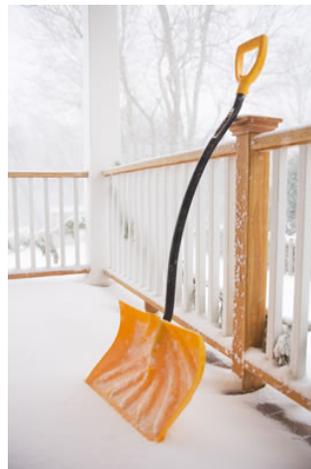




Weekly News from Grace Episcopal Church - January 23, 2026

Weather Watching for Sunday

Like all of you, we are watching closely the developing weather for Sunday. As of the latest reports, it's expected that snow will start Sunday afternoon and continue through Monday afternoon - eventually totaling 6+ inches.



Assuming these forecasts remain unchanged:

- Our **Sunday service** will take place at 10am as usual. Please be aware that Providence has a parking ban in place starting at 2am on Saturday night which likely will continue until sometime on Monday, so you will need to park in our lot or one of the DownCity lots shown at the bottom of [this page](#).
- Our **guest choir director Dr. Barry Rose** (see below) still will workshop with our choirs before the service as planned.
- Our **monthly Compline service** which was rescheduled from last week due to weather was to have taken place this Sunday at 8pm. **It has been canceled because of the storm.**
- The **parish office** will be closed with staff working from home. We will be available via email, or call 401-903-3147 to reach Director of Administration Michele Adamo.

As always, we hope to see you here if you can make it; if you can't or if it feels unsafe to come, use the links at the bottom of this email to celebrate with us via our livestream.

Stay safe!

Dr. Barry Rose, OBE, to Work with Grace Choirs!

Renowned British choral conductor Dr. Barry Rose is coming to work with the Grace Church Choirs! Dr. Rose, a long-time friend and mentor to our Director of Music Vince Edwards, will be at Grace Church this Sunday, January 25, to conduct the choirs during the morning service. One of the pieces being sung is "Here, O my Lord" composed by Dr. Rose in 1998 for Vince's choirs in Fairfield, as they embarked on their first tour of England.



Later in the week, Dr. Rose will rehearse our choristers and a small group of adults, who will be participating in a four-choirs festival in New York City on January 31. At the invitation of Director of Music Richard Tanner, our choir - along with choirs from St. Luke's, East Greenwich and St. Paul's, Fairfield CT - will sing Choral Evensong at St. Thomas, 5th Avenue, NYC, at 3pm on Saturday, January 31. The service will be livestreamed; [click here to watch the Four Choirs' Festal Evensong for the Eve of Candlemas](#).

As an added bonus, the guest choirs will be joined by the world-renowned St. Thomas' Choir of Men and Boys for the Evensong! During our visit, our choristers will get a tour of the St.

Thomas Choir School, and will enjoy lunch there with the choristers from St. Thomas.

Dr. Rose has served as Organist and/or Choirmaster at Guildford Cathedral; St. Paul's Cathedral, London; and St. Alban's Abbey and Cathedral. We are grateful to Dr. Rose (who will be 92 years young in May!) for coming across the pond to work with us again!



Grace Church Annual Meeting - February 15

The 197th Annual Meeting of the Parish will take place in The Pavilion immediately following the 10am service on Sunday, February 15 (during Coffee Hour). We'll gather to hear reports from parish leaders and to elect vestry members.

The Vestry Nominating Committee (comprised of Pat Trosclair, Joel Goloskie, Erika Hernandez, Margrete Jean-Louis, and Adrienne Southgate) will present the following slate for the Vestry:

- For a second, three-year term – **Laurie DiBattista & Pat Trosclair**.
- To complete the remaining two years of Clinton Crocker's term – **Ed Morgan**.
- To complete the remaining two years of Nick Halar's term – **Willa Bodman**.
- For a first, three-year term – **Lee Chafee, John-Albert Moseley**.
- For Diocesan Convention Delegate and Alternate – to be appointed by the Vestry.

Visit the table in the Pavilion to pick up your printed copy of the 2025 Annual Report.

Refreshments will be provided by the church, so our bakers can take the week off!

Are You Ready for Your Close-Up?

Does your family need a picture for the Grace Church Parish Directory? Are you a new member and haven't yet been added to the directory? Have your kids grown up and you

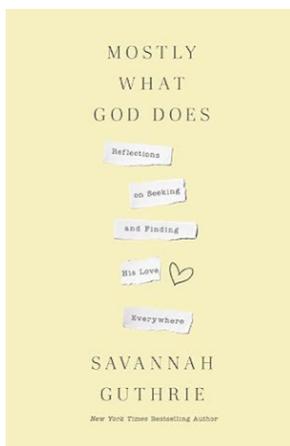
need a new photo that shows what they look like now?

Grace Church member Doug Ditmars will be taking family photos during Coffee Hour on the first three Sundays of February (February 1 and 8, and on February 15 before or after the annual meeting). We'll aim to add all photos in time to produce a new, updated parish directory for members to pick up on Sunday, February 22.



Many thanks to Doug for providing this convenient way to add more photos to our directory!

If you can't make it for any of those times, please email a photo of your family to the parish office at admin@gracepvd.org.



Book Group with 20s/30s+ Group

Grace Church's 20s/30s+ Group for young adults is hosting a great book study this month - and there still is space! (Remember that you don't have to be a member of the Grace Church congregation to attend.)

- **Thursday, January 29 - Book Group: starts at 6:15pm;** meets this week at [Riffraff Bookstore and Bar](#). The book we'll discuss is "Mostly What God Does" by Savannah Guthrie. "Mostly What God Does" is a heartfelt exploration of faith and spirituality, where Savannah Guthrie shares personal stories and reflections on God's love and presence in everyday life. (Please read Sections 1 & 2 before this meeting.) For questions, contact Michelle Mach at 20s30s@gracepvd.org.

Weekly "Commuter's Bible Study" - Fridays

Today's conversation about Isaiah, Corinthians, and Matthew delved into the meaning of "foolishness"... explored what it's like to "net" people for Christ... and puzzled over why scripture seems to encourage us to "exult when dividing plunder."



If you've had these same questions and have been looking for a way to incorporate a Bible study into your schedule, join us at Grace Church on Fridays at 7am! Each week, we gather to look at the readings for the upcoming Sunday service and discuss how they apply to our lives.

No commitment needed; drop in as you can - bring your coffee and join us for the conversation!



Shawl Ministry at Grace

The Shawl Ministry Team soon will decide on their next projects - join us to share your ideas!

All knitters and crocheters - those who are members of Grace Church and those who aren't - are invited to join us each Wednesday in the Pavilion from 10am to 11am. New

members are always welcome!

Worship with Us!

Third Sunday After the Epiphany

January 25, 2026

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 live-streamed service on YouTube.

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

Collect for This Sunday: *Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; 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, [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,
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