



Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church ____ _ January 28, 2022

Spotlight: Upcoming Bishop's Visitation

This coming Sunday, January 30, Grace Church will welcome The Right Reverend W. Nicholas Knisely, Bishop of Rhode Island as Celebrant and Preacher for both 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM Eucharist services. The loose offering collected during those services will go to the Bishop's Discretionary Fund, which helps clergy and their families that are in need. Diocesan bishops typically visit all the parishes in the diocese that they over-see at least once a year. Bishop Knisely's last in-person visitation was on September 29, 2019 for the Feast of Saint Michael & All Angels.

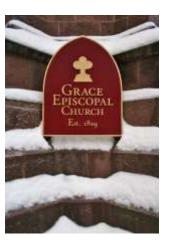


Church on Sunday?

Depending how much snow we get tomorrow, we will either worship in person or via Zoom.

We will send out an email by 5:00 PM tomorrow letting you know which it will be.

If it is the latter, we will include a Zoom link with the email. Either way, we will be joined by our bishop! See you on Sunday!



Organ Project Promotional Video

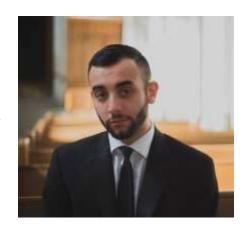
The Organ Project at Grace was officially endorsed by the Vestry in October, and we are actively seeking funding for this project. A small group of parishioners has assembled as a committee to explore financing and funding options. We want to keep the project alive and in the hearts and minds of the Grace community and beyond. In addition to the two brochures (Click here for the Overview Brochure and Here for the Proposed Specification Brochure), we have created a short promotional video to share with friends, acquaintances, and

anyone who might have interest in our project. As always, if you would like to know more about this exciting project, or just want to know more about the organ at Grace in general, please be in touch with Vince Edwards, our Director of Music. vedwards@gracepvd.org Enjoy the video!



Thursdays at Noon Concerts Resume Next Week!

Our weekly, Thursdays at Noon Concerts series will resume on **February 3** with an organ recital by Manuel Piazza, Organ Scholar at Trinity Church on the Green in New Haven, CT and a graduate student in organ performance at Yale University. Manuel will play works by Mendelssohn, Karg-Elert, Schumann, Price, and Messiaen. We hope you will join us!



<u>Click here</u> to view the scheduled line-up of musicians and to watch past recitals!

Shawl Ministry Update

Special thanks to all who have made hats, scarves and mittens for the Afghani refugees! You are helping us to fulfill our mission of: "Sharing God's love with those in need of comfort." Please continue to knit and crochet for these families! Completed items may be brought in on Sundays or dropped off at the church office any time. For more information, please contact Jane Ditmars at janeditmars@gmail.com.



December Book Drive Update

We've been asked to share a photo of a happy recipient of a book from the Grace Church children's book drive which was held this past December. Thank you for your generosity!



Some On-Site Weekday Activities Paused

Some of our on-site weekday activities have been temporarily paused through the end of January. Activities placed on this temporary pause include: Wednesday Noon Eucharist, Thursday Noon Concerts, the Open Doors Ministry, and on-site gatherings of the Quilting, Prayer Shawl, and 20s/30s ministries. We look forward to resuming those weekday activities as soon as conditions improve, so please stay tuned to the weekly ENews.

Our in-person Sunday worship will continue, but please take care to retain your face masks in place throughout your time indoors here. For the time being, we will not gather for Coffee Hour following worship.



Sunday Morning Worship: The Fourth Sunday after The Epiphany January 30, 2022

Every Sunday Morning, Grace Church offers a 'livestream' 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: <u>Click here!</u> Facebook: <u>Click here!</u>



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 <u>Grace Church website</u>, <u>Vimeo</u>, 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 Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany, 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!

January 30, 2022 The Fourth Sunday after The Epiphany

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; 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 Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany, please click here.



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