



All Saints'
Memorial Church
674 Westminster St., Providence RI

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



A Litany in the Aftermath of Gun Violence

By the Rt. Rev. Stephen T. Lane,
Episcopal Bishop of Maine

Giver of Life and Love, you created all people as one family and called us to live together in peace. Surround us with your love as we face again the tragedy of gun violence.

For the children and adults who were killed, the many who were wounded and hospitalized, the traumatized, grieving survivors, and those known to you alone, Loving God

Make us instruments of your peace.

God of Righteousness, you have granted our leaders, especially Donald, our President, and Gina, our Governor, the members of Congress and of our courts and legislatures, power and responsibility to protect us, and to uphold our right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Strengthen their devotion to our common life and give them clarity of purpose.

For all who bear such responsibility, for all who struggle to discern what is right in the face of powerful political forces, Loving God

Make us instruments of your peace.

God of Compassion, we give you thanks for first responders: police officers, firefighters, EMTs, and all those whose duties bring them to the streets, the schools, the malls and the homes where the carnage of gun violence takes place every day. Give them courage and sound judgment in the heat of the moment and grant them compassion for the victims.

For our brothers and sisters who risk their lives and serenity as they rush to our aid, Loving God

Make us instruments of your peace.

Merciful God, bind up the wounds of all who suffer from gun violence, those maimed and disfigured, those left alone and grieving, and those who struggle to get through one more day. Bless them with your presence and help them find hope.

For all whose lives are forever changed and broken by the scourge of gun violence, Loving God

Make us instruments of your peace.

God Who Remembers, may we not forget all who have died in the gun violence that we have allowed to become routine. Receive them into your heart and comfort us with your promise of eternal love and care.

For all who have died, those who die today, and those who will die tomorrow, Loving God

Make us instruments of your peace.

God of Justice, help us, your church, find our voice. Turn us from the worship of power. Give us courage to confront our false gods and to protest the needless deaths caused by gun violence. Help us rise above our dread that nothing can be done and grant us the conviction to advocate for change.

For your dream of a world where children are safe and all of us live together without fear, Loving God

Make us instruments of your peace.

All this we pray in the name of the One who offered his life so that we might live, Jesus the Christ. *Amen.*

In Peace,
Julie



***Icons and Song: Windows into Russian
Culture and Prayer***

Saturday, September 14

Icon Exhibition: 1 – 5 pm

Iconography Presentation and Reception: 4pm

LYRA Concert: 5pm

All Saints' Memorial Church will host an exhibit of Russian icons and a

concert of Russian sacred and folk music on Saturday, September 14. This event will introduce those attending to the rich tradition of icons, their ability to make the holy real, as well as offering a unique opportunity to experience Russia's musical heritage. It reflects a collaboration with the Museum of Russian Icons (Clinton, MA), and LYRA, a professional vocal ensemble from St. Petersburg, Russia.

The Museum is the only one in the United States dedicated to Russian icons and has the largest collection of icons outside of Russia. The exhibit of icons from the Museum's collection will be open to the public beginning at 1pm, with an informal presentation on iconography at 4pm accompanied by a reception.

At 5pm, the exhibition will be followed by an hour-long concert of Russian choral music by LYRA, an *a Capella* group of four professional singers. The first part of the concert – sacred music of the Russian Orthodox Church, will include ancient songs, works of well-known masters, and little-known but remarkable Russian composers of the 18th through the 20th centuries. The second part of the program will include Russian folk songs: comic, lyric, dancing, and love songs.

All Saints' is handicap accessible, and there is ample free parking. Although free and open to all, donations will help to offset the cost of the event, which is supported in part by a grant from the

Congregational Development Commission of the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island.



Vacation Notice

Please note that Rev. Hanavan will be taking a vacation this month. She will leave on Thursday, August 15, and will return on Monday, August 26. This is revised from the previously published return date.

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 11: Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
Vestry meeting

August 25: Outreach Committee (new date)

September 4: Choir rehearsal resumes, 7pm

September 14: Icons & Song:
Windows into Russian Culture
and Prayer, 1-5pm

PRAYERS

Those for whom prayers have been asked:

We pray especially for Harrington Evans and Erma Kla-Williams, who died this past weekend. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

We pray for our fellow parishioners Derek, Alice, Gus, Liz, Ernie, Ruby, Marie, and Gene. We also pray for Olive Cooper, Karen Mirim, James Davies, Thomas R., Lori Spaziano, Harriet Choi, Anthony Eke, Margaret Flynn, Dorothea Evans Gordon, Jim Greene, Elizabeth Pacek, Claire Hanavan, Barbara K., Katie Lawton, Margaret Mirin, Eric T., Frances Tait, Virginia Thompson, Mary Tryforos, April Beth, Virginia Meade, Cheryl Dunning, Michael Blake, and Richard Schinkel.

Celebrating birthdays this week: Alan Wells, Vilma DiOrio, and Dan Mechnig.

We pray for all who work for peace and members of our armed forces, especially Matthew Degree.



Prayer List Update

The prayer list will be updated soon after the service on the 18th. If you wish to keep a person on the prayer list, please see the clipboard on the notice table in Rose Hall, or respond to this newsletter.



Choir Practice

Choir practice will resume for the 2019-2020 season on Wednesday, September 4, at 7pm.



School Supplies for Local Students

The Outreach Committee is collecting school supplies for two Providence schools - Nathaniel Green Middle School and Carl G. Lauro Elementary school. Composition books and two-pocket paper folders are preferred. However, other kinds of materials are appreciated (for example: pencils, erasers, notebooks, filler paper for notebooks, glue sticks, Crayola markers with different colors, Crayola colored pencils). Supplies for the upcoming school year should be turned in by September 15, 2019. Thank you for your ongoing support!



Food Collection

Each week All Saints' collects food to be distributed monthly to food pantries in our area. We welcome donations of pre-packaged food.

August: canned and baked beans

September: canned soups and stews

October: hot cereals

Thank you for your generosity!



Construction Notice

We have received a generous grant from the Champlin Foundation for stained glass window repair, which started recently. Thank you for your patience while this work is being completed.



Altar Flowers for 2019

See Marybeth about our fresh garden flowers ministry. If you are unable participate in it, but wish to honor a loved one, altar flowers may be reserved for Sundays in 2019 by using the yellow forms on the information table in Rose Hall. If you would like a form mailed to you, please call the parish office.

SCRIPTURE READINGS AND MINISTRY SCHEDULES

August 11, 2019

(Ninth Sunday after Pentecost)

First Reading: Genesis 5:1-6, TBD

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1-3,8-16, TBD

Gospel: Luke 12:32-40

Prayers: TBD

Chalice: Eric Hirsch

Greeters/Ushers: Bob & Lyndsey Wells

Altar Guild: Dan & Kathy Mechnig

Coffee Hour Team: Belinda Johnson and Gloria Perry

August 18, 2019

(Tenth Sunday after Pentecost)

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:23-29, TBD

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:29-12:2, TBD

Gospel: Luke 12:49-56

Prayers: TBD

Chalice: Dan Mechnig

Greeters/Ushers: Marsha Mott and Patricia Solo

Altar Guild: Patricia Solo and Felicia McBorrough

Coffee Hour Team: Wilmar Jennings and Dirk Hennessey

Publishing information:

The next edition of the e-messenger will be emailed on Wednesday, August 14. The deadline to submit information and articles for this edition is Tuesday, August 13. Please submit any articles or info you may have to Marisa at asmcri@verizon.net.



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