# Weekly E-news and Updates







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### Ministry Assignments

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Serving Sunday August 7th **Eucharistic Ministers -**8 am -**Bob Parker** 10 am -Linda Pacheco, Cate McMahon Lector -8 am -**Christy Parker** 10 am -Sarah Day Altar Guild -Carolyn Sundquist, Candace Tordonato Usher -Joyce Lake Flower Guild -Lynne Moughty Flower Delivery -

<u>Greeter</u> -Volunteer

### **Quick Links**



# A Kingdom for the Little Flock

Jesus promises the kingdom to us, his little flock, straining our minds with this uninhibited generosity. Even to us, so little and undeserving? Even to us, in the face of so many things to be afraid of? Suddenly everything we hold dear in this world is repriced, and the true value of things becomes plainly clear. We are being given the kingdom! So why not sell our possessions and give to those in need? We are being given the kingdom! So why not wait on expectant tiptoes for the master? When he comes he will wait on us! The Father's free generosity calls forth in us a generosity we have never before known.

Fear is now met with anticipation, and tightfistedness with open hands. We are being given the kingdom, so now we know what true treasure looks like. And yet, like Link to <u>All Saints' Website</u>. Link to <u>Episcopal Church of NH</u>. Link to <u>The Episcopal Church</u>. Link to <u>Contact Us</u>.

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our fathers and mothers in faith that the Hebrews reading speaks of, we too "desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one." But in Christ our heavenly country has already arrived. In him, God has freely given us the kingdom. [*Sundays and Seasons, 2022*]

Sunday we will welcome back The Rev. Jane Van Zandt who will preach and preside as Kay and I will be in the Midwest for a wedding.

Grace and Peace,

Bill+

# The Collect for the Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

# Links to the Readings for Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

**Genesis 15:1-6 -** *God's promise of a child for Abram and Sarai.* 

Psalm 33:12-22 - Let your lovingkindness be upon us, as we place our hope in you. Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 - A model for us:

Abraham's faith in a new home given by God. **Luke 12:32-40** - God will give you the treasure of the kingdom; sell all that you have.



This week we pray for:

# A Prayer for Creation, Our Fragile Island Home

Stir up your power, O God, and save your good creation.



The earth is the Lord's and everything in it; the world and those who live in it. Psalm 24:1 The earth groans in travail. Forests fall, oceans rise, crops fail. The air is thick with so much burning. Free us from the powerful who destroy the air, water, and land. Frustrate their violence, expose their lies, overthrow their schemes. Pour out over the earth justice that rolls down like water to nourish the life of the world. Preserve the health of your beloved creation. Strengthen those who serve and protect the garden of this earth. Restore the choir of your creatures and let us sing for joy. Gather us at your river, under the tree of life. Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth; in the name of the one who from a wounded tree birthed a new creation, Jesus our redeemer. *Amen.* 

#### For our Parish

Prue Fitts, Felicity Freund, Alan & Sue Harding, Judy Hess, Zell Kellogg, Bhupendra & Judy Khetani, Jacqueline McLaughlin, Penny Meyer, Carol Pearson, Danielle Pierpont.

#### For our Family & Friends

Mary Ellen Davis, Michael Dowd, Stephanie Fullam, Ruth Gray, Faye Juul, Tom Southern, Debe Tetherly, Bubba Toupes, Peggy Young.

# Summer Supper & Sabbatical Presentation

It was good to gather again in the Parish Hall for a delicious meal of grilled chicken and steak accompanied by potluck sides and desserts. Pastor Bill's presentation described the three-stages of the labyrinth used as a



model for his sabbatical. The pilgrimage steps of releasing, centering, and returning represented his journey with many turns to ponder, pray, and play.

#### Thank You

A big thank you to the ECW (Episcopal Church Women) and all who assisted with planning, set-up and clean-up and those who attended our first potluck event since the start of Covidtide! Good conversation, food, flowers and fellowship were shared by all (and as far as we know, no new cases of covid-19 shared).









# **Apology from Pastor Bill**

#### Beloveds,

Pastors are sometimes put on pedestals because many think we are somehow better, or more holy. Ordination is not insurance from doing harm, saying stupid things or failing to say what needs to be said. What I do, or fail to do as a pastor is no different than anyone else and it is most helpful when the things I do, or fail to do are brought to my attention, directly and in love.

On Thursday, July 25<sup>th</sup> at our Summer Supper and Sabbatical Presentation, I publically thanked our staff for their hard work during my time away during the first quarter. What I failed to do was to publically thank our vestry members and officers for their leadership and all the extra work that they did while I was away. My not naming them was upsetting and a mistake.

I apologize for failing to take the opportunity to thank each one of them individually and as a team for their dedication, hard work and leading in love. I am grateful for their faithful leadership then and now. I am especially grateful for their sharing how disappointing my lack of public acknowledgement last Thursday was. I am truly sorry for what I neglected to do and have asked for their forgiveness.

Each Sunday we confess our sins and seek forgiveness from God and those we have sinned against. I am always humbled by that moment, but this week I am much more appreciative of that unconditional love and forgiveness we are assured of.

A fellow saint and sinner standing in God's Amazing Grace, **Bill+** 

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, I your unworthy servant give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to me and to all whom you have made. I bless you for my creation, reservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, I pray, give me such an awareness of your mercies, that with a truly thankful heart I may show forth your praise, not only with my lips, but in my life, by giving myself to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all my days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.Your copy should address 3 key questions: Who am I writing for? (Audience) Why should they care? (Benefit) What do I want them to do here? (Call-to-Action)

Create a great offer by adding words like "free" "personalized" "complimentary" or "customized." A sense of urgency often helps readers take an action, so think about inserting phrases like "for a limited time only" or "only 7 remaining!"



# From The Music Corner...



My heart sings joyously for the lovely family gathering of 3 adult children, their spouses, and 5 grands at a recent celebration of my 70<sup>th</sup> birthday in Bradford, MA. My cup overflows, and I am humbled, honored and oh-so-grateful for the deep blessings in my life of 7 decades. Soli Deo Gloria!

The song that comes to mind in this week has comforted and inspired me so many times..... may it bless you as well.

"You Raise Me Up" -the Mormon Tabernacle Choir version https://youtu.be/v6ojnuHuTa8

May our Lord raise and lift you up so you, too, can stand on mountains and walk on stormy seas....

Holly

# Dinner Bell will begin August 11th

<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.

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



# We Have Babies!

If you visit the Memorial Garden, please be aware that we have a family in the birdhouse Robert Pierpont made that overlooks the garden. The babies are squawking and you may encounter a protective parent.

# **Sunday School**

We are looking forward to regathering our Sunday School for our pre and early elementary school students in September and need your help! No experience is needed—just a love of children and a big sense of humor—because serving on this ministry team will make your heart smile. Teachers can be High School Seniors to Life Seniors, and we'll hold a planning meeting in August. Please let Pastor Bill know if you are interested in helping with faith formation for our youngest saints.



# August 2022 Directories are now available.

Paper copies are available in the office.

**PDF version:** Email Debra at <u>allsaints@metrocast.net</u> if you would like a .pdf version emailed to you.





We encourage your dedication of Altar Flowers in loving memory of or in thanksgiving for loved ones or friends.

Altar Flower Dedication slips can be found on the resource table outside the parish office and on the Flower Chart in the Parish Hall.

**Please** provide a slip to the office for your dedication to ensure that this is recognized in the bulletin. **Also**, please check the altar flower chart in the Parish Hall for available dates and mark the date for your request.

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.

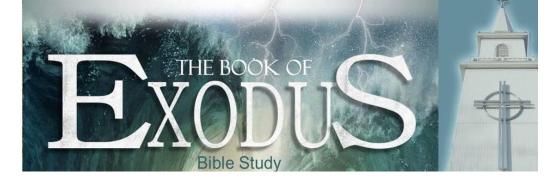


# Be a Greeter!



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**

We are currently studying the Book of Exodus. If you have not received the Thursday Afternoon Bible Study e-mails before and would like to be added, please share your e-mail with Pastor Bill.

The message of Exodus is of God acting to free a powerless people and bring them into covenant relationship. This event reveals God's faithfulness to Israel and to Egypt and all other nations of the world as well. The exodus is so important that it is even used to describe who God is: "I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery" (Exodus 20:2). The people become the Lord's "treasured possession out of all the people's," "a priestly kingdom," and "a holy nation" (Exodus 19:5-6) and receive the Torah to show them how to live in relationship with this gracious and liberating God through the everyday activities of life.



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# August Calendar

**PAPER CALENDARS** are available on the resource table outside the Parish office or in the Narthex.

You may also request a .pdf of the calendar by email at any time from the office <u>allsaints@metrocast.net.</u>

If you cannot get to the church you may request the calendar by mail. Please email the office at allsaints@metrocast.net or call Deb at603-569-3453

to let us know if you wish to receive the mailing.



**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.

### SUNDAY BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Sunday bulletins are being printed Tuesday afternoon. Please have announcement submissions to the office by Monday of the week you would like it in the bulletin. 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**

DRIVE-THROUGH FOOD DISTRIBUTION -FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAYS MONTHLY

10:00 AM TO 1:00 PM

4:00PM TO 6:00PM

264 S. MAIN STREET, WOLFEBORO

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# Accessing books in the Beck Library

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