



Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

September 19, 2019

Spotlight on Grace: Know Thy Vestry

Please join us in welcoming Joel Goloskie to the vestry of Grace Church. Joel joined the vestry over the summer, and by way of further introduction, we asked Joel to answer some questions we've asked of all of our vestry members as part of our ongoing series: *Know Thy Vestry*.

What brought you to Grace and how long have you been here?

To say that finding Grace was providential is an understatement. My son Ethan has always been obsessed with churches and cathedrals, but his autism never allowed him to sit quietly for more than five minutes. One Saturday night in early 2018, we were going to Symposium Books to see whether they had - literally - any books on cathedrals, and as we drew near the doors to Grace, the choir burst out the first notes of Evensong. Ethan's eyes light up and he stopped dead in his tracks, staring at the open doors of the church. I brought him in with the expectation of another two to five minute duration, but he sat enthralled the entire time. I looked up at the stained glass window that reads "I sought the Lord and he heard me," and we have been regulars ever since. Jonathan paid us a tremendous honor by baptizing Ethan in early 2019, and the Grace congregation has embraced Ethan with an acceptance for which I will always be both grateful and humbled.



Tell us something about yourself that your fellow parishioners might not know.

I flew for the Air Force as a special operations instructor/evaluator navigator on C-130 and C-141 combat airlift aircraft.

Seasons of Love: Come to the Cabaret!

Back by popular demand, [Collegium Ancora's](#) Cabaret fundraiser will be held this Saturday, September 21 at 6 PM in The Pavilion at Grace. This year's show will feature numerous members of Collegium sharing their considerable and diverse talents with standards from the Broadway stage and the Cabaret room.



Favorites such as "Summertime" from Porgy and Bess will take center stage, as well as "Seasons of Love" from Rent (the inspiration for this year's theme).

In addition to a musical feast, wine and hors d'oeuvres will be served, and a Silent Auction will feature items small and large, including a three night stay at a Cape Cod condo!

Tickets are \$35 each, or reserve a table of eight for \$250 (a savings of \$30). A limited number of bench seats are available for \$25.

Only 100 tickets are available so get yours now! For more information or for ticketing questions please direct questions to collegiumancora@gmail.com.

Here's the site to purchase tickets:

<https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/4322355>

The New Season of Music at Grace

If you did not receive your Music at Grace booklet for the Winter 2019 and Spring 2020 season in the mail, please be sure to pick up a copy from the back of the church or the Information Table at Coffee Hour the next time you're here. It outlines an exciting year of concerts and music-filled worship here at Grace Church.

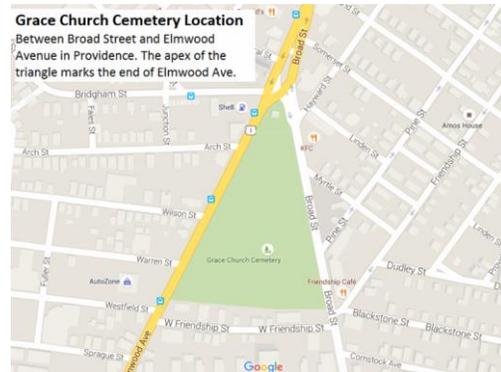
Choral Evensong - September 22 (4 PM) During the reception that follows the Choral Evensong, we will have a silent auction for a necklace created by our own Fred White. The necklace is an artistic representation of the window above the fireplace in the Pavilion and retails for \$120. All proceeds from the auction will go towards the Choristers' trip to the UK in July/August 2020. Thank you for your support!



Grace Church Cemetery Cleanup

Join Trinity Gateway Historic Improvement Association (TGHIA) for our fall clean up of the Grace Church Cemetery, Saturday, October 5, from 9:00am to Noon. Participate in community and cleanup by lending a hand (or two) to help improve the experience and remembrance of this space. We will gather at the cemetery at 9:00am.

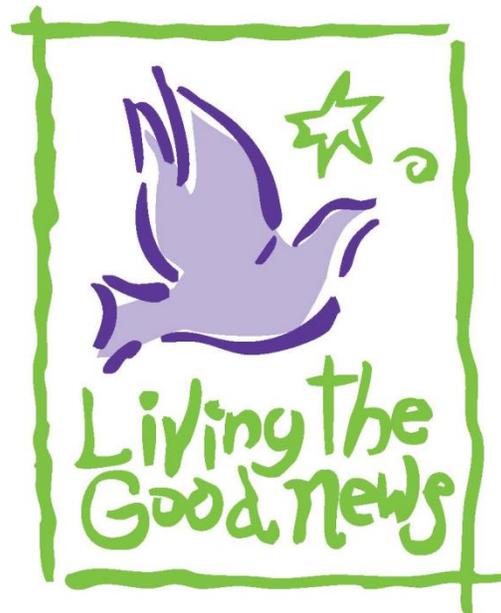
This clean up is being done in conjunction with Trinity Square Together, a collaboration of nonprofits and businesses working to make sustainable improvements to the Trinity Square area.



Sunday School Resumes this Sunday

Sunday School resumes this Sunday, September 22! Children (age 4 through fifth grade) gather with their teachers in the back four pews of the east side of the church by the Sunday School banner when they arrive at church. Following the first hymn and prayer, they process to their class. For first-timers, please accompany your child to fill out a form.

Sunday School at Grace uses the Living the Good News curriculum; and includes prayer time, Bible stories, snacks and activities. On the 2nd Sunday of each month, there is no Sunday School, as children remain in the church for a children's homily.



Grace's Perpetual Food Drive

Grace Church's support of [Better Lives RI](#) (formerly known as PICA), forms a core component of our Outreach Ministry. If you've observed parishioners dropping off food donations on Sunday mornings, that's in support of our perpetual food drive to help stock the shelves of the food pantry at Better Lives RI. You'll find a basket located behind the back row of pews in the church, and your donations of non-perishable food items are greatly appreciated. Peanut butter and canned protein are particularly well received. Leading up to Thanksgiving, you will hear more about our food drive as we make a particular effort to stock the food pantry shelves for the holiday season. In addition to this direct food support, Grace's Outreach Ministry also makes regular monetary contributions to Better Lives RI to support their operations.



This Week at Grace

Weekly Worship Schedule:

Sunday 8:00am Holy Eucharist
Sunday 10:00am Holy Eucharist with Music
Wednesday 12:00 Noon Eucharist

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.

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.



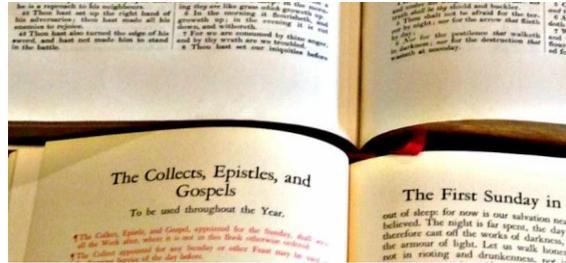
Parking for Worship: Free parking for Sunday worship is provided:

- 1.) in the lot diagonally across Westminster Street, on the NW corner of Westminster and Snow; and
 - 2.) 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.
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Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; 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:

http://www.lectionarypage.net/YearC_RCL/Pentecost/CProp20_RCL.html

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.