



The All Saints MESSENGER September 2021

All Saint's Church
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10 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II
9 a.m. Adult Forum
10 a.m. Christian Education for Children

The Rev. Canon David Hamilton, Rector
The Rev. Peggy Mathauer, Deacon

Vestry:

Glenn Sproul Senior Warden
Whye Yap Junior Warden
Sandy Aldrich
Josh Cheney
Charles Conn
Hilla Damm
Susan Hartman
Cheryl Hooper
Katrina McGibney

Vestry Clerk: Julie B. Pierson

Treasurer: Marcia Corey
Assistant Treasurer: Iris Darling

Pledge Secretary: Iris Darling

Church Secretary/Administrator:
Margaret MacLean

Young Children's Ministry:
Katrina McGibney

Adult Education Leaders:
Josh Cheney/Whye Yap

A virus "Double Whammy"

Dear Parish Family,

A few short weeks ago, on July 18th, we were able to restart worship together inside our All Saints building, with some feelings of relative safety, by following precautions, including hand-sanitizing, air filtration, and individual Communion cups. We had been watching our state's daily numbers of infections dropping even to single digits and feeling proud of the high percentage of vaccinated Vermonters.

Then, suddenly, the Delta variant surged across the globe, and yes, even into Vermont. We have experienced "a virus-variant double whammy"!

From the Diocese:

In light of the recent rise in corona virus cases associated with the highly transmissible Delta variant, the Diocesan Restart Team now recommends that parishes require face masks and social distancing indoors for all persons and groups using church buildings.

This recommendation is consistent with the advice of the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) that face masks be worn indoors by both vaccinated and unvaccinated people in areas of substantial transmission. Today, every Episcopal church in Vermont but one is located in a substantial or high transmission area, and so the Restart Team asks all congregations to follow this standard.

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If we thought that we were suffering “virus fatigue” during the previous seventeen months, the explosive surge of the Delta variant now makes it clear that there is more of this pandemic still to endure, even here. This level of stress and worry is also compounded daily by troubling news on domestic or international fronts: reports on devastating tropical storms, the earthquake in Haiti, and raging fires in western states.

In the midst of discouraging events at home and abroad, it would be easy to lose heart. Yet, even in the midst of surges and storms, as followers of Jesus we hold onto and share a gift of faith which is powerfully expressed in Paul’s letter to the Romans, Chapter 8:

For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Together, as the community of believers, we share a powerful and sustaining gift of the Spirit called “Hope”, eloquently described in this poem by Emily Dickinson:

“Hope” is the thing with feathers -
That perches in the soul -
And sings the tune without the words -
And never stops - at all -

And sweetest - in the Gale - is heard -
And sore must be the storm -
That could abash the little Bird
That kept so many warm -

I’ve heard it in the chillest land -
And on the strangest Sea -
Yet - never - in Extremity,
It asked a crumb - of me.

Blessings,



September at All Saints

Sunday, September 5th
Folk Music Service

Wednesday, September 8th
7 p.m. Vestry Meeting on Zoom

Sunday, September 12th
Start-Up Sunday
10 a.m. Christian Education for children returns in person during first part of the service in the Louise Room

Sunday, September 19th
Baptism of Adam James Mathauer-Pudvah, Jr.

Thursday, September 23rd
4 p.m. Pastoral Care Meeting on Zoom

Adult Forum News

The Adult Forum will resume on Sunday, October 3rd. We will meet weekly via Zoom as we have been. While I am still developing this year's curriculum, I want to invite you to begin this forum season by writing your spiritual autobiography. Whether you have experience writing or not, I encourage all to join in this enlightening process of discovery. While signing up is not required, it is encouraged as it helps me plan (drop-ins are always welcome). If you are interested or have questions, please send me an email at joshuacheney@gmx.com, or you can call 802-343-7425. More information will be coming soon.

Joshua

News From Sunday School

I hope summer enticed you away from busy routines and you had the opportunity to dip your toes in a cool stream, star gaze, and 'unwind'. Nevertheless, however enjoyable the summer may be, there comes a moment when our thoughts and deeds are drawn back to the work we have left.

Sunday School resumes on **September 12th at 10:00 am** in our **new classroom at All Saints!** Our class will gather on the lower level, in the back of the church, in a room affectionately known as, The Louise Room. The room provides adequate space and ventilation and can accommodate the class size and age ranges. Regardless of vaccination status, all people in the class are asked to wear a mask.

I have adapted and adjusted our morning rituals, lessons, and activities to keep everyone healthy. I look forward to offering new opportunities to learn and grow in body, mind, and spirit.

Request for Church School Accountability Partners

Mandates from the Diocese require a second adult be present during church school. I hope to create a rotation of volunteers to share this role.

Responsibilities include:

- ~ commit to a time-slot in advance
- ~ arrive at the classroom on the pre-determined Sunday at 10:00.
- ~ observe the church school until 10:30

If you are interested, please contact me.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to call or email me,
(802) 881-7401 or katrinawaters@comcast.net

Many Thanks !

Katrina McGibney

Bazaar 2021

I recently had a Zoom meeting with David and Glenn about our 2021 Holiday Bazaar. We all came to the same conclusion. This year, for various reasons it would not be a safe or practical event for All Saints.

We, in our Church family are so supportive, safe and caring of each other. Inviting the public into our Church home becomes a safety issue for everyone participating in this event. The revenue we receive does not merit the gamble of our family's health.

That being the case, lets think about the possibilities for 2022! We always need new ideas. I welcome any thoughts on how to improve what we have now or new ideas to expand the Bazaar.

Chris Sheil

We are in urgent need of at least one more Verger for Sunday mornings. Please see Whye Yap or Chuck Conn if you are willing to help. It would mean you would be on duty only once every three weeks.

Our very own Akua Frimpong received the following very special award:

The Larner College of Medicine
Medical Student Award for Professionalism

There was one award for a faculty member, one for a staff member, one for a graduate student, and one for a medical student.

Also, Paul Morrow, who worshipped with us during the summers before COVID confined him to New Zealand, has been honored by:

The Larner College of Medicine
Service to Medicine and Community Award

He and Emily are very much hoping to get back to Vermont next summer.

September Schedule

CRUCIFER

September
5 Josh Cheney
12 Dana Brown
19 Glenn Sproul
26 Marga Sproul
October
3 Whye Yap

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

September
5 Whye Yap
12 Julie Bonanno
19 Julie Bonanno
26 Marian Halloran
October
3 Whye Yap

LECTOR 1

September
5 Cheryl Hooper
12 Yolande Franklin
19 Becky Fox
26 Stewart Pierson
October
3 Deborah Johnson

LECTOR 2

September
5 Glenn Sproul
12 Judy Lawson
19 Iris Darling
26 Candace Smith
October
3 Cheryl Hooper

INTERCESSOR

September
5 Jackie Arbuckle
12 Ellie Bushweller
19 (no intercessor for Baptism)
26 Sandi McGowan
October
3 Margaret MacLean

USHERS & GREETERS

September
5 Becky Fox/Candace Smith
12 Marcia Corey/Chuck Conn
19 Shanti Mathauer/Justin Francis
26 Becky Fox/Candace Smith
October
3 Sandi McGowan/Dom Abbondanza

ALTAR GUILD

September
5 Deborah Johnson
12 Pam Valance
19 Becky Temple
26 Marga Sproul
October
3 Deborah Johnson

VERGER

September
5 Chuck Conn
12 Whye Yap
19 Chuck Conn
26 Whye Yap
October
3 Chuck Conn

COUNTER

September
5 Cheryl Hooper
12 Dana Brown
19 Sandy Aldrich
26 Katrina McGibney
October
3 Whye Yap



EMERGENCY FOOD SHELF SUGGESTIONS

Cereal (low sugar)
Peanut Butter
Baby Food, Baby Formula,
Diapers
Canned Soup (low sodium)
Canned Tuna
Canned Fruit in juice or light
syrup
Pork & Beans
Canned Vegetables (low
sodium), Tomato /Spaghetti
Sauce
Dry Pasta, Rice
Juice (100% juice)
Meals in a can

If you wish to make a
monetary donation, every gift
helps.

If you are not able to be here on the days
assigned, please call the office and arrange
to switch with someone if possible.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Peter Huffman
- 3 Madison Premsagar
Katrina McGibney
Jerry Martin
- 6 Nick Dattilio
Kirtani Mathauer-Pudvah
- 8 Robert Park
- 10 Marion Dooley
- 11 Ryan Corey
Stephanie Miraglia
Asa Hoover
Judith Phillips
- 13 Sheila Stanton
- 16 Anna Possidente
- 18 Edward Hockenbury
- 24 Bob Meyers
- 25 Dick Phillips
- 27 Betsy Bahrenburg
- 29 Julia McGibney

ANNIVERSARIES

- 9 Michael & Meg Huffman
- 10 Bruce & Kathy Bosley
- 12 David & Sheila Stanton
- 22 Matt & Katrina McGibney
- 24 Matt & Allyson Vile

IN MEMORIAM

- 7 Bob Schultz
- 10 Chet Cook
- 12 Louise McGibney
- 14 Tom Menson
- 19 Alice Hobart
James Bogdanovitch
- 21 Hugh Douglas
- 22 Mary Lou Sutherland



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“Find your roots in the rituals and traditions of a people with a history.”