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## Weekly News from Grace Episcopal Church - July 18, 2025

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### Guest Priest This Sunday

We are thrilled to welcome back to Grace Church this Sunday the Rev. Hartwell Hylton. Hartwell was ordained to the diaconate and priesthood here at Grace and served as Associate Rector until last year. Hartwell's several years here required him to commute 4 hours, round trip, from his home in Connecticut; that must be a record!

Hartwell now serves as Priest Associate at St. Luke's Church in Darien, CT, cutting his commute time by 95%...but his heart will always be at Grace!



Hartwell practiced law in New York (as well as London and Hong Kong) until his retirement, when he attended Yale Divinity School, the Episcopal seminary affiliated with Yale. Currently, Hartwell serves on the board of the Berkeley Divinity School at Yale. Welcome back, Hartwell!.



### Helping Our Neighbors in Texas

Aftermath from the flooding disaster in Texas Hill Country continues to devastate all of us. Episcopal Relief & Development is working with church partners in Texas to provide support throughout the affected area.

Many people in Kerrville, those in the Episcopal Church community among them, are experiencing immense personal grief. Mystic was a Christian summer camp, and seven members of [St. Peter's Episcopal Church](#) were lost, including a family of four and another child. As ERD assesses their immediate and ongoing needs, they are counting on our help. [Please make an emergency donation to the Flood Response Fund today](#) — and indeed, pray.

As our friends at the Episcopal Diocese of West Texas wrote, "Pray big prayers for the missing. Pray big prayers for their families and friends. Pray big prayers for first

responders and rescue workers. Pray big prayers for St. Peter's Church and the Hill Country camping community. Pray big prayers not just one day or one Sunday, but for the next 30 days."

Even when the news cycle inevitably moves on, ERD will remain rooted there, working in lockstep with community members along the long road to recovery.

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## Worship Where You Roam...

Each summer, we encourage families who may be traveling during this season to pause for worship along the way, and to share their experience with us. Snap a photo, tell us where you worshiped, and share something about the place or the service, and we'll share about your adventure!



If you find yourself unable to attend worship in another city/state/country, be sure to check out our [recorded service on YouTube](#) when you can.

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## ...Or Worship Here at Home!

Join us for Summer Chapel at Grace! As we've done in summers past, we will be moving into the Pavilion for worship through Labor Day. The primary motivation for this change of venue is that, unlike our 1846 church building, the 2017 Pavilion is air conditioned!

Please note that, since we don't have the same A/V capabilities in the Pavilion that we do in the church, **Sunday services will not be live-streamed until we return to the church in September.** However, you will be able to see them on YouTube afterwards.



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## New Edition of Parish Directory

Our last issue of the Grace Church Parish Directory was missing a few folks, so we'll have a new issue ready for Sunday, September 14! If you need your listing updated with a current address, new photo(s) for you or your family, or any other change, please let us know today.

Questions? Please contact the Parish Office at 401-331-3225 or [admin@gracepvd.org](mailto:admin@gracepvd.org). *(Printed directories will be provided only to those members whose contact information appears in the directory.).*

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## 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.

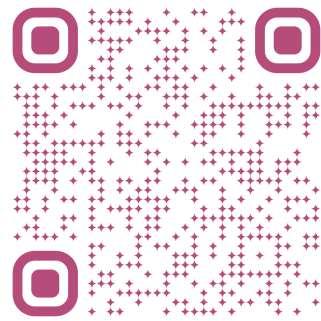
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## Fundraising Progress for the Mural Restoration Project

Many thanks for the gifts toward our mural restoration!  
Through your generosity, we've already received  
\$13,380.00 toward our goal of \$60,000 in just the first  
month - wonderful!

We still need to fund the balance of the mural restoration,  
so if you are moved to lend your support to this historic  
renovation, please use this QR code to give to the  
project. The mural, and your gift, will be a blessing to  
Grace for generations to come!

Thanks and blessings,  
Jonathan.







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## Staff Schedules

Many of our staff are taking time off this summer so there may be delays in getting back to you. Please continue to contact the office ([admin@gracepvd.org](mailto:admin@gracepvd.org) or 401-331-3225) if you need anything.

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**Worship with Us!**  
**Sixth Sunday After Pentecost**

# July 20, 2025

Most Sunday mornings, Grace Church offers a "live-stream" broadcast of our 10am 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.

**Live-streamed Worship: Sunday services in the Pavilion will not be live-streamed** but will be available on [our YouTube channel](#) afterward for you to watch and share. (Note that if the recording isn't in [the "Live" listing](#), you may find it in [the "Videos" tab](#).) Live-streaming will resume when we return to the church in September .

[Click Here to See the Bulletin for This Sunday's Service](#)

**Collect for This Sunday:** *Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son 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!*

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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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