Weekly E-news and Updates







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Ministry Assignments

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Month of January Schedule

Sunday Jan 8, The 1st Sunday after Epiphany

Eucharistic Ministers

8 am

Gail Dietzer

10m

Dawn DeKemper

Dianne Wasmuth

Lector

Art Slocum

Altar Guild

Sue Harding

Gayle Gurney

<u>Usher</u>

Holm

Flower Guild

Jacqueline McLaughlin

Flower Delivery

Lynne Slocum

Greeter

Volunteer

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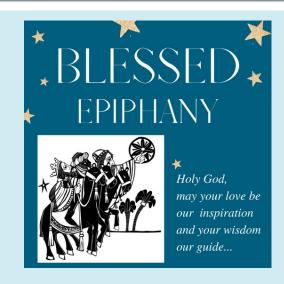
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Beloved Siblings in Christ,

Today is The Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ. It is a feast day that begins a season (that runs until February 22nd, Ash Wednesday) when we celebrate the revealing of Christ to the world. We mark the arrival of the One who is the light of the world: a light that brings life, a light that brings hope. This light shines its brightest when we are in community—with God and with one another.

Part of the light of Christ is our call to community. Community whether it be your family, neighborhood, organization, and yes even the church, is both a joy and a challenge. Community can be messy and



Worship Links for Sunday Link to Live Stream at 10:00 am Link to Worship Links

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Links to the Readings for the Baptism of Our Lord

<u>Isaiah 42:1-9</u> - The servant of the Lord brings justice

<u>Psalm 29</u> - The voice of the Lord is upon the waters

<u>Acts 10:34-43</u> - Jesus' ministry after his baptism

<u>Matthew 3:13-17</u> - Revelation of Christ as God's servant

The Collect for the Baptism of Our Lord

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen*.

Altar Flower Dedication for the Baptism of Our Lord

although social media, Hollywood entertainment, Madison Avenue advertisers, and armchair quarterback observers lift-up picture perfect examples. But these examples neglect our reality as human beings who are both saints and sinners, generous sharers and selfish consumers, who struggle to live the Christian message of love and compassion through our thoughts, words and deeds.

We'll gather later this month for our annual meeting to reflect on our shared ministry in 2022 and look forward to what God is calling us to do in 2023. This Sunday, we gather for a working brunch to share a time of fellowship and transparency about the messiness of inflation, building maintenance and operating costs for the parish. The leaders of All Saints encourage you to attend and participate in these events and others throughout the year as we strive to be a vibrant faith community walking the Way of Love together.

Sunday's sermon on the Baptism of Our Lord will focus on how in the waters of baptism we too are washed by the Word, anointed by the Spirit, and named God's beloved children. How our baptismal mission is to proclaim good news to all who are oppressed or in need of God's healing and how we live out our baptismal covenants together. I'll share how the vestry reflected and renewed our purpose, vision and values and how we can shine and share the light of Christ as community.

The New Year offers opportunities for your spiritual fulfillment and transformation by God's Word and Sacraments as we gather to worship, learn and follow Jesus; as we share the love of God by welcoming and caring for people who come through our doors and by going outside our doors to engage in ministries that provide meaningful help to our community. The light of Jesus shines its brightest when we are in community—with God and with one another.

Given in loving memory of Vincent Gandolfo by Cecilia Gandolfo.

Blessed Epiphany,

Bill+





Sunday, January 8th at 11:30 am in the Parish Hall

Over brunch provided by the vestry we will hear a brief overview of our financial position and vestry members will facilitate roundtable brainstorming ways to increase revenue. We will hear a summary from each table and the vestry will prayerfully discern the results and finalize our 2023 budget. Please be thinking about ways to help to ensure our financial viability through fundraising, building use donations, major gifts, endowment funding, crowd-sourced income, grants, or social enterprise income.

God loves you. No exceptions.



The Episcopal Church Welcomes You.

This week we pray for:

For our Parish

Howard Blaney, Ann Champagne, Prue Fitts, Felicity Freund, Judy Hess, The Jeffers Family (Polly, Dave, Rachael), Zell Kellogg, Bhupendra & Judy Khetani, Jacqueline McLaughlin, Penny Meyer, Carol Pearson, Danielle Pierpont, Bree Schuette, Lee White.

For our Family & Friends

Michael Dowd, Anne Fish, Stephanie Fullam, Ruth Gray, Susan Belt Hartson, Faye Juul, Tom Southern, Debe Tetherly, Peggy Young.

Cards Requested for Carole Pralle

Former community member Carole Pralle is now living in assisted living in New York state to be near her daughter and granddaughter. Her



spirits would be brightened by a note if you knew her, or Christmas card sent to: Carole Pralle c/o Brookdale East Side, 7164 East Genesee Street, Fayetteville, NY 13066

From The Music Corner...



On this Epiphany, I think of the Magi who had to "come alive to the invisible geography that invited them to new frontiers". This meditation from John O'Donohue inspired me in this first week of the New Year, pondering journeys that have questions and

difficulty, but may be God's path for me.

All that is eternal in me, welcomes the wonder of this day, The field of brightness it creates, offering time for each thing To arise and illuminate.....

May my mind come alive today to the invisible geography
That invites me to new frontiers.

To break the dead shells of yesterdays,

To risk being disturbed and changed.

May I have the courage today to live the life that I would love,

To postpone my dream no longer

But to do at last what I came here for

And waste my heart on fear no more.

John O'Donohue, Divine Beauty: The Invisible Embrace (NY: Harper Collins, 2004), p. 142.

Visually and musically, be inspired this week by composer Eric Whitacre's collaboration with scientists to create this half hour "be blown away" video of "Deep Field: The Impossible Magnitude of our Universe".

https://youtu.be/yDiD8F9ltX0

This perspective humbles us in awe, and creates desire to live, think and give back well in the small places we have been called to "be", to love, to serve.

Serving with you in the grasp of an infinite God,

Holly



God shall watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth for ever more.

Let us pray.

O God of and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Light of the nations and the Glory of your people, bless all who dwell in this house. May it be for them a place of peace and health, that they may rejoice in the gifts and graces you have bestowed upon them and dedicate their talents for the good of those for whom your Christ came and gave his life, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen.*

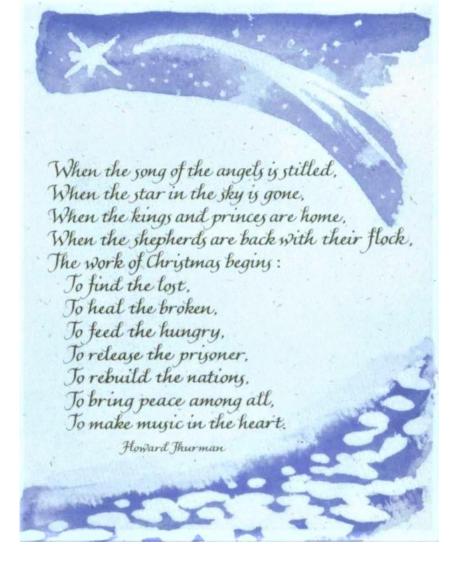
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The prelude solo on Sunday, January 1 st was based on the poem "The Work of Christmas" by the late Howard Washington Thurman, mystic, poet, philosopher, educator, civil rights leader and theologian.



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Urgent Need for Area Homeless

There is an urgent need for can openers, proteins such as canned meats, beans and peanut butter, and sleeping bags for homeless folks living outside in Ossipee. We are collecting items

the next two Sundays. Can openers can be ordered online at: https://www.amazon.com/Chef-Craft-Can-Opener and may be shipped directly to: White Horse Recovery Center, c/o Vanessa Soper, 70 Route 16B, Center Ossipee, NH, 03814-6825

Our Sunday School Children Need Your Presence



The Episcopal Church is deeply committed to fostering communities and congregations that are safe spaces for all people, particularly those who may be vulnerable in some way, to worship and minister generously, free of any form of harassment, bullying, abuse, or exploitation. To that end, our policy and practice is to have two adults present. Please sign-up to be a classroom assistant on the bulletin board and speak with Parish and Safe Church Administrator Debra Hoyt or Pastor Bill if you have any questions. Thank you.

Altar Flowers



We are encouraging that Altar Flower Dedications be made early in the year.

Now Easy to reserve your date by Signing Up Online!

https://ttsu.me/allsaintswolfe

You can still turn in a dedication slip to the office or **Email** your request to the Parish Office at allsaints@metrocast.net.

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(Please let the office know if you are providing flowers for your dedication and/or any details of dedication you wish to appear in the bulletin)

The chart in the parish hall will be updated as new requests are received.

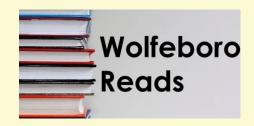
# THE SOONER YOU SIGN UP, THE BETTER CHANCE YOU HAVE TO RESERVE THE DATE YOU WANT!

**Flowers** may be provided in lieu of payment. Please let the office know if you wish to provide your own flowers. Please call Sue 569-3183 if you need to discuss arrangements.

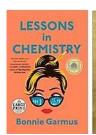
**The** cost of the Altar flowers for a Sunday is \$35.00. Please provide payment to the office before the dedication date.

**Following** the worship services the flowers are delivered by volunteers to our ill and shut-in members, as well as other appropriate places. In this manner, the flowers continue their silent reminder of God's love. Thank you in advance for providing flowers to the Altar of All Saints.

Questions may be directed to Debra at allsaints@metrocast.net. thank you.



## Click on the picture above for the full Reading List











Please join Pastor Bill Petersen (ASEC) and Pastor Donna Muise (FCCW) as we gather via Zoom on Tuesdays 4:00-5:15 pm for reflection and discussion. The Wolfeboro Public Library and Country Bookseller have our lists (note *Kookooland* is a special order via Country Bookseller).

## January 10, 17, 24 - Lessons in Chemistry a novel by Bonnie Garmus

Chemist Elizabeth Zott is not your average woman. In fact, Elizabeth Zott would be the first to point out that there is no such thing as an average woman. But it's the early 1960s and her all-male team at Hastings Research Institute takes a very unscientific view of equality. Except for one: Calvin Evans; the lonely, brilliant, Nobel—prize nominated grudge-holder who falls in love with—of all things—her mind. True chemistry results. But like science, life is unpredictable. Which is why a few years later Elizabeth Zott finds herself not only a single mother, but the reluctant star of America's most beloved cooking show Supper at Six. Elizabeth's unusual approach to cooking proves revolutionary. But as her following grows, not everyone is happy because she isn't just

teaching women to cook. She's daring them to change the status quo.

February 7 and 28 only - A God at the Door poetry by Tishani Doshi

March 14, 21, 28 - KooKooLand a memoir by Gloria Norris

April 11, 18, 25 - <u>An Inconvenient Apocalypse: Environmental Collapse, Climate Crisis, and the Fate of Humanity</u> by Wes Jackson and Robert Jensen

May 9, 16, 23 - Demon Copperhead a novel by Barbara Kingsolver

## **Dinner Bell**

<u>Please call 569-3453</u> or e-mail <u>allsaints@metrocast.net</u> by Tuesday afternoons to reserve your meal(s) for the week.



We will offer two dinner options:

- 1. To-Go Meals as we have done during Covid with meal pick-up 4:00-5:00 pm, and
- 2. Gathering for dinner in the All Saints Parish Hall as we did before Covid at 5:00 pm.

Your help is also welcome to share hospitality with our neighbors, please speak with Carol Simpson or Pastor Bill to volunteer.

Dinner bell January 2023

January 5, 2023 Corn chowder Baked fish with buttered crumbs, Vegetables, and rice pilaf Cookies

January 12, 2023
Pasta fagoli
Oven roasted pork loin
Roasted potatoes ,and vegetables
Cookies

January 19, 2023 Chili Turkey, mashed potatoes, and vegetables Cookies

January 26,2023
Turkey vegetable soup
Chicken cutlet,
Noodles, and vegetables
Cookies

All are welcome and donations accepted to offset costs. Thank you!

Please consider brewing some coffee when you arrive early for worship on Sunday. All that is needed is to make a couple pots of coffee and put out some coffee cups. Please sign up on the Parish Hall bulletin board.

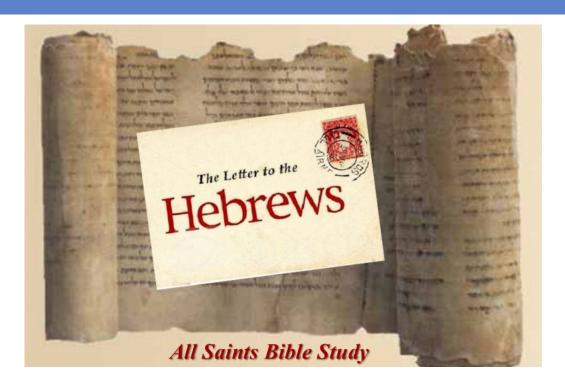


## Be a Greeter!



Please consider participating as a **Greeter** at Sunday's Worship. The most important role of a greeter is to make sure all are welcome. Let's make sure visitors feel welcome and know how to get to the service.

Please give your name to the Parish office for rotation.



**Thursday Bible Study** 

# Hebrews Bible Study Begins Thursday, January 12<sup>th</sup>

God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time you are the triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom.

Guide us to all truth by your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory he shares with us. Glory and praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy

Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

The Letter to the Hebrews is one of the more sophisticated New Testament writings, with the author connecting the Old Testament passages to the present concerns of the community of faith. We will gather Thursday afternoons at 3:00 pm in the Beck Memorial Library and online via Zoom to walk through this New Testament book examining the thematic questions: Who Is Jesus?, What Did Jesus Do?, What Is Faith?, How Shall We Live?, and What If Faith Fails?

#### **JANUARY 2023 Calendar**

## Click **HERE** for a pdf copy of the Calendar

There are many ways to connect with one another to see, hear and share God online at All Saints





E-NEWS UPDATE E-news editing has now moved to the Parish Office. Please have your submission requests to the office by Tuesday of the week you would like it in the e-news. You may email your requests to Debra at allsaints@metrocast.net.



# HAVING A HARD TIME GETTING FOOD FOR YOURSELF OR YOUR FAMILY? HELP IS AVAILABLE

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4:00PM TO 6:00PM

264 S. MAIN STREET, WOLFEBORO
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AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE

www.lifeministriesfoodpantry.com

Providing access to food security with dignity and respect

## **Accessing books in the Beck Library**

Catalog is on LibraryThing (<a href="https://www.librarything.com/home">https://www.librarything.com/home</a>).

User name: AllSaintsWolfeboro

Password: +BeckLibrary+

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