### Weekly E-news and Updates







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#### **Ministry Assignments**

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Month of September Schedule

Sunday, September 3
The Fourteenth Sunday
after Pentecost

#### **Eucharistic Ministers**

8am

Christy Parker

10am

Linda Pacheco

Steve Cloutier

Lector

Aiden Schuette-Simon

Altar Guild

Carolyn Sundquist

Linda Siracusa

Usher

Hancock

Flower Guild

J. McLaughlin

**Flower Delivery** 

Mary Bertsch

Greeter

Volunteer

#### **Quick Links**

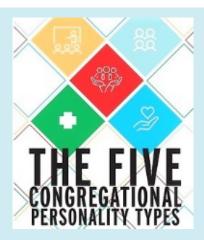
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Beloved followers of Jesus,

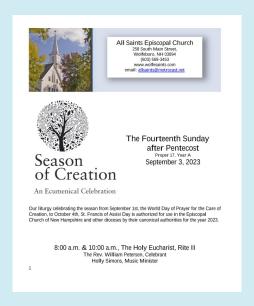
Acts 2:42-47 is a window into early congregational life showing us that the early believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching (*proclamation*), to deep communal life (*fellowship*) breaking of bread and sharing all things in common (*generosity*), the prayers and wonders (*healing*), and the Lord was adding outsiders to their numbers (*outreach*). A healthy, growing church in Acts expressed all these characteristics at some level, but this is exceedingly rare among congregations today as Michael Adam Beck writes in his book: The Five Congregational Personality Types.

Beck notes that every congregation has a unique personality in the same way a





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



## Sunday September 3 The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost



#### Links to the Readings

Jeremiah 15:15-21 Psalm 26:1-8 Romans 12:9-21 Matthew 16:21-28

#### The Collect of the Day

The prayer appointed for each Sunday that "collects" or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.

human does. Just like no person is exactly the same, so neither are any two congregations. Yet, just as psychologists can condense hundreds of unique personality traits into the big five categories, so too can congregations be understood through five congregational personality types. While there are a multitude of unique variations, the types give us a framework through which every congregation can grow in maturity. The congregational types are the communal embodiment of the five basic personality dimensions.

These are the five congregational personality types and their core Biblical value:

- 1. **Proclamation Centered**: This congregation values *truth* and loves growing and sharing in quality teaching and preaching.
- 2. **Outreach Centered**: This congregation values *service* and embodying the good news in word and deed. They live to serve those outside the community.
- 3. **Generosity Centered**: This congregation values *singleness/generosity* and uses its resources to invest in ministries that make a kingdom impact.
- 4. **Fellowship Centered**: This congregation values *community* and loves to be together and nurture one another.
- 5. **Healing Centered**: This congregation values *wholeness* and the manifestation of Jesus's life in the world, seeking to be a community where people experience healing.

So what is the congregational personality of All Saints Wolfeboro? I invite you to ponder this and indicate your response below.

In Christ Alone, **Bill**+

After reviewing the five congregational types, my sense is that we are:

Proclamation Centered

**Outreach Centered** 

Lord of all love and glory, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Creation; increase in all true unity; nourish the world with all goodness; and bring forth the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ the Wisdom of Creation, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

#### **Flower Dedication**

The chancel flowers are dedicated in the glory of God



**Generosity Centered** 

Fellowship Centered

**Healing Centered** 



Join us for **Sundae Sunday** on September 17th, a special gathering where we come together as a community to share in a funfilled time of ice cream sundaes and fellowship during both coffee hours. Sundae Sunday is more than just an opportunity to indulge in delectable ice cream creations – it's a chance for us to celebrate the connections we share as the Body of Christ-the church. As we enjoy our sundaes, we will also have the chance to learn about ministry service opportunities in our church community.

#### God loves you. No exceptions.



The Episcopal Church Welcomes You.

#### This week we pray for:

#### For our Parish

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

For our Family & Friends

Basil Brown, Rebecca DeNeault, Alix Dorsainvil, Candy Desrocher, Michael Dowd, Anne Fish, Stephanie Fullam, Ruth Gray, Linda Hall, Susan Belt Hartson, Colleen Ide, Dillon Johnson, Faye Juul, Jim Lunney, Margie, Tom Southern, Marguerite Truesdale, Ken Truesdale, Kyle Williams, Peggy Young.

Beloved pilgrims,

As we welcome September and fall "layers" begin to swirl, we rejoice in the guidance and presence of our great God. A short prayer I've been learning by heart has



encouraged me to pause at intervals in my day, breathe deeply.... and slowly invite awareness of the Spirit's sweet help for my moments.

Come Holy Spirit ..... I receive Your wisdom.

Come, Holy Spirit .... I receive Your strength.

Come, Holy Spirit .... I receive Your love.

Come Holy Spirit .... I receive the fullness of God.

Of course, you can use any words meaningful to you that capture what you wish to receive from God's Spirit.

A meaningful song for this season is one the choir has enjoyed singing in past years entitled.... "The Time for Turning"....

The text begins "To ev'rything a season, to ev'rything a time; a moment to move forward and leave the past behind. As summer turns to autumn and bids farewell to spring, there comes a time for turning to ev'ry living thing."

Enjoy and be blessed by this rendition: https://youtu.be/h\_GLZcD7WTM?si=aEtytFNND8C4enAZ

> Turning, with you, Holly



## SEASON OF CREATION

SEPTEMBER 1 — OCTOBER 4

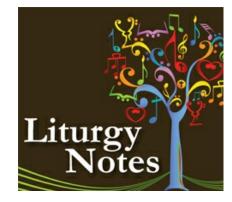
During the Season of Creation, we join with billions of Christians around the world to celebrate in prayer and action our Gospel calling to protect the Earth that God has entrusted to our care. As an

Earth Care Missioner, I encourage us all to review and renew during this time. Review what you personally are already doing to protect our common home and renew your commitment to do more. A bulletin board has been created in the Parish Hall. I invite you to add your actions to the bulletin board.

I also invite you to think about what we as a faith community are already doing to care for creation and what more we could be doing. Visit the website: <u>The Episcopal Church website</u> for ideas. I encourage you to watch <u>this short video</u> to inspire you. Please let me know your ideas: <u>susan.fuller@nhipl.org</u>.

Our liturgy celebrating the season from September 1st, the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation to October 4th, St. Francis of Assisi Day\* is authorized for use in the Episcopal Church of New Hampshire and other dioceses by their canonical authorities for the year 2023.

At All Saints' we will use a seasonal liturgy as we celebrate the our island home and the wonder of life in all its forms with gratitude. The creation centered



collects, prayers of the people, Eucharistic and sending prayers is an opportunity to reflect and recommit to our role as stewards. During this season, we also lament the ways humanity has failed to be a good sibling and partner with creation.

\*Note: We will celebrate Blessing of the Animals on Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup> during both services.

#### **ECW Hosting Local Author Mj Pettengill**

Mj Pettengill is a local author of three historical fiction novels. The first novel, *Etched in Granite*, was inspired by an encounter in Ossipee, NH, which she says forever changed her. It was a snow-covered hillside where Mj saw 298 numbered gravestones. It became her mission to identify those nameless people, and that story itself is fascinating.

From the Etched in Grante Preface:

"Some of us may have heard references made to the Poor Farm in jest, but we do not comprehend the depth of its meaning. I believe that it's worth knowing what it means to be a pauper in the late 19<sup>th</sup> century and what it means today. It's a part of our story."

Mj has written three books based on this topic – *Etched in Granite, The Angels' Lament,* and *Down from the Tree.* 

Mj will be at All Saints on September 20 <sup>th</sup> at 1 pm in the Beck library. All are welcome.

#### **VESTRY NOTES**

The Vestry met on Monday, August 7<sup>th</sup>. Here's a quick summary of our meeting. Please ask questions of any member if you'd like more

information.

**Celebrate**: The summer fair was a prime example of the time and talent members of our parish donate to a project. What a success! From hours spent sorting, to the many wonderful donations, to the work from setting up tables to re-donating items on fair day, to the culmination in a cook-in on Sunday, this year's fair was a huge success.

**Challenge** – There are so many opportunities to contribute your time and talent at All Saints: for example, Gardeners, Greeters and (Altar) Guilders are really needed right now! Please see Pastor Bill.

**Something to Anticipate** – On Sunday September 17<sup>th</sup>, we will have our first "Sundae Sunday" following each service. Plan to attend to enjoy something yummy and learn about the many ministries at All Saints and consider sharing your talents to one (or more) of the groups!

-Clerk, Lyn Healy



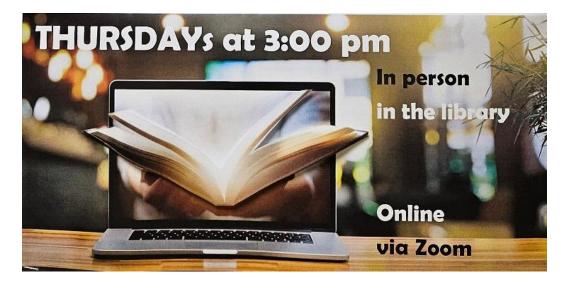
#### **Altar Flowers**

Altar Flower Dedication dates can now be reserved online at <a href="https://ttsu.me/allsaintswolfe">https://ttsu.me/allsaintswolfe</a>. You can also drop a dedication slip in the office or email your request to allsaints@metrocast.net.

We have open slots.

Please remember to drop your payment to the office prior to your dedication. Thank you.

#### **BIBLE STUDY TOGETHER!**

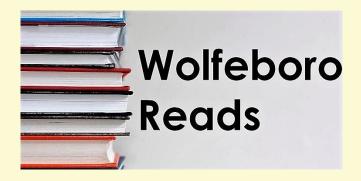




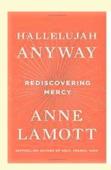
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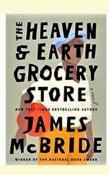
Beginning Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, we will walk through the book of Jonah. I like Jonah, the prophet who wasn't thrilled with his call to share his faith with the people of Nineveh. While it's not a long story (four pages in my Bible and half of that are notes), it is full of intrigue. You Join us as we explore how just as God called Jonah to bring the

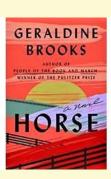
Word to the people of Nineveh, God also calls us to share our faith today (and sometimes we are as 'thrilled' as Jonah). We gather in person in the church library and online via Zoom Thursdays at 3:00 pm.

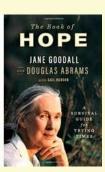


Please join us for our community book group as we gather via Zoom on Tuesdays 4:00-5:15 pm for reflection and discussion. The Wolfeboro Public Library and Country Bookseller have our lists.









**September 12 (one session only) - <u>Hallelujah Anyway: Rediscovering Mercy</u>, by Anne Lamott** 

October 10, 17, 24 - The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store, by James McBride

November 7, 14, 21 - Horse, by Geraldine Brooks

**December 5, 12, 19 - The Book of Hope**, by Jane Goodall and Douglas Abrams



## Dinner Bell DINING IN PERSON IN THE PARISH HALL THURSDAYS 5:00 PM

#### September 2023

9/7 Corn chowder, American chop suey

9/14 Beef barely soup, Chicken, rice, and vegetables

9/21 Butternut squash soup, Shepard pie, Bread, Dessert

9/28 Minestrone soup, Baked Iasagna, Vegetables, Bread, Dessert

A reminder that our Dinner Bell program offers a community meal weekly on Thursdays 5:00-6:00 pm in the parish hall. All are welcome and donations are accepted to offset costs.

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

#### September 2023 Calendar



#### Click on the Calendar for a pdf copy

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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