

GRACE ABOUNDS



Weekly News from Grace Episcopal Church - April 17, 2025

Holy Week & Easter Weekend at Grace!

Welcome to Holy Week at Grace Church! Following last night's Tenebrae Service, we continue with the Triduum (Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and The Great Vigil) before celebrating Easter this Sunday.

We hope you can join us in person for all of the services, but if not, we invite you to join us remotely on our YouTube channel. Scroll to the end of this newsletter for worship information, including downloadable service bulletins and links for the live-streams of the services.

A blessed Holy Week and Easter to you and yours!

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 17

Holy Eucharist *with* The Washing of Feet,
Procession to the Altar of Repose, & Stripping of the Altar
7:00 PM

The Garden Watch follows the service *in* The Chapel of the Messiah

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18

The Solemn Liturgy of The Passion
12:00 Noon
The Way (Stations) of the Cross
6:00 PM

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 19

The Great Vigil, The Renewal of Baptismal Vows,
& The First Eucharist of Easter (*followed by a Champagne & Chocolates reception*)
8:00 PM

THE FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION: EASTER DAY

SUNDAY, APRIL 20

Holy Eucharist *with* Choir, Brass, & Timpani
10:00 AM



*On Easter Day, all children are most welcome to participate in
The Easter Egg Hunt during Coffee Hour following the 10 AM Eucharist!*



Goodies Needed for Easter Weekend!

We're looking forward to a large crowd of members, guests, and visitors for our Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday services and we need your help to prepare!

Easter Vigil

Join us for The Great Vigil & First Eucharist of Easter on Saturday, April 19, at 8pm. The Vigil takes place the evening before Easter morning, and is the first celebration of Christ's triumph over death. Following the service a festive "Champagne and Chocolates" reception will be held in The Pavilion. **Please bring a dessert - chocolate or otherwise - to share;** champagne and sparkling cider will be provided. We hope you join us!

Easter Sunday

Then, on Easter Sunday, **please bring your favorite baked good** (made or purchased) to share at coffee hour. Kindly

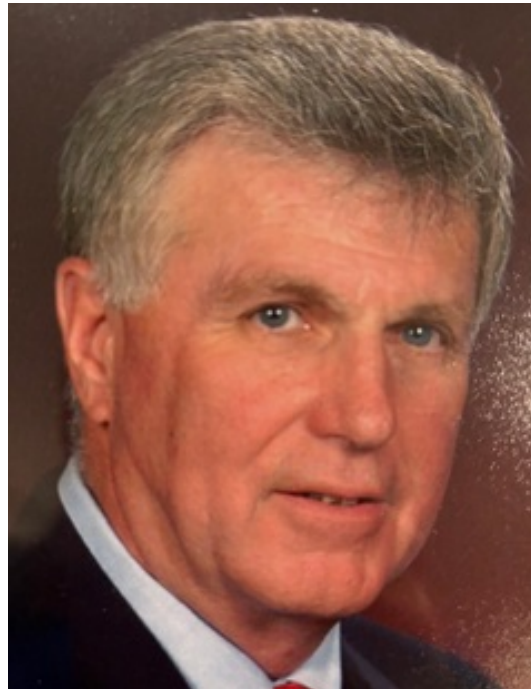


drop off your contribution in the Pavilion before the service. And thank you!

Losses to Our Grace Church Family

We are saddened to share that Lori Brown's mother Marcia Brown died last Wednesday, April 9. While Marcia was not a member of our parish, Lori has been a part of the Grace community for many years. Visitation will be held here at Grace Church on Saturday, April 26, from 12pm to 1pm; the funeral service will begin at 1pm. Find more details about Marcia's life and funeral service [here](#).

Then, on Monday, April 14, Grace Church member Stephen Haskell died. A funeral for Steve will be held here at 11am on Wednesday, April 23. Steve was a lifelong member of Grace, where he had served as Senior Warden, and was a first responder in his town of Rehoboth. Find more details about Steve's life and funeral service [here](#).



Grace 20s/30s+ Art & Spirit Event - May 1

*Abstract Painter Monica Lee Rich -
Vision Board Workshop*

Grace Church's 20/30s+ Group invites the

full Grace Community to join us for this event over wine + light supper.

- Where: Grace Church Pavilion
- When: Thursday, May 1 - 6:30-8:30 pm
- How to Join: Sign up below by 4/25 (limited to 24 people)
- Cost: This event has been donated so it's free to attend, however, you must sign up to hold a spot. And please bring a food/wine item to share.



Like art, crafting a mindful and intentional life doesn't have to be fraught with tension.

Laying some groundwork that involves fun and play can be the perfect recipe for unlocking the doors to accessing the best in yourself. A vision board can lay a framework for the next year or even the next several years. It's all about asking yourself the right questions, being curious, and allowing yourself to answer with your heart intuitively. Monica Lee Rich will share art material and prompts to help you design a personal vision board. Great to bring your journal or a notebook.

Sign up <https://signup.com/go/qecRfnj> to reserve your spot; you also can add your name to our optional food or beverage sign-up.

Monica Lee Rich is a painter working from her studio in Rehoboth, MA. She had a career in fashion illustration, editorial illustration, and licensing and hosted a podcast, Smart Creative Women before she began her full-time painting practice nine years ago. She works in oil, acrylic, and watercolor. <https://www.monicaleerich.com/>



"Care for the Square" - May 3

The Grace Church Cemetery Ministry invites you to participate in "[Care for the Square](#)" on Saturday, May 3 as we join the community to help spruce up our beautiful 9-acre cemetery.

Trinity Square Together sponsors this neighborhood event to invite community members to recover the beauty in this historic section of Providence, and many groups will be participating.

Please join our group at 10am at the cemetery entrance (10 Elmwood Ave, where it intersects with Broad St). Be sure to wear comfortable clothes, and bring your garden clean-up tools! For questions, call Joel Goloskie at 617-771-1154.

Sunday School and Youth Group

Sunday School

Sunday School (age 4 – Grade 6) meets during the Sunday morning service (other than the 2nd Sunday of the month, when kids attend the main service with their

families). The children and teachers process from the church to the Sunday School rooms after the opening prayer. Kids can gather in the northwest corner of the church with the Sunday School teachers or sit with their families and join in the procession as it goes by. Questions? Call the parish office at 331-3225 or email sundayschool@gracepvd.org.

Youth Group

Youth Group (Grades 7-12) meets from 7 to 8 p.m. on Fridays. Teens can come to the Youth Group room at 7p.m., or come for pizza first in the choir room (Cronhimer Hall) at 6:30p.m. Questions? Feel free to call the parish office at 331-3225 or email youthgroup@gracepvd.org.

Shawl Ministry - Donation to Food Pantry

Special thanks to all who made dishcloths and/or donated detergent to our outreach project. A total of 54 gifts were given to St. Peter's and St. Andrew's Episcopal Church for their Food Pantry in Providence. We are now knitting and crocheting baby hats for newborns in local hospitals. Please join us on Wednesdays from 10am to 11 am in the Pavilion.



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

Holy Week Worship:

Maundy Thursday

April 17, 2024

You are invited to join us at 7pm for a Choral Holy Eucharist with the Washing of Feet, Procession to the Altar of Repose, and Stripping of the Altar.

~ [Click Here to Join This Service on YouTube](#) ~

Livestreamed Worship: 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 the service.

Order of Service: To view a downloadable version of the Order of Service for **Maundy Thursday**, please [click here](#).



Holy Week Worship:

Good Friday

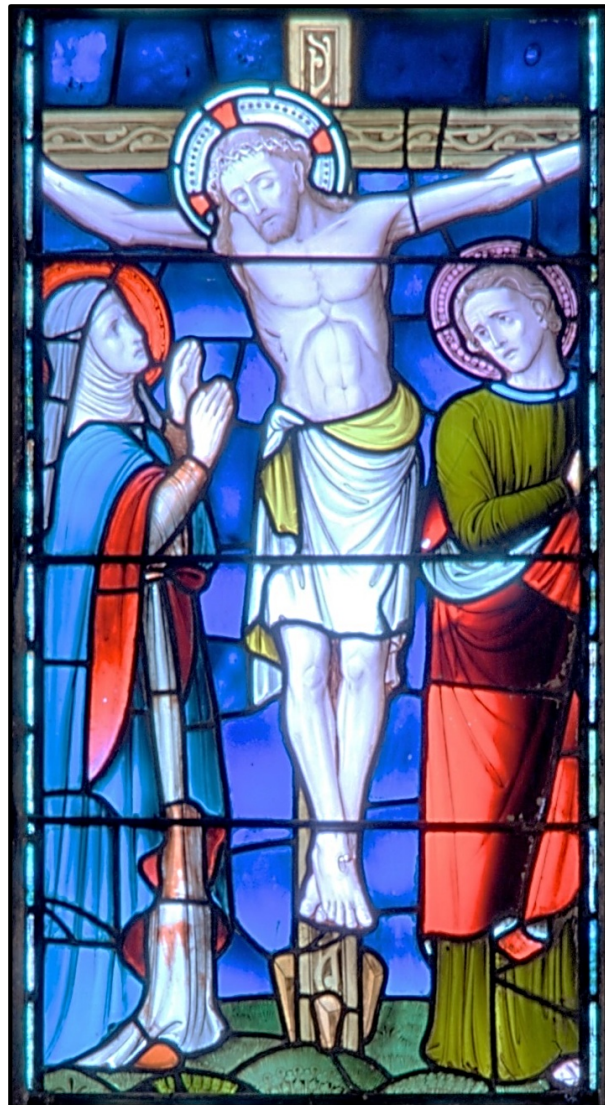
April 18, 2024

You are invited to join us at 12pm for the Solumn Liturgy of the Passion.

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Order of Service: To view a downloadable version of the Order of Service for **Good Friday**, please [click here](#).



Holy Week Worship:

The Great Vigil

April 19, 2024

You are invited to join us at 8pm on the Eve of the Resurrection for The Great Vigil, The Renewal of Baptismal Vows, and the First Eucharist of Easter.

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Order of Service: To view a downloadable version of the Order of Service for **The Great Vigil**, please [click here](#).



Sunday Worship:

Easter Sunday

April 20, 2024

Most Sunday mornings, Grace Church offers a "live-stream" broadcast of our 10:00 AM service of Holy Eucharist. We hope this experience allows those who are not able to join us in person on Sundays to participate in our worship life at Grace.

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



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Order of Service: To view a downloadable version of the Order of Service for **Easter Sunday**, please [click here](#).

Collect for This Sunday: *Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.*

Readings: For the texts of the readings for Sunday worship, [please click here](#).

More About the Episcopal Church: [Click here](#) for the latest from the Episcopal News Service. [Click here](#) for current news from the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island.

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

Planning a Special Event? Rent The Pavilion at Grace!

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**This Sunday's
Readings**

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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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