

GRACE ABOUNDS



Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

February 9, 2024



ASH WEDNESDAY

FEBRUARY 14TH, 2024

SPOKEN HOLY EUCHARIST
WITH THE IMPOSITION OF ASHES
12:00 NOON

CHORAL HOLY EUCHARIST
WITH THE IMPOSITION OF ASHES
7:00 PM

*Music by Adrian Batten, Richard Lloyd,
Herbert Howells, and Gregorio Allegri,
sung by the Choir & Choristers of Grace Church.*

Graced with Socks: The 20s/30s Sock Drive!

The Grace Church 20s/30s Group is holding a Sock Drive for those in need on the Sundays **February 4 and February 11**. Drop pairs of new socks in the red hamper located in The Pavilion February 4-13 and the donations will be dropped off to PVD homeless shelters on Valentine's Day. Please join our community in fulfilling a need this time of year. Last time, in 2020, we donated over 500 pairs of socks, and this year we've been asked for thick ones in regular and larger sizes. **Another top requested item in the community is underwear of all types, if you would prefer to assist with that need.** Thank you for sharing the warmth!



Lent at Grace 2024 Brochure

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 2024 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!

To view a PDF version of the brochure, [please click here!](#)



FREE LUNCHTIME CONCERT

OBOE D'AMOUR: SONGS OF LOVE & ROMANCE

THURSDAY,
FEBRUARY 15TH
12:00 NOON

Cheryl Bishkoff, Principal Oboe of the Rhode Island Philharmonic, accompanied by Vince Edwards, will play works by J.S. Bach, Robert Schumann, and others appropriate for Valentine's Day.

THIRD THURSDAYS @ TWELVE (NOON): A CONCERT SERIES

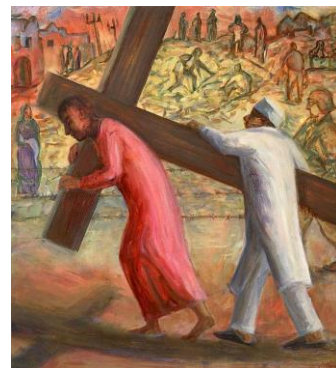
Free, diverse, 45-minute concerts for the enjoyment of
the city of Providence and its visitors!

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



The Way (Stations) of the Cross Services during Lent

The Way of the Cross (also known as The Stations of the Cross) services begin next week, **Friday, February 16 at 12:00 Noon**. Join us for this short liturgy during which participants walk to 14 stations posted throughout the church commemorating Christ's journey to Mount Calvary and his death on the Cross. This service lasts about 25 minutes and is scheduled for every Friday at 12 Noon during Lent (with the exception of March 1st).





STATIONS OF THE CROSS: A WORKSHOP WITH ARTIST GWYNETH LEECH

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH, 2024
10:30 AM – 12 NOON

Join us for a free presentation given by New York City artist Gwyneth Leech as she shares her creative process for creating the Stations of the Cross images that are used during the season of Lent at Grace Church. Originally created in 2005 for St. Paul's Church on the Green in Norwalk, C.T., this set of images has gained international attention. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet the artist and delve deeper into these powerful artistic expressions. A light lunch is included at Noon. www.gwynethleeche.com



CHORAL COMPLINE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH

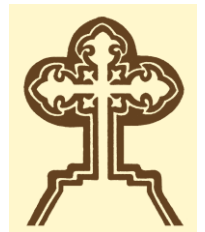
8:00 PM

Doors open at 7:30 PM

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

The Annual Parish Meeting

The 195th Annual Meeting of the Parish will take place in The Pavilion immediately **following 10:00 a.m. service on Sunday, February 25 (during Coffee Hour)** to hear reports from parish leaders and to elect vestry members. The Vestry Nominating Committee will present the following slate for the Vestry: for a second, three-year term – **Joseph Berryhill and Michael D'Alesandre**, for a first, full, three-year term – **Clinton Crocker and Peter Dugan**, and for Diocesan Convention Delegate and Alternate – **Frank Ward and Ken Reeves**.



Shawl Ministry Update

We have once again agreed to make shawls for an Ignatian Spiritual Retreat. Colette Cook has requested 15 shawls for the women who are recovering from homelessness and addiction. She thanks us for our handiwork, saying: "These shawls will be a tangible expression of God's love and care for our retreatants." Would you please let me know if you, (or your friend or family member), could commit to making 1 shawl, using any yarn, in any pattern, **by November 1st**? Call or email Jane Ditmars (Shawl Ministry Co-ordinator) with any questions you may have: (610) 657-5600 or janeditmars@gmail.com



CHORAL EVENSONG

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF MUSIC BY C.V. STANFORD

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH 4:00 PM

The Choir & Choristers of Grace Church sings music by the 19th century Anglo-Irish composer Sir Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924), in observance of 100 years since his death. A reception follows in The Pavilion.

Sunday Morning Worship

The Last 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 Last 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 Last Sunday after The Epiphany

February 11, 2024

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; 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 Last Sunday after The Epiphany**, [please click here.](#)

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