

September 6, 2016

Dear Grace Church Family and Friends,

Happy September! I hope you all enjoyed the summer.

I am back in the office today, following my summer sabbatical, full of gratitude to the Vestry, Rev. Amanda and the staff, not to mention all of you, for my time away.

I look forward to seeing you this coming Sunday, September 11 for Ministry Sunday. As the official kick-off to our program year, Ministry Sunday is a great day to connect with old friends, meet new ones and learn more about Grace Church. We will welcome Rev. Richard, our new halftime Associate Rector, and Anna Broadbent, our new seminarian.

Sunday School resumes this Sunday at 10:00 a.m. and the choir returns to lead us in singing during worship. During the Adult Forum, which runs from 9:30-10:15, I will be speaking about my sabbatical – the goals I set for myself and what I accomplished. After both worship services, leaders of our various ministries will be available to talk about their work and the many ways in which you can participate. After the 10:30 a.m. service, we will share a meal together. The main dish will be provided; please bring a salad or side dish to share. There will also be special activities for children, including the always popular face-painters and moon bounce.

I am so excited to be back and cannot wait to see you.

Faithfully,
Andrew