

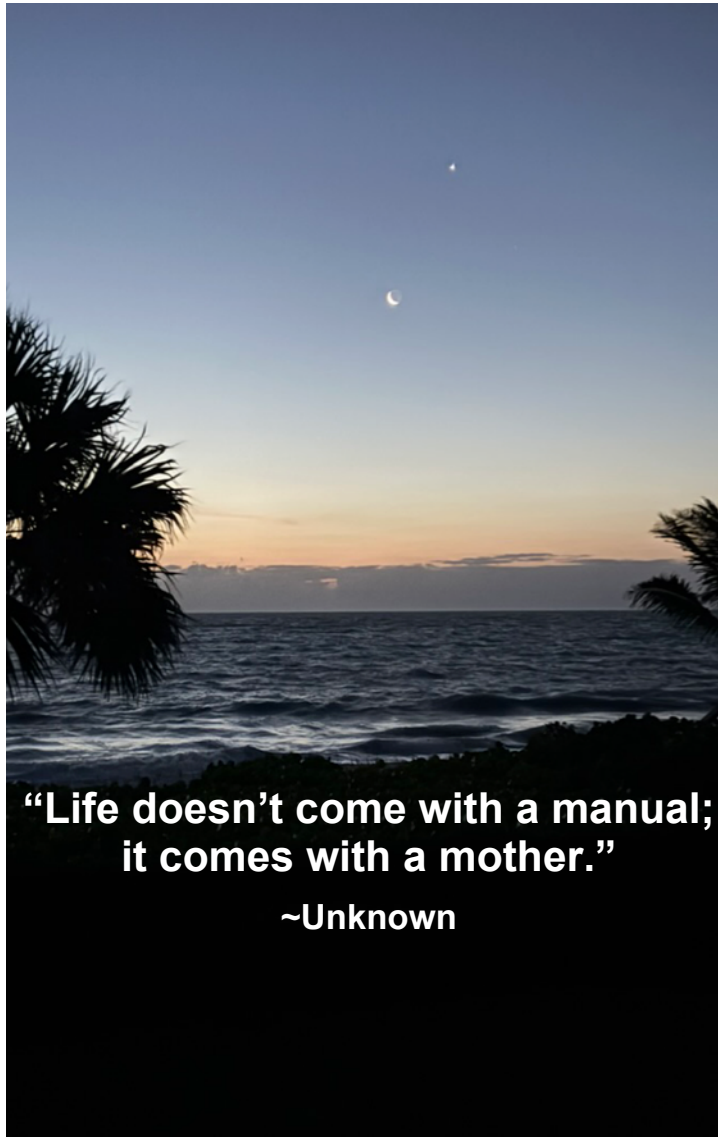


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Sunday May 11th

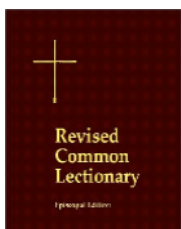
Fourth Sunday of Easter (Rite II)



**“Life doesn’t come with a manual;
it comes with a mother.”**

~Unknown

Subdeacon/Chalice	Rick Scott
MC/2nd Chalice	Claire Newquist
Thurifer	David White
Crucifer	David Brokaw
Acolyte	Marlene Presley
Acolyte	Eileen Barrett
OT Lector	Mark Strunsky
NT Lector	Allison McLean
Intercessor	Joseph Barrett
Ushers	Joseph Barrett Sue Scott
Use our audio mixer to listen to the 9:30 Sunday Mass live. Click Here	
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For the Sunday prayer bulletin. Click Here	



Website for Lectionary Readings

The webpage is in calendar form - just click on the date and you will see the readings for that day.

<https://www.lectionarypage.net/CalndrsIndexes/Calendar2025.html>

Upcoming Events

Sunday May 11th	9:30 AM Sunday Eucharist in-person and on-line (Rite II) <i>Happy Mother's Day!</i>
Wednesday May 14th	10:00 AM Healing Mass
Sunday May 18th	9:30 AM Sunday Eucharist in-person and on-line (Rite I) 11:00 AM Monthly Vestry Meeting
Wednesday May 21st	10:00 AM Healing Mass
Sunday May 25th	9:30 AM Sunday Eucharist in-person and on-line (Rite II)
Monday May 26th	Memorial Day Holiday - Office Closed
Wednesday May 28th	10:00 AM Healing Mass

The Photography Corner



On a recent trip to Maryland, I took this photograph of the front porch of the Atlantic Hotel in Berlin, MD, made famous by the movie "Runaway Bride". Like last week's photo, the deep, vivid colors of the flowers caught my eye.

I would like to thank all who have shared photographs with us. ~Joe



ShopRite Grocery Gift Cards are available for sale EVERY Sunday after each service. Grace Church receives 5% on the sale of the cards from ShopRite, while you purchase the cards at face value! ShopRite gift cards can make shopping for the family easy. Our ongoing fundraiser of ShopRite gift cards helps you prepare your holiday meals while helping Grace Church. Please keep us in mind when preparing your shopping lists!

We are happy and pleased to announce that we can accept credit card purchases for the ShopRite gift cards. So, if you use a rewards credit card you can now accumulate points while supporting Grace Church! To purchase gift cards, please see either Eileen or Claire.

Mystic Poets Society

**This week's poem is sent to us by Eileen Bloomer. Thank you Eileen!
If you have a poem or reflection that you would consider sharing with your fellow parishioners, please send it to me. Thank you, Joe.**

**In the morning the birds pause their singing,
their conversation of notes and rests.**

**And in each rest I hear the river,
the living water river**

**flowing near and far, all the way
to some distant ocean.**

**I catch the scent of water:
rain, damp earth, wet leaves, branches,
vines
that are now my view, my viewpoint.**

**I walk on lost and found feet through
so much growth, so many memories tangled**

**on the banks of the river,
the river flowing parallel**

**to my carefully, cautiously counted days.
Through all the growing I glimpse the water
flowing,**

**the hem of a garment I long for and reach
out to touch.**

**And the birds are singing again.
~Eileen**

Diocesan Celebration of Ministry Honoring Bishop Glasspool: A Journey of Faith & Service



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A Journey of Faith and Service

Saturday, May 31, 10:30 am

The Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine

1047 Amsterdam Avenue, New York NY

Join us as we give thanks for the faithful and inspiring ministry of The Right Reverend Mary Glasspool, Bishop Assistant of the Diocese of New York, as she prepares for her retirement on June 30, 2025. We will honor her 45 years of service in ordained ministry, her unwavering commitment to God's people, and the love and wisdom she has shared throughout our diocese.

Eucharist service will be followed by a reception. Please RSVP below.

[Register](#)



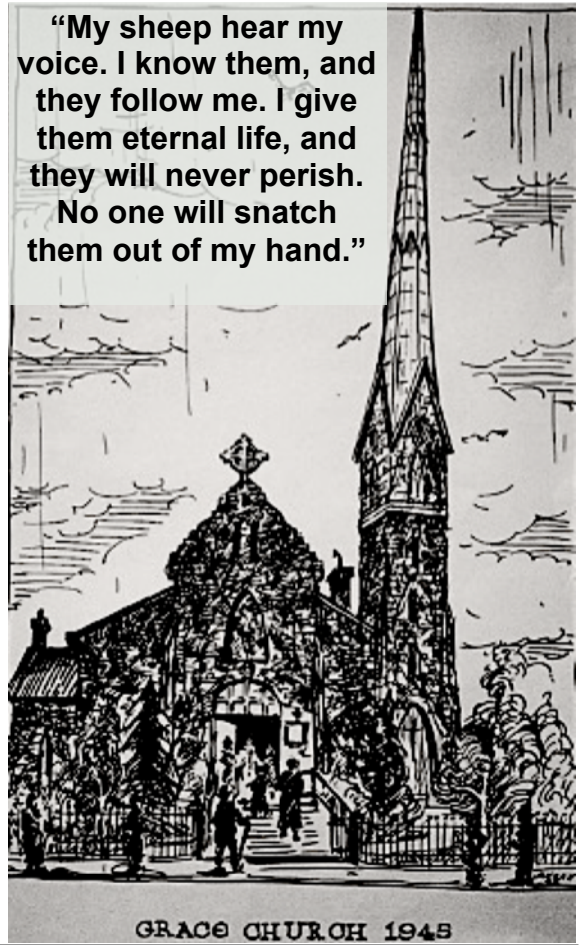
Vestry News

The next Vestry meeting will be held in the boardroom on Sunday May 18th starting at 11:00 AM.

All are invited to attend!

[Click here to read the minutes of the February 16, 2025 Vestry meeting.](#)

[Click here to read the minutes of the March 16, 2025 Vestry meeting.](#)



"My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand."

Your Grace Church Vestry.

Wardens:

John Cusack

Claire Newquist

Clerk of the Vestry:

Treasurer:

Kathleen Hamilton

Allison McLean

Vestry:

Lorraine Witkowski

Anne Caldwell

Barbara Chumard

Michelle Tubbs

William Gunn

Lenora Vaughan

Mark Strunsky

Eileen Bloomer

Torry Guardino