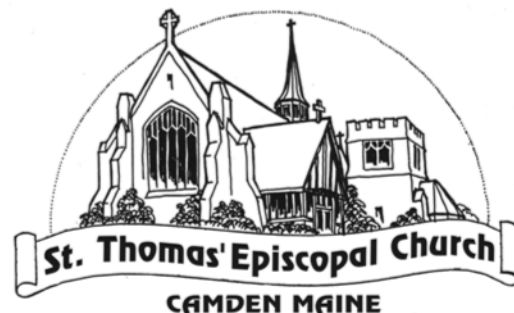


S T . T H O M A S ' Tidings

Sunday, November, 2018
The 25th Sunday After Pentecost

We welcome all who enter these doors, especially those who enter for the first time or after a long absence. Everyone is welcome! All are welcome to receive the Bread and Wine at this altar. **Members of our prayer ministry are available in the Chapel during Holy Communion to pray with you about any need or thanksgiving.**



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Bells of Peace

TODAY! There will be a nationwide bell-tolling (Veteran's Day) designed to honor American men and women who served 100 years ago during the First World War, and especially the 116,516 who died. Veterans Day was designated as "a day to be dedicated to the cause of world peace".

World War One ended by the signing of the armistice agreement between the warring countries at eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month of 1918. We will be ringing out the bells for peace in partnership with churches everywhere including our own Washington National Cathedral. Listen for our bells, which will toll 21 times at/or about 11 am on Sunday, November 11.

From Current The Week magazine

A little history lesson: "The First World War effectively ended on Nov. 11, 1918. For the victors, November 11 was immediately recognized as a day of celebration and thanksgiving. In the U.S. Armistice Day was celebrated until 1954. In the aftermath of WWII and the Korean War, Congress changed the holiday to Veterans Day in order to honor all American veterans. But not everyone agreed with the name change. "Armistice Day was sacred," WWII veteran Kurt Vonnegut wrote in his 1973 novel *Breakfast of Champions*. "Veterans Day is not." Veterans for Peace, an anti-war group, holds regular "Reclaim Armistice Day" events on November 11, arguing that the day was originally meant to celebrate peace, not militarism...." It was initially a day set aside to remember the horrors of war, so that the world would never repeat it. This Sunday we will ring the bells 21 times—as close to 11 as we can make it—along with many other churches, and the National Cathedral—to remember the 100th anniversary of Armistice Day.

Community

Thanksgiving Dinner

Once again St. Thomas' will be hosting a Community Thanksgiving Dinner this year. All are welcome. Our doors will open at 1:30 with dinner being served at 2. Thanksgiving dinner will consist of turkey, spiral ham, mashed potatoes, stuffing, cranberry sauce and an array of vegetables. People are welcome to bring their favorite dessert to share. Even though reservations are not required, we would like people to let us know if they plan to come. There are signup sheets in the Narthex and Sun Room. If you have any questions, or would like additional information, please contact Terry Mello at terry.mello42@gmail.com.

Knox County Homeless Coalition Seeks Volunteers

Knox County Homeless Coalition/Hospitality House has an exciting project coming up working together with Midcoast Habitat for Humanity to renovate a small barn on our property.

We are looking for several volunteers to provide morning snacks (i.e., coffee, tea, juice and muffins, etc.) for the volunteer crew from Habitat for Humanity. The project will span 5 days, November 12—16 and we are hoping to find five local groups to help by donating one morning's provisions for (10) workers.

Contact Eileen McGuigan by email at emcguigan@homehelphope.org or by phone at 207-593-2763 to discuss details.

Christmas Fair Raffle Baskets

Please help us fill the Children's Raffle Basket and the Maine Made Raffle Basket. Donations for these baskets can be left in the office with Raylene during office hours. Thank you in advance for your generous help in this part of our Christmas Fair.

Flu Update

Flu season is upon us, so here are flu protocol suggestions from our Diocese: rather than shaking hands, consider passing the Peace by bowing to each other. The safest approach to communion is to receive the bread only. Communion in one kind, as it's known, is complete communion. Intinction is an option. If you intinct, make sure your fingers do not touch the wine, otherwise you spread germs to the common cup. Have a healthy flu season.

Paul Tunkle is supplying!

Paul Tunkle, perhaps the funniest supply priest ever, will be supplying while Mother Lisa is in Phoenix visiting her daughter and seeing Bernstein's Mass. Paul will be serving at both services, so please make him feel at home, and enjoy his sermon!

Christmas is Coming and So is the Fair!!

Yes, it really is that time of year and St. Thomas' elves are busy planning our annual Christmas Fair for Saturday, December 1 from 9 AM to 1 PM. Joining the community on Christmas by the Sea weekend, St. Thomas will offer all sorts of treasures, treats, and tasty things. Once again tables of fine treasures, stunning jewelry, yummy baked goods, holiday decorations, colorful crafts and a Children's raffle basket as well as one containing Maine gifts.

New this year will be a Cocoa Bar with all sorts of toppings. Holiday music will add to the festivities, so please join us.

Donations of gently used items for the fine treasures and jewelry tables are being accepted **now**. Also it is not too soon to be planning what you will make for the baked food table. If you would like to join the fun of planning the fair please come to our "short" meetings on Fridays at 11 AM or contact Pat Ayers (236-3192) or Elizabeth Moran (789-5967).

Today's Music

Sunday, November 11, 2018

Today marks the 100th Anniversary of the signing of the agreement that ended World War I at 11:00 a.m., November 11, 1918. The music I have chosen reflects this commemoration. **Jean Langlais** (French, 1907-1991) was blind by the age of two from glaucoma, and went on to become an organist, recitalist, teacher and prolific composer. He followed in the footsteps of César Franck becoming organist at Ste. Clothilde (Paris) from 1945 to 1988. *Poem of Peace* was published in 1966.

The Choir sings a setting of the anonymous poem, *Even when God is silent*, found written on a basement wall in Cologne, Germany. It is a moving statement of faith by someone hiding from the Gestapo. The composer **Sumner Jenkins** (American, b. 1962) serves as Organist/Choirmaster for Calvary Episcopal Church, Memphis, TN. Two things to notice about both these pieces: *Poem of Peace* ends very softly on a G Major chord; *Even when God is silent* ends with the Choir singing in unison. Profound messages of hope for us all.

During communion we sing *By gracious powers so wonderfully sheltered*, Fred Pratt Green's paraphrase of the last poem written by **Dietrich Bonhoeffer** (German, 1906-1945) while in a Gestapo prison in Berlin. Bonhoeffer was executed a few months later on April 9, 1945. His is another deeply personal expression of deep faith and hope. We go forth into the world singing the stirring music, *Jerusalem*, of **Charles H.H. Parry** (English, 1848-1918). **Carl P. Daw, Jr.** (American, b. 1944) created the text to this tune at the request of the General Convention's Joint Commission on Peace: a hymn on world peace. Sing out with heart!

Jane Schroeder, Minister of Music

Prayer List

Please pray for those members of this parish and others who are in special need: Marya Allen, Ron, Andrew, Joanne Scott, Tiffany Andrews, Seana Roubinek, Pat Olds, Carolyn Morris, Janan Vaughn, Rosalind Clarke, Amy, Gordon Gushee, Susan, Martha, Jean Harper, Abby Neal, Mary, Jeremiah Swett, Dustin, Maxine.

This Sunday November 11, 2018

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1 Kings 17:8-16

Psalm 146

Hebrews 9:24-28

Mark 12:38-44

7:30 am: Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry; **Eucharistic Minister:** Sandy Lyle; **Lectors:** Paul Holman, Sandy Lyle; **Prayers of the People:** Jan Lyle; **Usher:** Bert Ryan

10:00 am: Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry; **Crucifer:** Lily Robbins; **Eucharistic Minister:** Jacqueline Recht; **Lectors** Jane Schroeder, Millie Crocker; **Prayers of the People:** Bill Freeman; **Acolytes:** Will Robbins; **Ushers:** Jim Ebbert, Lucy Ebbert

Next Sunday November 18, 2018

The 26th Sunday After Pentecost

1 Samuel 1:4-20

1 Samuel 2:1-10

Hebrews 10:11-14 (15-18) 19-25

Mark 13:1-8

7:30 am: Celebrant and Preacher: ; **Eucharistic Minister:** Pam Bardon; **Lectors:** Pat Ayers, JoAnne Ryan; **Prayers of the People:** Diane Kirkman; **Usher:** Isa Babb

10:00 am: Celebrant and Preacher: ; **Crucifer:** Kavan Kibler; **Eucharistic Minister:** Roy Gilley; **Lectors** Dean Jackson, Kate Jackson; **Prayers of the People:** **Acolytes:** Kingston Kibler, Tom Colburn; **Ushers:** Dean Jackson, Phil Groman

Calendar

Sunday, November 11

25th Sunday after Pentecost

7:30 am—Holy Eucharist, Rite I

8:30 am—Choir Rehearsal

9:00 am—Christian Education Classes

10:00 am—Holy Eucharist, Rite II

(Coffee Hour follows)

11:00 am—Bells for Peace—Chapel

5:15 pm—Centering Prayer—Chapel

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Monday, November 12

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Parish Hall

Tuesday, November 13

9:00 am—Xi Gong—Green Room

2:00 pm—Staff Meeting

5:00 pm—Vestry—Conference Room

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Wednesday, November 14

9:30 am—Prayer Service with Healing—Chapel

10:15 am—Fellowship—Sun Room

11:00 am—Bible Study—Sun Room

4:00 pm—EfM—Conference Room

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

7:00 pm—VoXX

Thursday, November 15

1:00 pm—Stormy Bok Funeral

5:00pm—Choir—Green Room

5:00 pm—Altar Guild Meeting

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Friday, November 16

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Saturday, November 17

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Sunday, November 18

Guest Celebrant Paul Tunkle

26th Sunday after Pentecost

7:30 am—Holy Eucharist, Rite I

8:30 am—Choir Rehearsal

9:00 am—Christian Education Classes

10:00 am—Holy Eucharist, Rite II

(Coffee Hour follows)

5:15 pm—Centering Prayer—Chapel

6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

What's Where

Our Sunday School and Nursery rooms are located past the sun room. Turn right. The *Blue Room* is the Nursery & *Godly Play*; the *Yellow Room* is the *God, the Bible and Me* classroom. Restrooms are located down the right aisle, past the Chapel, at the end of the corridor on the left side. Additional rest rooms are located in the basement (down the same corridor, via the stairway on your left). The Conference Room is past the sunroom, take the right corridor to the end and turn left.

Meetings and Events are subject to change. St. Thomas' welcomes the use of its facilities for meetings and events. Please contact the Parish Office before scheduling any event. A detailed building calendar can be viewed in the office copier room.