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Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

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Spotlight on Grace: *The Teens Take Over*



The youths of Grace Church are indeed *Teens in Action*. Over recent years this group has generously performed roughly 1,000 hours of volunteer and service work. They have picked vegetables to feed the poor; painted the walls of group homes; cleaned rooms for kids with cancer; packaged cans at the food bank; raised money to fight AIDS; and served dozens of meals to hundreds of hungry people. Through it all, the youth of the TIA have proven to be consistently kind, hard-working and driven.

As a community, we have gathered to enjoy their hospitality as they have prepared feasts for countless occasions; most recently with their Cinco de Mayo celebration that raised \$500. As this school year comes to a close, we take this opportunity to honor and thank the members of Teens in Action for all of their glorious contributions to the life of Grace Church, and for their many acts of kind service to others.

On Trinity Sunday, May 22, we pass the torch to Teens in Action, and watch their ministry shine as they lead us in worship. You're not going to want to miss this special service as our teens read the lessons; bear the cross, torches and chalices; and deliver the sermon!

Carley Loiselle created the above illustration, which also appears on the cover of the Sunday Bulletin. And the #SHINE image at right is part of a wonderful series of images that TIA created for Advent.

Congratulations to our Graduates:

Carley Loiselle, who is graduating from Cranston High School East, will attend Rhode Island College to pursue a career in Art Therapy.

Brian O'Gara, graduating from North Providence High School, is heading to American University to study Political Science and Public Relations.



Rose O'Gara, also graduating from North Providence High School, now proceeds to Skidmore College in Sarasota Springs, NY to study Astrophysics and/or English.

Kirvez Ferguson is graduating from Johnson & Wales University with a degree in Food Service Management.



This Week at Grace

Worship services:

Sunday 8:00am Holy Eucharist

Sunday 10:00am Holy Eucharist with music

Wednesday Noon Holy Eucharist

Alzheimer's Information and Support:

Please join Doreen Putnam and Anela Brewster on Sunday, May 22nd at 11:00am in the Chafee Room to learn more about Alzheimer's and the Alzheimer's Support Team. See below for details.

Final Thursday Noon Concert of the season: Thursday, May 26, featuring an

organ performance by Vince Edwards, Director of Music! Thank you to all who attended today's Thursday Noon performance by Brad Kleyla

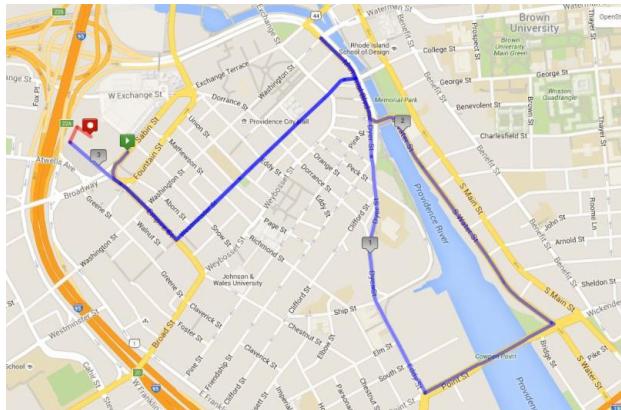
Women's Prayer and Bible Study:

The next Women's Prayer meeting, and the final one of the season, will be Saturday, June 11. The group will not meet May 28 of Memorial Day Weekend.

Grace Church is OPEN to the Public each weekday from 11:00am until 2:00pm. Please tell your friends, co-workers, and visitors to stop by and explore this beautiful historic church. Our friendly docents will greet you with a smile.



Road Race Reconnaissance



Please be aware that [the Providence Police Memorial 5k](#) will take place this Sunday, May 22. The start time for a pre-event 'kids run' is 10:00am, with the main event starting at 11:00am. The race course does proceed down Westminster Street, from Empire Street to Memorial Blvd., so please plan your routes accordingly. [Click here](#) for the enlarged course map.

Music at Grace

**Announcing an exciting new program for Fall 2016
The Grace Church Choristers**



- A choir for boys and girls, grades 2 through 12
- Learn healthy vocal technique, music-reading skills, and history of music and the church!
- Sing the world's greatest sacred music, spanning 500 years!
- Perform alongside the Choir of Grace Church in our splendid landmark building!
- Attend a 5-day Choir Camp at Incarnation Center in Ivoryton, CT
- Free piano lessons offered to the first 10 choristers who join the program!

Please click here for the full program brochure

Musical interviews may be held at any time, but choristers must be registered for the program by July 1 to be able to attend the August 15-19 Choir Camp.

For more information, or to schedule a Musical Interview, please contact Vince Edwards, Director of Music at Grace Church: vedwards@gracepwd.org or 401-331-3225, ext 4

Your Priest-in-Charge: The Reverend Lavonne Seifert

During the period of Jonathan's sabbatical, beginning next week and through the end of August, please direct all pastoral questions, inquiries, and/or conversations to Mother Lavonne Seifert.

Lavonne will serve as Priest-in-Charge of Grace Church, and is already well known to this congregation as both a longtime parishioner and as our current Associate Rector. You may reach her by telephone at 401-331-3225 (ext. 6), or via email: lseifert@gracepwd.org.



Your Health & Wellness Minute: Alzheimer's Support Team



Doreen C. Putnam, CDP (Certified Dementia Practitioner) and Anela Brewster, both members of Grace Church, will be sharing information about Alzheimer's disease and the special training program Doreen provided for the clergy and laity of our diocese. This training was funded by Province 1 of the Episcopal Church and provided an opportunity for our clergy and lay leaders to learn first-hand what the symptoms of Alzheimer's and dementia are that are affecting many of our parishioners. Both Anela and Doreen are available to support families at Grace

who are struggling with Alzheimer's disease or one of the related dementias. Join them on Sunday, May 22nd at 11:00am in the Chaffee Room to learn more about Alzheimer's and the Alzheimer's Support Team.

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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.

