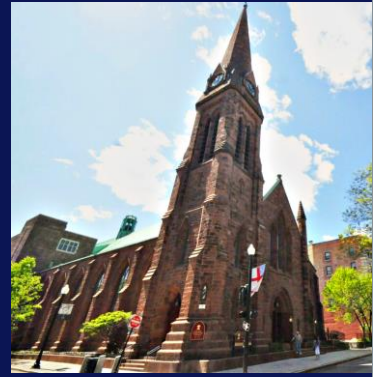


GRACE ABOUNDS



Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

September 15, 2023

Upcoming Choral Compline

Join us **this coming Sunday, September 17 at 8:00 PM** for the first service of Choral Compline of the choral season. The church will be filled with hundreds of candles and sweet-smelling incense will waft through the air as the Grace Church Schola sings unaccompanied Gregorian chant and Renaissance polyphony. The service is short, only 30-minutes and is an excellent way to start/end your week! Doors open at 7:30 PM for silent prayer and meditation before the service. Come worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness!



Sunday School
starts
September 17th!



Register Sept. 10 at the
Ministry Fair or
follow the QR code below!



SCAN ME

Organ Project Update

We have been seeking funding for the restoration and renovation of the Grace Church pipe organ since October 2021 when the Vestry authorized the Organ Project at Grace. While we have raised nearly \$200,000 in gifts and pledges, we are a long way from our goal of the nearly \$2,000,000 needed for the front organ project. In the meantime, the pipes and windchests have become essentially unusable, having had no serious maintenance since their installation in 1959. The digital voices and new console installed in 2010 were intended to function with a restored pipe organ, which has not happened yet. In order to find a more successful and musical solution in the interim period, the Vestry authorized the installation of a Hauptwerk organ. This is digital software that allows us to choose from various well-known instruments from around the world that have been digitally “sampled”. We will be using the Salisbury Cathedral organ here at Grace, while we continue to seek funding for our pipe organ project. The current console has been relocated to the Narthex and will be listed for sale very soon. In the meantime, we will have a more practical and musical solution in the form of our Hauptwerk organ. NB: A generous parishioner donated the funds for this project. Also, the Hauptwerk organ will be moved to Cronhimer Hall as a practice instrument and for use during choir rehearsals once the pipe organ project is completed. If you have questions about the project – either the new installation or funding the pipe organ – please contact Vince Edwards, Director of Music: vedwards@gracepvd.org.



CHORAL COMPLINE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH

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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Training Choir

Grace welcomes new members to our Training Choir program, designed as a preparatory ground for being a Chorister. This group meets on Fridays from 5 to 5:30 PM in Cronhimer Hall and is open to anyone ages 4 through Grade 2. We learn basic musical skills, do vocal training, learn about the church building and our church calendar, and have a snack and lots of fun! If you know a child that might be interested in giving it a try, please be in touch Vince Edwards, Director of Music. vedwards@gracepvd.org.



Worship Schedule Resumption

Both our regular Sunday morning
8:00 AM Spoken Eucharist in the Chancel
and our Wednesday 12 Noon Spoken Eucharist in
The Chapel of The Messiah have resumed.



Third Thursdays @ Twelve (Noon) Concert Series

This coming season our Thursday Concert Series will take on a slightly different format. Instead of being a weekly occurrence, the concerts will take place once a month and will feature a variety of 45-minute programs of mostly chamber music ranging from a jazz trio to dueling organs! Our first concert will be on Thursday, **September 21 at 12 Noon** and will feature the Baltic Transit Jazz Trio from Boston. We hope you join us!



Sunday Morning
Worship
The Sixteenth
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 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost**,
[CLICK HERE!](#)

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

The Sixteenth Sunday
after Pentecost
September 17, 2023



O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ 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 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost**,
[please click here.](#)

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