boxed milk such as Parmalat -
Canned tuna. Please bring the item(s) to the church and put it in the cart by the
front door. If you have any questions contact Lee - mrsp52@comcast.net

Spiritual & Mental Wellness



*Join discussions around Mental Wellness
in a safe space over Coffee and Bagels*

Topic: Addiction

Our Facilitator for the morning:
Rev. Luke Ekstrom, Chaplain at Penn Medicine

Saturday, May 3rd, 2025 @ 10:00 am

Where: Grace Presbyterian Church
57 Sandhills Road, Kendall Park, NJ
Tel. 732-297-9182 for more information

Look Who's Serving

	April 13	April 20	April 27	May 4
Liturgist	Lee Piotrowski	Laura Taff	Barbara Elieff	Carol Thomson
Usher	Janice Royer	Mike Royer	Evelyn Savage	Amy Miller
Zoom	Gabi Quaely	Peter Godinez	Brian Boccardi	Maryann Rappa
Worship Leader	Rev. Debbie Paton	Rev. Debbie Paton	Rev. Debbie Paton	
Coffee Hour	Vilja Casey	Easter	Gabi Quaely	Janice Royer
Counters	Fran Trischetta Mike Royer	Laura Taff Lee Piotrowski	Mike Royer Dottie Pickell	Fran Trischetta Carol Thomson
Musician	Vince DiMura	Vince DiMura	Vince DiMura	Vince DiMura
Open/Close	Carol Thomson Mike Royer	Carol Thomson Mike Royer	Carol Thomson Mike Royer	Carol Thomson Mike Royer

CHURCH LEADERSHIP

Pastor Debbie - Debbie is in the office Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday. Works off site on Friday. She can best be reached by email pastordebpaton@gmail.com or cell phone 630-886-6785. Please honor Monday as her sabbath by only calling if it is an emergency.

Vince Di Mura - Music Director

Church Office - Maryann Rappa will be in the office Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. She can be reached at 732-297-9182 or office@gracepcsb.org.

NOT SURE WHO TO CONTACT?

- ❖ Questions about donations - Contact **Al Goddard**
- ❖ Questions about the children's ministry - contact **Nancy Varga**
nmvarga2011@comcast.net
- ❖ Questions about the Deacons - contact **Kathie Scott**
kathiemscott@icloud.com
- ❖ Have a prayer request? - contact **Tami Aug** tamaraaug@gmail.com
- ❖ Put an announcement in the bulletin? tell the **church office by Wednesday.**
office@gracepcsb.org
- ❖ Put an article in the newsletter? Maryann Rappa office@gracepcsb.org
- ❖ Want to get involved? **Contact an elder.**

Questions about **Finance or Personnel** - Rob Aug; **Hospitality or Outreach** - Donna Keller; **Preschool** - Nancy Varga, Carol Thomson; **Property** - Jim Elieff, Mike Royer; **Worship** -Dottie Pickell; **Stewardship** - Laura Taff; **Christian Ed.** - Nancy Varga; **Wellness** Irene Carman; **Clerk of Session** - Peter Godinez

Elders - Rob Aug, Irene Carman, Jim Elieff, Peter Godinez, Donna Keller, Dottie Pickell, Mike Royer, Laura Taff, Nancy Varga

Deacons - Tami Aug, Gloria Bernard, Judianne Brown, Sandy Chmielewski, Amy Miller, Gabi Quaely, Evelyn Savage, Kathie Scott

USERS' GUIDE

- **Welcome!** If you are visiting, please sign our guest book on the table in the hall before entering the worship space.
- If you have a **prayer request**, fill out a blue *prayer request card* (the other side of the welcome card) and put it in the offering plate.
- **Restrooms** are on the fellowship side of the sanctuary.

More information?

Grace Presbyterian Church- 57 Sand Hills Road, Kendall Pk, NJ 08824 Phone number- 732-297-9182 email us at - office@gracepcsb.org - Visit our website: www.gracepcsb.org - Or check us out on Facebook!

