Weekly E-news and Updates







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Ministry Assignments

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Month of July Schedule

Serving Sunday July 17th

Eucharistic Ministers -

8 am -

Gail Dietzer

10 am -

Art Slocum, Linda Pacheco

Lector -

8 am -

Gail Dietzer

10 am -

Sandi Johnson

Altar Guild -

Sue Harding, Carolyn Sundquist

Usher -

Don Holm

Flower Guild -

Joyce Lake

Flower Delivery -

Sandi Johnson, Sarah Day

Greeter -

Volunteer

Quick Links

Link to All Saints' Website.



Unexpected and Intentional Distraction

As digital tablets and smart phones keep us busy and on the go, Sunday's gospel reminds us of a struggle: when are we to set aside our busy calendars, duties, and to-do lists and simply rest in God's presence, listening to what God has to say to us? This tension mounts in our gospel as Jesus addresses Martha's busyness, worry, and distraction, juxtaposed with Mary's contemplation, focus, and desire to sit at the feet of the great teacher. But is "quietly sitting" even possible in our age of distractions?

Perhaps we can find helpful advice in our first reading, as Abraham rests in the heat of the day. In that time of rest, he was ready to receive the three guests who came bearing the news that Sarah would have a son, fulfilling God's promise given years earlier. With the heat keeping him from moving on to other things, the guests had Abraham's undivided attention.

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Worship Links for Sunday

Link to <u>Live Stream at 10:00 am</u>
Link to <u>Worship Links</u>
Link to <u>Sunday Bulletin</u>



These readings remind us how crucial it is to set aside time to spend with God. We might even wonder what sort of things Jesus was saying to Mary. Were they profound words, akin to the "mystery" the author of Colossians addresses in the epistle? Jesus was the person in whom God was pleased to dwell, that same one who is "the hope of glory." [Sundays and Seasons, 2022]

Beloveds, it will be a busy weekend with our 60th Annual All Saints' Summer Fair (plenty of time to "get your Martha on"), but I invite you to worship Sunday and to use the rest of the day to follow Mary's example of contemplation and quiet sitting (as for me, I had a nap planned).

Sitting at the feet of the great teacher together.

Bill+

The Collect for the Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Links to the Readings for Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

Genesis 18:1-10a - The hospitality of Abraham and Sarah to three visitors of the Lord.

Psalm 15 - Lord, who may abide upon your holy hill?

Colossians 1:15-28 - *Hymn to Christ, the firstborn of all creation.*

Luke 10:38-42 - Jesus says: Martha, your sister Mary has chosen the better part.

God loves you. No exceptions.

The Episcopal Church Welcomes You.



This week we pray for:

For those who planned, served and attended the 80th General Convention of The Episcopal Church last week in Baltimore... For the incomprehensible expanse of creation, glimpses of which

have been made possible by the technology of the James Webb Space Telescope...

For those facing down a new, more contagious variant of the COVID virus...

For healthcare workers feeling overwhelmed and burnt out...

For nations facing political and civil unrest, uncertainty, and transition, including Sri Lanka, Japan, and the ongoing conflict in Russia/Ukraine...

For all those living the effects of climate change: those facing heat waves in China, Eastern Eurpoe, and Texas; those facing droughts in Italy and the southwestern United States; those battling wildfires in Portugal...

For our Parish

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

For our Family & Friends

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

This week we note these events and observances:

William White, Bishop of Pennsylvania (1836). July 17th
Bartolomé de las Casas, Friar and Missionary (1566). July 18th
Macrina, Monastic and Teacher (379). July 19th
Elizabeth Cady, (1902), Amelia Bloomer (1894), Sojourner Truth (1883) and Harriet Ross Tubman (1913), Liberators and Prophets. July 20th
Albert John Luthuli, Prophetic Witness in South Africa (1967). July 21st
St. Mary Magdalene, Apostle. July 22nd

Prayer for preservation & healing from exploitation

Holy Spirit, you move through all creation with sighs too deep for words. Open our hearts to listen to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor. Speak through your church to rebuke the forces that seek to exploit your planet. Join our human prayers with the voices of all creation and move us to honor you by preserving the gifts of nature that reveal your glory. *Amen.*



Sabbatical Summer Supper, Thursday, July 28th at 6:00 pm

Come enjoy an evening of food and fellowship and learn about Pastor Bill's sabbatical pilgrimage and season of renewal. He applied the three-stages of the labyrinth as a model for the pilgrimage steps of releasing, centering, and returning to represent his journey with many turns to ponder, pray, and play.

Please sign-up in the Parish Hall, or call the church office to RSVP. A variety of grilled items will be

provided and ask that you bring a side dish or dessert to share. Hope to see you on the 28th!



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.

A very special THANK YOU to Carolyn Sundquist for her volunteer editor contribution to the E-news.

SUNDAY BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

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





Honoring Selfless Saints

At their last meeting, the Vestry received nominations and approved the recognition of two individuals for their dedication and passion for two ministries of All Saints'. Pastor Bill recently recognized Don Holm and Pam Uthenwoldt during Sunday worship services, congratulations!

Thank you, Don Holm, for your initiative when you completed your service as our Senior Warden to begin the Mission Outreach Team (MOT) at All Saints. The MOT researches and recommends appropriate organizations and funding for mission outreach to the

Vestry. The team's mission is to respond to needs locally, nationally, and internationally, as well as providing support for the care of creation. Besides financial support, MOT provides and encourages in-kind assistance and individual volunteer efforts by its

members and all the parishioners and other outreach efforts of All Saints Church.

Thank you, Pam Uthenwoldt, for bringing Dress-A-Girl sewing ministry to Wolfeboro. Because of Pam's initiation and the dedication of our sewers, 180 dresses and 16 blankets have been created, blessed, and sent from All Saints. Dress-A-Girl Around the World Campaign is part of Hope 4 Women International (a 501 (c) 3 nondenominational organization) bringing dignity to women around the world since 2006. The dream of program is for a world in which every girl has at least one new dress and want girls to know that they are worthy of respect, and that they are loved by God.





The sign is up and parish hall filling with donations and summer fair angels. See you under the tents on the 16th for the 60th Annual All Saints Summer Fair!



A NEW Parish PHOTO Directory will be printed in August 2022. All new photo submissions must be received by July 22 to be included in this photo print directory, otherwise, the current photo will be used. Please make sure you have updated any changes to mail and email addresses, and home or cell phone numbers.

If you come by when the office is open, Debra will be happy to take your picture for you outside in the courtyard.

Summer is Confirmation Season at All Saints

Confirmation will take place on the Bishop's Visitation to All Saints on Sunday, September 18, 2022.
Beginning Sunday, July 17th, a series of 5 classes is being offered to adults and youth who wish to make a public

affirmation of their faith by either being confirmed into the Episcopal Church and for those who wish to reaffirm their faith. We will gather after worship every other week in the Library 11:30 am-12:30 pm. Please contact Pastor Bill with any questions.

July 17th - The Sacraments: The

Means of Grace

July 31st - The Bible: God's Story

Meets Our Story

August 14th - The Book of Common Prayer: As We Pray, So We Believe

August 28th - The Catechism: An Outline of the Faith

September 11th - The Way of Love: Practices for a Jesus-Centered Life

The Episcopal Church's theology of Confirmation has continued to evolve along with its understanding of baptism. Confirmation is no longer seen as the completion of Christian initiation, nor is Confirmation a prerequisite for receiving communion. Baptism is full initiation by water and the Holy Spirit into Christ's body the church (BCP, p. 298). Accordingly, Confirmation has been increasingly understood in terms of a mature, public reaffirmation of the Christian faith and the baptismal promises.

From The Music Corner...



Dear friends,

The lovely woman pictured here is my great-grandmother's sister, on my mother's side. My mother's maiden name was "Eleanor Baldwin", her father's name was "Gedney Norton Baldwin", and his mother was "Annie (Norton) Baldwin", sister to "Lillian (Norton) Nordica" (a stage name which stuck in her lifetime). Before the pandemic hit, I was reading this book, and hoping to visit the small museum in Farmington, Maine where Madame Nordica was born. The good folks of that town turned her homestead into a place that houses all her

Confirmation is the claiming of baptism

and an invitation to a life of discipleship

lived in community.

memorabilia: lavish costumes, jewelry, playbills, photos, etc. By the time you read this, I will have finally visited this place (by appointment only) and taken in the wonder of a relative who was internationally known for her incredible voice in the years (late 1800's and early 1900's) when the Golden Days of Opera were dominating the cultural scene.

In her short lifetime (1857 - 1914) she mastered over 42 major lead roles in operas by Verdi, Wagner, Faust, Bizet, Rossini and numerous others. Performing in opera venues throughout England, France, Germany, Russia and the U.S., Lillian was known not only for her amazing vocal skills, but also her ardent work ethic. It was certainly special to me to read about the twists and turns of a "soap opera" life (pun intended :0) as Lillian traveled and experienced the highs and lows of diva competition, opera manager politics, 3 difficult marriages, and more. I also loved seeing my great-grandmother's name throughout the book, as she helped Lillian at times in her European tours, and also organizing family reunions when Nordica was able to come home to Maine.

In Part Two (July 22nd), I'll report on some other facts of Madame Nordica's life, and what I enjoyed at the museum in Farmington, ME. Not having been much of an opera buff myself, I'm newly enthralled with listening and learning more about these massive compositions and productions, and the plot lines in them. Not for the faint of heart.

Join me in listening to some amazing operatic voices of our era....

Renee Fleming singing Puccini's "O mio babbino cara" -- https://youtu.be/Sf-tjXevlyQ (This song was played by a fisherman in the opening scene of Disney's pixar movie "Luca"... check it out!)

English translation:

Oh my dear papa
I like him, he is handsome, handsome
I want to go to Porta Rossa
To buy the ring!
Yes, yes, I want to go there!
And if my love were in vain,
I would go to Ponte Vecchio
and throw myself in the Arno!
I am anguished and tormented!
Oh God, I'd like to die!
Papa, have pity, have pity!

Luciano Pavarotti singing "Nessun Dorma" from Puccini's opera "Turandot": https://youtu.be/cWc7vYignTs

English translation:

Nobody shall sleep! Nobody shall sleep!

Even you, oh Princess,

in your cold room,
watch the stars,
that tremble with love and with hope.
But my secret is hidden within me,
my name no one shall know...
No!...No!...
On your mouth, I will tell it when the light shines.
And my kiss will dissolve the silence that makes you mine!...
(No one will know his name and we must, alas, die.)
Vanish, o night!
Set, stars! Set, stars
At dawn, I will win! I will win! I will win!

Blessings and joy in our Lord as July opens before us, Holly

From Pam Uthenwoldt

"One of my neighbors has gotten new hearing aids and no longer needs the 20 packages of batteries that were pre-purchased. They are Size 312. I'm hoping someone can use them so they don't go to waste."

If you can use these items, please email the office <u>allsaints@metrocast.net</u> with your contact information and it will get passed on to Pam.



Sunday School Teachers Needed

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.





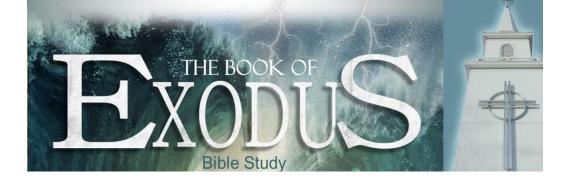
Please consider brewing some **coffee** when you arrive early for worship on Sunday. All that is needed is to make a couple pots of coffee and put out some coffee cups. Please sign up on the Parish Hall bulletin board.

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.

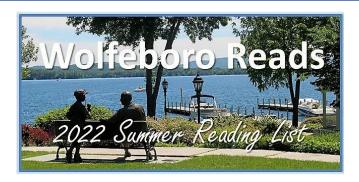




Thursday Bible Study

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.



Click on the picture for your Summer Reading List

July 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 allsaints@metrocast.net. or click the link below to download.

If you cannot get to the church you may request the calendar by mail. Please email the office atallsaints@metrocast.net or call Deb at603-569-3453 to let us know if you wish to receive the mailing.



Thank you for participating in Dinner Bell—We are on hiatus until August

In August, 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.

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

Tuesday afternoons to reserve your meal(s) for the week. 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!





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