



E-Messenger, March 7, 2024

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



Dear All Saints' Family,

I think you all know at this juncture that I am scheduled for knee surgery on Monday. I expect to be out recovering for six weeks. Your prayers will be much appreciated. Rev. Bill Locke will serve as our celebrant for most services in my absence. We are blessed with a very able Vestry whose strong faith and wisdom will continue to lead our church.

A number of parishioners have volunteered to be in the office on Tuesday (9:00-11), Wednesday (10-11:30), and Thursday (10-11:30) mornings. If a pastoral need arises in the coming weeks, please talk to a Vestry Officer (Musa, Chip, Pattie, Becky, Dan). Emergency pastoral care will be available.

The schedule of Holy Week and Easter services is below, as well as information about Easter altar flowers. A unique zoom link for the Maundy Thursday Service is included with this schedule.

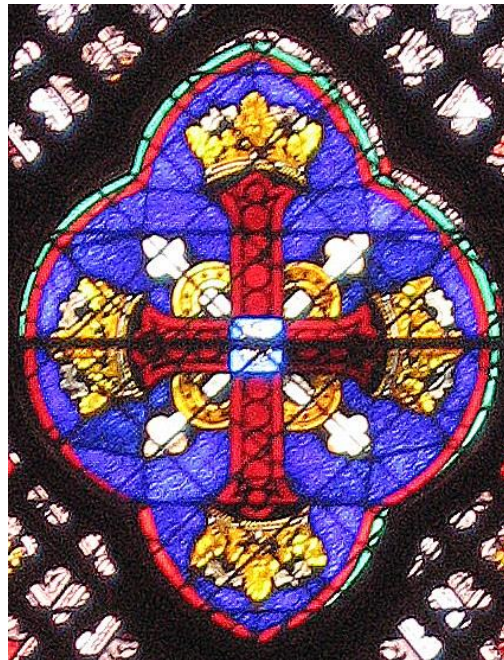
Wishing you a holy Lent and Easter Joy.

Peace and Blessings,
Julie

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

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

The Sunday Service program may be found [here](#).



Holy Week and Easter Services

Palm Sunday, March 24: 9:30am (Service begins in Rose Hall)

Maundy Thursday, March 28:

~ Soup and bread, 5:30-7:00pm

~ Maundy Thursday Service 7:00PM

~ Maundy Thursday **unique Zoom link:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86966547713?pwd=RWxOeTILbFV0QjVKMHI4b25kWEpNdz09>

Good Friday Service, March 29:

~ 12:15pm Service

~ Stations of the Cross following the Service

Festival Celebration of Easter and Holy Eucharist, March 31

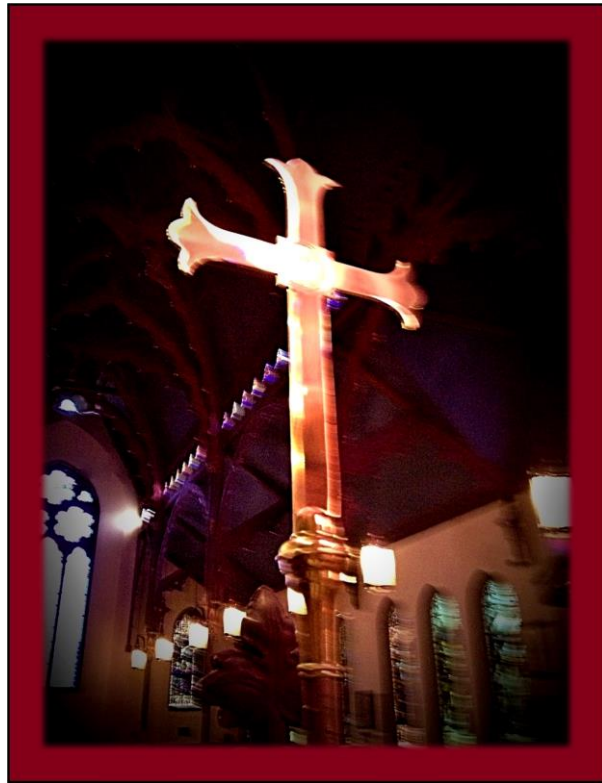
~ 9:30 am



Easter Altar Flowers

The church will be decorated for the Easter season with lilies and other spring flowers. To give these flowers as memorials for loved ones who have died, or in thanksgiving for special persons or events in your life, you may fill out the form found at the church entrance or in Rose Hall. Please leave the form in the office or give it to Deirdre Greelish. You may also drop the form in the offering plate by Sunday, March 24. Suggested donation for the

flowers is \$25-\$35. Please make checks payable to “All Saints' Memorial Church.”



In Loving Memory of Barry

Thank you to all who participated in Saturday's Memorial Service for Barry. Anne and Becky put together a beautiful obituary with links to some of Barry's concerts. It is posted on our website. [Here is the link.](#)

I pass along the tribute given by Barbara Badio during the Service:

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow said:

*Tell me not in mournful numbers
Life is but an empty dream!
For the soul is dead that slumbers
And things are not what they seem.*

Robert Frost also said:

*The woods are lovely, dark, and deep
But I have promises to keep
And miles to go before I sleep
And miles to go before I sleep.*

What can I say about Dr Barry Turley? He was among the first few that welcomed me to All Saints. One Sunday after service as we were entering Rose Hall, I called out to him “Dr. Turley” .

He turned around and said, "Am I getting an award?" “What did I win?” I said “Nothing!” I” I don’t know what to call you, I just want to ask you a couple of questions about hymns”. He then said,” First of all, call me Barry, no formality.”

Since then, our conversations were on topics ranging from hymns from Levas, the blue hymnal or Liberian songs and the beating of the sassa and the drums. He even wanted to invite a Liberian singer or a group of singers to church. No matter how long the discussions, our conversations always ended on food.

Barry loved Liberian food with just a’ little dash of spice’ as he always said. He was quite interested in check rice which he called green rice. He couldn’t believe that the green color was not food coloring but spinach. Repeatedly, he’ll ask, “so you’re saying that the spinach turned the rice green”? When I replied “yes!” He said “Then you all are scientists”! Barry had an amazing sense of humor.

During one of the weekly evening prayer services held during the Ebola crises, he asked me to choose a song that I’d like to sing. Little did I know that it would be

sung in church on Sunday. He then told me that it had become one of his favorite songs. It reads:

There's a sweet, sweet spirit in this place.

And I know that it's the spirit of the Lord.

There are sweet expressions on each face,

And I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove

Stay bright here with us filling us with thy love

And for these blessings, we lift our hearts in praise

Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived

When we shall leave this place.

Longfellow:

"Lives of great men all remind us

We can make our lives sublime

And departing, leave behind us

Footprint on the sands of time."

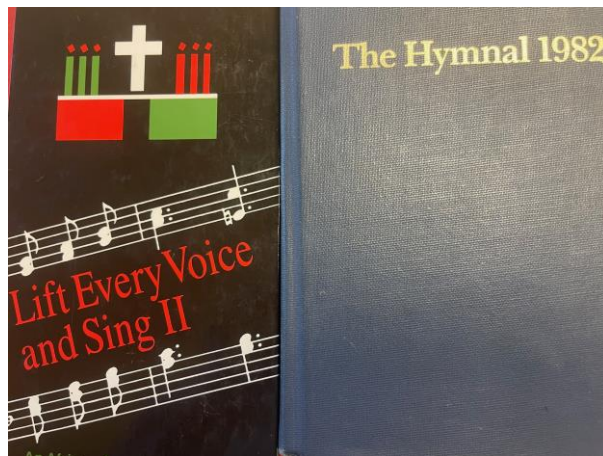
So, Barry, we never had the chance to make the "green rice". The 'scientists' and I will miss you, in fact we already do.

As you enter into heaven's gates to the sounds of harps and cymbals, the beating of the sassa and drums, the chimes of bells and loud organ melodies, may flights of angels sing thee to thy rest and rest in peace. Thank you.



*Wednesday Noonday Prayer and Faith
Inquirers/Scripture Discussion*

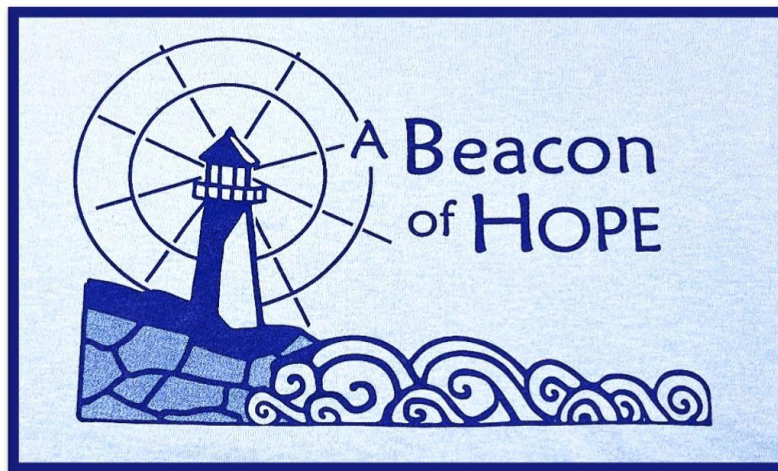
Wednesday Noonday Prayer, Faith Inquirers/Scripture discussion, and healing prayer will resume on Wednesday April 24th in Rose Hall at noon.



Music Notes

This Sunday once again we invite your input on your favorite hymns. We have placed some hymnals on the tables in Rose Hall. If you have not submitted your input already, please take a look through LEVAS and the 1982 Hymnal and write down hymns that you would like to sing during our services. Please give your written input to Rich or Rev. Julie.

As we move through our church seasons, your recommendations will be well-appreciated. It is lovely to sing together as a congregation, lifting our voices together singing praise to God.



Outreach News

Spice up the Winter: Thank you for such generosity!

White Socks for Crossroads: As you are out and about on daily errands, please consider purchasing some white socks for our Crossroads neighbors.

Monthly Food Collection: This month we are collecting tuna although any non-perishable food items are most welcome.

Upcoming Events

March 13: Choir Practice

March 17: Vestry Meeting, in person

March 24: Palm Sunday

March 24: Please submit Easter Memorial Flower requests by today!

Prayers

We pray for our fellow parishioners Derek, Gus, Victor, Gloria, and Theo; and for Dorothea Evans Gordon, Naida Thomas, Lusaynie Sirleaf, John Flinton, James, Rachael, Eva McBorrow, Jennifer, Carla, Sawyer L., Elizabeth Pacek, Kerry DelaGaza, Nancy Pollard, Calie, and Ivy.

We pray for those who have died. *Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

We pray for those who work for peace in the armed forces especially Hannah Makuch.

We pray for those who celebrate birthdays this week especially Barbara Badio, TH Evans, and Gigi Fahnbulleh.

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SCRIPTURE READINGS AND MINISTRIES

March 10, 2024

First Reading: Numbers 21:4-9 Deirdre Greelish

Response: Psalm 107:1-3;17-22

Second Reading: Ephesians 2:1-10 Marybeth Hanavan

Gospel: John 3:14-21

Prayers of the People: Eric Hirsch

Chalice: Marybeth Hanavan

Acolyte: Eric Hirsch

Altar Guild: Felicia and Patricia


March 17, 2024

First Reading: Exodus 3:16-4:12 Barbara Badio

Second Reading: John 8:46-59 Susan Goodnough

Altar Guild: Felicia and Patricia



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