



Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

July 1, 2022

Spotlight: New Staff Member at Grace

I'm pleased to announce that the vestry has approved the creation of a new, full-time, staff position at Grace Church – Director of Youth and Newcomer Ministries. I'm even more pleased to announce that the person serving in that role will be Vivian Trutzl. Beginning August 1, Vivian will direct the parish Sunday School for elementary school-age kids, a youth group for middle and high schoolers and will serve as the staff liaison for the



20s/30s+ group. She will also oversee the welcome ministry at Grace and ensure that our church provides that best possible welcome to newcomers. A native Michigander, Vivian is a 2019 graduate of the University of Michigan and received her Master of Theological Studies Degree from Harvard Divinity School in 2021. Vivian and her fiancé, Cameron (pictured here), will be married at Grace in April. Welcome, Vivian!

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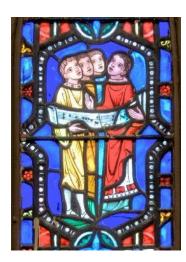
Views of Grace: Stained Glass Windows

Director of Music Vince Edwards made these videos of the fabric of Grace Church early on during the pandemic. They were wonderfully received, and since many people are new to Grace since then, we thought the summer would be a great time to share them again. Please enjoy this overview of Grace's beautiful stained glass windows.



Summer Choir

During the summer months we will enjoy the leadership of our summer choir! Summer Choir is open to anyone who sings with the Grace Church Choir, or anyone who would like to try singing in the choir. We meet in the Choir Room at 9:15 AM on Sunday mornings, rehearse the hymns and psalm, and prepare a simple anthem or two. You don't need to give previous notice, but if you would like to try Summer Choir, please email Vince Edwards for more information. Feel free to sing one Sunday, or every Sunday! Please note: our summer choir "uniform" - white blouse or shirt, black (or very dark) shorts, pants or skirt and dark-ish shoes (sandals are fine!).



Worship Where You Roam Submissions

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 tells us something about the place or the service. Send all submissions and photos to Chris Barker at cbarker@gracepvd.org 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.

Organ Project Promotional Video to Share

The Organ Project at Grace was officially endorsed by the Vestry in October 2021, 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!

<u>Click here</u> or on the image below to watch and share!



Sunday Morning Worship: The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost July 3, 2022



Every Sunday Morning, Grace Church offers a 'live-stream' broadcast of our Sunday morning 10:00 AM 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 <u>Grace Church Facebook Page</u> and the <u>Grace Church YouTube Channel</u>. Please use the links provided above 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.

To view the Order of Service for The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, <u>CLICK HERE!</u>

Grace Church will be following the guidance from our bishop in regards to Covid and masking: Masks will be required at Grace when Covid transmission is "HIGH" for Providence County and will be optional when it is below that level.

At the moment, Providence has mercifully dropped to the "MEDIUM" level, so masks are optional inside the building.

Of course, we hope and pray that the Covid transmission level never reaches "high" again! But we thank you for your patience and understanding if it does. To see the Covid level of each county in RI you can visit https://ri-department-of-health-covid-19-data-rihealth.hub.arcgis.com/.

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

July 3, 2022 The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; 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 Pentecost, please click here.

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