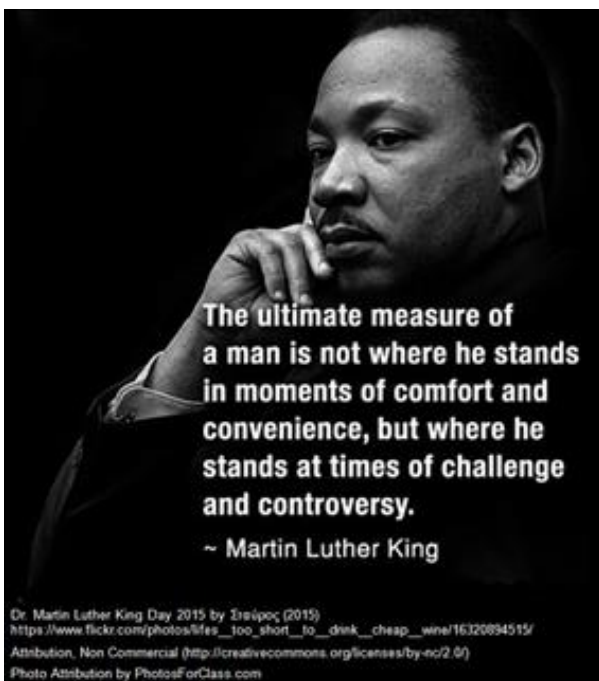




Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

January 6, 2017

Spotlight on Grace: Reflections on a profound vision:



The Center for Reconciliation of the Episcopal Diocese of RI and the Grace Church Choir invite you to a celebration of the life and ministry of Dr. Martin Luther King, Thursday, January 12, 7:00pm, at Calvary Baptist Church, 747 Broad Street in Providence.

Come and hear inspired oral and musical reflections on Dr. King's principles that form the basis of a "Beloved Community." Come and be reminded once again of his vision for a healthy society - a society based on justice, equal opportunity and love for one's fellow human being. Come... and be a part of this inspirational experience.

[Register for this free event](#) using Eventbrite: <https://goo.gl/AnP1Gv>

Registration is helpful but not mandatory.

The event is a collaborative effort with representatives from the Center for Reconciliation of the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island, Temple Beth-El, Rhode Island for Community and Justice, The Muslim Americans Dawah Center of Rhode Island, Calvary Baptist Church, The Institute for the Study and Practice of Nonviolence, Grace Episcopal Church, the Rhode Island Philharmonic Music School and the Rhode Island State Council of Churches.

The Center for Reconciliation is a non-profit organization founded by the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island to offer and support efforts leading to racial justice, healing, and

reconciliation. The center offers a variety of unique programs, events and experiences that create spaces for learning about and discussing America's history of slavery, the slave trade and its legacies. They collaborate with partner organizations, churches, and community groups across the state; seeking to be catalysts, collaborators and conveners within the church and community. They are renovating the Cathedral of St. John on North Main Street in Providence as the center's future home and a safe space where people can engage in dialogue about the challenging issues of race and differences.

This Week at Grace

Worship Schedule:

Sunday 8:00am Holy Eucharist
Sunday 10:00am Holy Eucharist with Music*
Wednesday Noon Holy Eucharist

A Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of Thomas S. LaFauci, husband of Libby

Rock: Saturday, January 7, 11:00am. May Thomas' soul, and the souls of all the departed, rest in peace.



Parking for Worship: Parking for Sunday worship is provided in the lot diagonally across Westminster Street, on the NW corner of Westminster and Snow. A small number of spaces are available on the portion of the Grace Church lot facing Snow Street, along an inset section of the construction fence. For all other times, please [check with the parish administrator](#) for availability.

Wheelchair Access and Accessible Parking: Please find wheelchair access from the sidewalk on Westminster Street into the church. Handicapped parking spaces have been posted for Sundays on Mathewson Street near Westminster.

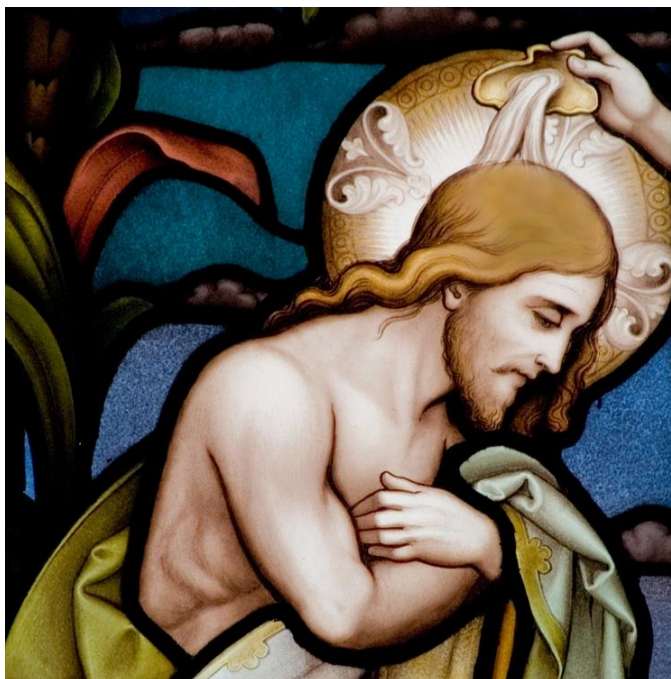
January 8, 2017 - The First Sunday after the Epiphany The Baptism of our Lord

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

For the text of this Sunday's readings, [please click here:](#)

[Isaiah 42:1-9 ~ Psalm 29 ~ Acts 10:34-43 ~ Matthew 3:13-17](#)

For additional background about the baptism of Our Lord, [click here.](#)



Would you like to add someone to the prayer list? [Please click here](#) to submit a name, or call the church office at (401) 331-3225. Names are kept on the list for a month, and can be renewed at any time. Those received by Wednesday will appear in the same week's bulletin.

Please bring home your 2017 PICA outreach calendar!

The Outreach Ministry at Grace has prepared a 2017 calendar to guide your valued contributions of food and other items throughout the coming year. All non-perishable food, plus toiletries, clothing etc. are welcome throughout the year, but the calendar features particular wish-list items for each month, culminating in our new Reverse Advent campaign for next December. We hope you will hang or keep a calendar in your kitchen or pantry, and support the important work of PICA throughout 2017!



2017 Calendar of Giving

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The Mission of Grace Church is to build, by the grace of God, a loving and joyful community which lives the gospel through worship, proclamation and service to each other, to downtown Providence, and beyond.