



All Saints'
Memorial Church

674 Westminster St., Providence RI

July 24, 2019 e-Parish messenger

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



Closer

Many years ago when one of my nephews was very young, whenever too many aunts or uncles or cousins hovered around him, he would get a very pained look on his face and yell, “I need space.” This was our cue to move away from him, as adorable as he was, to give him some breathing room. I took him to church one time with some of his other cousins. He found a perfect space for himself wedged under the pew of the family in front of us.

I think my nephew would have appreciated the spaciousness of All Saints’. The height alone creates a sense of awe, not even considering

the architectural beauty and grandeur, the stained glass windows, and the timeless beauty of the altar. Certainly all of this grand beauty complements or heightens the transformative nature of our Eucharistic celebration.

We are assured that wherever we gather together in worship Christ is in our midst. This past Sunday we worshipped in Rose Hall since the church was quite hot over the weekend. The service was a little different from our usual Sunday service in that we did not have organ accompaniment and we sat in chairs in close proximity to one another and the altar. Jay MacCubbin kindly and quickly identified several hymns that would be easier to sing a capella than the planned hymns. For each hymn, Jay sang a few lines of the melody and led us in song. The service flow was a bit impromptu as we adjusted to this different space and music.

I would describe this worship space as “close”. Close in that as a congregation, we were knit ever closer in our faith and love through this intimate liturgy. In the smaller area, voices sounded louder in prayer and in song. When I walked down the narrow center aisle to proclaim the Gospel, I felt the nearness of our gathered community and the Word among us. Even the large arrangements of lovely garden flowers were “close,” standing in vases on the rug in front of the altar. Our peace was as hearty and loving as usual – close! The closeness

allowed us all to see and follow the beat of the sasa during the presentation hymn. It was a grace-drenched liturgy, our community gathered around the Table being transformed by the presence of God in Christ active among us.

Wherever our worship, may God continue to knit us ever closer in love and faith.

In Peace,
Julie



New dates for the Church Picnic and Outreach Committee!

Due to last Sunday's heat advisory, last week's Church Picnic has been rescheduled for this Sunday, and the Outreach meeting originally scheduled for today has been moved to next week. Please stay after for great food, better company, and a bouncy house! If you have anything you'd like to bring, or if you need to change your contribution, please contact Harrington Evans at hhugoe@gmail.com.



Happy Liberian Independence Day!

Beginning in 1822, freed slaves from the US began colonising what

today is the nation of Liberia on the west African coast. The colonists ultimately set up a government modeled on the US Constitution and declared their independence in 1847. The US did not oppose and try to put down the “rebellion”.

On 26 July, Liberia remembers its declaration of independence and its establishment as the first free black republic on the continent. There are parades, parties, a grand ball for the nation’s leaders in Monrovia, and a host of other patriotic events.

Source: <https://publicholidays.africa/liberia/independence-day/>



Substitute Organist

We'd like to thank Jay MacCubbin, who kindly offered to play for us on July 21 and 28 while Barry is on a much-deserved vacation.

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 28: Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
Church picnic, 11am - 2 pm (new date)

August 4: Outreach committee (new date)

August 11: Vestry meeting

PRAYERS

Those for whom prayers have been asked:

We pray for Derek, Alice, Gus, Liz, Ernie, Ruby and Gene. We also pray for Olive Cooper, Karen Mirim, James Davies, Thomas R., Lori Spaziano, Marie Baylis, Harriet Choi, Anthony Eke, Margaret Flynn, Dorothea Evans Gordon, Jim Greene, Elizabeth Pacek, Claire Hanavan, Barbara K., Erma Kla-William, Katie Lawton, Margaret Mirin, Eric T., Frances Tait, Virginia Thompson, Mary Tryforos, April Beth, Virginia Meade, Cheryl Dunning, Michael Blake, and Richard Schinkel.

Celebrating birthdays this week: Ashanti Andino and Peter Marshall.

We pray for all who work for peace and members of our armed forces, especially Matthew Degree.



School Supplies for Local Students

The Outreach Committee is collecting school supplies for two Providence schools - Nathaniel Green Middle School and Carl G. Lauro Elementary school. Composition books and two-pocket paper folders are preferred. However, other kinds of materials are appreciated (for example: pencils, erasers, notebooks, filler paper for notebooks, glue sticks, Crayola markers with different colors, Crayola colored pencils). Supplies for the upcoming school year should be turned in

by September 15, 2019. Thank you for your ongoing support!



Food Collection

Each week All Saints' collects food to be distributed monthly to food pantries in our area. We welcome donations of pre-packaged food.

July: packaged pasta

August: canned baked beans

September: canned soups and stews

Thank you for your generosity.



Construction Notice

We have received a generous grant from the Champlin Foundation for stained glass window repair, which started recently. Thank you for your patience while this work is being completed.



Altar Flowers for 2019

See Marybeth about our fresh garden flowers ministry. If you are unable participate in it, but wish to honor a loved one, altar flowers may be reserved 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 the parish office.

SCRIPTURE READINGS AND MINISTRY SCHEDULES

July 28, 2019

(Seventh Sunday after Pentecost)

First Reading: Genesis 18:20-32, TBD

Second Reading: Colossians 2:6-15,16-19, TBD

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

Prayers: TBD

Chalice: Harrington Evans

Greeters/Ushers: Patricia Solo and Eric Hirsch

Altar Guild: Gloria Perry, Pattie Marshall, and Trish Blake

Coffee Hour Team: MaryBeth Hanavan, and Trish Blake

August 4, 2019

(Eighth Sunday after Pentecost)

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

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-11, TBD

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

Prayers: TBD

Chalice: Agnes Fox

Greeters/Ushers: Gabriella Hney, Maryann Darbeh

Altar Guild: Cecilia Bernardo and Paul Connors

Coffee Hour Team: Felicia & William McBurrough

Publishing information:

The next edition of the e-messenger will be emailed on Wednesday, July 31. The deadline to submit information and articles for this edition is Tuesday, July 30. Please submit any articles or info you may have to Marisa at asmcri@verizon.net.



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