

GRACE ABOUNDS



Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

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CHORAL COMPLINE

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14TH

8:00 PM

Doors open at 7:30 PM

Join us **this coming Sunday (January 14) evening at 8:00 PM** as the women of the Grace Church Schola will sing a short, 30- minute service of Choral Compline. Come, pray in the stillness, and experience the unaccompanied singing of Gregorian Chant and Renaissance Polyphony in a darkened church, lighted only by candles and with fragrant incense wafting through the air. *Doors open at 7:30 PM.* We hope you join us for this calm and meditative way to start the week.

Blessed Chalk Available at Church

This past Wednesday, Fr. Jonathan blessed sticks of white chalk during the Noonday Eucharist as per our annual tradition during Epiphanytide. It has been a tradition in the Church to bless chalk at the masses for Epiphany, and then use the blessed chalk as part of blessing one's home in the New Year. Above the doorways of the home, the chalk is used to write 2024 for the year and C, M, B for the three Magi (Casper, Melchior, and Balthazar) which also functions as an acronym for the Latin phrase "Christus Mansionem Benedicat", which translates as "May Christ Bless this House". During this Epiphany season, we hope you take part in this house blessing, and we wish all a blessed, healthy, and safe New Year! To learn more about the background of the "Chalking of the Door", check out this article published by the Episcopal News Service by [clicking here](#).



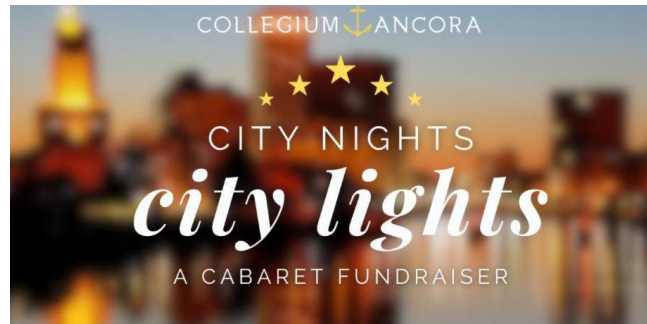
The blessed chalk is available for pick up from a basket located in the rear of the church.

Cards with the instructions for the house blessing are also available there.

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Upcoming Collegium Cabaret!

Come and experience Collegium Ancora's Cabaret Fundraiser 'City Nights, City Lights!' on **Saturday, January 20** in The Pavilion at Grace. Wine, cheese, and appetizers along with a silent auction start at 6:00 pm. The show begins at 7:00 pm. Cabaret night has become a fan favorite, so don't miss out! Tickets are \$40 per person or \$300 for a table of 8.



[Click here to purchase tickets!](#)



FREE LUNCHTIME CONCERT

**MUSIC OF
BUCK MCDANIEL & NICO MUHLY**

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 18TH
12:00 NOON**

*New York City-based conductor, composer, organist, and pianist
Buck McDaniel plays selections of his own works and those by
Rhode Island native and former Grace Church chorister,
Nico Muhly.*

THIRD THURSDAYS @ TWELVE (NOON): A CONCERT SERIES

Free, diverse, 45-minute concerts for the enjoyment of
the city of Providence and its visitors!

*Please feel free to stay for the entire concert or for five minutes -
whatever works best for your schedule!*



Sunday Morning Worship **The Second Sunday after The Epiphany**



~ 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 the Epiphany**,
[CLICK HERE!](#)

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

The Second Sunday after The Epiphany January 14, 2024



Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

For the texts of the readings for **The Second Sunday after The Epiphany**,
[please click here.](#)

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