



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

## *November 5, 2020 Parish messenger*

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

*For your loving-kindness is greater than the heavens,  
and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds (Psalm 57)*

Dear All Saints' Family,

It is Tuesday afternoon, hours before the polls close and the election numbers start to trickle in. I have been debating with myself all day whether I want to watch, or just wait until the results are official. I'm still undecided.

The election outcome remains a question mark. I am starting to think about Thanksgiving. That seems more manageable today. I'm thinking

not so much details of the actual holiday but about thanksgiving. We have had a tough year. I don't need to elaborate on all those challenges. But what about thanksgiving? In nine months of rough times, it is easy to forget or overlook the touching and grace-filled moments of tenderness, presence, kindness, and faithfulness in our lives—thanksgiving moments.

The Thanksgiving holiday is fast approaching. It will probably look very different for us—fewer in-person family and friends, perhaps less of a dining experience than usual, and more connections via FaceTime and Zoom. It still remains a day for thanksgiving—the act of saying or showing that you are grateful, especially to God. Thanksgiving—a pause to realize that we do indeed have many reasons to give thanks and praise to God even in these difficult times. In that pause we can thankfully pray with the psalmist, “for your loving kindness is greater than the heavens, and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.”

If we need a starting point this Thanksgiving, I give thanks for our kind-hearted and faithful Vestry, leaders of all our ministries, and each and every beloved family member whose very presence feeds and enlivens our All Saints' faith community. Somehow and amazingly, God continues to draw us together in these isolating times. In the end, it may be our thanksgivings that draws the nation closer while we chip away at mitigating the seemingly intractable differences in our society.

Over the next week, I encourage you to spend a little time reflecting on thanksgivings in your lives and our life together in Christ. Can you point to a moment of thanksgiving this week, or in recent weeks? Are you willing to share it? I hope and pray so. Please send that thanksgiving to me (via e-mail or text). I will put our prayers of thanks together (anonymously; without names) and integrate them into our service of Noonday Prayer the Wednesday before Thanksgiving on November 25.

Gratefully,  
Julie

Join us on Sunday at 9:30 for a Service of Holy Eucharist, via Zoom or in-person. Here is the Zoom link:

*Sunday 9:30 a.m. Service*

*Time: This is a recurring meeting*

*Join Zoom Meeting:*

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85484006164?pwd=ZzAvZVFUM2pKekorMGVzMFFEclFiUT09>

*Meeting ID: 854 8400 6164*

*Passcode: 674674*

Here is the link to the service program:

[http://www.allsaintsmemorial.org/uploads/1/1/7/4/117437355/service\\_bulletin\\_23\\_pentecost\\_november\\_8\\_2020.pdf](http://www.allsaintsmemorial.org/uploads/1/1/7/4/117437355/service_bulletin_23_pentecost_november_8_2020.pdf)

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## *A Prayer for the Human Family*

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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## *Stewardship Message from Chip Smith*

I hope you are mulling over the amount of your pledge. Now the trick is to get it to the Church!

1. You can drop off at our mailbox.

2. You can mail it.
3. Chip Smith would be willing to pick up (401) 556-0036
4. You can use our drive-through on Commitment Sunday, November 22nd after our 9:30 AM service, and receive an Advent book of reflections and some All Saints' hand sanitizer. Wow!

Thank you for your ongoing faith-filled generosity.

—Chip

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## *LECUSA Thursday Evening Prayer Group via ZOOM*

All are invited to join the Liberian Episcopal Community USA each Thursday evening for intercessory prayer via Zoom from 8:00-9:00pm.

Here is the Zoom link:

*Topic: LECUSA Weekly Intercessory Prayer*

*Time: Thursdays @ 07:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)*

*Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6219744763>*

*Meeting ID: 621 974 4763*

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## *Yarn Available for Knitting and Crochet Projects!*

Thanks to Marsha Mott, we have an abundance of yarn for knitting or crocheting prayer shawls, hats or mittens, or other items to share with the community. Please let ReeRee or Rev. Julie know if you would like to come to the church and take some home to knit or crochet.



## *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.

- November: boxed mac n' cheese
- December: canned vegetables
- January: canned pasta

Thank you for your generosity!

*Upcoming Events*

- **Nov 5:** Nominating Committee Meeting, 6 PM, via Zoom.
- **Nov 11:** Vestry Meeting, 6 PM, via Zoom.

## *Keeping up with Your Pledge in These Times*

While we are limited in the number of worshippers we can have in church, we ask that you keep up with your pledge as you are able.

There are three ways for you to do so.

- Give online - it is easy and secure. Here is how:
  1. Go to our website—[allsaintsmemorial.org](http://allsaintsmemorial.org)—our home page.
  2. Below the "Coronavirus Update" section on the home page, click on the Donate button.
  3. You can either sign in to ChurchTrac or give as a guest.
- Make out a check and send it by mail to the church:

*All Saints' Memorial Church*  
*674 Westminster Street*  
*Providence, RI 02903*
- Place your sealed offering envelope with check or cash in the mailbox outside the office door. To open the mailbox, tug on the knob on the front side, and pull the door down. Deposit mail

through the slot that is revealed. Please close the mailbox door when you are finished.

If you have questions, please email me ([rsillima@bu.edu](mailto:rsillima@bu.edu)) or call me (946-3562).

-Thank you,  
Becky

## *Instructions for Attending Church Services in the Building—Developed by the Vestry*

- Please enter through the side entrance next to St. Elizabeth's at 9:20.
- Please sanitize your hands as you enter the church. Hand sanitizer is available for your use as you enter/exit the building, and in the reserved pews.
- Please bring your own service program; you may leave it in the recycle bin at the church entrance when you leave. Or, you may wish to use your phone or tablet for the service instead of bringing the hard copy program. All service programs are posted on [our web site](#).

- Please sit in a pew with the white, reserved sign.
- No singing during service.
- Masks and social distancing are required.
- For the Eucharist: please sanitize your hands before coming to the altar for Holy Communion.
- Once you receive the Eucharist, please move to the side at least six feet from the Communion station before you consume the Eucharist.
- Rest rooms are open (one stall in each).
- Please do not go into the Office or Rose Hall.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Thank you!



## BE SAFE Plus

Family Service of Rhode Island's BE SAFE Plus Program was specifically developed for Rhode Island seniors (60+) and people with disabilities.

This program provides access to **fresh food**, **cleaning** and **personal care supplies** to high risk seniors and people with disabilities.

To enroll, call the point:  
**(401) 462-4444**

To make a donation or find out more information visit us online at  
[www.familyserviceri.org/besafe](http://www.familyserviceri.org/besafe)



## *Free Deliveries for Seniors*

Family Service of Rhode Island (FSRI) is delivering FREE fresh vegetables, fruits, cleaning supplies and PPE for seniors in need. As the number of COVID cases begins to rise again across the country, we want to make sure that RI seniors have what they need to stay safe.

While singles can apply for a delivery by calling 401-462-4444, groups can contact 401-519-2283 to schedule a group delivery. Below are some quick facts about the program:

1. FSRI is highly responsive and has a lot of capacity to get deliveries out across the state whenever needed.
2. FSRI can deliver for the senior, their caregivers, and others in the household (check out the eligibility, not hard to qualify for this).
3. The boxes contain FRESH fruits & vegetables (good for people with dietary restrictions e.g. diabetes), personal care items (alcohol swabs, etc.) and masks, cleaning supplies, etc.
4. The boxes, deliveries, etc are all free.
5. FSRI calls each senior to set up a time convenient for the senior to make the delivery and ask about special needs; and then call again the day of delivery to confirm.
6. FSRI deliveries are in refrigerated trucks to preserve freshness even on the hottest days.
7. Right now, each senior in RI is entitled to get this service twice.

# PRAYERS

Those for whom prayers have been asked:

We pray for our fellow parishioners Derek, Alice, Gus, Ernie, Ruby, Marie, Trish, Garmonyou, and Virginia. We also pray for Dorothea Evans Gordon, James Greene, Eric and Irene T., Mary Tryforos, Joan, Maribeth Sneddon, Margaret Barney, Carolyn, Michael Blake, Clarence Scott, Germaine, Naida Thomas, and Laura Silva-East.

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

We pray for all healthcare workers, first responders, and those who are in public spaces such as pharmacies, grocery stores, and other vital services in these times.

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## SCRIPTURE READINGS

***November 8, 2020***

*Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost*

First Reading: Wisdom of Solomon 6:12–16, Bob Wells

Response: Wisdom of Solomon 6:17-20, Nnenna Amaechina

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, Barbara Badio

Prayers: April Donahower

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

***November 15, 2020***

*Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost*

First Reading: Zephaniah 1:7,12-18, Rosetta Evans

Psalm: Psalm 90:1-8,12, Musa Goll

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11, Marybeth

Hanavan

Prayers: Eric Hirsch

Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

### *Publishing information:*

The next regular edition of the e-messenger will be emailed on Thursday,

November 12. The deadline to submit information and articles for this edition is Tuesday, November 10. Please submit any articles or info you may have to ReeRee at [asmcri@verizon.net](mailto:asmcri@verizon.net).



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