



Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

February 7, 2020

Spotlight on Grace A Banner Day on Mathewson Street

As you walk along Mathewson Street, next to Grace, you may notice some bright and colorful new banners festooning the streetlight poles! For several years, some rather faded and tired banners were barely clinging to the posts! During the Christmas season we had three new banners, each with a line of a Christmas carol about angels. And in January, a new set of banners went up with an image of one of Grace's glorious memorial windows and the tag line "Grace in the City."

We are indeed "in the city", amongst colleges and universities, performing arts spaces, numerous hotels, and a myriad of fabulous restaurants. We hope that our snazzy new banners will remind passers-by of our presence in the city, and our warm welcome to one and all. NB: Our tower bells are once again ringing the hour - another reminder of our presence in downtown Providence.



Upcoming Music at Grace

Thursdays at Noon

This coming Thursday, February 13 at 12 Noon, Patrick Aiken, Organist and Choirmaster of Central Congregational Church in Providence will present a 30-minute organ recital featuring the works of by J.S. Bach, John Ireland, and Dan Locklair.



Music for the Fifth Sunday in Epiphany

10 AM Sung Eucharist

Mass Setting: Mass for St. Paul's - Vincent Edwards
Psalm 112:1-10 (Chant by George A. MacFarren)
Offertory Anthem: Glorious and powerful God - Charles Wood
Communion Anthem: O Wisdom! - T. Tertius Noble
Hymns: 7 (Ratisbon), 419 (Mendon), 126 (Dundee), 543 (Eastview)
Voluntaries: Elegy - T. Tertius Noble,
Praeludium in e-moll, BWV 548 - J.S. Bach

Choral Compline

The next service of Choral Compline will be Sunday, February 16 at 8:00 PM. The men of the Grace Church Schola will sing Gregorian chant and Renaissance polyphony in a candlelit church with fragrant incense. Come and spend a half-hour in the stillness before the beginning of the week. Doors open at 7:30 PM.



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Sonic Sonnets

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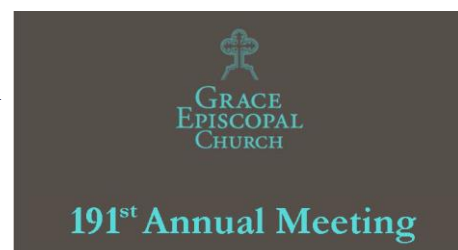
*Music based on the Sonnets of
William Shakespeare & John Donne*

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16 | 4:00 PM
GRACE CHURCH | 300 WESTMINSTER ST. PROVIDENCE
\$20 ADMISSION | WWW.COLLEGIUMANCORA.ORG

191st Annual Parish Meeting

The 191st Annual Meeting of Grace Church will take place in The Pavilion following the 10 AM Eucharist on February 23 at 11:30 AM. The annual meeting involves the election of new vestry members, and a time for the congregation to hear from the officers of the vestry, specifically the senior warden and the treasurer. All are



welcome to attend. The Vestry Nominating Committee has nominated Jeff Williams, Frank Ward, Liz Messier and Emily Pera to serve on the Vestry for three-year terms. Diane Stamp has been nominated as a delegate to the 2020 RI Diocesan Convention, and Sue Hall has been nominated as an alternate delegate to the Convention.

Grace Church Mardi Gras Party!

All are invited to celebrate Mardi Gras in The Pavilion with dinner and dancing from 5:00-7:00 PM on Sunday, February 23rd.

Lent is just around the corner, but it's not here yet! Jambalaya, beans and rice, and drinks will be provided. Please bring one of the following to share: appetizer, corn bread, salad, side dish or dessert. *Laissez les bons temps rouler!*



20s/30s Outreach Project

Sock Drive

The Grace 20s&30s Group invites you to donate to the Sock Drive on February 9th. You'll find a red hamper in the Pavilion after the 10 AM Eucharist where we will collect new, unopened packages of warm socks to be distributed to local agencies. During these cold winter months socks are the No. 1 item requested by organizations supporting communities in need. Please consider contributing to the drive to show some love to our neighbors this Valentine's season. Any questions can be directed to 20s30s@gracepvd.org



Central Deanery Movie Showing: Providence Lost

The Central Deanery of the Episcopal Church of RI, in conjunction with Homes RI and Signs of Providence, will be hosting a showing of "Providence Lost"

Wednesday, February 12th at 7:00 PM at St Martin's Church 50 Orchard St Providence.

Providence Lost is a short nonfictional film that follows an elderly couple, the Trotter's, and their son as they confront eviction and

the search for affordable housing in Rhode Island. This film is an opportunity to expand public awareness about eviction and how people can advocate for policy solutions in their community. Discussion led by Homes RI will follow the movie. This event is free and open to the public and there will be a free-will offering to support the Trotter family. Light



refreshments will be served. For more information follow the event link below:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/providence-lost-screening-central-deanery-of-the-episcopal-church-of-ri-tickets-91809790555>

This Week at Grace

Weekly Worship Schedule:

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

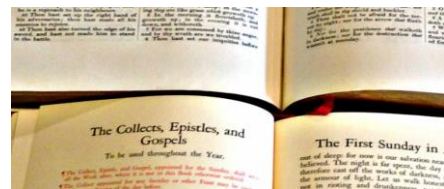
Please find convenient accessible in the Grace Church parking lot with access from Snow Street. The new wheelchair ramp connects directly from the lot, and you will enter through the new reception entrance of The Pavilion and into the church at ground level.

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

- 1.) in the lot directly across Snow Street from our lot, at the SW 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.



February 9, 2020 The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany



Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

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

This week from the Episcopal Church: [Absalom Jones Offering.](#)

[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.

