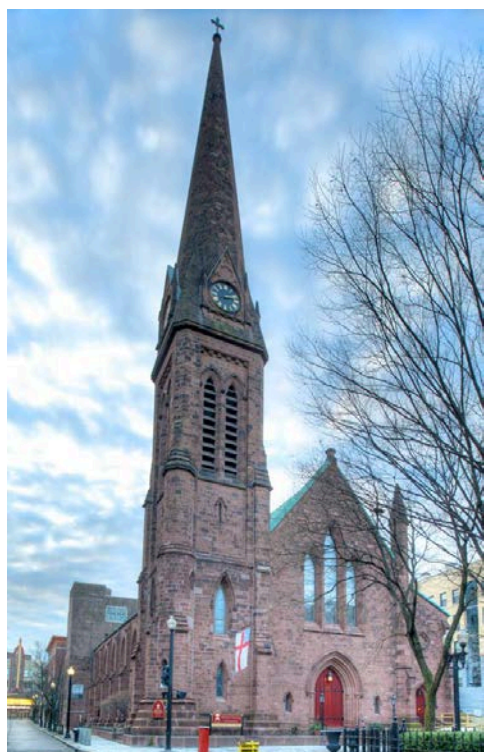




Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

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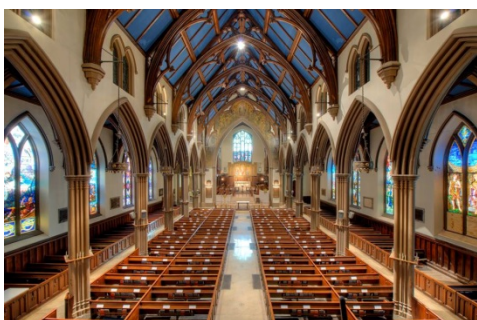


## Spotlight on Grace: A Feast for the Eyes

Often when we talk of feasts we're referring to holy days or feasts in the church calendar, and indeed this midweek we had occasion to recall and celebrate [The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle](#). But the feast I'd like to share with you today is of a different sort entirely: it is a feast for the eyes.

By the grace of God, our church received a great blessing this past week in the form of a stunning new series of photographs gifted by hobbyist photographer Brian Kutner. Brian strolled into Grace during our Open Doors hours while in Providence recently, and resolved to drive back up from New Jersey solely to record the beauty of Grace Church. Brian has honed specialized techniques for photographing church interiors, including by taking multiple exposures of a single composition and combining them to balance out the extremes of light and dark.

Over time you'll see many of these new photographs appearing throughout our communications, as we seek to showcase the special beauty and historical character of our



beloved church. We are grateful to Brian for this generous gift. All of Brian's Grace Church photographs are already available [through his Facebook page](#), and I encourage our parishioners to peruse them using the links below. You'll see he devotes considerable time and effort into preparing captions for the images as well. The photos are contained within five distinct albums, and provided here are direct links to each: [Exterior](#), [Nave](#), [Choir and Chancel](#), [Windows](#), and [Misc](#).

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The photos of the chancel arch (see left) are some of my personal favorites, as they illuminate details that I had not fully appreciated given their height overhead. If you have a favorite, please consider downloading the image and posting it to your social media, sharing this feast for the eyes with those you know. Be sure to tag Grace Church when you do, and invite friends to visit us during Open Doors (weekdays 11-2), or for Sunday worship.

Blessings,  
[Chris Barker](#), parish administrator

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## This Week at Grace

### Worship Schedule:

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

### Prayer and Scripture Group:

2nd and 4th Saturday of each month at  
9:30am in the Chafee Room.

**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



*While roof deck sheets are lifted into place with help from a trio of travel-lifts (top center), the perimeter scaffolding comes down since masonry work is essentially complete.*

**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.

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## Save the Dates: Winter and Spring Musical Events at Grace

### Collegium Ancora, February 12 at 5PM

Collegium Ancora presents A Little Night Music, featuring the sumptuous Serenade to Music of Vaughan Williams, as well as works of Brahms, Barber, Sondheim and more!  
\$10 suggested donation.

**Thursdays at Noon beginning March 9 (through May 25)** Please join us on Thursdays at Noon (September 15 through November 17; and March 9 through May 25) for informal half-hour organ, vocal or instrumental concerts. Feel free to stay for a portion of the concert or the entire concert if your schedule will allow.

### Choral Evensong: Sunday, March 26 at 5PM

The Grace Church Choir offers  
Choral Evensong for Lent  
Music of Vierne, Blair, and Finzi

### St. Matthew Passion: Friday, April 7 at 7:30PM

Museum Concerts of Rhode Island  
50th Anniversary Gala Concert  
Performed by the Brown University Chorus and Schola Cantorum of Boston,  
For tickets, visit [www.museumconcerts.org](http://www.museumconcerts.org) or call 401-274-5073.

### Music of Praise and Glory: Sunday, April 30 at 5PM

The Grace Church Choir and Choristers join with Collegium Ancora to present Vivaldi's beloved Gloria and Purcell's Te Deum and Jubilate with Chamber Ensemble.  
\$10 suggested donation

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### A Little Night Music: Songs of Shadow and Starlight

**FEB  
12**

5pm - Grace Episcopal  
175 Mathewson St, Providence  
Open Admission (\$10 suggested donation)

**FEB  
19**

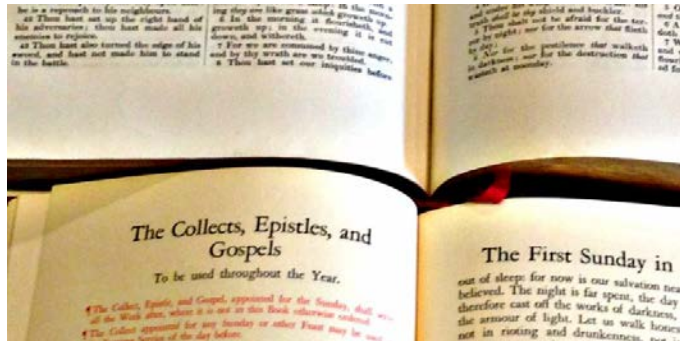
4pm - St. Columba's Chapel  
55 Vaucluse Avenue, Middletown, RI  
\$10 Admission

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## January 29, 2017 - Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**



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

[Micah 6:1-8 ~ Psalm 15 ~ 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 ~ Matthew 5:1-12](#)

This week from the Episcopal Church: [Welcome to the Jesus Movement: Revivals 2017-2018](#)  
Also, [click here](#) for the latest from the Episcopal News Service.

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.

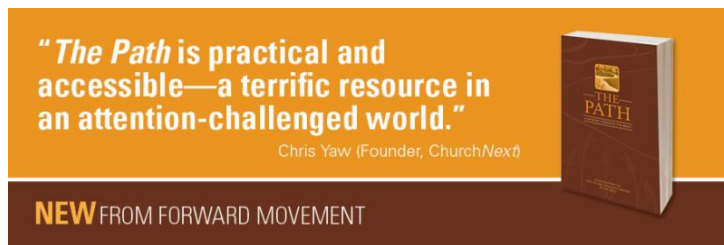
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## Take a Journey Through the Bible

The Prayer and Scripture Group at Grace will meet every Saturday during Lent in the Chafee Room at 9:30am to explore the exciting new book from Forward Movement: [The Path: A Journey through the Bible](#). "With

informative trail signs to help you see how each piece of the narrative fits together, The Path is an experience unlike any other: an amazing 360-degree overview of the vast, sweeping story of God's extraordinary love for ordinary people." To take part, [please contact Deborah Dunning](#).

The Prayer and Scripture Group meets regularly on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month at 9:30am in the Chafee Room at Grace Church. The group's next meeting scheduled for January 28. During Lent, the group will shift to a weekly schedule for this shared journey through the Bible. Because the doors to the church are not open on Saturday mornings, we recommend [coordinating with Deborah](#) before attending for the first time.



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## Register Now for ECC Winter Camp 2017

Come experience a totally different kind of camp at ECC - in the middle of winter! Spend time warm and inside the house playing games, doing crafts, and enjoying good company. Then mix it up and go outside to play in the snow, walk across the frozen frog pond, and take in the sights around our beautiful property. This fun camp is a wonderful way to spend your February vacation!



**February 17, 3:00 PM through February 20, 2:00pm.** \$150 per person. Open to those in Grades 7-11. The session has openings for males and females. **Registration deadline:** February 11, 2017. [Click here to register today.](#) With questions, call 401-568-4055, or [e-mail admin@eccri.org](mailto:admin@eccri.org).

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## A Prayer Shawl Ministry

Want to keep some time for knitting or crocheting a prayer shawl this winter?

Prayer shawls are created with prayer and given out to those who are going through difficult times in body, mind or spirit.

Not to mention, knitting is good for you! See the Healthy Hobbies section of [our ENews from December 8](#).

If you're interested in learning more or exploring this ministry, please speak to Anne McCarthy after a Sunday service, [or e-mail her here](#).

*Colossians 2:2 That their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, to reach all the riches of full assurance of understanding and the knowledge of God's mystery, which is Christ...*




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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.*