

Weekly News from Grace Episcopal Church - September 19, 2025

# **Collegium Ancora's Cabaret Fundraiser - Tomorrow!**

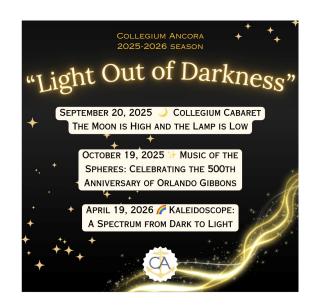


If you haven't yet purchased tickets for tomorrow's Cabaret Fundraiser to benefit Collegium Ancora - Grace Church's Ensemble-in-Residence, there still is time!

Visit <u>Collegium Ancora's website</u> or scan the QR code below to join us tomorrow, September 20, for "The Moon is High and the Lamp is Low." This performance will feature songs about darkness and light, from both the Broadway stage and the American songbook.

Wine and cheese and a silent auction begin at 6 PM, and the show follows at 7 PM. Tickets are \$35 each; 2 for \$60; and a table of 10 is \$300. Tickets also are available at the door.

The Cabaret Fundraiser kicks off the 2025-26 season (at right), which includes performances on October 19, 2025 and April 19, 2026.









## Rowing with Grace - This Sunday!

After the service this Sunday, September 21, you are invited to join us at 12pm for a fun outing on the Seekonk River! While we've had massive interest by those seeking to learn to row; there still is plenty of room for spectators to cheer...and spots may open

up on the water. Narragansett Boat Club (NBC) coaches will guide us in beginner-friendly eight-seat barges, with a chance for a short race at the end. Afterward, enjoy drinks and light fare at the NBC - on Providence's best cocktail deck!

Sign up using the QR code to help us plan. That day, we'll meet on the right/south side of the NBC dock at 2 River Drive in Providence; parking is available along the river side of the road. We'll start right at noon, so please be prompt. If you have questions or need to contact someone that day, please email <a href="mailto:20s30s@gracepvd.org">20s30s@gracepvd.org</a>.

This event is part of a contribution to the American Parkinson Disease Association of Rhode Island + is gifted to Grace. Some have asked how to support APDA-RI, which is not needed to participate, but can be done by <u>clicking here</u>.

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## Compline and Evensong Return!

Two beautiful evening services make their return to Grace in September.

First, Compline will be sung this Sunday, September 21 at 8pm. This is a lovely service of chant, candlelight, and incense. Doors open at 7:30pm.



The following week, on Sunday, September 28, the full choir sings Choral Evensong at 4pm. We will celebrate the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels. Music will include Calvin Hampton's epic "There was war in heaven" and Herbert Howells' sublime setting of the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis written for St. Paul's Cathedral, London. A reception follows Evensong.

### **Cemetery Saturday - October 4**

On Saturday, October 4, from 9am to noon, Grace Church will be supporting the annual **Care for The Square** spruce-up event in Trinity Square, which is anchored by the increasingly-beautiful Grace Church Cemetery. We hope many smiling faces from Grace Church will make an appearance, so come out if you can and see the progress we've made in renovating our nine-acre historic gem.



Senior Warden Joel Goloskie will lead a short guided tour, including the stately gravestone of Bishop John Henshaw, who also served as rector of Grace Church and led the construction of the beautiful church building we enjoy to this day.

The Cemetery is located at 10 Elmwood Avenue, just a few minutes' drive from Grace Church.

#### Parish Directories Available!

If you didn't pick up your updated Grace Church parish directory last Sunday, please stop by the table at coffee hour to collect it this Sunday or next Sunday - September 21 and 28. Remember



Parish Directory 2025

that directories are available only to those whose names appear in it.

If you have questions, please contact the parish office at 401-331-3225 or admin@gracepvd.org.



## **Shawl Ministry at Grace**

Shawl Ministry continues to knit and crochet prayer shawls for those in need of comfort. We are also currently making hats and scarves for The Seamen's Church Institute to be given to the mariners in their "Christmas at Sea" program. Please join us each Wednesday in the Pavilion from 10am to 11am. New members are

always welcome!

# Show Off Your Baking/Buying Skills!

Now that we're back to our worship in church, it's time for our annual reminder about the goodies we share during coffee hour. As you know, we rely on the community to provide snacks and treats for us to enjoy together.



• Do you like to bake but don't have enough folks in your home to eat what you make? Bring it to Grace and we'll be happy to help make those goodies disappear!

- Did your friend bring you a bag or box of something you'd rather not eat? Drop it off in the kitchen on Sunday morning and we'll share the calories with you!
- Want to provide something for coffee hour but don't have the time or inclination to bake? We're happy to have tasty treats that come from a store!

Thank you for support of these weekly gatherings for our community - we can't do it without you!



## **COVID Season Starting**

You may have heard recently in the news that high concentrations of COVID are present in local wastewater, meaning that cases are on the rise. Here at Grace, we've heard of a handful of cases in just the past week, so it's time to start taking precautions.

Masks and hand sanitizer will continue to be available at the entrances to the church, and we encourage everyone to get vaccines. Stay alert for symptoms and practice good hand-washing techniques as we embark on another COVID season. And remember that, if you aren't well enough to come to worship on Sunday, we will live-stream each service so you can join us remotely.

#### **Lost and Found Items**

With the colder weather starting, we'll begin to see more items left behind in the sanctuary and Pavilion each Sunday. Please contact the parish office (401-331-3225, admin@gracepvd.org) if you notice anything missing when you get home.

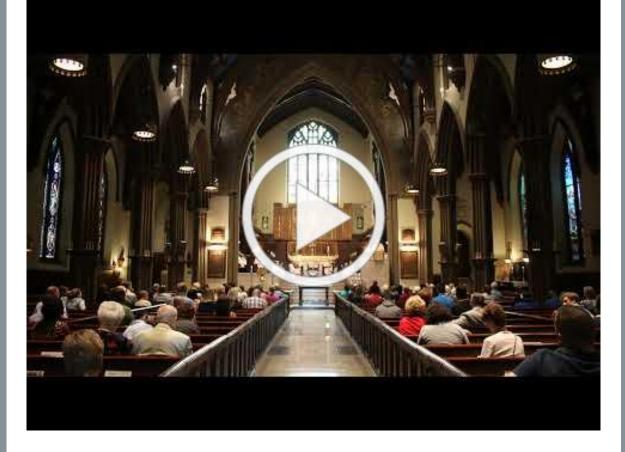


Be aware that we keep lost items for 30 days; after that time they are donated/rehomed.

# Worship with Us! Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost September 21, 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.

**Livestreamed Worship:** Our Sunday services are live-streamed on the Grace Church YouTube Channel. If you can't join us Sunday morning, visit <u>our YouTube channel</u> and watch/share at your convenience. (Note that if the recording isn't in <u>the "Live" listing</u>, you may find it in <u>the "Videos" tab</u>.)



Click the video box to join this Sunday's live-streamed service on YouTube.

#### Click Here to See the Bulletin for This Sunday's Service

Collect for This Sunday: Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Readings:** For the texts of the readings for Sunday worship, <u>please click here</u>.

**More About the Episcopal Church:** <u>Click here</u> for the latest from the Episcopal News Service. <u>Click here</u> 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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