



Grace *Abounds!*



Weekly News from Grace Episcopal Church
Lenten Edition | Thursday, March 12, 2026



Lenten Choral Compline - This Sunday

The beautiful service of Compline will be held this Sunday at 8pm. Doors open at 7:30pm, and parking is available in our lot. This mesmerizing service lasts less than half an hour, and features Gregorian chant, hundreds of candles, and fragrant incense.

Please consider joining us, and invite a friend – it's a great way to introduce folks to Grace Church!

Flowers and Music for Easter!

We hope you're looking forward to the uplifting music and beautiful spring flower display you'll experience at Grace Church during the Easter season!

To lend your own support toward those programs and help make them possible, please use the "Easter Flowers and Music" dedication cards found in the pews, on the back table near the Baptismal Font, and in the Narthex literature rack.

Please complete the form (legibly!) and note your dedications, then place the card and your payment in a light-green "Flower Guild" envelope and drop it in the offering plate or at the Parish Office by Monday, March 30.

Easter Flowers and Music

Family Name: _____

I wish to make a gift of \$_____ (minimum \$20) for Easter flowers.

I wish to make a gift of \$_____ to support special Easter music.

I wish to make an additional Easter gift of \$_____.



Please dedicate my gift:

In honor of: _____

In memory of: _____

In thanksgiving for: _____

Total Gift Enclosed: \$_____ **Thank You!**

Payment may be made electronically using the QR code, or by check/cash in the offering plate using the green "Flower Guild" envelopes. Orders/payment due by Monday of Holy Week.



Weekly Lenten Eucharist and Supper - Tonight!

Have you attended one of our Thursday evening Eucharist/suppers? These sacred gatherings invite us to meet at the Lord's table before we adjourn to our own table in the Pavilion for a meal together. A wonderful time of getting to know one another better as part of a holy Lent.

If you haven't made it yet, there still is time! These events take place on Thursdays in Lent through March 26. The Eucharist starts at 6pm and supper will follow in the Pavilion.

Each week, we need volunteers to help during the service (to read, serve the chalice, and to do Altar Guild setup), and to help provide the meal by bringing something to share: salad, a main course or side dish, or just bread and dessert. Homemade or store-bought - all of it is welcome!

Please look for the sign-up sheets in the Pavilion and add your name for one or more dates!

This year, we've received another donation of delicious soups from Blount Fine Foods, which can be used on those evenings as well, so come in and try them, too!



The Pipes Are Calling!

Have you checked out "The Pipes Are Calling," our blog about the Grace Church organ project? This column is written by our Director of Music Vince Edwards and, while it's to keep us all updated about the new organ, there's much more to enjoy!

For instance:

- Read about how an organ works - and what modifications are happening in the church as we ready the space for our new instrument.
- Find out about organ facades - what other churches have and what we have in mind for ours.
- Explore the list of Grace's past organists and choir directors - including a famous Brit who's buried in Grace Church Cemetery.
- Learn more about Vince's love for the organ (hint: it's not a recent passion).

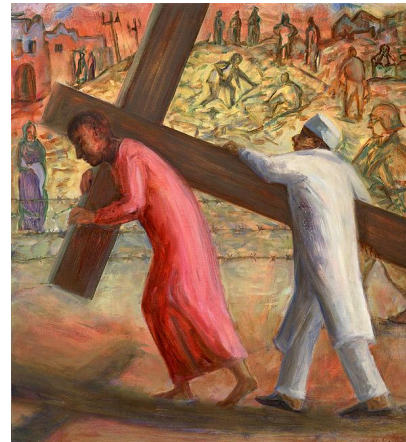
As we look forward to the return of our 6,000+ organ components in late August, follow this blog to stay updated on every aspect of the project and its progress in real time. And enjoy all the pictures!

Visit the blog at thepipesarecalling.blog - and be sure to share the link with friends!

Join Us for a Holy Lent at Grace Church

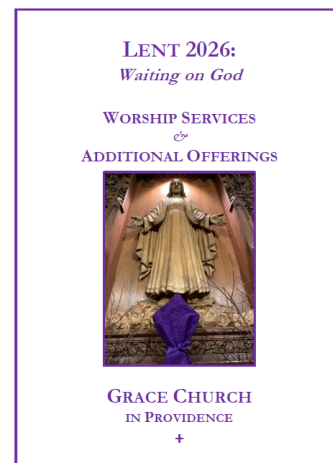
You are invited to join us at Grace Church for Lent 2026! We'll offer several ways to experience a holy Lent; some of these include:

- **Stations of the Cross:** Each week, stop in at noon for the short liturgy of The Way of the Cross (also called "Stations of the Cross"). During this lunchtime service, participants walk to 14 stations posted throughout the church commemorating Christ's journey to Mount Calvary and his death on the Cross. To learn about the unique paintings at each of these 14 stations - made by artist Gwyneth Leech - [please click here](#).



- **Household Goods Drive for Pete & Andy's:** Take some time to clean out your closets and donate new/gently used household goods to our neighbors at Pete & Andy's Food Pantry & Thrift Shop! Here, clients of their food pantry can acquire practical items for their families to use. Scour your closets, basement, and those hidden nooks and crannies, and bring in 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.

- **LAST SESSION ON MONDAY - Waiting for God:** Waiting, an integral part of a healthy spiritual life, may seem impossible in a hyper-connected world. If you find that challenging, join us for *Waiting for God*, a series of conversations that 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. [Click here to join the conversation](#). (Meeting ID: 886 9953 0531 - Passcode: 1829).



To see the full list of Lenten activities here at Grace, pick up this guide at church or [download it here](#).

Finding Key Fobs

As we look at ways to manage our costs, one idea that has come up is to gather in the key fobs from folks not requiring them any longer. Each of those fobs costs \$10, so with nearly 250 key fobs in circulation (!), that's a lot of money.



We know that some folks need access to the building outside office hours for certain ministries throughout the week (e.g., for Choir/Chorister/Collegium rehearsals, to pick up the donations for Pete & Andy's food pantry, to set up for the 20s/30s+ monthly dinners, to come in during the week for Altar Guild). If you are no longer in one of those roles, we'd appreciate your turning in your key fob.

You can drop it in the mail slot just outside the parish office when you're here for the Sunday service, or anytime during the week. Thank you in advance!



Weekly "Commuter's Bible Study" - Fridays

Our Friday-morning Bible study continues to meet each week at 7am to discuss the readings for the coming Sunday service. Those conversations can help you find more meaning in the passages and allow space for you to think about how the scripture still applies to our lives today. Bring your coffee and join us! (Parking is available in our lot.)



Coffee Hour Donations Welcome!

Ever wonder where that delicious food at Coffee Hour comes from? From you!

Parishioners are welcome and encouraged to bring food to share at Coffee Hour. Homemade or store-bought, fresh fruit or baked goods – whatever you are

moved to share! Simply place items on the large rectangular tables in The Pavilion before church and our volunteer serving team will take it from there.

Your fellow parishioners thank you!

Shawl Ministry at Grace - Making Dishcloths!

Shawl Ministry brings God's love to those in need of comfort. During Lent, we are making dishcloths for the guests of Pete and Andy's Food Bank. We even have a new supply of cotton yarn, so you can choose your favorite color!



You are invited to join us each Wednesday at 10am in the Pavilion at Grace...or make a few at home and drop them off. Thank you for your help!

E-News During Lent - On Thursdays

During Lent, we will send our weekly e-news, "Grace Abounds," on Thursdays instead of Fridays to provide timely reminders of happenings at the end of the week. We hope to see you at some of those events!

Worship with Us!

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 15, 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: *Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; 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](#).

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*Regardless of how you choose to participate in our worship life together,
ALL ARE WELCOME at Grace Church!*

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