

WE GATHER...

and play at a common activity as all are welcomed and made comfortable

WE SHARE..

a story from the Bible

WE EXPLORE...

the story at learning and prayer centers, choosing from a variety of sensory and tactile activities adapted to each theme.

WE HEAR...

the story of Jesus and God's love for us

WE BREAK BREAD...

and share the Eucharist with friends and family

WE PRAY...

our thanks and bid our friends goodbye until next time

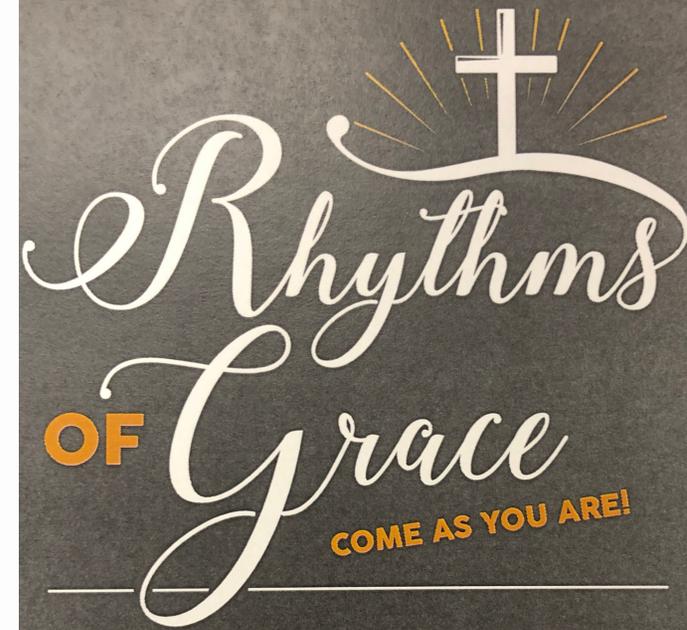


The 4th Sunday of each month
in Keenan Chapel
at 3:00 pm



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Welcome to a
worship service
designed for families
with children who
have special needs,
but open to all...a
place to dance, draw,
wiggle and meet God!



Rhythms of Grace

The Program

Rhythms of Grace is a creative church experience for those with special needs from all faith traditions. The program began so parents could have a place to worship with their children without worrying about verbal disruptions, distracting movements or gestures.

Our program presents Bible stories in an interactive way that uses music and movement, story cards, tactile and kinesthetic activities, and opportunities to develop communication skills.

The program is led by a Christian educator, Episcopal priest, and assistants. A variety of items like Play-Doh, bean bags, pipe cleaners and tissue paper team with prayers, hymns and Holy Scripture to make church and God's love accessible to all.

Parents and caregivers enjoy the informal atmosphere of Rhythms of Grace and have time to share stories, hopes and dreams with those who have similar types of challenges.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What if my child is disruptive?

A: All children are welcome, regardless of their "acting out" behavior. We also have a safe corner where children can rest and observe.

Q: Are children accompanied?

A: Parents, grandparents and/or caregivers are expected to join in activities so children's particular needs are met and they feel comfortable. There is time for conversation and networking among adults.

Q: Is there an age limit?

A: No. Our program is hands-on and craft based. We play on the floor and move to music. Our participants range in age from 2 years old and up.

Q: How many attend each month?

A: We usually celebrate Rhythms of Grace with 10-15 people present - kids, clergy, parents and staff.



Q: Do I have to be Episcopalian to come to Rhythms of Grace?

A: No. We welcome all faith traditions to our programs.

Q: Do I need to call in advance?

A: No. Just come! But if you have particular needs, call first so we can help to make it a successful visit.

Q: Is the site handicapped accessible?

A: Yes, Keenan Chapel is handicapped accessible.

Q: Can siblings and friends attend?

A: Absolutely!

Questions?

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