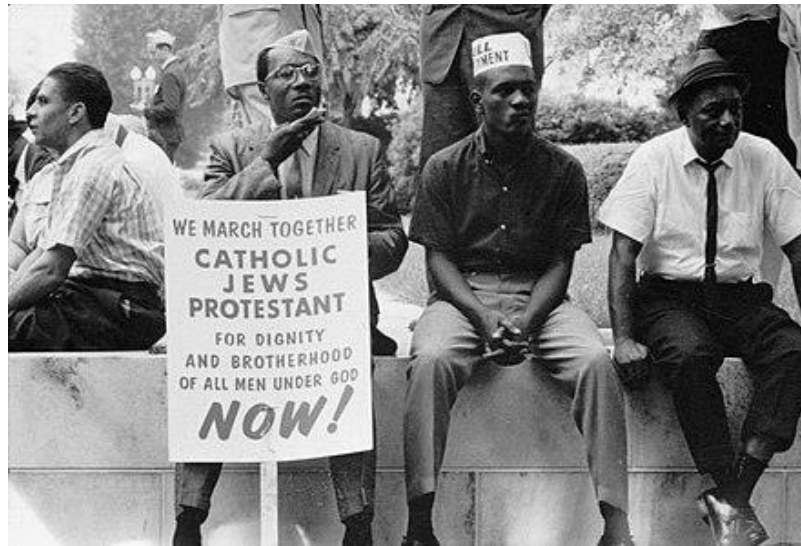




*E-Messenger, January 11, 2024*

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



### **Generations of Service**

I was talking to a young woman at the gym this morning. Perhaps she is 25. We were discussing various professional sports and she said to me, "I don't know life without Belichick." Her generation only knows the Patriots with Bill Belichick as coach.

It is interesting to think about generational differences. We talked about differences between older and younger generations as we discussed the Book of Numbers in our Wednesday discussion group. Numbers begins with the generation who experienced the Exodus from Egypt and ends with a second generation who were born in the wilderness and will move on to Canaan.

This weekend we mark Martin Luther King Day, a national remembrance of the civil rights activist, honoring his leadership and example in the fight for justice, freedom, and equality. Dr. King inspired generations of civil rights activists to get out and work for the dream of the Beloved Community.

This weekend we might also reflect on the work of justice, freedom, and equality that is left for us and the next generations to take up. Whatever your generation - the Silent Generation, Boomers, X, Millenials, Z, or Alpha - we all receive the same prophetic calling that led Dr. King to Civil Rights activism.

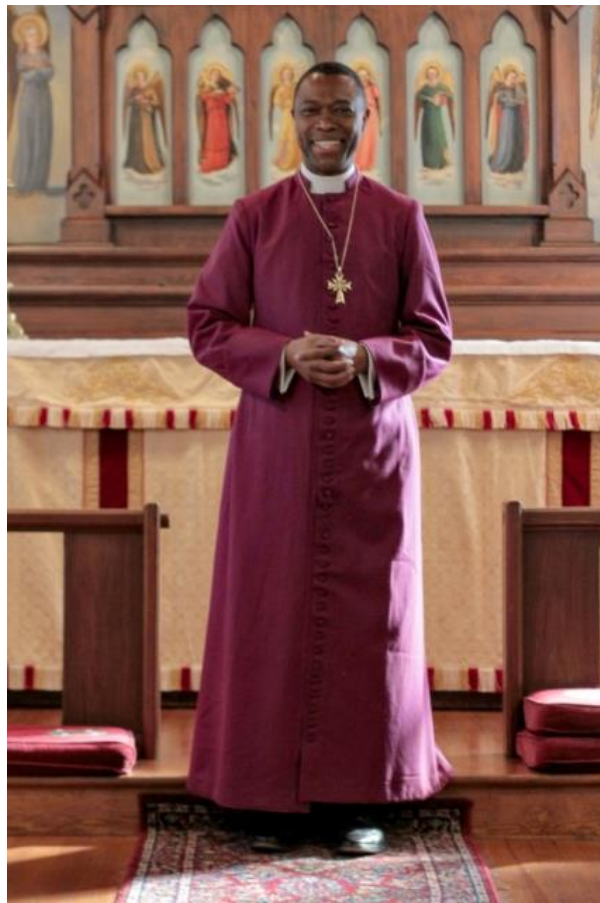
On Monday in the Episcopal Church we remembered the life and legacy of Deaconess Harriet Bedell (1875-1969). Deacon Bedell spent most of her life working with Native American tribes in Oklahoma, Alaska, and Florida. The collect appointed for her commemoration is the following:

*Holy God, fill us with compassion and respect for all people, and empower us for the work of ministry whether near or far away; that like your servant Harriet Bedell, we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives and giving up ourselves to your service. Amen.*



Deacon Harriett Bedell and Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. showed forth God's praise with their lips, their lives, and by giving up themselves to God's service. May we do the same.

I note one more person who has given his life over to the service of God - Bishop John Harmon (Glenna's cousin). You may remember at our Sunday service the weekend that the Liberian Episcopal Community of the US gathered in RI (last April), the Rev. John Harmon served as our preacher. Just last week he was consecrated Bishop of the Arkansas Diocese. Let us hold Bishop Harmon in prayer as he takes on this new leadership role.



Peace and blessings,

Julie

All are warmly welcome to join our Sunday Service of Holy Eucharist at 9:30 am. If you wish to join via Zoom, here is the link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85484006164?pwd=ZzAvZVFUM2pKek0rMGVzMFFEc1FiUT09>

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

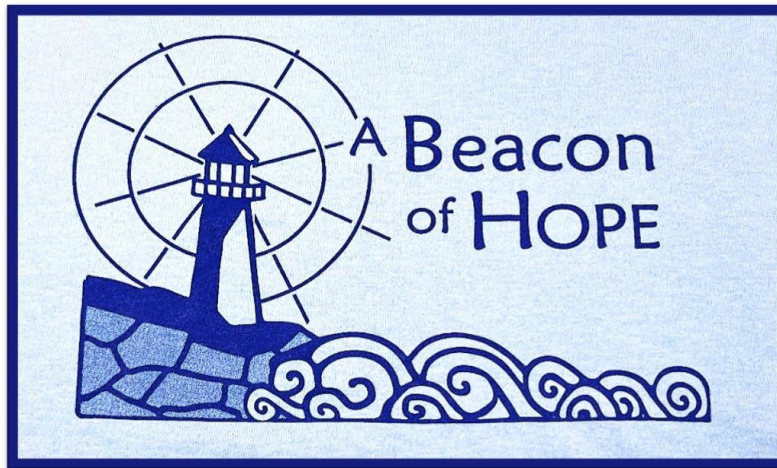
### *Stewardship - Pledges*

*But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:8).*

A huge thank you to all who have submitted pledge cards. If you have not yet submitted your pledge, you may drop it in the collection plate on Sunday.

In the Spirit of Love,

Charles M. Smith, III  
Stewardship Chair and Junior Warden



## *Outreach News*

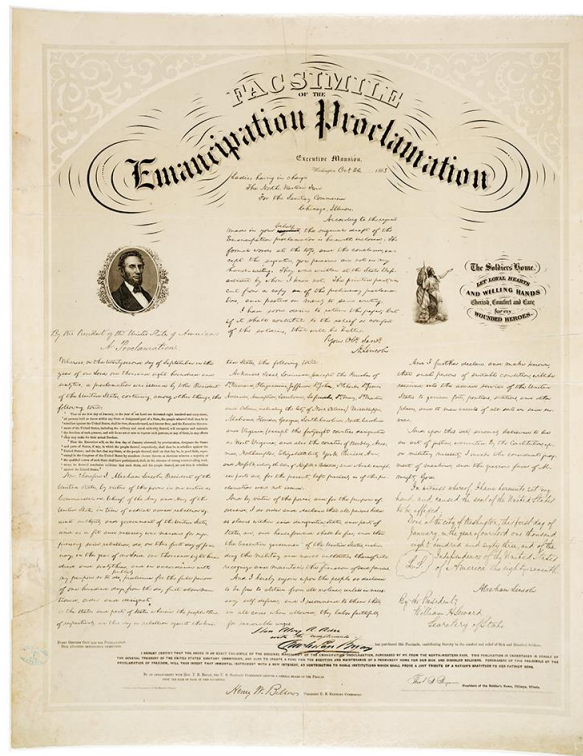
**Next Outreach Meeting: January 21st**

**Outreach Food Collection:** Each week All Saints' collects food to be distributed monthly to food pantries in our area. We welcome donations of any pre-packaged, non-expired food. Thank you for your generosity!

- January: Canned pasta
- February: Peanut butter



## *Musical Notes*



Our postlude on Sunday features a march for piano composed and published by George E. Fawcett in late 1862 to provide public support for Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation. Lincoln had issued a preliminary version on September 22, 1862 (a limited wartime measure declaring freedom to all slaves in states that remained in rebellion to the Union), but even while many praised the president, public opposition was strong, with mid-term elections looming; and even Union soldiers in the field were by no means unified in agreement, some even threatening to throw down their arms if the war came to be about freeing Black slaves rather than saving the Union. Fawcett was a teacher of instrumental music at Greenwood Academy in Muscatine, Iowa, and he was squarely in the president's corner. So he published his march with prominent title page dedication to "Abraham Lincoln, A Foe to Tyrants and my Country's Friend." The sheet music was

printed and disseminated by the well-known Chicago-based firm Root & Cady, which successfully published many of the Civil War's most popular songs.

After Lincoln released the final version of the proclamation on January 1, 1863, Fawcett then sent a copy of his march to the president himself. Lincoln soon responded with a letter signed on Executive Mansion letterhead and the words: "Allow me to thank you cordially for your thoughtful courtesy in sending me a copy of your "Emancipation March."

~Rich Spicer, Music Director/Organist



## *Wednesday Noonday Prayer and Faith Inquirers/Bible Discussion*

Join us for Noonday Prayer and conversation about scripture and everyday life. We are just beginning the Book of Leviticus. Please read Chapters 4:1-17, 5, and 6.

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

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



## *Upcoming Events*

**January 17:** Noonday Prayer/Faith Inquirers in Rose Hall

**January 17:** Choir Practice

**January 18:** Annual Meeting reports due

**January 21:** Outreach Meeting

**January 28:** Annual Meeting after the Service

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## *PRAYERS*

We pray for fellow parishioners Derek, Gus, Marie, Trish, Victor, Rose, Susan, Gloria, and Theo; and for Dorothea Evans Gordon, Clarence Scott, Germaine, Naida Thomas, Merynn Flynn, Barbara K., Lusaynie Sirleaf, John Flinton, James, Rachael, Eva McBorrow, Jennifer, Carla, Sawyer L., Philetta Payne, Elizabeth Pacek, Frances Fisher Tait, Yonghee Joe, Kerry DelaGaza, and Nancy Pollard.

We pray for all who work for peace and members of our armed forces especially Hannah Makuch.

We pray for all who celebrate birthdays this week especially Charlotte Burgess and Gloria Perry.

## SCRIPTURE READINGS AND MINISTRIES

### ***January 14, 2024***

First Reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-10 Susan Goodnough

Response: Psalm 139:1-5,12-17

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 Wilmar Jennings

Gospel: John 1:43-51

Prayers: Gigi Fahnbulleh

Altar Guild: Patty, Sandy, & Rev. Julie

Chalice: Eric Hirsch

Acolyte: Dan Mechnig

Coffee Hour: Marybeth, Linda, and Anne

### ***January 21, 2024***

First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5,10 Deidre Greelish

Response: Psalm 62: 6-14

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 Marybeth Hanavan

Gospel: Mark 1:14-20

Prayers: Eric Hirsch

Altar Guild: Felicia and Patricia

Chalice: Bill McBorrough

Acolyte: Tom Hobin

Coffee Hour: Marybeth, Linda, and Anne

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