



All Saints' Memorial Church  
674 Westminister St., Providence, RI  
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***E-Messenger December 16, 2025***

*Come and worship*

*Rejoice in fellowship*

*Love and serve the Lord!*



Memorial Flowers at Brown's Engineering Research Center (wikipedia)

Dear All Saints' Family,

As we grieve the shocking loss of two precious lives on Saturday evening and lament the many injuries, and as we wait for news on the shooter's arrest, let us hold the Providence and Rhode Island communities, and all Brown families in prayer. This prayer comes to us from Bishop Knisely, composed by a fellow bishop.

*Give us courage for the facing of this hour. Guide us by the bright vision of your Heavenly Realm where no weapon is drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength known but the strength of love.*

*O Christ, show us your mercy  
As we put our trust in you.*

This evening, Tuesday, December 16, at 7PM all are welcome to join:

*A Community Service of Lament, Healing & Hope  
for Brown University*

at

*St. Stephen's Episcopal Church*

*114 George Street*

*Providence, RI 02906*

In Hope,  
Julie



*Musical Notes*

### ***O Holy Night***

A favorite of many, some may not realize that the original lyrics were written by a French atheist and set to music by a French Jew. In 1855 it was translated into English by a London publisher. An American songwriter and abolitionist, John Sullivan Dwight, learned about it and after making some adjustments to the third verse, created a version that became a favorite among Christian abolitionists during the Civil War:

*"Truly he taught us to love one another; His law is love and his gospel is peace; Chains shall he break, for the slave is our brother, And in his name all oppression shall cease; Sweet hymns of joy in grateful Chorus raise we; Let all within us praise his Holy name!"*

It also became the first piece of music to be broadcast on the radio on Christmas Eve 1916, played by radio inventor Reginald Fessenden on the violin.

~Becky

All are welcome to join our Service of Holy Eucharist at 9:30 on Sunday, in person, [by Zoom](#), or on facebook.

You may find the Service Program on our web site posted on Wednesday afternoon.

### **CHRISTMAS SERVICES**

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

**Christmas Preludes 6:30pm**

**Christmas Festival Eucharist 7:00pm**

Unique Zoom link is [here](#).

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

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

***First Sunday after Christmas, December 28th***

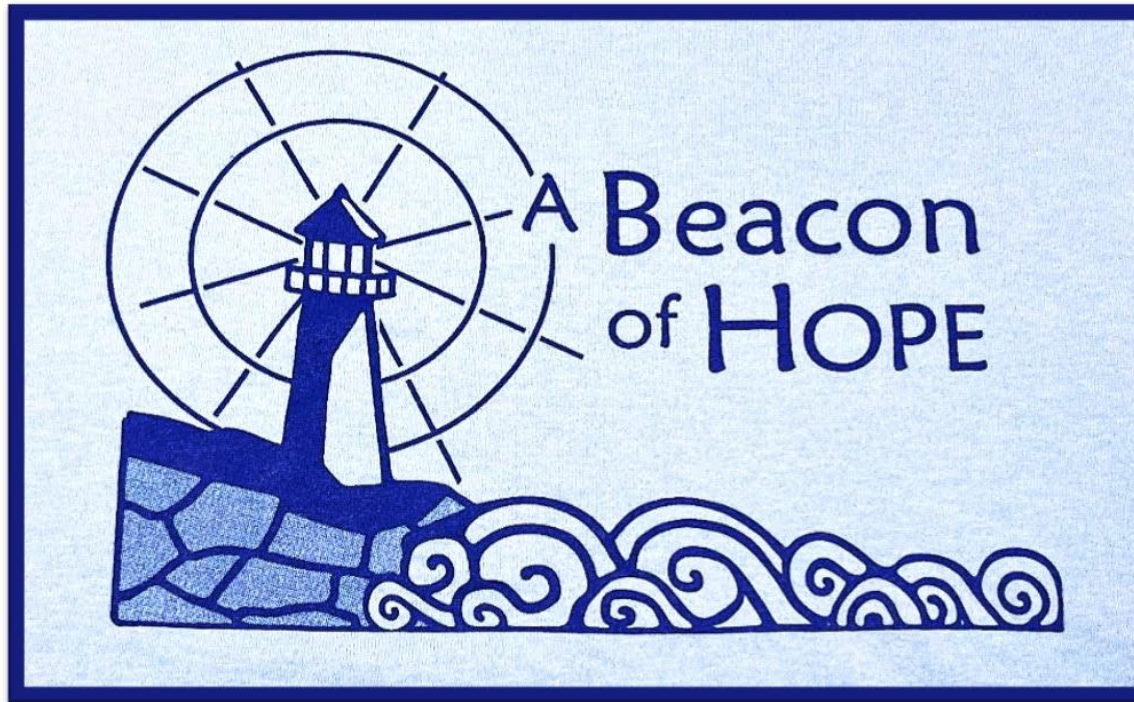
**Lessons and Carols and Holy Eucharist 9:30am**

***New Years Eve, Wednesday, December 31, 11:00pm Service***

**St. Luke's Pawtucket**

### **CHRISTMAS ALTAR FLOWERS**

If you would like to donate Christmas Altar flowers in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving, please complete a form in Rose Hall and give it to Rev. Julie. Forms are due by Thursday, December 18.



*Outreach Ministry*

*Thank you for your generous help with this ministry!*

**Monthly Food Collection:** We collect food monthly and distribute the donated food to Better Lives RI and Crossroads Family Center. We invite you to contribute any prepackaged food items or canned goods with flip tops. Food cards from various grocery stores are welcome as well. Thank you for your generosity!



*Wednesday Noonday Prayer and Bible Study: tomorrow, Wednesday, December 17 at noon in Rose Hall.*

**Worship Ministries December 21, 2025**

**First Reading:** Isaiah 7:10-16 Deirdre Greelish

**Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18**

**Second Reading:** Romans 1:1-7 Neb Amaechina

**Gospel:** Matthew 1:18-25

**Prayers:** Gigi Fahnbullah

**Acolytes** Kodi, Divine, and Eric Hirsch

**Chalice:** Barbara Badio

**Altar Guild** April and Alex

**Upcoming**

**December 21:** Decorate the church for Christmas following the Service

## PRAYERS

We pray for our fellow parishioners Derek, Victor, Gloria, Mary, Lady Johnnet, Kathy, Glenna, Gabby, and Kojo. We pray for Ariminty P. Cole, Charles Caranda, William Donahower, Garth Hirsch, Naida Thomas, Lusaynie Sirleaf, John Flinton, James, Elizabeth Pacek, Karen, John Dunning, Togba Treah, Patty, Denise, Jefferson, and Lucinda.

We pray for all students, teachers, and staff in our schools and colleges. Holy God, source of all wisdom we ask that your blessing and guidance be upon Chimmy, Cora, Divine, Kodi, and Neb. May the blessing of your Holy Spirit be upon Anne Marie, Derrick, Sarah, KJ, and Sommie bringing them the fire of your love and wisdom as they engage in this academic year.

We pray for friends and loved ones departed especially Ella Cook and Mukhammad Aziz Umurzokov. May they rest in God's eternal peace.

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

We pray for those who celebrate birthdays this week especially Ryan Mott, Neb Amaechina, and Francis Buwee.

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