



GRACE
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Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

March 9, 2018

Spotlight on Grace: Music for March



CHORAL EVENSONG

For Lent

Lloyd – View me, Lord

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Titcomb – Evening Service in A

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Haydn – Insanæ et vanæ curæ

Sung by the choir of Grace Church in Providence
Rodney Ayers, Guest Organist

Sunday, March 18 at 5 PM

Please join us on Sunday, March 18 at 5 PM for Choral Evensong. The Grace Church Choir will sing works of Lloyd, Sheppard, Titcomb and Haydn. Of particular interest is the motet "Insanæ et vanæ curæ" by Franz Joseph Haydn. The beginnings of Haydn's motet *Insanæ et vanæ curæ* (Insane and stupid worries flood our mind) began in 1775 with the composition of his first oratorio *Il ritorno di Tobia* (The Return of Tobias). The work written to an Italian libretto was first performed in 1775 in Vienna and was a resounding success. But by 1781 the public's musical taste had changed so much that another planned performance in Vienna in 1781 failed to materialize due to lack of interest. Later

Haydn took one of the choral numbers from the oratorio and rewrote it to a Latin text, resulting in the motet featured at Evensong. The work is full of contrast - dramatic, fiery sections alternating with sublimely peaceful passages. Oboist Cheryl Bishkoff of the RI Phil will join organist Rodney Ayers to accompany Haydn's great work. Ms. Bishkoff will join Vince Edwards at the piano for the prelude music, featuring two movements of Bach's Sonata in G Minor for Oboe.

Following Evensong, you will be invited to tour the newly refurbished Vestry and Chafee Room. Following Evensong, a reception will be held in The Pavilion.

The Susquehanna University Choir, under the direction of Christopher Hoster, will be on tour March 10-18, 2018. We are delighted to include Grace Church among their scheduled performance locations, with a concert next Wednesday, March 14, from 7:00pm to roughly 8:30pm. The concert is free and open to the public.

The 42-member University Choir tours each spring and presents a varied program of classical and contemporary music. The University Chamber Singers, a versatile group of 16 musicians, will perform a segment of the concert, as well.

Please Remember to Spring Forward



To be sure you'll arrive at church at the right time, please move your clocks ahead one hour before going to sleep this Saturday night, March 10.

The Lenten Giving Cross



The Lenten Cross located in The Pavilion still has bulbs on it which represent donation requests for foster families through our partner agency Children's Friend. Thank you for selecting one or more bulbs from the cross if you would like to participate in this heartwarming annual effort of the Outreach Ministry here at Grace.

When dropping off your donations, please affix the corresponding bulb to your donated item. Items can be left at the back of the church on Sundays, or brought to the parish office during office hours.

Easter Flowers and Music

A card for 'Easter Flowers and Music' with a blue header and white background. It features two images of white lilies. The text on the card includes: 'I wish to make a gift of \$ _____ for Easter flowers at Grace (minimum \$20).', 'I wish to support special Easter music with my gift of \$ _____.', 'I wish to make an additional Easter offering of \$ _____.', 'Total gift enclosed: \$ _____. Thank you!', and 'Please dedicate my gift (circle one): in honor of in memory of or in thanksgiving for (please print legibly):'. At the bottom, it says 'Please place card with your gift in the envelopes provided, before Tuesday in Holy Week.'

Thank you for filling out a card located in the pews, and for your support of Easter flowers and music. Please print dedications legibly: In memory of... in honor of... in thanksgiving for... Place your card and gift in the green flower envelopes provided, and return in the offering plate or by mail. Dedications received before March 27 will be recorded in the service bulletins for Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday.

Naming Opportunities at Grace



Following the renovation of the rooms in the west tower of Grace's 1912 parish house, we now need to give them names! The vestry decided to approve the renovation months ago, but we're now doing some post-facto fund raising to support the parish's finances by offering the chance to name a room in honor or memory of a loved one. If you think you might be interested in doing so, please call or email the rector at 331-3225 or jhuyck@gracepvd.org.

Join the Sandwich Brigade



Each year during lent, volunteers with the Outreach Ministry at Grace Church descend upon the kitchen at Crossroads Rhode Island for a number of Saturday mornings to make sandwiches for members of our downtown community. This rewarding and enjoyable ministry offers a great opportunity to get active in outreach at Grace Church and get to know your fellow parishioners in the process.

The last two Saturdays for this year's brigade will take place at Crossroads at 10:00am on March 17 and 24. Please look for a sign-up sheet in the back of the church, and thank you for signing up in advance. With question, please contact Nick Halar at outreach@gracepvd.org.

This Week at Grace

Weekly Worship Schedule:

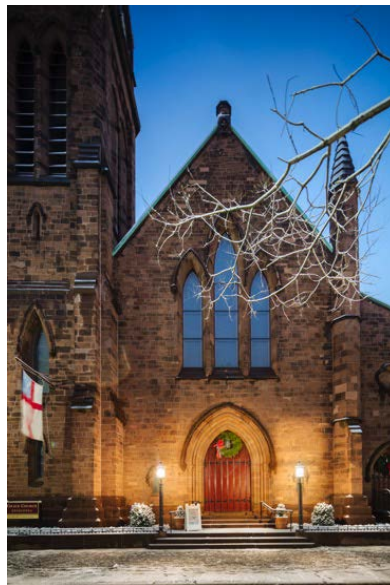
Sunday 8:00am Holy Eucharist
Sunday 10:00am Holy Eucharist with Music

Free Visiting Choir Concert: Wednesday, March 14, 7:00pm. The Susquehanna University Choir and Chamber Singers present a concert at Grace Church.

Thursday Concerts at Noon: Performing this Thursday, Mar. 15, will be Vince Edwards, Organ.

Lenten Bible Study with the Rector:
Sundays in Lent at 9:00am in The Pavilion

Open Doors: Your friendly docents are here to greet you every weekday from 11:00am to 2:00pm. Please encourage your friends or guests to come and visit Grace Church and see the new Pavilion at Grace.



Prayer Group: The prayer group meets the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month at 9:30am, presently in The Pavilion at Grace.

Wheelchair Access and Accessible Parking: Please find convenient accessible in the Grace Church parking lot with access from Snow Street. The new wheelchair ramp connects directly from the lot, and you will enter through the new reception entrance of The Pavilion and into the church at ground level.

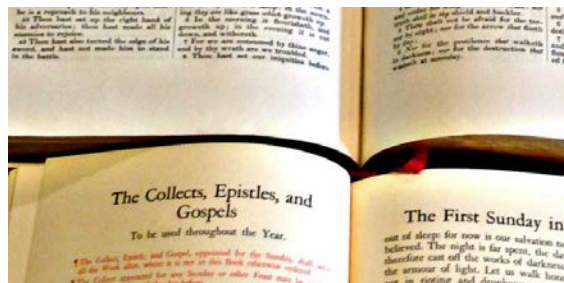
Parking for Worship: Free parking for Sunday worship is provided:

- 1.) in the lot diagonally across Westminster Street, on the NW corner of Westminster and Snow;
- 2.) On the **top level only** of the PPAC parking garage, for which the entrance is on Weybosset Street. A stairway from the top level leads right to Chapel Street across from the church; and
- 3.) In the Grace Church parking lot accessed via Snow Street. We ask your kind cooperation in reserving this lot, to the extent possible, for seniors and those with limited mobility.

March 11, 2018

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.



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

This week from the Episcopal Church: [The Feast of St. Patrick](#). [Click here](#) for the latest from the Episcopal News Service. And for current news from the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island, [please 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.



HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday

March 25, 8:00am & 10:00am

Morning Prayer

March 26, 9:00am

Candlesong

March 27, 8:00pm

Wednesday Eucharist

March 28, 12:00 Noon

Maundy Thursday

March 29, 7:00pm

Good Friday

March 30, 12:00 Noon

Easter Vigil

March 31, 8:00pm

Easter

April 1, 8:00am & 10:00am

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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.