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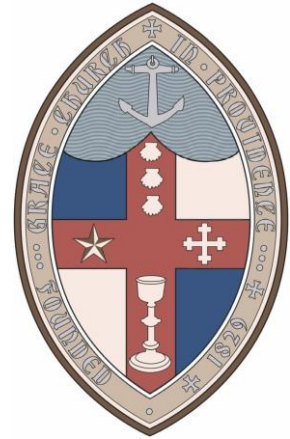


Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

February 24, 2023

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.



Lent at Grace Church

The penitential and reflective season of Lent begins next week as Christians around the world observe Ash Wednesday. Here at Grace Church we will have several additional offerings during Lent which are listed in the **Lent 2023 Brochure found on the tables in the rear of the church**. We hope that these opportunities will guide and aid your prayers and spiritual life during Lent, so please do join us!



Considering Baptism?

The Easter Vigil (April 8, at 8pm) service is a traditional service for adult baptisms and the season of Lent leading up to Easter is a time of preparation for that sacrament. If you've never been baptized and feel drawn to do so, give the rector a call anytime at 331-3225 or send him and email at jhuyck@gracepvd.org



CHORAL EVENSONG

celebrating

400 YEARS OF WILLIAM BYRD



SUNDAY, MARCH 5TH, 2023

4:00 PM

A special service of Choral Evensong featuring music by 16th century English composer William Byrd (1540-1623), in observance of 400 years since his death. Sung by The Choir & Choristers of Grace Church. A reception follows in The Pavilion

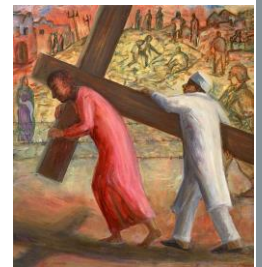


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The Way (Stations) of the Cross

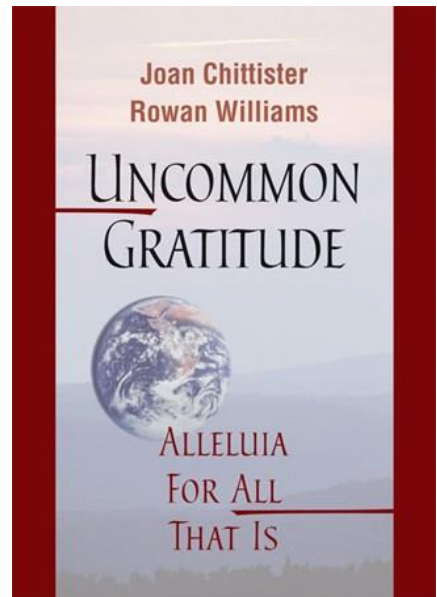
Grace Church will offer the short liturgy of The Way of the Cross (also called "Stations of the Cross") **every Friday at 12 Noon during Lent**. During this lunchtime service participants walk to 14 stations posted throughout the church commemorating Christ's journey to Mount Calvary and his death on the Cross.



Lenten Book Club: "Uncommon Gratitude: Alleluia for All That Is"

This is a six-session book club from the Episcopal Church on "Uncommon Gratitude: Alleluia for All That Is" by Joan Chittister and Rowan Williams. The book is broken into three sections: discovering what we are, becoming who we are, and growing into the unknown; however, we'll break this up a bit more to decrease the reading for each session. This is a perfect book to explore during Lent because as the book jacket describes, it looks at things which are easy to give thanks for and some that are much harder.

For more information [please click here](#),
and to register [please use this link](#).



Thursday Lenten Eucharists

Beginning next **Thursday, March 2 at 6:00 PM**, join us each week for a short Eucharist service with music, prayers, and a brief sermon preached by "priest-parishioners", retired clergy who have made Grace Church their spiritual home. The service takes place in the Chancel near the High Altar amongst candlelight and incense for a more intimate worship experience. A light potluck supper in The Pavilion follows the service. The first preacher in the series is The Rev. Jennifer West.



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 Fred Jodry, *Organ* March 2, 2023 at 12 Noon

Next Thursday, we welcome a good friend and colleague of Grace Church, organist Fred Jodry, Director of Choral Activities at Brown University and Co-Director of Music at Trinity Church in Newport, RI.



He will play a free, 30-minute program music by César Franck, Olivier Messiaen, and Nicolas de Grigny.

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.

Sunday Morning Worship: The First Sunday in Lent February 26, 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!](#)

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 [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 in Lent**,
[CLICK HERE!](#)

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

February 26, 2023 The First Sunday in Lent

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, 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 in Lent**,
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