



All Saints' Memorial Church

674 Westminister St., Providence, RI

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***E-Messenger December 11, 2024***

*Come and worship*

*Rejoice in fellowship*

*Love and serve the Lord!*

Dear All Saints' Family,

**Advent Reflection, December 11, 2024**

When I was heading toward adulthood and struggling with having a new step-father, I got to know Naomi. She was an art teacher and Sunday School teacher at the Church of the Messiah, my church before All Saints'. Naomi became a good friend and helped me grow up. We did a lot of reading and sharing about special ways to know God. There was a time when we found the beauty of the psalms.

One of our favorites was Psalm 139, v. 23-24: “Examine me, O God, and know my mind; test me, and discover my thoughts. Find out if there is any evil in me and guide me in the everlasting way.”

~ Agnes Fox



Agnes and Jill, photo by Tom

### **Last Call For Angel Tree Gifts**

Outreach is partnering with West End Community Center to bring Christmas gifts to families in the neighborhood. West End has requested the following gifts: books of stamps; hats, gloves, and mittens for all ages; Christmas books for children; puzzle/sudoku books for seniors (in Spanish or English).

Outreach will deliver the gifts to West End on Thursday afternoon, December 12th. If you wish to donate a gift item (s), **please drop them off in the office by tomorrow Thursday, December 12th by noon.** Thank you!



Photo by Tom

This Sunday is the Third Sunday of Advent. All are warmly welcome to join our Sunday Service of Holy Eucharist in-person, on Facebook, or via zoom at 9:30 am.

Here is the Zoom

link: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85484006164?pwd=ZzAvZVFUM2pKek0rMGVzMF~~FEclFiUT09~~](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85484006164?pwd=ZzAvZVFUM2pKek0rMGVzMF<del>FEclFiUT09</del>)

The Service Program may be found [here](#).

*Collect for the Third Sunday of Advent*

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Advent blessings,  
Julie



***Wednesday Noonday Prayer Today  
at Noon in Rose Hall***

If you wish to join us via Zoom, here is the link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82955504419?pwd=Si9tTzVFbTR4K0ZjTy9jNVdkRFhuQT09>

Discussion of the *Angels* book (Chapters 20&21) begins at 12:15 in Rose Hall.

**Beginnings and Endings:**

**a retreat day for Advent**

**with The Rev'd Professor Maggi Dawn, Ph.D**

**Date: Saturday, December 14th 10am to 3:15pm**

**Hosted by All Saints' (Providence) St. Luke's (Pawtucket, and Christ Church (Lincoln)**

**At St. Luke's, 670 Weeden Street, Pawtucket**

**10am to 10:15 Check-in and coffee**

**Program promptly starts at 10:15am**

**There will be a Liberian and American Lunch option**



## **CHRISTMAS SERVICES**

***Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>***

**Christmas Preludes 6:30pm**

**Christmas Festival Eucharist 7:00pm**

Unique Zoom Link:

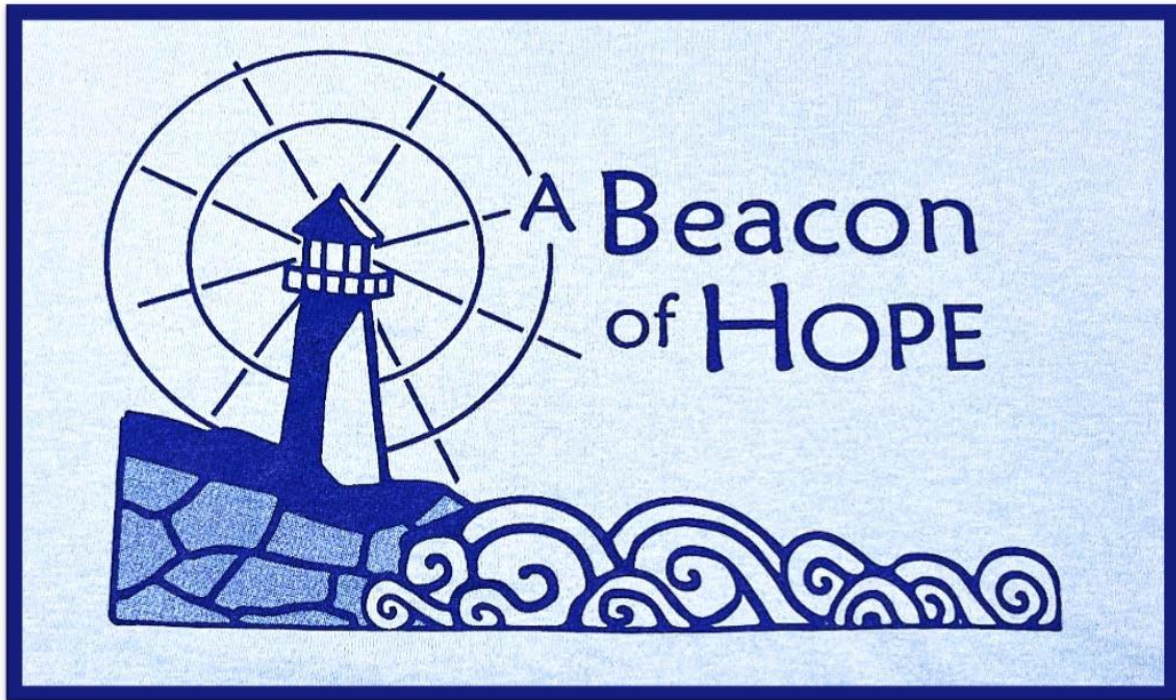
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***Christmas Day, Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>***

**Christmas Service of Holy Eucharist 9:30am**

***First Sunday after Christmas, December 29th***

**Lessons and Carols and Holy Eucharist 9:30am**



*Outreach News*

**Angel Tree gifts requested this year:** Hats and gloves for all ages; puzzle/sudoku books for seniors in Spanish or English; children's Christmas books (bible stories); and books of stamps. **Deadline for Angel Tree gifts: Thursday, December 12th (Noon)**

**Monthly Food Collection:** We welcome donations of canned vegetables in December although any non-perishable food items are most welcome. Thank you for your generosity!

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### **Worship Ministry**

**First Reading:** Zephaniah 3:14-20 Marybeth Hanavan

**Response:** Canticle 9

**Second Reading:** Philippians 4:4-7 Neb Amaechina

**Gospel:** Luke 3:7-18

**Prayers of the People:** Gigi Fahnbulleh

**Altar Guild:** Felicia and Patricia

**Chalice:** Marybeth Hanavan

### ***Upcoming Events***

**December 12:** Last day to drop off Angel Tree gifts (by noon)

**December 14:** Advent Retreat, (hosted by All Saints', St. Luke's Pawtucket, and Christ Church Lincoln) 10am-3pm

**December 18:** Noonday Prayer and *Angels* book discussion, Rose Hall

**December 18:** Choir practice

**December 22:** Decorate the church following the Service

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### ***Prayers***

We pray for our fellow parishioners Derek, Gus, Victor, Gloria, Wilmar, Mary, Susan, Bill, and Angela. We pray for Dawn, Dorothea Evans Gordon, Naida Thomas, Lusaynie Sirleaf, John Flinton, James, Elizabeth Pacek, John Dunning, Karen, Clara Hutchins, Billy, Togba Treah, Sharita, and Muriel.

We pray for friends and loved ones departed especially Phil Mechnig. May they

rejoice in the fullness of your presence and your glory.

We pray for those who celebrate birthdays next week especially Marywood Gray, Sara Wilson, Pattie Marshall, Sarah McBorrow, and Ryan Mott.

O God our heavenly Father whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go. Preserve Sylvester and Divine Kpeh and Lydia Muhlenburg as they travel to Liberia. Surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their 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 young adults in our congregation – Willcia and Joyce now college graduates, Victor, Roma, Kojo, Anne Marie, Sarah, Fatima, Sommie, Derrick, Natalya, and Raheem; may they know the Lord's steadfast presence and love in all that they do.

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