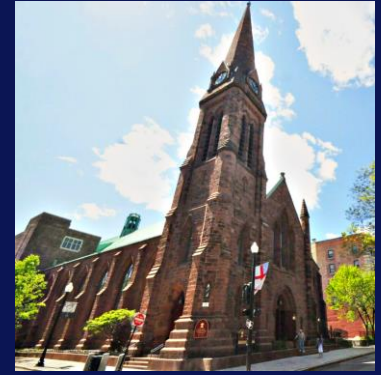


GRACE ABOUNDS



Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

May 19, 2023

Spotlight: Grace Church Day on Sunday!

This Sunday we will celebrate the Feast of the Ascension, which officially occurs 40 days after Christ's resurrection (this year Ascension Day was on Thursday, May 18th). A church's "feast of title" can be transferred to the nearest Sunday. Churches named "Grace" don't technically have a "feast of title" but historically have adopted Ascension Day. There is precedent at Grace Church for this, dating to May 1st, 1913, the first Ascension Day with the newly added Chancel designed by Ralph Adams Cram. From *A History of Grace Church*: "Ascension Day, May 1, saw the active operation of a plan dear to [the rector] Dr. Crowder's heart, namely the observance of that festival as 'Grace Church Day,' comparable to Trinity Sunday or the appropriate Saints' Day for a Church bearing the name of the Trinity or of some saint." This is all the more appropriate as the great Triptych above the High Altar is, indeed, a depiction of the Ascension of Christ. Additionally, a panel in the great chancel window above the High Altar and Triptych includes a traditional Ascension image: the feet of Christ just disappearing into the sky above as St. Mary and the Apostles look upwards.



Potluck Lunch & Silent Auction

Following the 10am Choral Eucharist, we will continue our Grace Church Day celebration with a pot-luck lunch in The Pavilion. During this parishioner/ weekday docent Robert Bennett and Director of Music Vince Edwards will offer a presentation showing interesting historical photos and building drawings of Grace Church from years past. **Depending on the weather, a special musical surprise may also occur!**

During the Grace Church Day celebration, we will hold a Silent Auction for a beautiful quilt, made and donated by John Chamberlin. The proceeds will go the Scholarship Fund for the Grace Church Choir England trip in August.



CHORAL COMPLINE

SUNDAY, MAY 21ST

8:00 PM

Doors open at 7:30 PM

30-minutes of Gregorian Chant & unaccompanied Renaissance Polyphony
sung amongst hundreds of candles and fragrant incense



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Last 2022-2023 Thursdays @ Noon Concert!!!

Join us for our final Thursdays @ Noon Concert of the 2022-2023 Season on **Thursday, May 25!**

Our resident organists, Vince Edwards, Director of Music, and David Heinze, Associate Director of Music, will perform a program to close out the series.

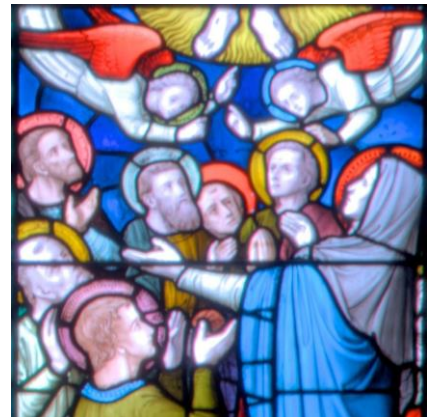


The Thursdays @ Noon Concert Series serves as a form of outreach to the greater metropolitan area of Providence by providing diverse programs of music, **free of charge** for the enjoyment of the community and any visitors to the city.

Sunday Morning Worship: The Feast of the Ascension (*Transferred*) May 21, 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 Feast of the Ascension](#), please [CLICK HERE!](#)

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

May 21, 2023

The Feast of the Ascension (*Transferred*)

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding; Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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
Ascension Sunday, [please click here.](#)

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