



Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

February 10, 2023

Spotlight: Know Thy Vestry - Pat Trosclair

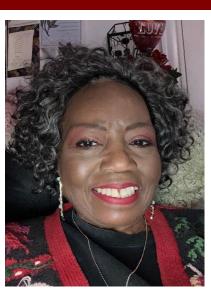
As part of our occassional series, "Know Thy Vestry", we're featuring two parishioners newly nominated to serve on the vestry. This week: Pat Trosclair. Next week: Laurie DiBattista. Pat writes:

"Hubby John and I came back to Providence in September 2002. We were going to another church (since closed), which did not have a service for Christmas Eve, which we were looking for. That's when and how we found Grace!

What keeps me here is being able to be actively involved. My family tradition of servanthood goes back generations. My mom was on

Church of the Epiphany Saint Mary's Guild and Altar Guild here in Providence. My Dad was on the Vestry - Junior then Senior Warden, Sunday School Superintendent. I currently serve as Coffee Hour Chair, Greeter & Lector. Before hip surgery, I was honored to be a Chalice bearer. I've also served on Outreach, as a docent, and as Chair of Stewardship at Grace.

Most people at Grace wouldn't know that I started college as a music education major at The University of Rhode Island back in 1968 (yes, I'm that old!). I directed the Junior Choir at Church of the Epiphany for a few years before moving to Endicott, NY to be an administrator at SUNY Binghamton."





Upcoming Choral Compline

On Sunday, **February 19 at 8:00 PM** join us for a 30-minute service of Gregorian Chant and Renaissance Polyphony sung by the Schola of Grace Church. The church is lighted by hundreds of candles and the sweet-smelling smoke of incense fills the air. Doors open at 7:30 PM.



HAVE YOU LOST A PET?

We welcome anyone who would like a chance to share their grief. Feel free to bring a photo of your beloved companion. Optional service of Sung Compline with incense and candles to follow.

First meeting information below. Reading material, parking and refreshments provided. Please pre-register at <u>support@gracepvd.org</u> or (401) 331-3225

7:00 PM on Sunday, February 19, 2023 Grace Episcopal Church 300 Westminster Street, Providence

Supported by the Grace Church Vestry, the "Vintage People" ministry, and through a grant from the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island, Congregational Development Commission

Upcoming 194th Annual Parish Meeting

The 194th annual meeting of the parish will take place in The Pavilion immediately **following 10:00 a.m. service on Sunday, February 26th** to hear reports from parish leaders and elect vestry members. The Vestry Nominating Committee will present the following slate for the Vestry: for a second, three-year term - Frank Ward and Jeff Williams, and for a first, full, three-year term - Pat Trosclair and Laurie DiBattista.

Coffee Hour Donations Needed!

Ever wonder where that delicious food at Coffee Hour comes from? From you! Parishioners are welcome and encouraged to bring food to share at Coffee Hour. Homemade or store-bought, fresh fruit or baked goods – whatever you are moved to share! Simply place items on the large rectangular tables in The Pavilion before church. Your fellow parishioners thank you!



Thursdays @ Noon Concerts Manuel Piazza, *Organ* February 16, 2023 at 12 Noon

Winner of the Royal Canadian College of Organists' National Competition, Manuel Piazza currently serves as Interim Associate Organist at Trinity Church, Copley Square in Boston. He completed graduate studies in organ at the Yale Institute of Sacred Music and was organ scholar at Trinity Church on the Green in New Haven, CT. In the 2019-20 academic year, he was organ scholar at Truro Cathedral in the UK.



He will play a free, 30-minute program music by 20th Century French Organist-Composers Marcel Dupré and Maurice Duruflé.

To view upcoming concerts, please click here!

The Thursdays @ Noon Concert Series serves as a form of outreach to the greater metropolitan area of Providence by providing diverse programs of music, free of charge for the enjoyment of the community and any visitors to the city.

Newcomers Announcement

Join us for our Winter Newcomers' Reception during Coffee Hour this coming Sunday, February 12! Grab a drink from the Pavilion and come meet us in the Chafee Room. If you're a relative newcomer and attended our last reception, feel free to come again; it's great to connect new and familiar faces!

Please RSVP (appreciated but not required) to <u>vtrutzl@gracepvd.org</u>.

Pick up some chalk!

All are welcome to take a piece of chalk that was blessed at our Epiphany Lessons & Carols Service to mark the doors of your home in this new year! Feel free to also take a card with instructions for marking the door of your home with the Epiphanytide blessing!

> Both the chalk and the instruction cards are located on a table in the rear of the church.

> > Nametags Available!

You, too, can have a nametag to wear at Grace! Nametags help us build connections with one another. If you would like one made, please clearly print your name on one of the sign-up sheets at the back of the church, entering the Pavilion, or in the Narthex. Don't forget to drop them in the

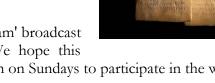
Nametag Return bin when leaving the courtyard or exiting into the Grace parking lot! We'll have it waiting in the Narthex for the next time you join us.

Sunday Morning Worship: The Sixth Sunday after The Epiphany February 12, 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 YouTube Link ~ Click here!









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This service will be live-streamed to the **Grace Church YouTube Channel**. Please use the link provided above to watch. The service will also be archived on the <u>Grace Church website</u> 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 Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany, <u>CLICK HERE!</u>

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

February 12, 2023 The Sixth Sunday after The Epiphany



O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; 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 Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany, please click here.

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