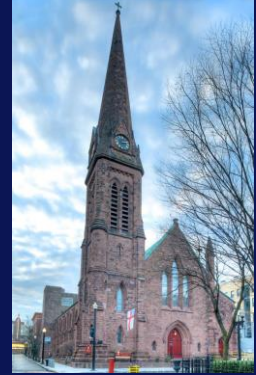


# GRACE ABOUNDS



Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

November 24, 2022

## Happy Thanksgiving from Grace Church!



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### An Advent Procession of Lessons & Carols

Join us on **Sunday, December 11 at 4:00 PM** for a festive liturgy on the Third Sunday of Advent, also known as “Gaudete” or “Rejoice” Sunday! The Grace Church Choir will sing works by Philip Ledger, Judith Weir, Vincent Edwards, William Byrd, Robert Lehman, Elizabeth Poston, and others from various points throughout the church, gradually approaching the High Altar. This service is meant to embody the anticipation of the birth of Christ. A festive reception will follow in The Pavilion.



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### Advent 2022 at Grace

Check out the various offerings we have planned for you at Grace Church by picking up an Advent 2022 Brochure from the tables in the rear of the church.



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## Holiday Gift and Food Drive

Help Grace Church support the families of our neighbors at Children's Friend by donating gifts during the Advent season. Unwrapped gifts for teens/tweens, gift cards, and non-perishable foods can be dropped off at the church and/or placed under the Christmas Trees in The Pavilion.



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## Christmas Poinsettia & Music Dedication Submissions

You'll find Christmas Flower and Music dedication cards located in the pews, on the back table near the Baptismal Font, and in the Narthex literature rack. Thank you for printing your dedications legibly, and using the green flower envelopes.



Submit dedications along with your gift in the collections plate, or mail to the Church Office by December 18.

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## Upcoming Christmas Caroling in the Courtyard!

On Saturday, December 17 beginning at 4:00 PM, join us for some festive, yule-tide singing around a roaring fire with hot chocolate and seasonal refreshments in the courtyard of The Pavilion at Grace (entrance on Westminster Street). Caroling sheets will be provided!



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## 20s/30s Cookie Baking

The 20/30s+ group will gather for Christmas cookie baking + mingling on Tuesday, December 6 at 7:30pm at the home of Jeff Williams + Tim Walsh. Pls RSVP to Jeff at [oxfordoarsman@gmail.com](mailto:oxfordoarsman@gmail.com)



## 2022 Nativity Pageant

The 2022 Nativity Pageant will be on December 18 at the 10AM service. There are two rehearsals on Saturday, December 11 from 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM and Saturday, December 17 from 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM. Attendance at one rehearsal is required, but attendance at both is preferred. Children will receive costumes, part assignments, and stage directions, so come as you are! If you would like your child to participate, please reach out to Vivian Trutzl at [vtrutzl@gracepvd.org](mailto:vtrutzl@gracepvd.org).



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## Advent & Christmas Outreach

Shawl Ministry is making warm winter items for the Children's Friend organization to be given to families in need in Providence. Could you make a child sized hat, scarf, or pair of mittens to add to our tree? You are invited to knit or crochet with us on Wednesdays from 10-11 am in the Pavilion, or you may work at home. Please contact Jane Ditmars at 610-657-5600 for more information. Thank you for helping us to bring God's love to those in need of comfort.



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## Brown University Chorus Concert: Handel's Messiah

On Saturday, December 10 at 3:00 PM, the Brown University Chorus, joined by The Providence Baroque Orchestra and under the direction of Fredrick Jodry, presents a performance of the Christmas portion and the 'Hallelujah Chorus' of George Frederic Händel's famous oratorio. Tickets: \$25, \$5 (students) MUST be purchased in advance via [tickets.brown.edu/arts](https://tickets.brown.edu/arts)



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## Thursdays @ Noon Concerts

**Cheryl Bishkoff, Oboe**  
Thursday, December 1 at 12 Noon

Cheryl Bishkoff, Principal Oboe of the Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra will offer a 30-minute recital of music by Alessandro Bessozi, Michael Head, and Georges Guilhaud. She will be accompanied by our own Vince Edwards. We hope you join us for this unique musical offering!



**To view the complete line-up of performers scheduled for December 2022,  
[please click here!](#)**

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# Sunday Morning Worship: The First Sunday of Advent November 27, 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:** [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 above to watch. The service will also be archived on the [Grace Church website](#) 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 First Sunday of Advent,  
[CLICK HERE!](#)**

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

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## November 27, 2022 The First Sunday of Advent

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him 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 First Sunday of Advent, [please click here.](#)

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