



All Saints' Memorial Church

674 Westminster St., Providence, RI

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E-Messenger April 30, 2025

*Come and worship
Rejoice in fellowship
Love and serve the Lord!*



***Easter Blessings!
Eastertide continues!***



Dear All Saints' Family,

Did you know that the season of Easter or "Eastertide" is actually longer than Lent? The word *tide* means "festival and its season". The celebration of the feast of Christ's resurrection begins Easter Eve and continues through the Day of Pentecost, fifty days. *Pentecost* or "fiftieth day" marks the official close of Eastertide.

You have probably noticed many "Alleluias" (*praise the Lord*) in our hymns and responses during the service. They are back in the service during the 50 days of Eastertide. Sing out those *Alleluias*!

Pentecost this year falls on Sunday, June 8. We will have a special coffee hour to celebrate Pentecost. More on that later.

Vestry Annual Retreat

The Vestry has its annual retreat on Thursday, May 15th, 4:00-7:30. This year we will meet at Southside Community Land Trust on Broad St. The annual retreat is time that we as a Vestry set aside to talk about our vision and mission to reflect on "bigger picture" questions like:

- where are we in relation to our mission?
- do we need a reset? a reset of what?
- how do we envision All Saints' ten years down the road?
- what do we need to prioritize?

We last developed a strategic plan in 2016. Quite a bit has unfolded in our church and in our world since then. Here are the All Saints' vision and mission statements from 2016. The vision statement is intended to be a long-term, aspirational goal while the mission statement is about what is happening now.

Vision Statement: All Saints' Memorial Church is a visible and known beacon that engages people in their spiritual journeys and nurtures their minds and souls.

Mission Statement: All Saints' Memorial Church is a welcoming multicultural Episcopal congregation that strives to grow in the love of God and respond to the spiritual and human needs of our neighboring communities.

On behalf of the Vestry I welcome any "big picture" ideas or reflections you

want us to hear. Send a text, call, or email to Bob Wells (Senior Warden) or me.

All are welcome to join our Service on Sunday at 9:30. If you would like to participate by zoom, the link is [here](#).

You will find the Sunday service program [here](#).

Easter Blessings,

Julie

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

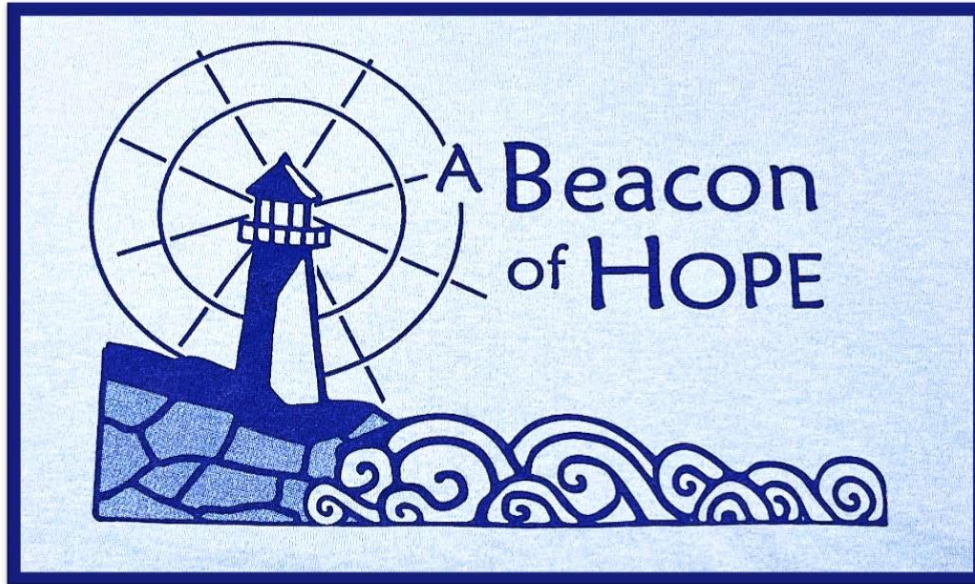
– The Book of Common Prayer, p. 823

Musical Notes



This Sunday we welcome Dr. Duncan Vinson as our organist while Rich is away.

Outreach Ministry



Annual Outreach Bake Sale is beginning. Please talk to Monika if you are willing to bake or cook your speciality item for this sale. This Sunday, May 4th, Monika will have a list of food items that can be ordered in advance. Food will be delivered to Rose Hall on Sunday, May 11.

Next Outreach Meeting: May 18th following our Service.

Monthly Food Collection: We collect food monthly and distribute the donated food to Better Lives RI and Crossroads Family Center. This month we ask for donations of cold cereal though any canned or

packaged food items are welcome. Please leave donated food items on the cart near Rose Hall. Thank you for your generosity!



Rescheduled Garden Work Morning

Saturday May 3 - all are welcome.

Worship Ministry May 4, 2025

First Reading: Acts 9:1-6 Lori Medeiros

Psalm 30

Second Reading: Revelation 5:11-14 April Donahower

Gospel: John 21:1-19

Prayers of the People Barbara Badio

Acolytes: Dan Mechnig, Kodii Amaechina, Devine Kpeh

Chalice: Dan Mechnig

Altar Guild: April and Alex

Upcoming

April 30: No Noonday Prayer

May 7: Healing Service with Holy Eucharist, Noon

May 3: Garden Work Morning

May 11: Outreach Bake Sale (pre-order your item!)

May 15: Vestry Retreat, 4:00-7:30

May 25: Blessing of graduates

Prayers

We pray for our fellow parishioners Derek, Victor, Gloria, Mary, and Lady Johnnet Bush. We pray for Naida Thomas, Lusaynie Sirleaf, John Flinton, James, Elizabeth Pacek, Karen, John Dunning, Togba Treah, Sharita, Muriel, Emile, Patty, Kathy, Antonio, Deborah Keyes, and Au'Tumn Odufunade..

We pray for friends and loved ones departed especially Sara Wilson. May they rejoice in the fullness of God's presence and glory.

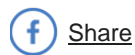
O God our heavenly Father whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go. Preserve all those who travel

this week especially Liz Toby. Surround her with your loving care; protect her from every danger; and bring her in safety to her journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord, *Amen*.

We pray for those who work for peace in the armed forces especially Hannah Makuch.

We pray for all who celebrate birthdays next week especially Patricia Sonpon, Kodi Amaechina, Roberta Correy, April Donahower, and David Moniz.

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