



Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

February 12, 2021

Upcoming 'Virtual' Ash Wednesday Holy Eucharist of the Pre-Sanctified & Self-Imposition of Ashes February 17, 2021 at 6:00 PM

Much like on the Feast days of The Epiphany and The Presentation (Candlemas), we will gather as a church to observe the beginning of the season of Lent next week, with a 'virtual' eucharist on Zoom. Pre-consecrated hosts, printed Orders of Service, and small containers of ashes will be available for pick-up from the church (see pick-up times below). In addition to 'virtual' communion, we'll also have the Blessing and Imposition of Ashes, during which people will be invited to mark their own foreheads and/ or the



foreheads of their family/ 'pod' with the sign of the Cross. We hope to see you all via Zoom to mark this special season of penitence, meditation, prayer, and fasting, that allows us to reflect on Christ's sacrifice for us in anticipation of the resurrection!

To join the Service, please use the following link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83535154917>



Meeting ID: 835 3515 4917

Pick-Up Times at Grace Church:

Sunday, Feb. 14: 2:00 PM-4:00 PM

Monday, Feb. 15: 3:00 PM-7:00 PM

Tuesday, Feb. 16: 9:00 AM- 7:00 PM

Wednesday, Feb. 17: 9:00 AM-5:00 PM

Printed copies of the Lent 2021 brochure will also be available for pick-up.



Worship and Offerings during Lent 2021

Ash Wednesday (February 17) marks the beginning of the season of Lent. While it will look a bit different this year compared to past years, the clergy and musicians of Grace will be working hard to help our community engage with this reflective and meditative season in the church year. Click on the link below to view our Lent 2021 Brochure which details 'virtual' Lenten worship opportunities, a Tuesday Lecture Series, the Thursdays at Noon Concerts, and Lenten-based activities to do on your own! We hope you join us on this journey through Christ's suffering and death, to that joyous Easter morn!

Printed versions of the brochure will also be made available for pick up at Grace Church during the Ash Wednesday pick-up times.



[Please click here to view the Lent 2021 brochure.](#)

Virtual Thursdays at Noon Concerts Resume

On **Thursday, February 18 at 12 Noon**, we will resume our 'virtual' version of the Thursdays at Noon Concert Series. Vince Edwards, Organist & Director of Music at Grace will offer a 30-minute organ recital including music by J.S. Bach, Johann Gottfried Walther, and Eugène Gigout. We plan to live-stream most of these concerts, in addition to sending them out via email and posting them on the [church website](#), [Facebook](#), [Vimeo](#), and [YouTube](#) pages. A complete line-up of the performers during February and March is included in the Lent 2021 brochure (see link above).



192nd Annual Meeting of the Parish Sunday, February 28th, 2021 at 11:00 AM



You guessed it: This year's annual meeting will take place on Zoom! We'll gather at **11:00 a.m. on Sunday, February 28th** to hear reports from parish leaders and elect new vestry members. The vestry nominating committee (Liza Wagner, Charlie Carroll, Sandra Read, Adrienne Southgate, and Joel Goloskie) will present the following slate for the Vestry: for a second three-year term - **Diane Stamp**, for a first three-year term - **Anaezi Modu, Joseph Berryhill, Michael D'Alessandre**, and to complete Doug Powell's unexpired term - **Nicholas Halar**. As Convention delegates, the Committee will present the following slate: **Carrie Scheff, delegate**, and **Marti Gilchrist, alternate**. The Parish Annual Report will be sent out in advance as well as the Zoom link. Hope to see you (via Zoom) on the 28th!

Continuing Zoom Link for Voices at Grace

Sunday Morning Worship

February 14, 2021 at 10:00 AM

We have decided to continue the practice of coming together as a community via Zoom for worship through the Epiphanytide Season until the beginning of Lent (Ash Wednesday occurring on February 17). The Zoom link will continue to be included in ENews as well as sent out on Sunday mornings. *Please note: This is simply another way for the Grace community to worship together and is not in place of the regular Sunday worship videos, which will still be made available on the normal channels for viewing "on demand".* We hope to see you on Zoom this Sunday!

To join the Service, please use the following link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84748978228>



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Voices of Grace: Virtual Sunday Morning Worship

At Grace Church we are committed to building a loving and joyful community through worship despite temporarily not being able to gather as we normally would on Sundays or weekdays due to health concerns related to COVID-19. Until our normal rhythm of worship and gatherings resumes, every Sunday morning we will send an email, post on Facebook and upload to Vimeo and YouTube a short worship video put together by our staff that will feature clergy and parishioners participating in "virtual worship" by reading lessons from scripture, preaching, and making music all from their homes. Keep a look out for Voices of Grace: Virtual Worship every Sunday morning!

If you'd like to download or print the service leaflet for this Sunday's Virtual Worship, [please click here.](#)



Worship with the Canterbury Cathedral Community

Several services from Canterbury Cathedral are available online each day. On weekdays, Morning Prayer is available online by 5:00 AM (EST), and Choral Evensong is available online by 12:30 PM (EST). On Sundays, Eucharist and Compline are available online. To get access to these online services and to get more information about worship services and other resources made available by the Cathedral,

visit the website: www.canterbury-cathedral.org/#onlineservices or [click here](#)



February 14, 2021 The Last Sunday after the Epiphany

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*



For the texts of the readings for The Last Sunday after the Epiphany, [please click here.](#)

[Click here](#) for the latest from the Episcopal News Service. And for current news from the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island, [please click here.](#)

Thank you for Participating

The Parish Engagement Committee thanks all parishioners who completed its recent survey on virtual activities and worship opportunities. Your input was very valuable, and the Committee will be reaching out soon to those who volunteered to bring some of these activities to life. At the same time, please keep an eye out for announcements on new and exciting opportunities for worship and fellowship already in the works!