



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

October 22, 2020 Parish messenger

Come and worship

Rejoice in fellowship

Love and serve the Lord!



There is a lot of angst in our lives today. COVID angst. Election angst. Angst about divisions in our society. Angst about long standing racism and inequality. Environmental angst. Employment angst. Angst about having enough money to buy food and pay the bills. All very real and pressing problems that we as a society must fix. This list is likely incomplete. This is a time to appreciate our anchors—those parts of our lives that keep us moored and connected, that nourish and enliven us for the task at hand. As a church, two such anchors are prayer and fellowship.

I commend two prayer opportunities to you.

The first is a weekly intercessory prayer group on Thursday evenings via

Zoom, hosted by LECUSA (Liberian Episcopal Community in the USA). Barbara Badio, President of the RI Chapter of LECUSA, invites you to join this prayer group any Thursday evening from 8-9 PM. You will find this shared prayer hour a source of strength and hope. Here is a message from Barbara:

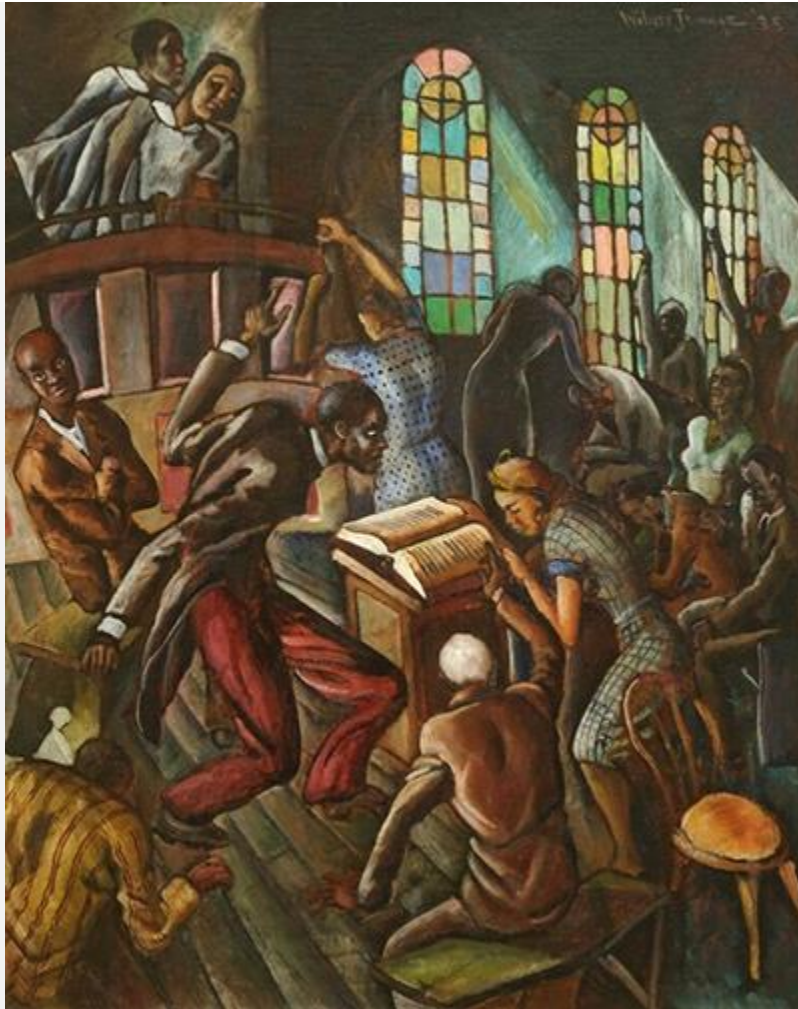
"Greetings! You are invited to join a weekly gathering of prayers and worship organised by LECUSA every Thursday from 7:45-9:00PM. It is open to all. Join us as we pray for issues affecting us during these uncertain times. You can find the LECUSA site and the zoom link [here](#)."

Forward Movement invites us to participate in nine days of prayer from October 27—Nov. 4, "[A Season of Prayer for an Election](#)." Each day includes a litany for Sound Government and a special prayer for each day. I will include the 9 daily prayers in this newsletter as the days unfold, starting Tuesday, Oct 27.

Fellowship is another calling of our faith. As St. Paul writes, "*God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ.*" Christian fellowship takes many forms from Eucharistic fellowship to talking about what is on our mind with one another, sharing what is important to us, speaking wisdom from God, and deepening our relationships with one another. Our Fellowship 40 series, now on pause, was an example of this fellowship. The Arts ministry virtual events such

as the Studio Tour and this Sunday's interview with Wilmar give us more fellowship moments.

This Sunday immediately following our 9:30 service, the Arts ministry is hosting a lively and engaging Zoom event: An interview with Wilmar Jennings about his artist parents, Wilmer and Mary Jennings. This photo is one of Wilmer Jennings' prints:



De Good Book Says
Wilmer Jennings, 1935

Stay on Zoom following the service and experience fellowship that draws us closer to one another as we learn more about each other.

All are invited to our Sunday service of Holy Eucharist at 9:30 A.M. via Zoom or in-person. Here is the Zoom link:

Topic: Sunday 9:30 a.m. Service

Time: This is a recurring meeting

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85484006164?pwd=ZzAvZVFUM2pKekorMGVzMFFeclFiUTo9>

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_21_pentecost_october_25_2020.pdf

In Peace,
Julie

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.*

The Arts Ministry invites you to a second virtual event featuring local artists, Sunday, October 25:

Providence Artists Wilmer and Mary Jennings: An Interview with Wilmar Jennings

In an interview with Wilmar, we will learn about the African American arts scene in Atlanta and Providence. In so doing, we will learn about his parents, both artists, who met at the Rhode Island School of Design in the 1930s. His father was a well-known printmaker, jewelry designer, and painter; his mother, a Providence Public School art teacher and painter. We will also view some of their works and learn about their approaches to their art.

This event will be held via Zoom following our Sunday 9:30 AM service.

*Praying for an End to Gun Violence: A Service
of Lament, Hope and Resolve with Bishops
United Against Gun Violence*

Tuesday, October 27 at 5 pm Eastern

One week before Election Day, on Tuesday, October 27 at 5 pm Eastern, join Bishops United Against Gun Violence for *Praying for an End to Gun Violence: A Service of Lament, Hope and Resolve*. This online service will address the difficult times in which America finds itself, lament the continuing gun violence epidemic in our country and offer an opportunity for attendees to take action and pledge to follow the path of nonviolence.

The service will be led by bishops of the Bishops United network. The Rt. Rev. Mariann Budde of the Episcopal Diocese of Washington will preach.

[Registration is required](#). After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. Join by phone by dialing 646-558-8656 and using ID 865 4994 7647.

Stewardship Message from Chip Smith

COVID-19 has changed our lives since Spring and this will likely continue for some time. Prudently, Julie has reopened the Church for services. In-person attendance is slowly increasing; we have new members; and many have the flexibility of joining via Zoom or our live-streamed services, thanks to Ryan and his team. We look to the future and hope that COVID-19 is not a part of it for any extended time. With that said, our expenses continue and we need to pay them.

Pledges are down \$8,000 thus far this year, based on what we all pledged. We need to reduce this amount if at all possible. When you consider your pledge for 2021, keep in mind some of us have been hit hard financially by the pandemic. We ask that you give as generously to All Saints' as you are able.

All Saints' Receives Historic Marker Grant from the William G. Pomeroy Foundation

Earlier this year, All Saints' was awarded a grant from the William G. Pomeroy Foundation to purchase a plaque detailing our entry onto the

National Register of Historic Places in 1980

(<https://www.wgpfoundation.org/historic-markers/all-saints-memorial-church/>). We are one of over 1,200 institutions nationwide that to date has received such a grant. Our plaque was installed recently near our front entrance on Westminster Street.







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.



Hand Sanitizer Available

You may remember that Belinda Johnson made hand sanitizer for us in March when it was very difficult to find it at the store. Many of us were so grateful to use Linda's homemade, World Health Organization recipe and receive the small, blue spray bottles. Good news—Linda is making a new batch of sanitizer for us! Please let Rev. Julie or Belinda know if you need refills.



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.

- October: hot cereals
- November: boxed mac n' cheese
- December: canned vegetables

Thank you for your generosity!

Upcoming Events

- **Oct 25:** Deadline for Thanksgiving basket sign-ups.
- **Oct 25:** Providence Artists Wilmer and Mary Jennings: An Interview with Wilmar Jennings.
- **Nov 1:** All Saints' Day.
- **Nov 1:** Outreach meeting via Zoom, right after the 9:30 AM service.

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—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) 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.familysericri.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.

Celebrating a birthday this week: Derek Badio, Cecelia Bernardo, and Jillian Fox.

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

October 25, 2020

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

First Reading: Leviticus 19:1-2,15-18, Eric Hirsch

Psalm: Psalm 1, Monika Kraemer

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8, Wilmar Jennings

Prayers: Dan Mechnig

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-46

November 1, 2020

All Saints' Day

First Reading: Revelation 7:9-17, Becky Silliman

Psalm: Psalm 34:1-10,22, Chip Smith

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-3, Anne Tait

Prayers: Lyndsey Wells

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

Publishing information:

The next regular edition of the e-messenger will be emailed on Thursday, October 29. The deadline to submit information and articles for this edition is Tuesday, October 27. Please submit any articles or info you may have to ReeRee at asmcri@verizon.net.



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