



All Saints' Memorial Church

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E-Messenger, June 15, 2023

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

Dear All Saints' Family,

Coming up we will mark Father's Day (June 18th), Juneteenth (June 19th), and World Refugee Day (June 20th).

First, in our own personal lives we will honor our fathers and those who served as fathers in our lives.

May God bless all of our fathers and those who served as fathers to us.

On Monday the country will commemorate African American freedom and the end of slavery. June 19th, 1865 is the day Union soldiers arrived in Galveston, Texas and Order #3 was issued by General Granger:

"The people of Texas are informed that in accordance with a Proclamation from the Executive of the United States, all slaves are free. This involves an absolute equality of rights and rights of property between former masters and slaves, and the connection heretofore existing between them becomes that between employer and hired laborer."

May God be with us in our ongoing quest for justice and equality in the United States.

On Tuesday we will remember and support all refugees. The United Nations High Commission on Refugees (UNHCR) counts over 108 million forcibly displaced people worldwide at the end of 2022. Between 2018 and 2022, an average of 385,000 children were born as refugees per year. **Here is a link with more information** on refugees from the

UNHCR.

I pass along a message from Presiding Bishop Michael Curry about World Refugee Day:



Hello, I'm Michael Curry, presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church. June the 20th, as you may well know, is World Refugee Day. In thinking about that, I was particularly mindful this year of the passage found in the 25th chapter of Matthew's Gospel. It's where Jesus tells a parable, a story of judgment day, sometimes called the parable of the last judgment or the parable of the sheep and the goats.

When the Bible talks about judgment day in these kinds of context, it's really trying to get us to grasp what really matters, what is important to God. And in this parable, Jesus says all the nations and peoples of the

earth are assembled before the king on judgment day. To those who have clothed those who were naked, fed those who were hungry, welcomed those who were strangers, visited those in prison or in hospital or alone, he says, enter into the joys of the kingdom. Enter into the joys of heaven.

But the righteous ones who are welcomed into heaven respond in the parable by saying, well, wait a minute, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or naked and clothe you, or alone and visited you? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you?

And Jesus says, when you did it to the least of these who are members of my family, you have done it unto me, the human family, the human family of God. And when we care for one another, respond to one another's needs, do what is just and kind and merciful and loving, we have done it unto God, God's self.

In the month of June and on June the 20th, we observe World Refugee Day, a day to remind us and to encourage us and for us to rededicate ourselves to the task of welcoming the stranger: those who are refugees fleeing persecution, those who are fleeing famine and natural disaster, those who are fleeing war, those who have lost their homes and everything that they know and simply want to breathe free.

This year, we are also mindful that LGBTQ people in many countries are

in additional danger. They are often threatened because of who they are, persecuted, and fleeing persecution.

The Episcopal Church has made a commitment through Episcopal Migration Ministries to do what we can for all refugees that we can help. But in particular, for those LGBTQ forced migrants who simply, like the rest of us, just want to live in love and peace, as the Bible says, with everyone sitting under their own vine or fig tree...

And we do this work committed to the one named Jesus, who himself, with Mary and Joseph, was once a refugee.

Yours in the Spirit,
Julie

**All are warmly welcome to join our Service of Holy Eucharist,
Sunday June 18, 9:30am**

Zoom Link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85484006164?pwd=ZzAvZVFUM2pKekorMGVzMFFeclFiUT09>

Service Program: You will find Sunday's program here:

http://www.allsaintsmemorial.org/uploads/1/1/7/4/117437355/service_program_june_18_2023.pdf

Music Notes



Thank you for your input on the Music program. We have formed a search committee for the Music Director/Organist. Committee members are:

Barbara Badio

Charlotte Burgess, Chair

Belinda Johnson

Patricia Marshall

Ryan Mott

Lydia Muhlenburg

Sunday's Prelude is an organ setting of "Beach Spring" (Early American hymn tune from *The Sacred Harp*) arranged by Wilbur Held (1914-2015).

The Postlude is an organ setting of "*Herr Gott, dich loben alle wir*"

(Lord God, we all give praise to Thee) arranged by Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748).

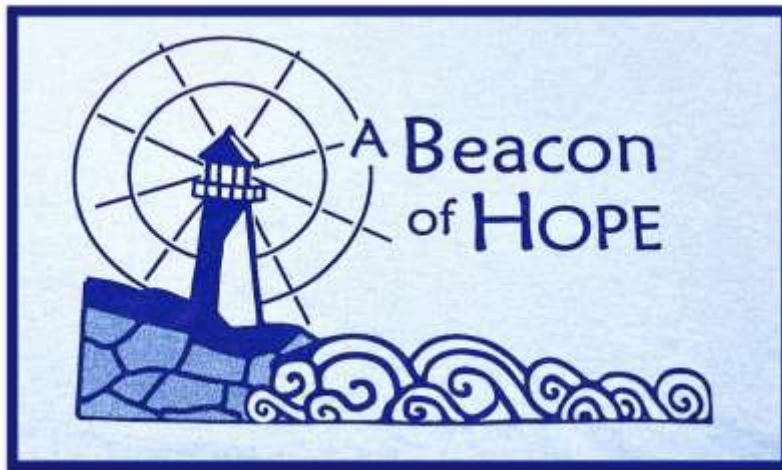
Summer Altar Flowers



Photo from Barbara's Garden

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!

I invite you to send a photo of your garden to include in the e-messenger.



Outreach News

Next Meeting: Sunday, June 25 after the Service

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!

- June: Packaged Rice
- July: Packaged Pasta

Noonday Prayer

Wednesday, June 22

We will continue with Noonday Prayer throughout the summer. You may join us in person in Rose Hall or on Zoom. Here is the link if you wish to join Noonday Prayer on Wednesdays via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82955504419?pwd=SigTzVFbTR4KoZjTy9jNVdkRFhuQTo9>

Upcoming Events

June 19: Vestry Meeting, Zoom, 6:30PM

June 25: Outreach Meeting

June 25: Confirmation Class

PRAYERS

We pray for our fellow parishioners Derek, Gus, Marie, Trish, Victor, Rose, Susan, Gloria, Theo, Musa, and Barry. We also pray for Dorothea Evans Gordon, Margaret Barney, Clarence Scott, Germaine, Naida Thomas, Merynn Flynn,

Karen L., Stephen, Barbara K., Lusaynie Sirleaf, John Flinton, James, Rachael, Zo, Marie, and Kerry.

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

We pray for those who celebrate birthdays this week especially Nnenna Okpara, Sommie Amaechina, Kathy Mechnig, Lahwol Fatima Freeman, and Adenike Jallah.

SCRIPTURE READINGS AND MINISTRIES

June 18, 2023

First Reading: Exodus 19:2-8a

Response: Psalm 100

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-8

Gospel: Matthew 9:35-10:8

Altar Guild: Felicia and Patricia

Coffee Hour: Anne Tait and Marybeth Hanavan

June 25, 2023

First Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-13

Response: Psalm 69: 8-11, 18-20

Second Reading: Romans 6:1b-11

Gospel: Matthew 10:24-39

Altar Guild: April and Alex

Coffee Hour: Anne Tait and Marybeth Hanavan

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