Weekly E-news and Updates







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Ministry Assignments

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Sunday Feb 12th, The 6th Sunday after Epiphany

Eucharistic Ministers

8am

Jay Wyman

10am

Art Slocum

Sandi Johnson

Lector

Sarah Day

Altar Guild

Ritva Torma

Lucy Hancock

<u>Usher</u>

Holm

Flower Guild

Jacqueline McLaughlin

Flower Delivery

Mary Bertsch

Arlene Salzgeber

Greeter

Volunteer



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Risky Business and Holy Experiments

Beloved Saints and Sinners,

Time and again, scripture calls us to leave behind the comfortable, familiar and predictable ways of life to an uncertain journey into the unknown and unknowable. Risks often have a very big and exciting "upside" which is matched by an equally steep and daunting "downside." Many of us fear risk, but taking a risk with God is a very different venture. If God's call to follow is risky, and we succeed, we can experience God's presence and promise in profound new ways. However, if we follow God's call to risk and it seems to fail, then we are still following in the footsteps of the one who formed us, loves us, and calls us by name.

In Deuteronomy, Moses had taken a risk and led Israel out of slavery and toward the Promised Land. He encourages the people to continue to risk by choosing life in God as opposed to the lures of life without him. Paul

YouTube Channel Click on Buttons Below





Worship Links for Sunday

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

Link to Bulletin



The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

Links to the Readings

Deuteronomy 30:15-20
Choose life
1 Corinthians 3:1-9
God gives the growth
Psalm 119:1-8
Happy are they who follow the teaching of the Lord
Matthew 5:21-37
The teaching of Christ: forgiveness

The Collect of the Day

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

Altar Flower Dedication

Given in loving memory

of Allison Balentine

from

Henry & Irene

Martineau

risked his life time and time again in order share the gospel, and he is encouraging the people of the Corinth to risk walking a different route in Christ. In today's gospel we hear Jesus offer tough teachings which may seem risky to preachers everywhere! These readings all seem to be filled with tough, risky teachings, but dig a little deeper and we can experience the grace-filled message of hope and new life rooted in God's love.

We are called to risk, holy experimentation and faithfulness. This is reflected at All Saints' with our challenge budget, with matching gifts challenge to balance the budget and engage in new ways to be the people of God (there are two exciting initiatives that are being explored for later in the year). Risks and holy experiments are rooted in the promise of God's steadfast presence to be with us—to be with us who faithfully follow--no matter the outcome—no matter what. So we take a deep breath, dare to risk, experiment and experience the love and grace of God.

Taking risks and holy experimenting together,

Bill+



New Americans Visit

This Sunday, February 12th, we will welcome Amadou Hamady who is bringing a group of with New Americans from the Manchester area to visit. They will gather with us during coffee hour in the parish hall following 10:00 am worship and then go to the All Saints' Outreach Center where they will shop at Lord & Tailor Thrift Shop and L.I.F.E. Ministries Food Pantry. Many thanks to all who welcome and greet our new neighbors; it makes a difference for the lives of these families.

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, Marny Peabody, Carol Pearson, Danielle Pierpont, Bree Schuette, Sabastian Tordonato, Lee White.

For our Family & Friends

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

From The Music Corner...



As we approach Valentine's Day, when many words and gifts try to capture the concept of "love"..... it is useful to think of the Origin of LOVE.... The heart and being of our God, brought to new understanding and intimacy through our Lord Jesus Christ.

An old song, "The love of God is greater far" makes attempt to express the depth of God's Love for us. No one sang this with more depth and feeling than the longtime soloist with evangelist Billy Graham. Here is George Beverly Shea singing this in one of Billy's crusades in 1959. Watch his face, feel his passion....

https://youtu.be/o6_S20SccIY

This gifted saint lived until the age of 104..... now view this video of an interview in his late 90's, where he spontaneously broke into this song once again, faithfully proclaiming the love of our God for each one of us.

https://youtu.be/wGMyTq09GNs

May we rest this week in the never failing love of our God.... The only True Love we will ever really know. Together we seek this limitless One, and "love Him back" in our limited ways.

Blessings,

Holly



Baptism of Amelia Maureen Beckwith

Parents – Michaela and Stephen Beckwith Witnesses – Jill Young, Caitlyn and Corbyn Lamy Amelia is the granddaughter of Donna Young, former All Saints Parish Administrator



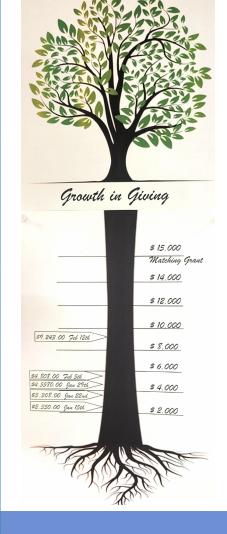


2023 Matching Challenge

As announced at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 29, 2023, All Saints Wolfeboro has received challenge grants from anonymous donors totaling \$15,000 (Thanks be to God!) to erase the projected 2023 budget deficit of \$26,838. All gifts above the donor's 2023 pledge will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$15,000 toward meeting this challenge. We give thanks to the 23 gifts and commitments totaling \$9,243 to date. Please consider helping us meet the remainder of the matching challenge.

When making a gift to the Challenge, please indicate whether this is in addition to your annual pledge and whether or not is weekly/monthly or a onetime gift. If submitting by check, please write "Growth in Giving" on the memo line. For those who do not make an annual pledge and wish to contribute above their normal offering, please also write "Growth in Giving" on the memo line.

\$ 9,243.00



ANNUAL MEETING

Minutes from the Annual Meeting held January 29th can be read HERE



ON SHROVE TUESDAY, ECW WILL BE HOSTING A PANCAKE SUPPER AT 5:30PM IN THE HALL

- WE ARE **LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS**TO HELP US RUN THE EVENT ON FEBRUARY 21
- THERE IS A SIGN-UP SHEET FOR VOLUNTEERS ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE HALL
- WE ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR DONATIONS,
 TO HELP OFFSET THE COST OF THIS FUNDRAISER
- WE ARE LOOKING FOR BACON, SAUSAGE, REAL MAPLE SYRUP, BUTTER, AND JUICES
- Items can be delivered Sunday 2/12 or 2/19 during the 8:00 & 10:00 services.
- WE ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR FRUIT PLATTERS, TO BE DELIVERED ON 2/21 AROUND 4:00PM.
- THERE IS A SIGN-UP SHEET FOR DONATIONS ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE HALL
- THANK YOU IN ADVANCE, FOR SUPPORTING ECW AND ALL SAINTS CHURCH



Doug 'ceremonially' presents Bob with the keys to the church

Junior Warden Transition

In the Episcopal Church the Vestry (church board/council) is led by Wardens (president/vice president). The Senior Warden is the primary elected lay leader of the congregation, and serves as a principal liaison between the parish and the rector. The Junior Warden assists and has responsibility for the upkeep of the parish buildings and grounds.

Doug Smithwood has effectively and faithfully served as our Junior Warden and while



Parish Administrator Debra congratulates Bob

continuing on the Vestry, has recently transitioned his Junior Warden role to Bob Christmas.



RECOVERY MINISTRIES GATHERING: APRIL 26-29

The Recovery Ministries of the Episcopal Church Gathering will be held April 26-29, at the Barbara C. Harris Camp and Conference Center, Greenfield, New Hampshire. The theme is "From Basement to Sanctuary, Recovery and the Church." Stephen Haynes, author of *Why Can't Church Be More Like an AA Meeting? and Other Questions Christians Ask about Recovery*, will be the keynote speaker.

For more information and to register visit: https://www.episcopalrecovery.org/the-gathering

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.

(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!

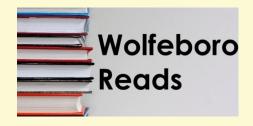
Flowers may be provided in lieu of payment. Please let the office know if you wish to provide your own flowers.

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.

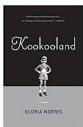
Questions may be directed to Debra at allsaints@metrocast.net. thank you.

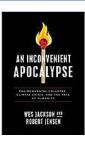


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Please join Pastor Bill Petersen (ASEC) and Pastor Donna Muise (FCCW) as we gather via Zoom on Tuesdays 4:00-5:15 pm for reflection and discussion. The Wolfeboro Public Library and Country Bookseller have our lists (note *Kookooland* is a special order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

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

Please call 569-3453 or e-mail allsaints@metrocast.net 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 February 2023

2/2/2023 CREAM OF TURKEY SOUP ROAST PORK, MASHED POTATORS, AND VEGTABLES

2/9/2023 CREAM OF CAULIFLOWER SOUP CHICKEN CACCIATORE, AND PASTA

2/16/2023 LENTIL SOUP ROAST TURKEY, WTH GRAVY AND VEGETABLES

2/23/2023 PASTA FAGOLI SOUP SHEPARD PIE

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.

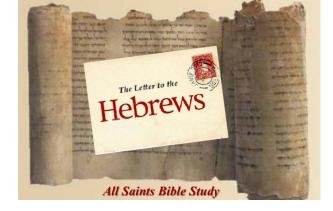


Be a Greeter!



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 12th

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?

February 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.



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FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAYS MONTHLY
10:00 AM TO 1:00 PM
4:00PM TO 6:00PM

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www.lifeministriesfoodpantry.com

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Accessing books in the Beck Library

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