

All Saints' Memorial Church
674 Westminster Street
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e-Parish Messenger


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

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Modern-day Miracle?

Perhaps you have been following the story of the small church in the Hague, Netherlands that held a continuous service, night and day, from October 26th through January 30. That means the service was an epic 96 days of around-the clock worship or 2,300 hours. Back in the fall, Bethel Church opened its doors to the Tamrayzan family, asylum seekers from Armenia. The family had arrived in the Hague nine years earlier but had recently been threatened with deportation. Bethel Church became a sanctuary for the refugee family since Dutch law does not allow authorities to enter a church during a service. The service ended last week because the Dutch government modified its immigration policy. The government has said that it will review hundreds of children's asylum applications that had been previously rejected; this could impact up to 700 children of refugee families. Families will be allowed to stay in the Hague while the children's cases are processed. It is expected that many of these children will be eligible for a residency permit.

I heard the Pastor of this small chapel speak of this moment as a miracle. I am sure when Bethel Church opened their doors as a sanctuary to the Tamrayzan family the congregation was uncertain about what would happen. What did happen was this: the church managed to assemble a 24-hour worshipping community drawing clergy and lay people from all over Europe (and a few from the United States) for over three months. The Dutch government responded. For now, the Tamrayzan family and many others may remain in the Hague.

The epic service has ended. May the praying continue. I recommend the prayer "For Cities" found in our Book of Common Prayer:

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Heavenly Father, in your Word you have given us a vision of that holy City to which the nations of the world bring their glory: Behold and visit, we pray, the cities of the earth. Renew the ties of mutual regard which form our civic life. Send us honest and able leaders. Enable us to eliminate poverty, prejudice, and oppression, that peace may prevail with righteousness, and justice with order, and that men and women from different cultures and with differing talents may find with one another the fulfillment of their humanity.

Grace and Peace,
Julie

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UPCOMING ALL SAINTS' MEETINGS/EVENTS

February 10: Arts Committee Meeting, in the choir room following the church service

February 12: Knitting/crocheting, 6:00 p.m.

February 13: Noon Eucharist

February 17: Vestry Meeting

February 19-21: Julie away on retreat

February 20: No Noon Eucharist

February 23: Winter Cook-Off fund raising event in Rose Hall. Details are below.

February 24: Outreach Committee Meeting

February 26: Knitting/crocheting, 6:00 p.m.

February 27: Noon Eucharist

March 6: Ash Wednesday Services: Noon and 7:00 p.m.

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PRAYERS

Those for whom prayers have been asked:

We pray for John Angell, Robert Angell, Derek Badio, Marie Baylis, Trish Blake, Harriet Choi, Madhia Cooper, Paul Cummings, Florence Depatie, Rick Edwards, Anthony Eke, Rosetta Evans, Patricia Fahnbulleh, Margaret Flynn, Dorothea Evans Gordon, Jim Greene, Claire Hanavan, Ernest Hirsch, Barbara K., Erma Kla-William, Katie Lawton, Margaret Mirin, Elizabeth Pacek, Richard Rebello, Tomasina Sinnott, Cecelia Sirleaf, Eric T., Frances Tait, Mary Tryforos, Martha Zeekah, Teddy Zeekeh, April Beth, Renée, Leith, Maryjane, Kristen, Amer, Michael, Bendu, Beth, Melissa and Kenneth.

Celebrating their birthdays this week: Robert Wells, Natalya Evans and Monika Kraemer

We pray for all who have died, especially Carolyn Hirsch, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Remember those who work for peace and members of our armed forces, especially Raymond Tanguay and Matthew Degree.

ALTAR FLOWERS FOR 2019

Altar flowers are a wonderful way to remember a loved one who has passed away or give thanks for someone special. You may reserve dates 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 Kathy in the parish office.



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ALL SAINTS' MEMORIAL CHURCH
WINTER COOK-OFF

Saturday February 23

5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Do you have a favorite crock pot recipe? Beans and rice? Chili? Sign-up to enter the cook-off contest!

Join the fun at the cook-off sampling ten different foods and voting for your favorite! Prizes will be awarded based on your vote. There will also be a raffle and a dessert booth.

Tickets are \$5.00 each. All proceeds benefit the Outreach Committee.

Please see Pattie Marshall for more information.

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KNITTING, CROCHETING

The knitting and crocheting group meets every other Tuesday at 6 p.m. This group is open to anyone in the parish. You are welcome to come as often as you can and you are welcome to bring a friend.



**Please note that the next meeting is Tuesday,
February 12, 2019**

FOOD COLLECTION

Each week All Saints' collects food to be distributed monthly to food pantries in our area. You are asked, as you are able, to bring one item on the monthly list each Sunday.



February, peanut butter
March, canned tuna

As always, thank you for your
generosity.

PARKING LOT AVAILABLE ON SUNDAYS

The parking lot adjacent to the church lot is once again available for additional parking, during Sunday services only. If you are the last car leaving the lot, please lock the gate after you leave. Thank you.

SCRIPTURE READINGS AND MINISTRY SCHEDULES

February 10, 2019

First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-13; Robert Wells

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Anne Tait

Prayers: Monika Kraemer

Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

Chalice: Dan Mechnig

Greeters/ Ushers: Marsha Mott and Lyndsey Wells
Altar Duty: Cecilia and Paul Connors
Coffee Hour Team: Barbara Badio and Bill McBorough

February 17, 2019

First Reading: Jeremiah 17:5-10; David Moniz
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:12-20; Patricia Fahnbulleh
Prayers: April Donahower
Gospel: Luke 6:17-26
Chalice: Barbara Badio
Greeters/ Ushers: Marsha Mott and Maryann Darbeh
Altar Duty: Gloria Perry, Patricia Fahnbulleh and Trish Blake
Coffee Hour Team: Gloria Perry and Dirk Hennessey

NEXT E-PARISH MESSENGER

The next edition of the e-messenger will be emailed on February 14. The deadline to submit information and articles for this edition is Tuesday, February 12. Please submit any articles/info you may have to Kathy at asmcri@verizon.net.

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