



Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church _____ July 30, 2021

Spotlight: COVID-19 Update at Grace Church

Friends,

As many of you have heard, the CDC updated its recommendations this week to include indoor masking, even for vaccinated people, in areas of substantial or high viral transmission. The state Department of Health lists Rhode Island as having substantial transmission: <https://ri-department-of-health-covid-19-data-rihealth.hub.arcgis.com/>



As a result, **we're asking people to wear masks when they come to church, whether or not they are vaccinated.** We will also be moving worship back into the church immediately, as that allows for more room to spread out than in The Pavilion. And please do make full use of the available space when you come to worship. Coffee Hour will take place in the courtyard after church, weather permitting.

When the Vestry and I met on Wednesday, we agreed that following closely the CDC recommendations was the best path forward. As always, if you are feeling unwell on a Sunday morning, please stay home and watch the live-stream broadcast of the service. I know you will join me in praying that as more people are vaccinated, these infection-prevention measures might end soon.

I look forward to seeing you all in church (even in masks!) as we continue to pray for an end to this tragic pandemic.

Blessings,
Jonathan+

Sunday Morning Worship: The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost August 1, 2021



Every Sunday Morning, Grace Church offers a 'live-stream' broadcast of our Sunday morning eucharist service. We hope this experience allows those who are not able to join us in person on Sundays to participate in the worship life at Grace.

The service will be live-streamed to the [Grace Church Facebook Page](#) and the [Grace Church YouTube Channel](#). Please use the links provided below to watch. The services will also be archived on the [Grace Church website](#), [Vimeo](#), Facebook, and YouTube pages for 'on-demand' viewing after Sunday morning.

~ **Sunday Morning Links** ~

YouTube: [Click here!](#)

Facebook: [Click here!](#)

If you'd like to download or print the service leaflet for [The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost](#), [please click here.](#)

Updated COVID-19 guidelines:

All individuals are kindly asked to wear masks indoors at Grace Church when attending worship.

For the time being, worship will resume in the Church, rather than The Pavilion, in order to allow for social distancing.

Regardless of how you choose to participate in our worship life together,
ALL ARE WELCOME at Grace Church!

Wednesday 12 Noon Eucharists

Did you know we also live-stream our Wednesday 12 Noon Eucharist? Though this short, spoken eucharist service is meant to fit within the traditional "lunch hour", we understand that it can be difficult for working folks to make it to Grace in person during that time. As we do with the Sunday 10AM Eucharist, we stream our Wednesday services to the Grace Church [YouTube](#) and [Facebook](#) pages.

As always, regardless of how you choose to worship with us, either online or in person, all are welcome!



Worship Where You Roam

Each Summer, we encourage families who may be traveling during this season, to pause for worship along the way, and to share their experience with us. Snap a photo, tell us where you worshipped, and tell us something about the place or the service.

At the same time, we remind our summer travelers that all of our worship services are available via live stream, and are posted to our website for viewing at your convenience. So while on the road, you can thankfully still participate on our worship here at Grace.



August 1, 2021

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; 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 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost, [please click here.](#)

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