



Weekly News from Grace Episcopal Church - November 7, 2025

RI Civic Chorale to Perform at Grace - Tomorrow

The Rhode Island Civic Chorale and Orchestra kicks off their 2025-26 season here at Grace Church tomorrow (November 8) at 7pm. This opening concert is filled with the brilliance of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, pairing the radiant serenity of the *Vesperae solennes de confessore* – a work filled with grace, devotion, and sparkling choral writing – with the profound emotional power of the *Requiem*, his final, unfinished masterpiece, shrouded in mystery and reverence.

From the quiet hush of evening prayer to the emotional charge of the famous *Lacrimosa*, this concert invites you on a journey through light and shadow, reflection and transcendence.

With these masterworks, they also will feature the brilliant young voices of our 2025 Collegiate Vocal Competition Winners.

For tickets and more information, [visit their website](#).



Live-Streaming at Grace

While we were able to live-stream last Sunday's Evensong service, the technology

failed us during the Sunday morning service - we apologize for the inconvenience. Our team has continued to work on both the live-streaming and audio challenges that happened on Sunday, and expect to have them resolved for this Sunday.

We appreciate your patience during this time.

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

Pictures from the Altar of All Saints

Did you forget to pick up your picture(s) of loved ones after last Sunday's All Saints' service? If so, they will be in the Pavilion after this Sunday's service.

If you can't make it and need to make other arrangements, please call the parish office at 401-331-3225.

Providence Singers: "Lift Every Voice" - November 16



Christine Noel
Artistic Director

PROVIDENCE**SINGERS**



LIFT EVERY VOICE

Celebrating the Contributions of Black Composers

November 15, 2025
St. Mary of the Bay, Warren
7:00 pm

November 16, 2025
Grace Church, Providence
3:00 pm



with the Boston Children's Chorus
Premier Choir

www.ProvidenceSingers.org

Seeking Food Donations to Supplement Reduced SNAP Benefits

First, **many thanks to all who brought donations** on All Saints' Sunday for our friends served by Pete & Andy's Food Pantry. In addition to the food shown here, we also received \$650 worth of Walmart gift cards - extraordinary! Your gifts surpassed all expectations and will provide



an important source of support for our neighbors.

While we are gratified by the news this week that emergency SNAP funds are being released, those funds allow only 50% of the benefits each family receives, and only for one month. So, the problem continues...and we still need your help.

Please bring your contributions of food and gift cards this Sunday, and for as long as the federal shutdown lasts.

- Purchase some extra dry goods at the store and dig through your pantry to see what you can spare, and bring those items to church on Sunday. (Due to the chance for breakage, glass containers are not preferred.) All donations will be turned over to Pete & Andy's Food Pantry for them to share with our friends and neighbors in Providence.
- And if you'd like to donate a gift card or two, Rev. Maryalyce Sullivan at Sts. Peter and Andrew advises that cards for Walmart or Price Rite - both of which are in their neighborhood - are very helpful! (Please put gift-card donations in an envelope with your name on it if you'd like that donation reflected on your giving statement.)

More About the Shutdown and SNAP:

According to [this article from WJAR](#), 140,000 vulnerable Rhode Island residents - some of whom are in church with us each Sunday - rely on SNAP benefits to cover some of their food costs. The program disburses approximately \$30M each month in the Ocean State and, for some families, is a significant part of their monthly food budget.

The State is working to find ways to help, but their resources are limited:

When asked how long the state could front or supplement that funding, [RI House Speaker Joe] Shekarchi said, "Not long at all. It's weeks, it's not months."

Stewardship Season Continues

During our 2026 Stewardship campaign, we invite you to prayerfully give thanks for the blessings of God's providence in our lives and consider sharing those gifts with others through our spiritual home, Grace Church.

If you haven't yet received your stewardship letter, copies of the letter (and pledge cards) are on the table at the back of the church. You also may call the parish office to have one sent to you.



During the coming weeks, we'll hear from the people of Grace about what inspires

them to give to Grace and make Grace their church home. Our Stewardship campaign will end with Ingathering Sunday on November 23 when we'll dedicate to God's care all the pledges we've received.

Thanks and blessings,
Jonathan+

Note: Please indicate on your pledge card if you want offering envelopes so we know to set aside a box for you. Thanks!



Shawl Ministry at Grace

Shawl Ministry thanks all those who participated in the Christmas at Sea Program. **Over 50 handmade items** were sent to the Seamen's Church Institute for distribution to Mariners this holiday season.

We are currently making hats, scarves and mittens for local children in need, which will be given to Children's Friend of Providence. Please join us each Wednesday in the Pavilion from 10am to 11am. New members are always welcome!

Worship with Us!

Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost

November 9, 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 [our YouTube channel](#) and watch/share at your convenience. (Note that if the recording isn't in [the "Live" listing](#), you may find it in [the "Videos" tab](#).)



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: *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.*

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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a loving and joyful community which lives the Gospel through worship,
proclamation and service to each other, to downtown Providence, and
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