

GRACE ABOUNDS



Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

August 23, 2024

Come to the Cabaret!

September Songs! Join members of Collegium Ancora for their annual Cabaret fundraiser held in the beautiful Pavilion at Grace. The show takes place on Saturday, September 14, kicking off at 6pm with wine and cheese, and a silent auction; the performance follows at 7pm.

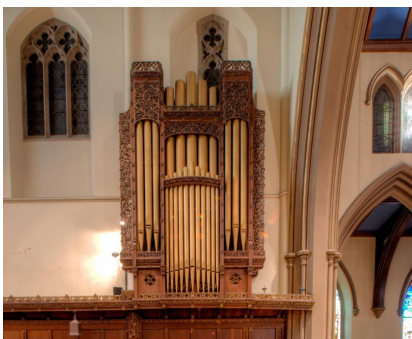


Visit [Collegium Ancora's website](#) today for tickets, or email Director of Music Vince Edwards at vedwards@gracepvd.org. Tickets are \$40 each or \$350 for a table of 10.

Welcome Back to the Church!

This Sunday will be our last weekend of "Summer Worship in the Pavilion." Starting Sunday, September 1, we'll meet once again in the church for our Sunday 10am service. (Remember that there is no longer an 8am service.)

Our noontime Wednesday Eucharist will start on September 4th.



Organ Project Update

We have signed a contract with [Casavant Freres](#) of Saint-Hyacinth, Quebec for the restoration, refurbishment, and enhancement of our organ at Grace! The removal of the existing organ will start in early October and should wrap up by mid-November.

If you haven't yet seen the "before" version of the organ's innards, be sure to join Director of Music Vince for a tour of the inside of the organ chambers while there's still time. Reservations aren't necessary; just meet Vince by the entrance to the church around 11:15am.

You're Invited to a Block Party!



Our friends at St. Peter and St. Andrew are inviting friends, supporters, and community members to their Annual Block Party! This year's celebration marks a special milestone: 50 years as a food pantry serving the community in Providence.

The festivities take place on Saturday, September 14, from noon to 3pm at the church (70 Pemberton Street, Providence), and will include hamburgers, hot dogs, cotton candy, face painting, and a fire truck - all are welcome!

Give the Gift of Life at Grace

BLOOD DRIVE

DONATIONS SAVE LIVES

Grace Episcopal Church

Sunday, September 22

8:00am-1:00pm

The Pavilion
300 Westminster Street, Providence



Sign up at ribc.org/drives
and use code #2097

Please remember to eat, drink, and bring your ID with your name and photo. Appointments are preferred however walk-ins will be welcomed if space permits. Visit ribc.org/coronavirus for COVID-19 safety protocols.



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Voter Registration Drive at Grace Church!

Immediately following the service on the last two Sundays in September - the 22nd and 29th - volunteers will be waiting during coffee hour to help you check your voter registration, update it, register for the first time, or apply for a mail-in ballot.

Just bring a piece of identification (a passport or driver's license is best) and enjoy a cup of coffee while making sure you are ready to vote in the general election on November 5th!

**PLAN
YOUR
VOTE.**

Education for Ministry Postponed

The Education for Ministry (EfM) group that was to begin this fall at Grace has had to be postponed. We hope to reschedule in 2025.

Education for Ministry (EfM for short) is a program of personal renewal and spiritual transformation based upon individual study and practice. Deeply rooted in the Christian tradition, open to all, EfM invites us to engage in study, worship, and theological reflection. Guided by trained mentors, participants meet each week through the school year in a small group for 2.5-3 hours. Over the course of nine months, group members are invited to connect more deeply with God and our role in bringing God's healing love to a hurt and broken world. Please visit <http://efm.sewanee.edu/> to learn more about EfM and/or email Rev. Cathy Boyd at ctyndallboyd@gmail.com.



Our Shawl Ministry

Each holiday season, the Christmas at Sea knitting ministry presents bags of gifts to thousands of crew members on ocean going cargo ships and boats. This is a program of the Seamen's Institute, which has roots in the Episcopal Church, and it is now in its 125th year of service to the maritime community. Handmade hats and scarves are included in each bag. We invite you to knit or crochet for this project. Please email Jane

Ditmars at janeditmars@gmail.com if you would like to have the patterns.

Thank you for helping us to bring God's love to those in need of comfort!

Summer Choir

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, psalm, and 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.



**Sunday Morning
Worship:**

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost August 25, 2024



Most Sunday Mornings, 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. *(Live-streaming will resume in September.)*

~ **Sunday Morning YouTube Link** ~
(to return in September)

When available, this service will be live-streamed to the [Grace Church YouTube Channel](#). Please use the link provided above to watch. The service also will 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.

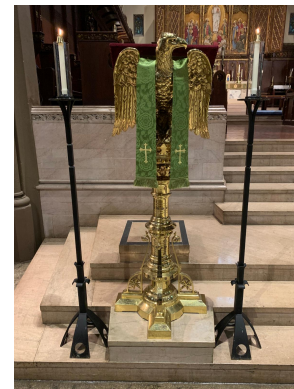
To view the Order of Service for **The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**, please [CLICK](#)

[HERE!](#)

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

August 25, 2024 The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; 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 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**, [please click here.](#)

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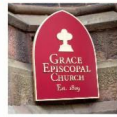


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The Mission of Grace Church is to build, by the grace of God, a loving and joyful community which lives the Gospel through worship, proclamation and service to each other, to downtown Providence, and beyond.

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