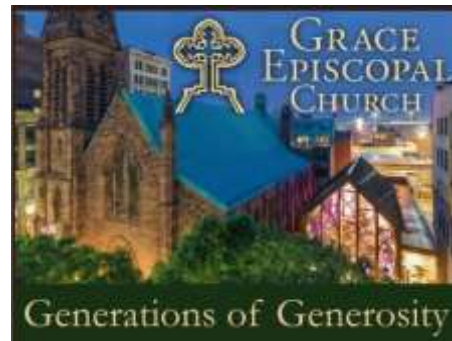


Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church _____ November 19, 2021

Spotlight: Gathering for Giving

This Sunday marks the culmination of our *Generations of Generosity* stewardship campaign. As is customary here, we'll celebrate the occasion with what we hope will be a particularly bountiful Coffee Hour spread, surrounded in fellowship and filled with the joy of the holiday season. For all who are able to prepare something to bring we will be grateful, and we can look forward to some gourmet donuts in the mix.



During the worship service, parishioners who have not yet submitted their pledge cards for 2022 will be invited to bring their pledge cards to the altar. For those who have already pledged, please feel free to participate ceremonially in this *ingathering* by placing a blank card. Pledge cards are available in the pews.

In tandem with this year's stewardship campaign, we have revitalized The [1829 Society](#): an honorary society of faithful and committed supporters who have established a planned gift to fortify the long-term future of Grace Church. On this year's pledge card, you'll find a check box to indicate a planned gift and thus membership in the revived 1829 Society. Thank you for considering a legacy gift to Grace Church...and for making a pledge to support Grace Church in 2022!

Thanksgiving Food Drive

Thank you to all who will be bringing non-perishable food items to Grace this Sunday, or who have donated already, to support families in need through the [food pantry](#) at St Peter's and St Andrew's Episcopal Church (pictured at right).



All healthy non-perishables are welcome, though particularly sought-after items include: canned vegetables and fruit, stuffing mix, turkey gravy, rice, coffee, oatmeal, healthy breakfast cereals, and especially peanut butter. According to Grace parishioner Holly Gray, who is kindly delivering donated goods to the pantry: "apparently the children are especially excited to receive cereal through the pantry... sometimes even hugging their boxes at pick-up"

Please bring your food donations to Grace Church by **this Sunday, November 21**. If you have a spare cardboard box to carry them in, that is helpful, but not crucial. Let us strive to gather ample supplies for this year's drive, as the need is truly great.

Choral Compline this coming Sunday!

On Sunday, November 21 at 8:00 PM the women of the Grace Church Schola will sing a short, 30- minute service of Choral Compline. Come, pray in the stillness, and experience the unaccompanied singing of Gregorian chant and Renaissance polyphony in a darkened church, lighted only by candles and with fragrant incense wafting through the air.

Doors open at 7:30PM. We hope you join us for this calm and meditative way to start the week.



~ Choral Compline Links ~

YouTube: [Click Here!](#)

Facebook: [Click Here!](#)

Tea-Time Theology Podcasts

Would you like to listen to your rector and director of music while doing the dishes? No, we're not talking about watching a stream of the Sunday service, but podcasts! Two years ago, the Diocese of Rhode Island launched a podcast called [Teatime Theology](#), featuring clergy and lay leaders from parishes around the state. Our rector, Jonathan, was interviewed discussing the theology of *the Simpsons* and our Director of Music, Vince, was interviewed discussing church music here. The person who interviews Vince is none other than our own Mo Akande!



To listen to Jonathan's interview, [please click here.](#)

To listen to Vince's interview, [please click here.](#)

The Organ Project at Grace

At their October meeting, the Vestry gave their blessing to formally announce and publicize [The Grace Church Organ Project](#), a plan for restoration, renovation, and expansion of our pipe organ. Here are a few "fun facts" about the current organ and the proposed project:



- The last rebuild/expansion of the Grace organ was in 1959. No significant work has been done since that time.
- The current organ has just over 6,000 pipes – the completed organ would have just over 7,000 pipes, and would be the largest pipe organ in Rhode Island!
- Currently, there are over 500 "dead" notes on the organ.
- The proposed project would include a [Trompette-en-Chamade](#), a horizontal copper trumpet stop on the very top of the gallery organ case.
- Of our current 6,000 pipes, over 95% would be reused or repurposed in the rebuilt organ.
- A new console with four keyboards and a pedalboard would be built to control both the front organ and the back organ.

We are currently seeking funding for the project, and welcome any input or ideas you may have about funding sources. A brochure is available at the back of the church, and on the [Music page of the website](#), that details the concepts of the project. Please feel free to speak to [Vince Edwards, Organist & Director of Music](#), or [Fr. Jonathan Huyck, the Rector](#), if you have questions or would like to learn more about this exciting project.

[Click here for The Organ Project Brochure](#)

Thursdays at Noon Concerts

Just a reminder that there will be no Thursday Concert on November 25, due to the Thanksgiving Holiday. The next program will be played by Boston-based saxophonist, Bennett Parsons on Thursday, December 2.



Bookmarks detailing the line-up of Thursday performers are available on the information tables in the rear of the church. We hope you join us and bring along friends!

If you missed this past Thursday's Concert, played by organist Steven Young, you can watch the recorded program by [clicking here](#) or on the image to the right.

To view Steven's program, [please click here.](#)



Please note, if you are not able to attend in person, or prefer not to yet, we will still be live-streaming most concerts. Recordings of the concerts will also be made available in the usual places ([church website](#), [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#), and [Vimeo](#)).

For a complete list of performers and videos of previous concerts, please check out the Thursdays at Noon Concerts webpage on the Grace website by [clicking here](#).

Sunday Morning Worship: The Last Sunday after Pentecost: The Feast of Christ the King November 21, 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.

~ Sunday Morning Links ~
YouTube: [Click here!](#)
Facebook: [Click here!](#)



This 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 service

will also be archived on the [Grace Church website](#), [Vimeo](#), Facebook, and YouTube pages for 'on-demand' viewing after Sunday morning. We hope this experience allows those who are not able to join us in person on Sunday to participate in the worship.

If you would like to download or print the service leaflet for [The Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King](#), [please click here](#).

IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE POLICY:

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

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

November 21, 2021

The Last Sunday after Pentecost: The Feast of Christ the King

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; 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 Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King, [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](#).