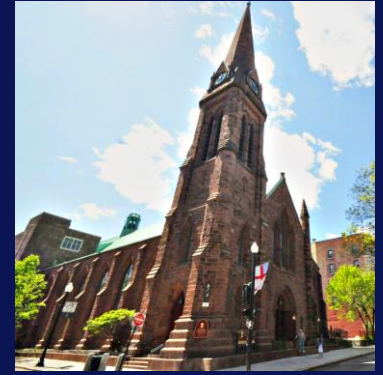


GRACE ABOUNDS



Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

June 9, 2023

Spotlight: Blood Drive this Sunday!

Donate Blood

Aspen has heart eyes
for blood donors!



Grace Episcopal Church

Sunday, June 11, 2023

8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

The Pavilion

300 Westminster St, Providence

DONATIONS BY APPOINTMENT!

(walk-ins will be welcomed if availability permits at time of arrival)

www.ribc.org/drives to book

Sponsor Code 2097



Win a \$50 Amazon Gift Card!

All presenting donors June 1 through June 15
will be automatically entered to win!

Eat, hydrate, bring identification with you.



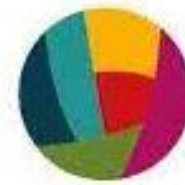
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Blood Center



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Grace Church's Refugee Ministry

Building on our successful apartment-preparation ministry this past year, and In conversation with Dorcas International's refugee resettlement program, our ministry with refugees is expanding in three important ways. First, our apartment-preparation will become bi-monthly and will grow to include the entire preparation-for-arrival for refugees, including taking responsibility for furnishings, food, and whatever else might prepare a warm welcome for new arrivals. Second, through our "Restart Kits for Refugees" you are invited to fill a tub with specific items new arrivals will need to help them set up their new homes. Third, in teams of two we are invited to become mentors for newly arrived families. Under the guidance of a Dorcas Case Manager, mentors are matched with a specific family to be a welcoming friend, someone who can help new arrivals navigate, discover resources, practice English, or whatever is needed. The time commitment is at least two hours a week for at least 3 months. For further information about the apartment preparation and Restart Kits feel free to contact Bill Galigan (wgalligan@gmail.com; P: 508-328-1831); if you're interested in the mentoring part, contact Mike Coburn (mikecoburn77@gmail.com; P: 401-421-8755).



DORCAS INTERNATIONAL
INSTITUTE OF RHODE ISLAND

To learn more or to join this exciting and growing ministry please join us on SUNDAY, JUNE 11 at 9:00AM in The Pavilion Courtyard!

Nursery Care Help Needed

The Nursery at Grace is seeking a second person to help watch our community's young children (up to age 4) on Sunday mornings! Compensation is \$20/hr (for coverage up to 4 hours) or volunteer hours for those who need them. If you or someone you know is interested, please reach out to Jonathan (jhuyck@gracepvd.org) or Vivian (vblais@gracepvd.org) for more details.



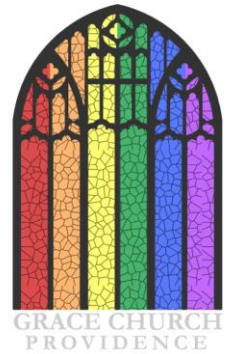
Do you need a Notary? Do you have records which ought to be shredded?

Senior Warden Emerita and licensed attorney, Adrienne Southgate (*pictured*), is an authorized Notary Public AND has access to commercial shredding. She's offering to notarize any documents for you or to collect any papers (cancelled checks, old tax records, medical bills with your Social Security number or other identifying information, etc.) which you would like to have shredded. (Records will be taken directly to the shredding machine at 9:00 AM Monday morning.) If you'd like to take her up on her offer, she'll be stationed in the alcove (by the paintings) in The Pavilion during Coffee Hour **on Sunday, June 25.**



Grace Church at PrideFest 2023

Building upon the unforgettable fun and fellowship shared in years past, Grace Church will once again have a booth AND participate in the night-time Parade during Rhode Island PrideFest on **Saturday, June 17, 2023**. We are seeking a number of volunteers to join us at the booth in shifts to help share information and excitement about our wonderful faith community with PrideFest attendees. **To sign up for a shift or the Parade, please see the printed sign-up sheet in The Pavilion during Coffee Hour.** Please email Ian Rossi at iangrossi@gmail.com with any questions or to sign up for Booth Coverage and/or Parade participation.



Grace Church Pride Apparel!

Grace Church Pride T-Shirts and Tanks that feature the Grace Church Rainbow Window logo (*designed by former parishioner Ben Willis*) will be available next weekend in a variety of sizes to purchase for \$20 to cover the cost of producing them. These will be available for purchase at our booth at PrideFest and at the Church during Coffee Hour! Spread the message of our loving and open faith community by buying one and wearing it proudly!



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!



Photos from Pentecost

Check out these photos (taken by parishioner Erick Brown) from the baptisms that took place on Pentecost a few weeks ago! It is always a joy to welcome new members into the body of Christ, the Church!

To find out more about baptism, please call the office or email one of our clergy.



Summer Choir at Grace

During the summer months we will enjoy the leadership of our summer choir! Summer Choir is open to anyone who sings with the Grace Church Choir, or anyone who would like to try singing in the choir. We meet in the Choir Room at 9:15 AM on Sunday mornings, rehearse the hymns and psalm, and prepare a simple anthem or two. You don't need to give previous notice, but if you would like to try Summer Choir, please email Vince Edwards for more information. Feel free to sing one Sunday, or every Sunday! Please note: We may not vest once the weather turns hot, so please wear our summer choir "uniform" - white blouse or shirt, black (or very dark) shorts, pants or skirt and dark-ish shoes (sandals are fine!).



Summer Volunteers Needed!

Many Summer Sunday School slots are still open! We would love to line up volunteers for at least the month of June. If you're able to volunteer your time for at least one weekend, it would be a tremendous help to our faith community! If you have any questions, please be in touch with Vivian Blais, Director of Children & Youth at vblais@gracepvd.org



[Click here to sign up!](#)



Summer at Grace

For more info, email Vivian at vblais@gracepvd.org

JUNE

- 4 - Last day of the Sunday School year
- 15 - Movie Night! The Prince of Egypt, 7p. (Recommended ages 10+)
- 18 - Summer Sunday School begins
- 24 - Family Picnic at Pedestrian Bridge Park, 11am

JULY

- 22 - Parents + Toddlers Play Date in the Pavilion, 9-11am

AUGUST

- 20 - Last day of Summer Sunday School
- 26 - Family Picnic at Pedestrian Bridge Park, 11am

Sunday Morning Worship **The Second Sunday after Pentecost**

~ 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 Second Sunday after Pentecost,
please [CLICK HERE!](#)**

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

The Second Sunday after Pentecost **June 11, 2023**

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; 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 Second Sunday after Pentecost,
[please click here.](#)



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