

GRACE ABOUNDS



Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church - November 1, 2024

Investing Our New Presiding Bishop

In this historic and joyful season, we invite you to pray for guidance for our church and our new presiding bishop as he leads us in envisioning the reign of God in our midst. May our celebration unite us as a sacramental community, and may we be filled with new energy to bear witness to God's work of redemption.

- **Who:** Everyone is invited!
- **What:** The Episcopal Church will officially welcome the Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe as its 28th presiding bishop with a smaller, simpler investiture service aimed at reducing carbon footprint and increasing churchwide virtual participation.
- **When:** Saturday, November 2, with a prelude featuring a "roll call" of dioceses starting at 9:30 a.m. ET. The service itself starts at 11 a.m. ET.
- **Where:** The service will be livestreamed on this page and on [The Episcopal Church's Facebook page](#). A recording will be posted and distributed after the service.
- **How can I participate?** Churches, dioceses, small groups, seminaries, and other Episcopal communities are encouraged to organize watch parties to participate in real time with Episcopalians around the world. [Find and download customizable invitation assets.](#)

Join the Churchwide Virtual Celebration



The Most Reverend Michael Curry
requests the honor
of your presence at the

Celebration of New Ministry and Investiture of
the Right Reverend Sean Rowe
as Presiding Bishop and Primate
of The Episcopal Church

Saturday, November 2, 2024

"Roll Call" of Dioceses - 9:30 am ET
Service of Holy Eucharist - 11:00 am ET

www.iam.ec/investiture



Remembering All Our Saints - Sunday

Join us at 10am this Sunday, November 3, for a Choral Eucharist with Holy Baptism for The Feast of All Saints. We hope you will be with us to commemorate this important Feast Day in the life of the church!

Photos for All Saints': It is a tradition at Grace Church for our community to bring photos of departed loved ones which are placed on the High Altar. All are welcome to bring a framed photo of a loved one to be part of the memorial for this feast day.



Last Sunday: Winter Coats for Refugees

This Sunday is our final day collecting cold-weather gear for our neighbors. Winter coats are needed for our brothers and sisters, the new refugee arrivals to our state. Often coming from far warmer climates, fall and winter may be new - as is the need for winter coats! Help us

welcome them with something to warm them: a coat! Any size, adult or child, new or gently used, would be welcome.

We'll fill our bins at coffee hour this Sunday and bring them to our friends at Dorcas International to share as needed for new arrivals. Thanks for being a part of this important Gospel work.

Questions? See Mike Coburn.

Evensong - This Sunday!

CHORAL EVENSONG

*Featuring music of Willan, Webb, Stanford,
and Sir John Stainer's great anthem "I saw the Lord"*

I saw the Lord
sitting on a throne, high and lifted up,
and the train of His robe filled the temple.

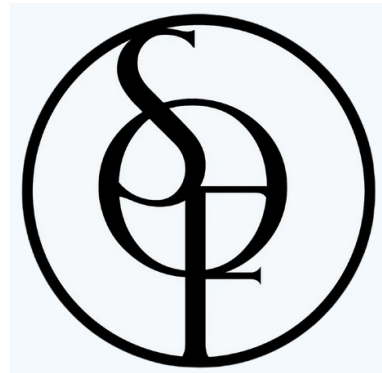


*Sung by the combined choirs of Grace Church and
St. Luke's, East Greenwich*

Sunday, November 3 at 4 PM
Grace Church in Providence ~ 300 Westminster Street

Sott' Acqua: A Tale of Two Cities Underwater

You are invited to "Sott' Acqua: A Tale of Two Cities Underwater" - this year's Splendor of Florence festival, to be held here November 9-17. The festival shares the story of life-changing floods that took place here in 1954 and in Florence just 12 years later, in 1966.



Join us here at Grace Church and select venues around Providence for a series of programs and events that highlight the floods that inundated both our own city and Florence, Italy in the mid-20th century. The festival also will share the resulting

recognition of the fragility of the world around us, the power of community awareness, and the restoration of cultural treasures. Looking forward, visitors will see how both cities are confronting climate change through mitigation, protection, and preservation.

[Click here to learn more](#) about the many activities at this year's festival. We hope to see you at some of them!



Organ Project Update

After a full month, the organ has been fully removed and taken to the Casavant factory/shop in Quebec. On Thursday and Friday of this week the last of the scaffolding and protective materials were removed.

While we begin our long wait, we will be working with Casavant to do some repairs, repainting, and refurbishing of the organ chamber spaces, as well as adding lighting so that we can welcome the organ back to a clean

and well-lit home! We will continue to update you as the weeks go by about progress at the Casavant shop, and hopefully before too long, pictures of our new console being built. As always, feel free to ask questions and inquire about the project!!

Our Shawl Ministry

We are now making hats, scarves and mittens for young children. These will be given to Children's Friend of Providence at Christmas. Please knit or crochet for us at home, or come to our meetings on Wednesdays at 10:00 am in the Pavilion. Thank you for helping us to share God's love this holiday season!

For more information, please email Jane Ditmars at janeditmars@gmail.com.



Sunday Morning Worship:
The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost - All Saints
November 3, 2024



On 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.

~ **[Click Here to Join This Sunday's Service on YouTube](#)** ~

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 Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**, please **[CLICK HERE](#)**.

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

November 3, 2024
The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost - All Saints

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*



For the texts of the readings for **The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**, **[please click here](#)**.

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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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