

A Grace Note from the Rector  
February 1, 2024

Dear Ones,

Please mark your calendars for **Mozie Williams' memorial service**. It will be here at Grace on Saturday, March 2 at 11am. The Daughters of the King will host a reception in the Parish Hall after the Eucharist.

### **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

Remember that the Annual Meeting will take place this Sunday after the service. The Grace Parish Choir will provide brunch. Any funds received will benefit Grace's Music Program. You can access the meeting with the same Zoom link as the morning service.

### **SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER**

On Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, Grace Church Hospitality is serving a Pancake Supper, complete with sausages (meat and vegetarian options) and syrups. If you wish to bring fruit or a side dish, you may, but it is not required. We begin serving pancakes at 5:30 but come when you can. *Laissez le bon temps rouler!*

### **LENT IS COMING**

February 14 Ash Wednesday – Noon & 7pm  
Distribution of Ashes & Holy Eucharist, Rite I

February 18 The First Sunday in Lent – 9:30  
The Great Litany & Holy Eucharist, Rite I  
Fr. Steve Giovangelo, *Presider & Preacher*

### **Midweek Ecumenical Lenten Gathering**

Study Book: *The Love That is God: An Invitation to Christian Faith*  
by Frederick Bauerschmidt

6:00pm light dinner

7:00pm program

February 21: Holy Trinity Lutheran Church  
February 28: Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church  
March 6: Grace Episcopal Church  
March 13: Hazelwood Christian Church  
March 20: First Presbyterian Church

### **BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

As part of Black History Month this year, I invite you to explore the work being done by our own diocesan chapter of the Union of Black Episcopalians. As part of the ongoing process of educating ourselves on local manifestations of racism within and around our own churches, UBE has produced **Episcopal Awakening**, a short film that was premiered at our recent convention. To read more about the work of UBE, and to see the film, check out <https://indydio.org/union-of-black-episcopalians/>

Also, on **Saturday February 10**, join me at Christ Church Cathedral at 11am in a service **celebrating the life and ministry of Absalom Jones**, the first African-American ordained a deacon and priest in the Episcopal Church. Bishop Jennifer will celebrate the Eucharist; the preacher will be The Rev. Daren Evans, Associate Rector, The Historic African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas, founded in 1792 in Philadelphia as the first black Episcopal Church in the United States. Music will be by the IU African American Choral Ensemble. The service will be livestreamed – check the Cathedral’s website.

**A BETTER WAY ~ FEBRUARY NEEDS**

New or Gently Used items needed – pillow cases, twin sheets, twin blankets, wash cloths and bath towels. Thank you!

**CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES ~ ONGOING NEEDS**

**Food Pantry:** Canned fruit, meats, and soup, crackers, cereal, pasta & pasta sauce, mac & cheese. **Personal Care Items:** Bar soap, shampoo, toothpaste, dish soap, laundry detergent, toilet paper, lg/med diapers, towels, washcloths, blankets.

**YARN AND YARNS**

The needleworkers will meet on Wednesday, February 14 from 10-noon in the Parish Library. All are welcome.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**


**Charlotte Mason** (February 2)

**Phillip Ewart** (February 2)

**Catherine Galliher** (February 7)

*O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

God bless you in these days,



765-326-0353

[rectorgracemuncie2@gmail.com](mailto:rectorgracemuncie2@gmail.com)