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Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

October 5, 2017

Spotlight on Grace: Dedication of the Pavilion at Grace

At long last, the moment has come when we formally dedicate and take up residence in our new building! Immediately following the 10 a.m. service this Sunday, October 8th, we will proceed into the empty parking lot of Grace Church for the burying of the time capsule, the placing of the corner stone (inscribed with the year of dedication), and the bishop leading the congregation in prayers of thanksgiving and dedication.

Once he has blessed this new space, we will celebrate this momentous occasion together with a pot-luck lunch. Everyone is encouraged to bring a dish to share - main dish, side dish, salad, or dessert.

We look forward to celebrating with you this Sunday!



This Week at Grace

Weekly Worship Schedule:

Sunday 8:00am Holy Eucharist
Sunday 10:00am Holy Eucharist with Music and
Dedication of The Pavilion at Grace
Wednesday Noon Holy Eucharist

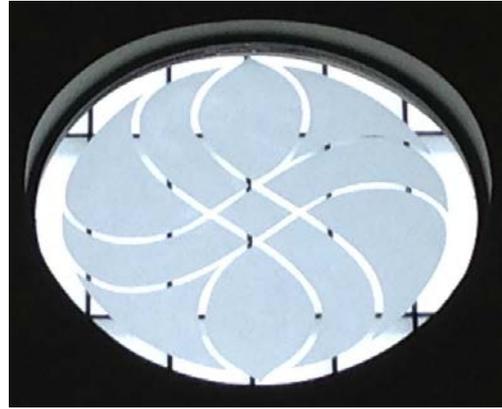
Thursday Noon Concerts October 12 will
feature Vince Edwards, Organ.

Prayer Group: Meets the 2nd and 4th Saturday
of each month at 9:30am, Chafee Room.

Open Doors: Your friendly docents are here to
greet you every weekday from 11:00am to 2:00pm. Open Doors is presently Monday through
Thursday.

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.

Parking for Worship: Free parking for Sunday
worship is provided in the lot diagonally across
Westminster Street, on the NW corner of
Westminster and Snow. Additional free parking is
also available 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. 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.



Presiding Bishop Michael Curry Responds to the Las Vegas Tragedy



Presiding Bishop Michael Curry shares a statement from the Anglican Communion Primates, and prays for the victims of the shooting in Las Vegas. Please [click on the video above](#) to view.

Commemorative Series on the 500th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation

October 11 at 6pm: "Martin Luther and the Dawn of Protestantism." Speaker: Prof. Tara Nummedal, Brown University. Location: Central Congregational Church, 296 Angell Street.



October 18 at 6pm: "The Emergence of Protestantism in England." Speaker: Prof. Jeannine Olson, Rhode Island College. Location: Grace Church, 300 Westminster Street.

October 25 at 6pm: "The Protestant Experience in early Rhode Island." Speakers: Stanley Lemons, Historian of the First Baptist Church in America; Ray Rickman, Executive Director of Stages of Freedom; Prof. Adrian Weimer, Providence College. Location: Calvary Baptist Church, 747 Broad Street.

Sunday, November 5th at 5 p.m.: Reformation Evensong service featuring the combined choirs of Grace Church in Providence and St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich. Location: Grace Church, 300 Westminster Street.

Adorn the Curved Wall of the Pavilion

Many of you have seen the beautiful etchings of Grace Church crafted by RISD professor and Edna Lawrence years ago. We use them in our parish publications frequently. We've decided to frame and install 10 Edna Lawrence originals from our archival collection in the new Pavilion, creating another link between our new building and our historic church. Each of the ten pieces will cost \$100 to frame. If you're interested in donating \$100 to help us frame an historic piece of Grace art, we invite you to send a check to the parish office at 300 Westminster Street in Providence, RI, 02903, being sure to specify "Lawrence Prints" on the memo line. Thank you for being a part of art and history at Grace!



Outreach Committee Meetings Scheduled

The next two Outreach Committee meetings are scheduled for October 15 and November 19 in the Chafee Room. If you are interested in becoming involved in outreach ministry here at Grace, please e-mail Nick at outreach@gracepvd.org. Among the upcoming efforts of this ministry will be the annual Thanksgiving Food Drive for the PICA Food Pantry.



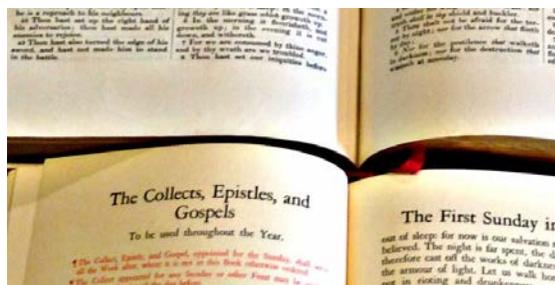
Support Hurricane Relief Efforts

Following the devastating trio of major hurricanes to impact the United States and Caribbean islands, Episcopal Relief & Development [has created a singular donation page](#) for those wishing to direct their support to victims of each of these horrific storms. Let us join together in prayer for all of the victims of these multiple disasters, and let us together foment a concerted and longstanding relief response. [Click here to donate today.](#)



October 8, 2017 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; 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:](#)

[Isaiah 5:1-7 ~ Psalm 80:7-14 ~ Philippians 3:4b-14 ~ Matthew 21:33-36](#)

This week from the Episcopal Church: [UTO Young Adult and Seminarian Grants](#). [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.

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