



Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

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Spotlight on Grace: Building Up to a Construction Crescendo

This is the part we've all been waiting for. Over the past several months, we watched as construction of The Pavilion at Grace has progressed from site preparation, to foundation, [to structure](#), [to roofing](#), [to framing](#), and on to the installation of the beautiful Marvin windows (shown here looking through the building's east wall and north-facing facade).

Over recent weeks, the interior has seen a major flurry of activity with the installation of: electrical wiring, plumbing, security systems, HVAC units and associated ducts, fire alarm and sprinkler, telephone and internet, audio system, lighting, and more! And right behind all of that has followed the rapid installation of drywall and other finishes that are the early rounds of the Pavilion's pleasing finishing touches.



The recent trend towards having more and more aspects of the construction underway at any given time will continue through this finishing phase. Work is presently focused upon building the "wing walls" (photo at right), the elegant curved structures that will flank either side of The Pavilion's south wall, complementing the gas-lit stone fireplace and the [featured window installation](#) above.



Over these next several weeks, watch for the ceiling to take form in the main gathering space, beginning with the grid that will provide the structure, and followed by the installation of the finished curved panels. And on the exterior, watch as the landscape takes shape on the Westminster Street side with the labyrinth as its defining feature, while the new reception entrance off the parking lot will see stairs and a handicapped access ramp come into place. This entire process has been something to behold, but now that we enter into these finishing phases, be prepared to see exciting and visible pieces coming together quickly from here forward.

This Week at Grace

Weekly Worship Schedule:

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

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. During the summer, Open Doors will be 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: Parking for Sunday worship is provided in the lot diagonally across Westminster Street, on the NW corner of Westminster and Snow. Additional 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.



July 2, 2017 - Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; 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](#):

[Jeremiah 28:5-9 ~ Psalm 89:1-4,15-18 ~ Romans 6:12-23 ~ Matthew 10:40-42](#)

This week from the Episcopal Church: [Independence Day](#). [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.

Summer Choir Is Now in Session

During the summer months we will enjoy the leadership of our summer choir! Summer Choir is open to anyone who sings with the Grace Church Choir, or anyone who would like to try singing in the choir. We meet in the Choir Room at 9:00 AM on Sunday mornings, rehearse the hymns and psalm, and prepare a simple anthem or two. You don't need to give previous notice, but if you would like to try Summer Choir, please do [email Vince Edwards](mailto:vince@gracepvd.org), Director of Music, for more



information, or if you have any questions. Feel free to sing one Sunday, or every Sunday! Please note: We may not vest once the weather turns hot, so please wear our summer choir "uniform" - white blouse or shirt, black (or very dark) shorts, pants or skirt and dark-ish shoes (sandals are fine!).

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