



Weekly News from Grace Episcopal Church - July 10, 2026



From the Interim Rector

I am very grateful for the warm reception Lynn and I received last Sunday. As I said, I will be greatly helped by people wearing their nametags, as I have a difficult time retaining names (a real liability in the priest business!). If you need a nametag, please request them at the Welcome table, or speak to an usher or greeter. Temporary nametags are always available.

And, I am being greatly helped by the photos of people in the parish online database. If you would like access to uploading your photo to the database, please reach out to Michele. It is all highly encrypted and secure, so no worries. By the way (not that I have a hidden agenda!), access to the database is an easy way to set up regular online giving.

Speaking of giving, your generosity to the "loose offering" last Sunday for the Rector's Discretionary Fund meant we sent \$500 to Episcopal Relief and Development for aid to the crisis in Venezuela. You can read more about ERD's efforts here:

<https://www.episcopalrelief.org/press-releases/earthquakes-in-venezuela/>

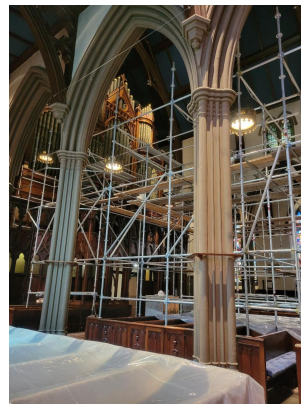
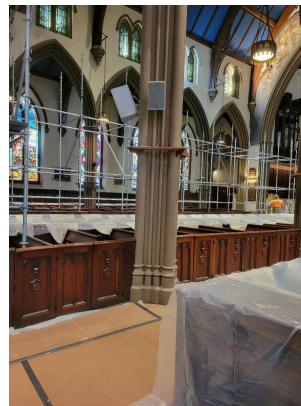
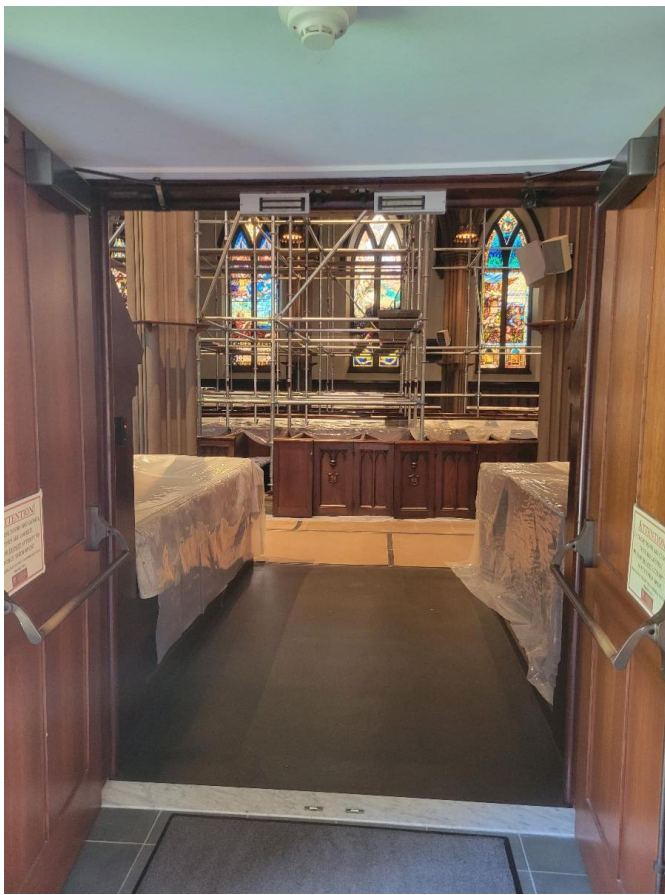
I look forward to seeing you Sunday. A reminder, I am in the office on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Stop by, but call first.

Timothy Safford

So Much Scaffolding!

In his latest blog post in "The Pipes Are Calling," Director of Music Vince Edwards shares photos of the extensive scaffolding that's being installed in the church in preparation for the organ re-installation and the painting of the Chancel. As you can tell from those shared below, it looks like a giant Erector set being put together over the pews!

[Read more here](#), and stay tuned for updates in the days and weeks to come!



Ballet Performance in The Pavilion - Next Week!

If you haven't already purchased your tickets for the upcoming inaugural performance of Renaissance Ballet Collective (RBC) here in the Pavilion, there still is time!

Grace Church member Nina Yoshida-Webster is a company dancer with Ballet RI who founded this nonprofit organization to preserve classical story ballets for future generations.

We're excited that RBC's first performance will take place in The Pavilion at Grace next week - July 17 and 18. Ticket prices are pay-as-you-wish (minimum \$20). Use the QR code below or [click here](#) for more details.



RENAISSANCE

BALLET COLLECTIVE

Presents:

Naissance

The Pavilion at Grace
300 Westminster St
Providence, RI 02903

Naissance is RBC's inaugural performance featuring excerpts from **Cavalry Halt** and **Harlequinade**, choreographed by Marius Petipa, as well as selections from **Walpurgisnacht**, from Charles Gounod's opera, **Faust**.



Friday, July 17 at 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, July 18 at 2:00 p.m.
Saturday, July 18 at 5:30 p.m.

Tickets are pay-what-you-can with a minimum contribution of \$20.

<https://www.renaissanceballetcollective.org/>  @renaissanceballetcollective

Check Out Our Nursery!

If you have a child aged 4 and under and need nursery care during the church service, Grace has that option! Our Nursery staff includes two skilled and certified caregivers who provide a safe, secure, clean environment for your young one to stay during the

service. Dropoff is available starting at 8:30am on Sundays; pickup must be by 12:30pm. Please ask an usher for directions.

Nursery

Staff and Office Schedules

Please note that several staff members are on vacation during July, including:

- Associate Director of Music Noah Klein is out through Monday, July 27.
- Director of Administration Michele Adamo is out Thursday, July 9 through Monday, July 13.

Also, remember that our Wednesday Noon services are on hiatus during July and August.

Shawl Ministry at Grace

Our Shawl Ministry team continues their ministry of creating handmade prayer shawls this summer. You are welcome to join the fun! Shawl Ministry meets each Wednesday at 10:00 am in the Pavilion. All are invited!

And if you have a loved one could use a shawl during a difficult time, please contact Jane Ditmars at shawls@gracepvd.org.



Worship with Us!

Seventh Sunday of Pentecost

July 12, 2026

Most Sunday mornings, Grace Church live-streams our 10am service of Holy Eucharist on YouTube. 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.

Live-streamed 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](#).)



Please click the image above to join our live-streamed service on Sunday.

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

Collect for This Sunday: *O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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](#).

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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**Planning a Special Event?
Rent The Pavilion at Grace!**



The Pavilion
at Grace



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Providence, RI 02903

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info@gracepvd.org

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*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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