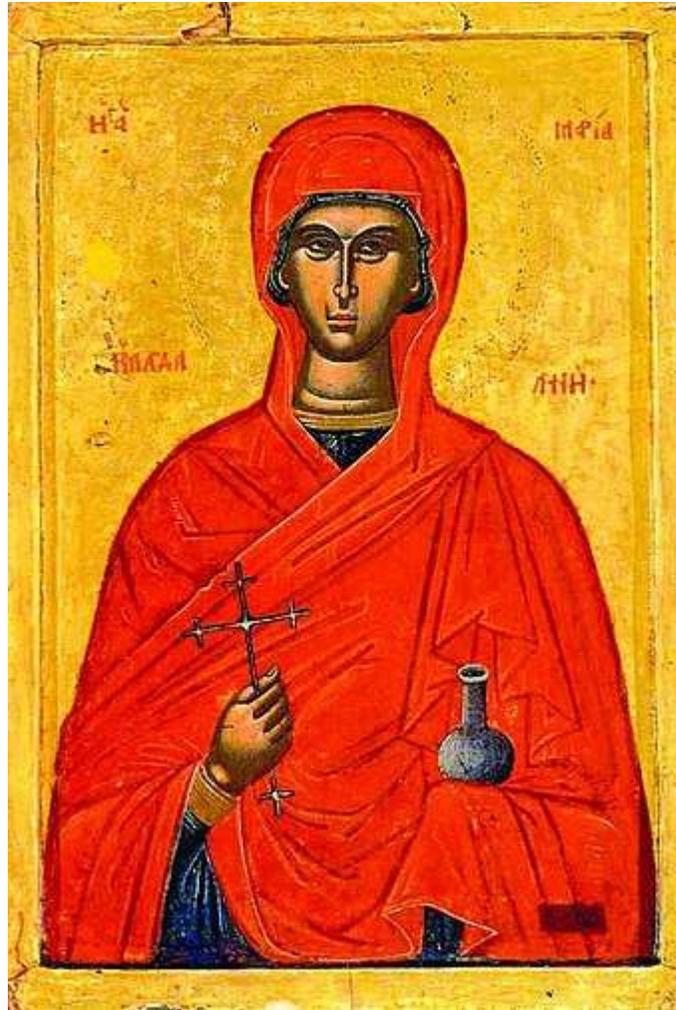


All Saints'
Memorial Church
674 Westminster St., Providence RI

E-Messenger, July 21, 2022

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



Eastern Orthodox Icon, Mary Magdalen as Myrrhbearer

Dear All Saints' Family,

Tomorrow, July 22, we commemorate Mary Magdalene. I pass along a meditation on Mary Magdalene from Rosetta Evans. It is part of a series

on Women in the Bible for the Liberian Episcopal Church of the USA (LECUSA) weekly prayer service. Thank you, Rosetta for sharing your meditation with us.

All are warmly welcome to our Sunday Service of Holy Eucharist. Due to the heat, we will gather for our service in Rose Hall this Sunday rather than upstairs in the church. It is a bit cooler in Rose Hall!

Peace,
Julie

Mary Magdalene, Faithful Follower of Jesus Christ

Mary had many adversities in her life - a widow, no children - but had inherited a fortune which she controlled. She felt loss in her life. Other women envied her. She felt she was living in a thick clammy fog that kept her from touching or being touched by anyone. The fog made the world under her feet a treacherous bog that might open and swallow her at any time. We sometimes feel that way when we seem to be having bad luck and nothing seems right. As things got worse, doctors could find no cause for the pain, breathlessness, poor vision or her bad dreams, her hopelessness, helplessness of utter aloneness.

She came across the Master preaching. Hearing his voice she came to a dead halt. She found herself pressing toward the center of the crowd

where Jesus was. She said nothing. He spoke 7 times to what was holding her captive. He then spoke with authority and all seven of the dark powers/evil spirits were torn out and she became whole again. Everything was alright. Trusting in the Lord made her whole again. She then joined other women who accompanied the disciples caring for their needs.

After the horrors of Good Friday, the miseries of Saturday, and finding an empty tomb with the belief of the theft of Jesus' body, she began to weep. Only the grave clothes were found. The two blurred figures with the white clothes were at the head of the tomb. They asked, "Why are you crying, woman?" She then answered, "They have taken away my Lord and I don't know where they have laid him."

Jesus then appeared to her asking the same questions that the angels had asked, and also, "Whom are you looking for?" He then called her name, "Mary" and she turned calling him *Raboni* or "Master". He asked her not to touch him for he had not ascended to his Father, and said, "Go and tell my brothers."

Mary Magdalene was Jesus first messenger. She came and told the disciples the good news. She was the first to see our Risen Lord. As she approached the house where the disciples were gathered, she called out, "Alive again. Alive again, He is alive again."

This woman brought her sufferings to an end and became whole again.

She heard Jesus calling her name. We can do the same when Jesus calls us. She was the first messenger of Christ. Mary followed his directions and proclaimed his resurrection. We can also proclaim Jesus as she did on that first Easter morn.

~Rosetta Evans

Zoom link: Sunday July 24, 9:30am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85484006164?pwd=ZzAvZVFUM2pKek0rMGVzMFFEcFiUT09>

Meeting ID: 854 8400 6164

Password: 674674

Service Program Link, July 24:

http://www.allsaintsmemorial.org/uploads/1/1/7/4/117437355/service_bulletin_7_pentecost_sunday_july_24_2022.pdf



Tie Quilt Update

"The quilt is well on its way! Since you last saw it, I have sewed those squares into the blocks we laid out at the back of the church, and have joined the blocks together into the complete quilt top. Now I

need your help again. I will include a list of donors on the back of the quilt, an accurate list, ideally. Please review this list of names. If I have missed a donor, or if you would like a name listed differently, please let me know. Email: ratnikmother@verizon.net; phone or text: (401) 339-4737. Thank you. ~ Charlotte

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Rosetta Evans

William McBorrow

Peter Marshall

Marsha Mott

Julianne Hanavan

Ruby Smith

Wilmar Jennings

Michael Blake

Theo Muhlenburg

Jay MacCubbin

Anne Tait

Bud Silliman

MaryBeth Hanavan's quilting friend



Music Notes

July 26th is Liberian Independence Day. This Sunday, the Liberian Singers will sing "The Lone Star Forever" at our Eucharist. It was written by 19 year-old Edwin Barclay in 1909. He later became the nation's 18th president in 1930. Lydia Muhlenburg will play the *sasa*.

When Freedom raised her glowing form
On Montserrado's verdant height,
She set within the dome of night,
Midst lowering skies and thunderstorm,
The star of Liberty!

And seizing from the waking morn,
Its burnished shield of golden flame,
She lifted it in her proud name,
And roused a nation long forlorn,
To nobler destiny!

The lone star forever!
The lone star forever!
O long may it float o'er land and o'er seas
Desert it? No! Never!
Uphold it? forever!
O shout for the lone-star'd banner-all hail!



(the Liberian singers, Easter 2022)

News from the “Healing of Creation“ Garden

We had a pollinator (see bumble bee on the yellow coneflower) in the Pollinator Garden this week. So what is a pollinator? A pollinator is usually an insect, like a bee or butterfly, which moves pollen from the male part of a flower to the female part, thus fertilizing it.



Pollinators are essential for the production of fruits and vegetables, and indeed the livelihood of all plants and animals. But pollinators need to eat, too. Our native plants evolved at the same time as our insects and birds. Because of this, our pollinators do not recognize non-native plants as food sources. In fact, non-native plants create a food desert for insects and birds. Thus, our Pollinator Garden, filled with native plants, is designed to provide food for our pollinators (maybe one day we will see a ruby throated hummingbird, the classic bird pollinator) and improve the health of our ecosystem. Right now, in addition to the yellow coneflower, the grasses are beginning to bloom. Birds will love their seeds. We have had a mockingbird visit, and perhaps other birds will also.

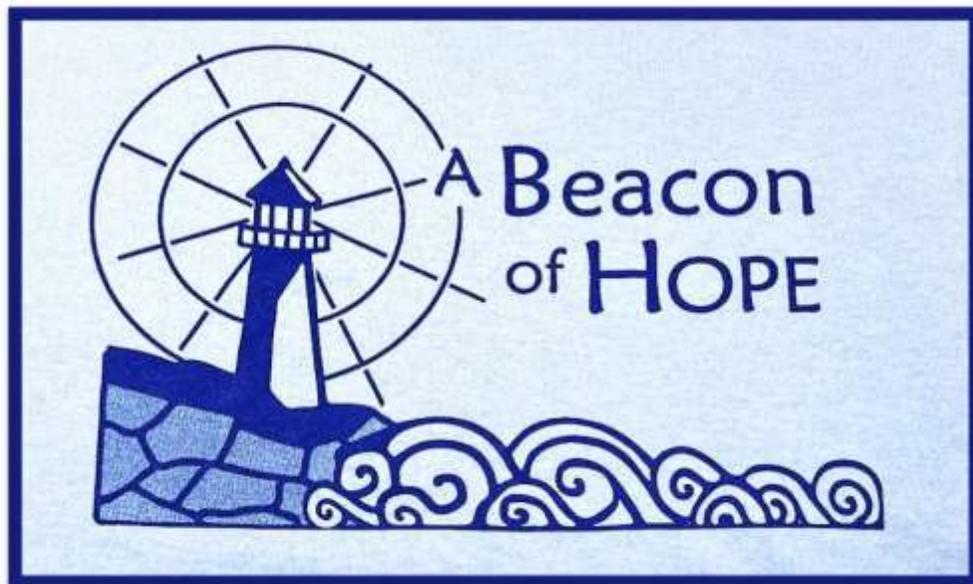


Altar Flower Ministry



Do you have flowers in your garden that might grace the altar on a Sunday? Please contact Marybeth Hanavan (mbhanavan@gmail.com) if you would like to bring flowers on a given Sunday. Please let Marybeth know one week in advance. Thank you!

Outreach News



Crossroads much appreciated the sheets, especially since donations have declined in the past few months. Currently Crossroads is requesting donations of deodorant and cleaning supplies (for example bathroom and kitchen cleaners). If you are able to help, please leave your donation in the basket near the church entrance.

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!

- July: Packaged Pasta
 - August: Canned Baked Beans
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Upcoming Events

July 27: Noonday Prayer, 12:00 pm in the church

July 24: Facilities Meeting, in-person

July 26: Liberian Independence Day

PRAYERS

We pray for our fellow parishioners Derek, Gus, Marie, Trish, Victor, Rose, Susan, Gloria, and Dan Nagle. We also pray for Dorothea Evans Gordon, Mary Tryforos, Margaret

Barney, Michael Blake, Clarence Scott, Germaine, Naida Thomas, Merynn Flynn, Karen L., Stephen, Barbara K., Rena, Lusaynie Sirleaf, Victor, Phil, Chris Brown, and Barbara Hoskin.

We pray for Faith Perrault who died this week. May she rest in God's eternal peace.

We pray for those who celebrate birthdays this week especially Ashanti Andino and Peter Marshall.

We pray for those who serve in the armed forces, especially Hannah Makuch.

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

July 24, 2022

First Reading: Genesis 18:20-32

Response: Psalm 138

Second Reading: Colossians 2:6-15

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

July 31, 2022

First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2,12-14;2:18-23

Response: Psalm 49:1-11

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-11

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

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The next regular edition of the e-messenger will be emailed on Thursday, July 28st. Please submit any articles or info you may have to **allsaintsprovidence@gmail.com**



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