



All Saints' Memorial Church

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Come and worship

Rejoice in fellowship

Love and serve the Lord!

Dear All Saints' Family,

A reminder and invitation to bring your beloved pets or a photo of your pet to our Service of Holy Eucharist on Sunday for a blessing. The blessing of the animals happens each year close to or on the Feast of St. Francis (Saturday, October 4th).

Thanks to all who so lovingly helped make the "Triple Ordination" on Saturday so beautiful and joyful. Here are a few photos.







Blessings
Tom, Tom & Matt



Kathy and Sandy at the end of the celebration in Rose Hall.

Here is Tom wearing the handmade stole that Charlotte and Anne made for him as a remembrance of his time with us All Saints'.



Peace and blessings,
Julie

All are welcome to join our Service of Holy Eucharist at 9:30 on Sunday, in-person, [by Zoom](#), or on facebook.

You may find the Service Program posted on our website on Thursday.



Monday Meditation and Music

This past Monday was the fourth and last in the September series of evening meditation and music. The practice of meditation is profound. There is no easy way to explain what meditation is about. For our September sessions, we emphasized three "C's":

The practice of meditation *calms* the body.

The practice of meditation brings *clarity* as we enter into the present moment.

The practice of meditation opens us to *connection* with God (and community).

Each session began with about 10 minutes of music.

Chip played the piano for two of the sessions. Cecelia sang during two of the sessions, and Becky played the flute at one of the sessions. The live music was a lovely introduction to the stillness of the evenings, allowing us to leave busy days behind and settle ourselves.

I did not take photos of the musicians once the program was under way as I did not want to insert a phone into the beauty of the evening quiet and prayer. Here are photos of Chip, Becky, and Cecelia at the Ordination on Saturday.



Chip (middle)



Charlotte and Becky



Cecelia to the Bishop's left

After the music, during each session our guest Ann Salzarulo led us in a meditation that focused us on the breath, bringing us deeper into stillness and calmness.

The breathing meditation was followed by ten minutes of silence/centering prayer (connection with God).

As I look back at each session I observed a progression of increased participant comfort with the last portion of the 45 minute session - 10 minutes of sitting in complete silence and stillness/prayer. One person commented at the end of the fourth session that when the quiet meditation piece was ending and participants were invited to open their eyes, "I didn't know where I was."

We ended each session with this prayer from the New Zealand Prayerbook (and a few minutes of snacks and fellowship).

Lord,
it is night.

The night is for stillness.
Let us be still in the presence of God.

It is night after a long day.
What has been done has been done;
what has not been done has not been done;
let it be.

The night is dark.
Let our fears of the darkness of the world and of our own lives
rest in you.

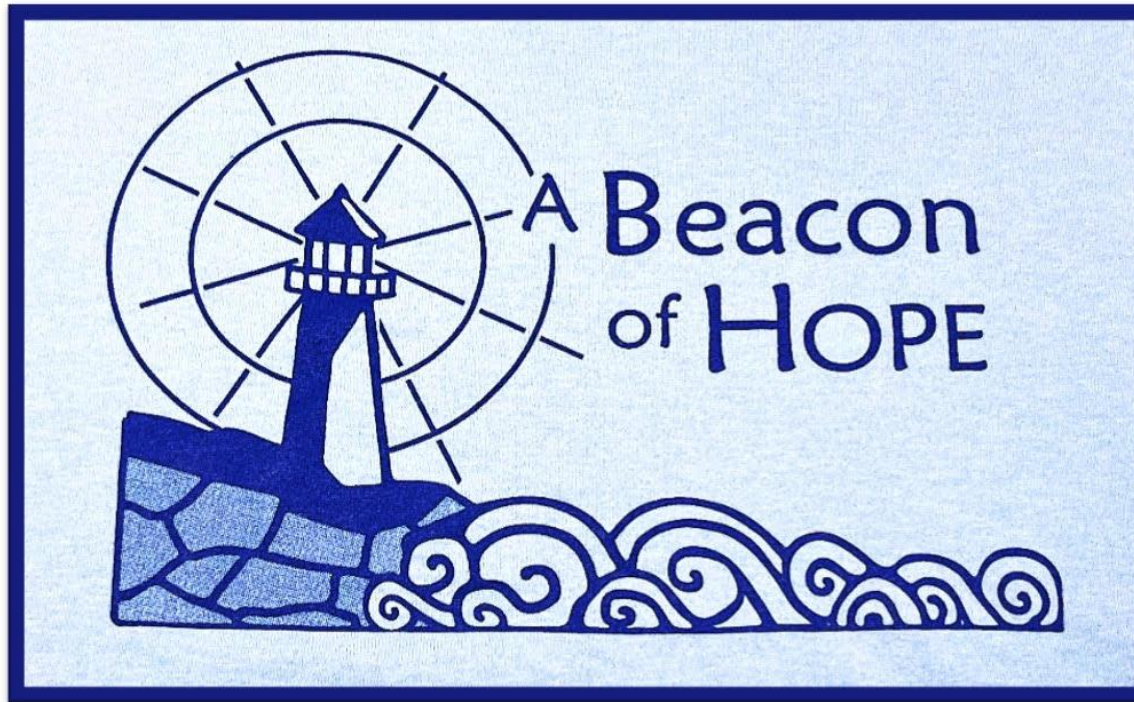
The night is quiet.
Let the quietness of your peace enfold us,
all dear to us,
and all who have no peace.

The night heralds the dawn.
Let us look expectantly to a new day,
new joys,
new possibilities.

In your name we pray.

Amen.

We will likely have another evening music and meditation series during Lent or in the spring. Thank you Ann, Chip, Cecelia, and Becky for helping us introduce this program at All Saints'. Thank you to all who joined us!



Outreach Ministry

Monthly Food Collection: We collect food monthly and distribute the donated food to Better Lives RI and Crossroads Family Center. We invite you to contribute any prepackaged food items or canned goods with flip tops. Food cards from various grocery stores are welcome as well. Thank you for your generosity!



Join our Wednesday Noonday Prayer and Bible Study next Wednesday, October 8 at 12:00 pm in the church (in-person or [zoom](#)).

Worship Ministries October 5, 2025

First Reading: Lamentations 1:1-6 Rosetta Evans

Psalm 137

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:1-14 Cora Nagle

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

Prayers: Chip Smith

Acolytes Kodi and Divine, Musa Goll

Upcoming

October 5: Blessing of the Animals

October 12: Youth Confirmation Class

October 14-18: Rev. Julie on retreat at the SSJE Monastery in Cambridge

PRAYERS

We pray for our fellow parishioners Derek, Victor, Gloria, Mary, Lady Johnnet, Angela, and Mercy. We pray for Ariminty P. Cole, Charles Carranda, William Donahower, Mark Stills, Marcy, Garth Hirsch, Naida Thomas, Lusaynie Sirleaf, John Flinton, James, Elizabeth Pacek, Karen, John Dunning, Togba Treah, Sharita, Patty, Jefferson, and Denise.

We pray for all students, teachers, and staff in our schools and colleges. Holy God, source of all wisdom we ask that your blessing and guidance be upon Chimmy, Cora, Devine, Kodi, and Neb. May the blessing of your Holy Spirit be upon Anne Marie, Derrick, Sarah, and Sommie bringing them the fire of your love and wisdom as they engage in this academic year.

We pray for friends and loved ones departed especially Kenny Anderson. May they enter the chorus of eternal praise that rings across the ages.

O God whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go. Preserve all those who travel, especially Linda. 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*.

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

We pray for all the who celebrate birthdays next week.

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