



All Saints' Memorial Church
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Come and worship

Rejoice in fellowship

Love and serve the Lord!



"We are a church moved by the Holy Spirit."

~ from the Episcopal Church Executive Council

Dear All Saints' Family,

Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe begins his new leadership role working with the Executive Council. During a recent meeting, each person was asked to name a one-word wish for the Church. Many one-word wishes were offered: *"Offerings included: courage (3), unity (2), remember (2), love (2), flexibility (2), dignity, witness, joyful, equity, action, inclusive, depth, resilience, fearless, imagination, reckoning, strength, partnership, and stretch."*

I find the wish *"stretch"* particularly compelling. If we truly understand that the Holy Spirit is ceaselessly active among us, we must stretch ourselves to listen and follow.

Is there a wish that resonates with you? Is there something missing from the above list? I would love to hear your thoughts.

Thanksgiving Baskets: A Request from Outreach

Our annual Thanksgiving Basket project is underway thanks to the careful planning and efforts of our faithful Outreach Ministry

As you can imagine, filling 25 boxes overflowing with Thanksgiving food involves a lot of shopping. Outreach asks for your help in purchasing and dropping off food items to the church so that the baskets can be assembled. You will be reimbursed for the purchases if you wish.



Here are some important dates:

Sunday Nov 10 - Sunday Nov. 17

Sign up to purchase food for the baskets. The sign-up sheet is in Rose Hall. The sign-up sheet includes a list of all the items that are needed and the quantity needed. For example, we need 25 pies for dessert. You may wish to sign up to bring several (or more) pies.

Saturday November 23, 10:00 AM

Deadline for delivering your food items to the church. Perishable items like pies must be dropped off at the church on Saturday, November 23 at 10:00 am. If you are bringing non-perishable items, you don't have to wait until November 23. You may bring non-perishable items to church on Sunday Nov. 17 or drop them off at the church during Office Hours (Tuesday-Thursday 10am-2pm).

Sunday November 24th after the Service

Assembly of the baskets in Rose Hall during Coffee Hour.

****If you submitted a name for a Thanksgiving basket, you may take the box with you after Coffee Hour on November 24th and deliver it to that person or family. We will carry the basket/boxes to your car for you.****

Joyful Moment in the All Saints' Family

This week Patricia became a US Citizen. Many blessings, Patricia.





Yours in the Spirit,
Julie

All are warmly welcome to join our Sunday Service of Holy Eucharist in-person, on Facebook, or via zoom at 9:30 am.

Here is the Zoom link:

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

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



Music Notes

The Prelude and Postlude - Changes in our Practice

Over the years many have asked about the prelude and the postlude. Here is a bit of information about the prelude from the Episcopal Church website. "In the Episcopal Church, the term typically refers to a piece of music that is played immediately before the beginning of a service. A musical prelude is often played by an organist or other instrumentalists. The prelude may reflect the theme, liturgical season, or occasion of the day. Many musical preludes have been based on hymn tunes."

(<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/glossary/prelude/>)

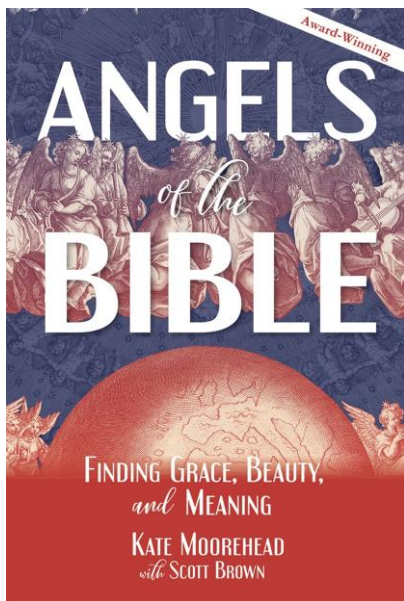
The prelude invites us to gather and prepare our hearts and minds for worship. The prelude helps us transition from the business of our lives to a sacred space of prayer and praise. While it is so lovely to hear the buzz of chatting and catching up with friends before the Service, the start of the prelude is a signal that it is time to sit and be still in the presence of the Lord.

Now you may be wondering about the postlude. Our tradition at All Saints' has been to sit quietly and listen to the postlude, often applauding at the end. When the postlude is over, we proceed to Coffee Hour.

Rich and I have had several conversations about the postlude, especially about the applause. Rich has suggested several times that he would prefer *not* to have the

applause. While he appreciates the enthusiastic response, Rich feels that the postlude is part of the service. Going forward, we request new postlude etiquette for Sunday Services. First, no applause please! (Of course, its always nice to hear positive feedback so feel free to tell Rich that you liked any aspect of the music program, prelude, postlude or in between!)

Second, unlike the prelude, the postlude does not call us to silent meditation and prayer. The postlude begins after the recessional hymn and dismissal. This Sunday, if you wish to remain seated and listen attentively and meditatively to the postlude, please do. *Alternatively*, this Sunday if you wish to greet other parishioners or move towards Coffee Hour during the postlude, please do. Enjoy and appreciate the beautiful music either sitting in the pew, or as you are leaving the sanctuary.



Wednesday Noonday Prayer/Angels Discussion

We meet again today at noon for Noonday Prayer (12:00pm) and our discussion of *Angels in the Bible* (12:15-1:00). We discuss Chapters 6&7 in the *Angels* book.

For next Wednesday (November 20), please read Chapters 9&11.

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

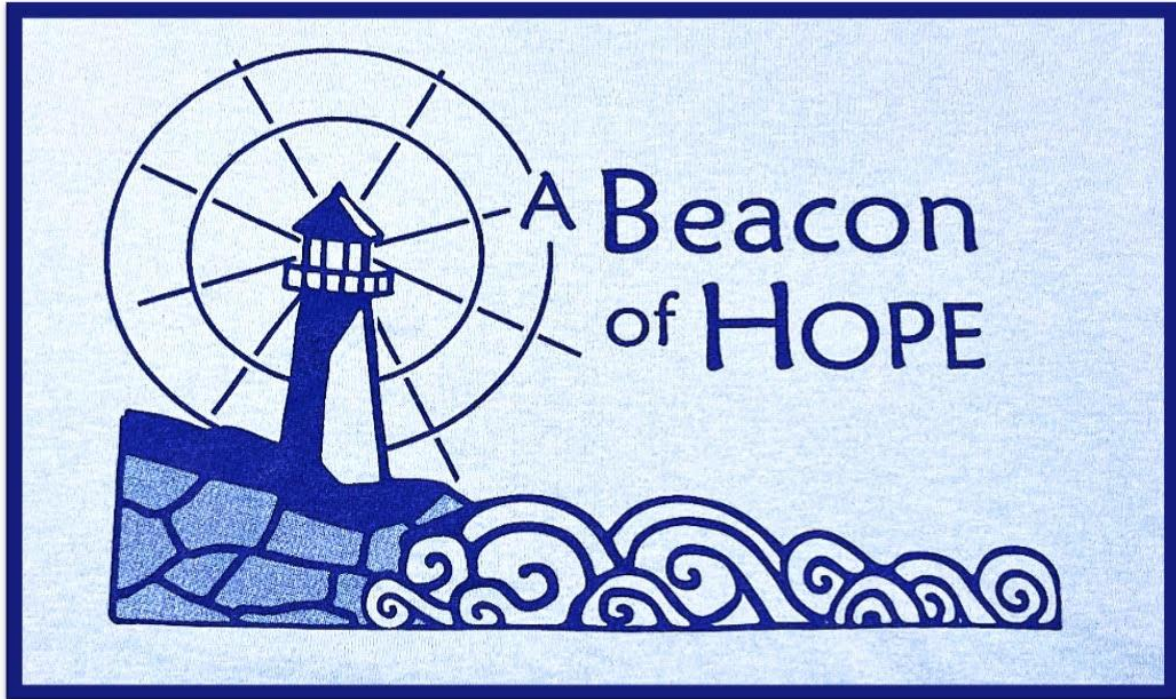
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the All Saints' Church Connect app. Sign in and you are ready to go. Musa or Becky can help if you have questions.



Outreach News

Sign up this Sunday (November 10) and next Sunday (November 17) to bring food items for Thanksgiving baskets (Rose Hall). Thank you so much for pitching in to help feed our neighbors. **Please deliver the food items to the church:**

- on Sunday, November 17; or
- during Office Hours (10-2 Tues-Thurs); or
- at 10:00 am Saturday morning, November 23

Next Outreach meeting: Sunday, December 1.

Monthly Food Collection: We welcome donations of Mac'n Cheese in November although any non-perishable food items are most welcome. Thank you for your generosity!

Worship Ministry

First Reading: Daniel 12:1-3 Musa Goll

Psalm 146: Musa Goll

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14; 19-25 Eric Hirsch

Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

Prayers of the People: Nnenna Amaechina

Altar Guild: Felicia and Patricia

Chalice: Barbara Badio

Acolytes: Dan Meching, Devine Kpeh, Kodii Amaechina

Upcoming Events

November 17: Sign-up to bring food items for Thanksgiving Baskets (Rose Hall)

November 17: Facilities Meeting

November 20: Noonday Prayer and *Angels* Discussion 12:00pm, Rose Hall

November 20: Choir Practice

November 23: Deadline for Thanksgiving Basket food items, 10:00 am

November 24: Vestry meeting following the Service

November 24: Thanksgiving Basket Assembly in Rose Hall

December 14: Advent Retreat, (hosted by All Saints', St. Luke's Pawtucket, and Christ Church Lincoln) 10am-3pm

Prayers

We pray for our fellow parishioners Derek, Gus, Victor, Gloria, Wilmar, Mary, Susan, Bill, and Angela. and for Dorothea Evans Gordon, Naida Thomas, Lusaynie Sirleaf, John Flinton, James, Elizabeth Pacek, John Dunning, Karen, Clara Hutchins, Billy, Togba Treah, and Sharita.

We pray for those who celebrate birthdays especially Mercy Peah.

O God our heavenly Father whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go. Preserve those who travel, especially Barbara, Derek, and Mercy. Surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord, *Amen*.

Altar flowers this Sunday are given in praise and thanksgiving to God for all God's blessings.

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

We pray for young adults in our congregation – Willcia and Joyce now college graduates, Victor, Roma, Kojo, Anne Marie, Sarah, Fatima, Sommie, Derrick, Natalya, and Raheem; may they know the Lord's steadfast presence and love in all that they do.

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