

GRACE ABOUNDS



Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

December 30, 2022

Epiphanytide at Grace Church

The weeks following Christmas are no less busy here at Grace Church and we have several exciting worship opportunities planned for the Epiphany season (from January 6 onwards). Check out these offerings by picking up a brochure at the back of the church! We hope you join us for these festive liturgies!



Recorded Christmas Eve: Festal Choral Eucharist

Due to technical difficulties the second of our two Christmas Eve Services did not broadcast live. We apologise for the inconvenience.

The service was recorded however, and is available on our YouTube Page.

To watch the recording of the Christmas Eve 10pm service, please click on the image below or [click here](#).



Nursery Closure

**The Grace Church Nursery will be closed
on Sunday, January 1, 2023.**

**Regular Nursery availability will resume
on Sunday, January 8, 2023.
We appreciate your understanding.**

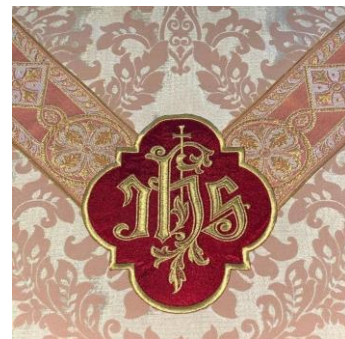


What is "The Holy Name of Jesus"?

IHS and the Holy Name of Jesus: The monogram (initials) IHS refers to Jesus and is made up of the first three letters of the name of Jesus when written in the Greek alphabet. The three letters were incorrectly transcribed/written in the Latin/English alphabet as I, H, S. The monogram became very popular in the Middle Ages and many explanations of IHS were offered, the most common being *Iesus Hominum Salvator* (Latin for "Jesus, Saviour of Mankind"). Likewise, today IHS is sometimes understood to represent the phrase "In His Service". The monogram is frequently seen in liturgical art and architecture, especially vestments. Devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus was popularized by the Franciscans in the fifteenth century. Bernardino of Siena (1380-1444) displayed the monogram on a tablet at the end of his sermons to encourage devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus. – *Anglican Church of Canada website, FAQs and An Episcopal Dictionary of the Church (episcopalchurch.org/glossary/ih)*



At Grace Church the IHS monogram is featured in several places. These are: the stained glass window above and right of the Vestry Stairs, the center of our brass Processional Cross that came from The Church of the Messiah, stitched into the top of one of our green burses, and in the appliqué on the back of the rose-colored chasuble made by Sue Hall for use on Gaudete (Advent III) and Lætare (Lent IV) Sundays.



THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

FESTAL CHORAL EUCHARIST

LED BY

THE GRACE CHURCH CHORISTERS

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6TH, 2023

6:00 PM



A special choral eucharist in observance of the Feast of the Epiphany, sung by The Grace Church Choristers. Music for the service will include Benjamin Britten's Missa Brevis in D for Treble Voices, Op. 63 and a new anthem composed for this service by Vincent Edwards.

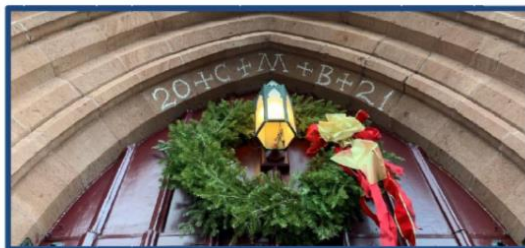


A SERVICE OF
**LESSONS &
CAROLS**
FOR **EPIPHANY**
WITH THE
BLESSING OF CHALK

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8TH, 2023

4:00 PM

The Choir of Grace Church sings music of Peter Cornelius, Everett Titcomb, Herbert Howells, Jacobus Handl, Malcolm Archer, and Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy. The service will feature a procession of The Three Kings and pieces of chalk will be blessed for all to take home and mark their homes with a blessing for the new year.



Sunday Morning Worship:
The First Sunday after Christmas:
The Feast of the Holy Name
January 1, 2023



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 Feast of the Holy Name**,
[CLICK HERE!](#)

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

January 1, 2023

**The First Sunday after Christmas Day:
The Feast of the Holy Name**

Eternal Father, you gave to your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be the sign of our salvation: Plant in every heart, we pray, the love of him who is the Savior of the world, our Lord Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**



For the texts of the readings for **The Feast of the Holy Name**, [please click here.](#)

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