

LENT 2026:

Waiting on God

WORSHIP SERVICES

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ADDITIONAL OFFERINGS



GRACE CHURCH
IN PROVIDENCE

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ABOUT THE SEASON

For forty days from Ash Wednesday until the evening before Palm Sunday, the penitential season of Lent commemorates Christ's suffering and death. During this time, Grace Church offers a variety of opportunities for reflection and prayer that we hope you consider making a part of your regular Lenten practice. We hope you will join us for our many offerings!

OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP

Ash Wednesday – February 18

Holy Eucharist *with* The Imposition of Ashes - 12 Noon

Choral Holy Eucharist *with* The Imposition of Ashes – 7 PM

The Right Reverend Nicholas Knisely, Bishop of Rhode Island, will celebrate.

Music of Adrian Batten, Richard Lloyd, Herbert Howells, & Gregorio Allegri.

Fridays

12 Noon - The Way (Stations) of the Cross

A short liturgy in which participants walk to 14 stations posted throughout the church commemorating Christ's journey to Mount Calvary and his death on the Cross.

Sunday Mornings

Sung Holy Eucharist *at* 10 AM

Choral Evensong

March 8 *at* 4 PM

Music of Mendelssohn, Leighton, Blair, and Moore

Compline

March 15 *at* 8 PM (*Doors open at 7:30 PM*)

Half an hour of Gregorian chant and Renaissance polyphony, sung by the Grace Church Schola in a darkened church lighted by candles and filled with fragrant incense.

Wednesdays

12 Noon - Spoken Holy Eucharist with a brief homily in the Church.

Thursday Lenten Eucharists – 6 PM

A service of Holy Eucharist with music, prayers, and a brief homily, based on a liturgy from the Iona community in Scotland.

The service takes place in the Chancel near the High Altar amongst candlelight for a more intimate worship experience.

A light potluck supper in The Pavilion follows the service.

Services are held at 6 PM on Feb 26, March 5, 12, 19, and 26

ADDITIONAL MUSICAL OFFERINGS

Third Thursdays @ Twelve (Noon) Concerts

*The Thursdays @ Noon Concert Series serves as a form of outreach to the greater metropolitan area of Providence by providing diverse programs of music – **free of charge** – for the enjoyment of the community and any visitors to the city.*

February 19

Cheryl Bishkoff, Oboe; Vince Edwards and Noah Klein, Piano

March 19

Brown University Chamber Ensemble

Museum Concerts presents

Schola Cantorum of Boston – Sunday, March 1 – 3:30 PM

St. John Passion – Johann Sebastian Bach

Tickets at: scholacantorumboston.com OR at the door.

SPIRITUAL RESOURCES FOR LENT

- **Waiting for God:** Waiting, an integral part of a healthy spiritual life, may seem impossible in a hyper-connected world! **Waiting for God** seeks to explore the process of waiting from a Biblical perspective. Facilitated by the Rev. Jennifer Kezirian West, all are welcome to join as you can. Mondays February 23, March 2, March 9, and March 16 at 5:00pm via Zoom (Meeting ID: 886 9953 0531 - Passcode: 1829).
- **“Giving It Up – Daily Bible Readings from Ash Wednesday to Easter Day”:** This book, written by The Rev. Maggi Dawn, “shows how Lent can be a time for exploring a different kind of ‘giving up,’ one that can transform our lives.” Copies are available for purchase (\$12) from the parish office as you are able. *If you need financial assistance, please contact Mother Jennifer or the Parish Office.*

- **Lenten Devotions:** The Rev. Jennifer Kezirian West and Parishioner Adrienne Southgate are included in the **2026 Lenten-Easter Devotional - The Sermon on the Mount: On Earth as in Heaven** at www.communitiesforspiritualvitality.org.

LENTEN OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY

Household Goods Drive for Pete & Andy's:

Our neighbors at Pete & Andy's Food Pantry have advised that the other side of their ministry – a thrift shop for those served by the food pantry – could use some support. To that end, we are inviting you to donate to our Household Goods Drive throughout Lent! Scour your house, your closets, your hidden nooks and crannies and bring in gently used household goods. These can be blankets, bedding, towels, dishware, pots and pans, utensils, and the like. They also would welcome toilet paper and feminine-hygiene products – neither of which are covered by SNAP benefits.

Please bring only items that are practical and useful – no “fluff” as they put it. If you can put your items in boxes or totes, or sturdy bags with carry handles, that would be much appreciated as it simplifies delivery. Drop off your donations at the back of the church near the offering baskets, and we'll deliver everything to Pete & Andy's. (And if you're available to help our regular driver make those deliveries, that would be wonderful!)

*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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