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Spotlight: Know Thy Parish

This occasional Spotlight feature *Know Thy Parish* will highlight the good work and ministries of the parishioners of Grace Church. In fellowship, may we grow better acquainted and inspire each other.

Grace Church parishioner [John Chamberlin](#) is a retired faculty member of the Rhode Island School of Design (RISD), where he taught for 31 years in the Department of Teaching + Learning in Art + Design. He is also a past President of the RI Art Education Association.



Here at Grace, John leads the Quilting Ministry that he launched in 2019. This ministry seeks to promote fellowship among participating parishioners while creating beautiful quilts like the one pictured at right that are then donated to Child & Family Services of RI.

If you are interested in quilting, or learning how to quilt, or would like to support this ministry in other ways such as by donating needed supplies or by sponsoring a quilt, please look for John at the Grace Church Ministry Fair which will be held during Coffee Hour on September 19th.



Upcoming Worship at ECC

Save the Date!

One of the few positive things to have come out of this pandemic was our worship together last summer at the Episcopal Conference Center in Pascoag, RI. Even though we are now back worshipping together at Grace, we have decided to make an outdoor worship service at ECC an annual event. **This year, our ECC service will be on Sunday, September 12th at 10:00 AM...and this time we will have communion!** Since the service is outdoors, **wearing masks won't be required.** Seating is available under the covered pavilion, and shade is available outside the pavilion, but it would be advisable to bring a sun hat and water bottle. If you are able to bring a lawn chair, that could be helpful for overflow seating. Space is plentiful so social distancing will be easy!



The service will end by 11:00 AM, and anyone wishing to picnic afterwards is invited to bring their own food and drink and stay and recreate. **Unfortunately, there won't be an option to swim this year, since there won't be a lifeguard, however, you are most welcome to visit the lakefront.** There is no need to sign up in advance. If you'd prefer to worship at Grace, we'll be having the 8:00 a.m. Spoken Holy Eucharist service there as usual.

We look forward to seeing you on the 12th!

SAVE THE DATE FOR CABARET!

Save the Date! Collegium Ancora will present the annual Cabaret fund-raiser on Friday, September 24th at 6:00 PM. "To Life and Love" will feature songs from the Broadway stage and the Great American Songbook, as well as contemporary cabaret songs. Wine and Cheese will be served at 6 PM, along with a Silent Auction, and the show begins at 7:00 PM. Tickets are \$30 each; or \$50 for 2 (savings of \$10); or a table of 8 for \$200 (savings of \$40). Tickets are on sale now! Visit www.collegiumancora.org for more information.



Sunday Morning Worship:
The Fifteenth Sunday after
Pentecost
September 5, 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 Fifteenth 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!

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Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

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

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