



ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOLFEBORO, NH

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Christmas Day / Year A

Ministry Assignments

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Month of December Schedule

Serving Saturday December 24 Sunday Dec 25th Lessons & Carols

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm

Lee White

Carol Simpson

9pm

Sandi Johnson

Cecelia Gandolfo

Lector

Altar Guild

Sue Harding

Carolyn Sundquist

Lucy Hancock

Usher

Volunteer

Flower Guild

Flower Delivery

Greeter

Volunteer

Birthdays this week

12/25 William Woodard

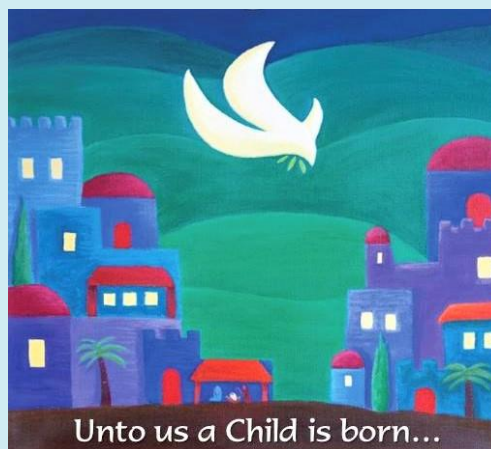
12/27 Elizabeth Rice

12/30 Sandra Ellis

Anniversaries this week

Quick Links

Link to [All Saints' Website](#).



Unto us a Child is born...

*“For to us a child is born, to us a son is given,
and the government will be on his shoulders.
And he will be called Wonderful Counselor,
Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of
Peace. Of the greatness of his government and
peace there will be no end. He will reign on
David’s throne and over his kingdom,
establishing and upholding it with justice and
righteousness from that time on and forever.”*

The familiar words of the Prophet Isaiah are words of hope. They are sandwiched between words of judgment, warning, and condemnation from God for the people of the promise’s wandering from God and wickedness. God intended to punish, but Isaiah 9:2-7 shows that that anger was not forever: a true king would come to restore God’s people.

Unto us a child is born—born to and for you and me, all of us collectively, as a blessing to all creation. Born to and for us in the flesh, born in this way to save God’s people. Maybe not how

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Links to All Saints' Facebook and 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 Christmas Eve 5pm](#)

[Bulletin Christmas Eve 9pm](#)

[Bulletin Christmas Day](#)

we expect or long for God to show up (no riding in on a chariot of clouds or zapping our enemies with attention-grabbing lightning). Instead, God experiences the messiness and precariousness of child birth to grow and live among us, to be with us, to be one of us. The Lord of all creation puts on skin to meet and be one of us to intimately know and relate with our pain and struggles.

“To us a son is given,” Isaiah foretells, but not just any son, but God’s. Love incarnate, born and given for you and for me. May this greatest gift of all bring you comfort and peace this Christmas!

Bill+



The staff at All Saints' wishes you the blessing of peace, the beauty of hope, the spirit of love, and the comfort of faith this Christmastide!

Christmas

Links to the Readings

for the Nativity of Our Lord

Isaiah 9:2-7 - *Light shines: a child is born for us*

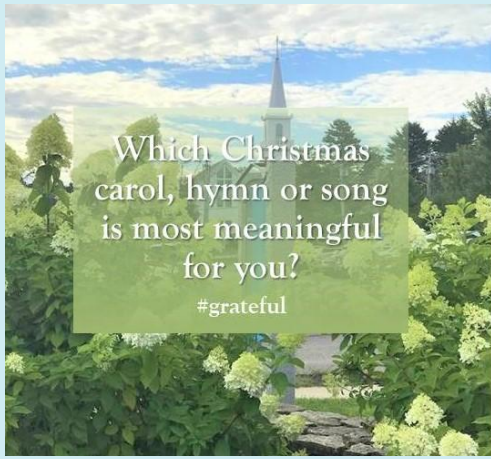
Titus 2:11-14 - *The grace of God has appeared*

Luke 2:1-14(15-20) - *God with us*

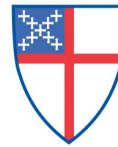
The Collect for the Nativity of Our Lord

O God, you have caused this holy night to shine with the brightness of the true Light: Grant that we, who have known the mystery of that Light on earth, may also enjoy him perfectly in heaven; where with you and the Holy Spirit he lives and reigns, one

God, in glory everlasting. Amen.



**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.



With 2022 winding down, and Christmastide upon us,
[CLICK HERE](#) for resources to help plan your giving



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...



Dear ones,

Do you find it surprising that the God of the universe came to earth in the form of a baby? Recently, I've been reminded of words from author Brennan Manning that "the Incarnation is like Niagara Falls in a teacup". Poet Gerard Manley Hopkins posits that this was "infinity dwindled to infancy". What word pictures to stir us anew! British pastor and founder of "Lectio 365", Pete Grieg, shares: "A baby, lying in a manger. I have become so familiar with this story that I forget to be shocked by it."

In this time of winter solstice darkness, may the Baby --the Ancient, unboundaried Light which pierced our darkness in Bethlehem so long ago -- be to you the Loving Comfort and Shocking Hope that guides you to "see with new eyes" as we journey together into 2023.

"Infant lowly, infant holy" by John Rutter and sung by the Clare College singers, is impactful in this Christmas weekend. Be blessed in this and all worshipful music, beloved pilgrims.

<https://youtu.be/2RNEbSwNPao>

Held by the infant Mighty God, with you..... Holly

Annual Reports

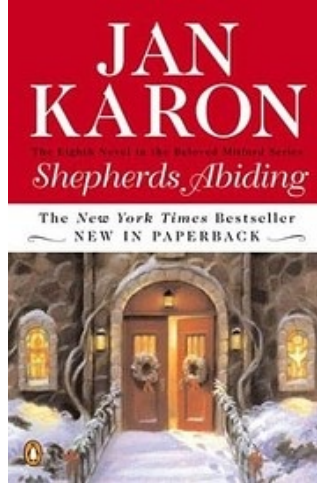
It's that time of year! I am looking for Annual Report submissions!

Please have your reports to the office by January 6**that the latest!**

If you need a previous year report, please email your request and I will get it to you.

thank you

Deb



Looking for a gentle holiday read? New in the Beck Library is *Shepherds Abiding* by Jan Karon. It is part of the Mitford series, tales of an Episcopal parish in the hills of North Carolina. We were fortunate to have most of the other books donated to the summer book fair this year. You'll find them on the left wall of the library as you enter. Enjoy!

Meals Needed



We have a family of two that is in need of meals on medical treatment days (Tuesdays and Thursdays). Please visit <https://mealtrain.com/k0o18v> to sign-up and help. Thank you!



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](mailto:allsaints@metrocast.net). thank you.*



# Wolfeboro Reads

Click on the picture above for your Fall 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 - [An Inconvenient Apocalypse: Environmental Collapse, Climate Crisis, and the Fate of Humanity](#) 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](mailto: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 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!

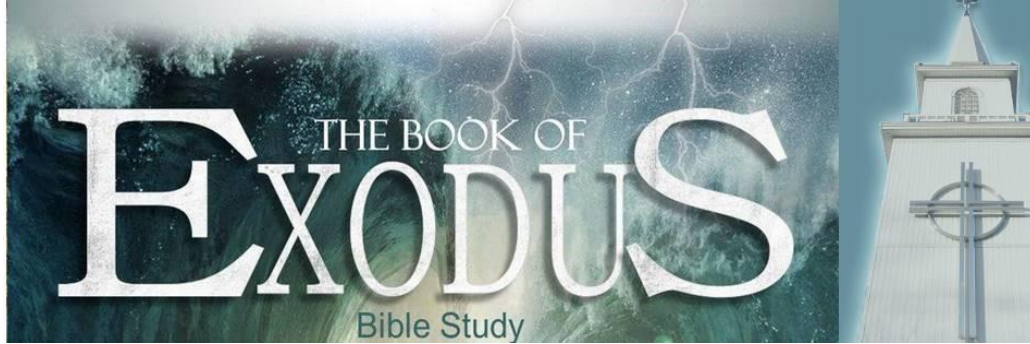


Welcome!

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.

## 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](mailto:allsaints@metrocast.net).

LIFE MINISTRIES  
FOOD PANTRY



**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

ELIGIBILITY AND REGISTRATION INFORMATION  
AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE

[www.lifeministriesfoodpantry.com](http://www.lifeministriesfoodpantry.com)

*Providing access to food security with dignity and respect*

**Accessing books in the Beck Library**

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

User name: AllSaintsWolfeboro

Password: +BeckLibrary+

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