ST. THOMAS' Tidings Sunday, November 4, 2018 All Saints' Sunday

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.

Daylight Savings

"Spring ahead, fall back." Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour on Saturday night!

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.

Food Pantry Collection This Week!

Today, Sunday November 4th is Food Pantry Sunday. The baskets for nonperishable items are by the back entrance and envelopes are in the pews.

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.

Bells of Peace

There will be a nationwide belltolling on November 11 (Veteran's Day) designed to honor American men and women who served 100 years ago during the 1st 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 11 on Sunday, November 11.

Quarry Hill Service

St. Thomas' visits our elders at Quarry Hill every few weeks. November 4 at 1:30 pm meet us in the Community Room at Quarry Hill. This is a group that loves to sing. If you think you'd enjoy ministry with our elders, please join us.



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Coffee Hour

There is coffee hour after the 7:30 service this week! Won't you join us?

Special Service for those whose lives have been touched by suicide.

On Sunday, November 4, at 5:30 pm there will be a special service of public witness, prayer, and music for all whose lives have been touched by suicide at St. Peter's Episcopal Church at 11 White Street in Rockland. Now, in its fourth year, the All Souls Evensong has become an annual community event of remembrance and support. The service is designed for people of all faiths and no faith. Come as you are; bring all that it means to you.

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If you would like to recycle returnables and have the funds go to St. Thomas' please stop by the office and get a bag and tag from Raylene. Thanks for your help!

Today's Music

All Saints November 4, 2018

This morning's prelude by the jazz musician **George Shearing** is based on the hymn, *There is a Happy Land*, by **Andrew Young** (Scottish, 1807-1889) and is fitting for our remembrance of All Saints.

There is a happy land, far, far away, Where Saints in glory stand, bright, bright as day.

O, how they sweetly sing, worthy is our Saviour King!

Loud let his praises ring, praise, praise for ay.

We sing hymns with the saints and for the saints starting with **Ralph Vaughan Williams**' For all the saints, who from their labors rest. Vaughan Williams wrote this tune, Sine Nomine, especially for **William** W. How's text. *Sine Nomine* translates "without a name" and perhaps he was referencing all those whose names are known only to God. I sing a song of the saints of God was written by Lesbia Scott (English, 1898-1986) for her children, to impress upon them the fact that sainthood is a living possibility today. When her hymn appeared in The Hymnbook for the Armed Forces, Scott wrote: "I confess to a certain amount of glee in picturing a choir of Sargeant-Majors singing the words I wrote for my nurserv full of babies." John Henry Hopkins (1861-1945) wrote the music for this hymn. The tune is named Grand Isle, for the island community in Lake Champlain, Vermont where Hopkins lived in retirement.

Theobald H. Schenck (German, 1656-1727) based his original twenty stanza hymn(!) on Revelation 7:13-17, Who are these like stars appearing. We sing it to the 17th century German tune harmonized by William H. Monk (English, 1823-1889). Richard Baxter (English, 1615-1691) was a brave priest who was imprisoned for standing up to Cromwell. The text for our final hymn, Ye holy angels bright, is from the first five stanzas of a hymn Baxter wrote in 1672. The Rev. John Darwall (English, 1731-1789) was a vicar with musical ability: he composed tunes with bass lines for all 150 psalms and revived congregational singing in his parish. This tune, Darwall's 148th, was for Psalm 148, an exuberant psalm well worth looking up and reading aloud with gusto!

The Choir sings an anthem written especially for them by Carlton T. Russell (American, b. 1938). A few years ago, Tiffany Andrews and Ed Shindle came with me to an American Guild of Organists, Bangor Chapter, Saturday morning choral workshop. At the break, Tiffany had a lively discussion with Carlton about George Eliot's (English, 1819-1880) poem, The Choir Invisible. A few weeks later, Carlton sent me the anthem he was inspired to write based on this poem and dedicated to "Jane Schroeder and the choir of St. Thomas' Episcopal Church, Camden, Maine." It is a gorgeous piece especially appropriate for All Saints' Day. Mary Ann Evans wrote using the pen name George Eliot in order to ensure her works would be taken seriously. She also wrote Adam Bede, The Mill on the Floss, Silas Marner and Middlemarch. Gerald Near (American, b. 1942) composed the communion voluntary based on the plainchant, Requiem aeternam (Grant them eternal rest, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.) (See Book of Common Prayer, p. 502).

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, Marcie Vega, Maxine.

> This Sunday November 4, 2018 All Saints' Sunday Isaiah 25:6-9 Psalm 24 Revelation 21:1-6a John 11:32-44

7:30 am: Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry; Eucharistic Minister: JoAnne Ryan; Lectors: Paul Holman, Edmund Hartt; Prayers of the People: Pam Bardon; Usher: Marilyn Smith

10:00 am: Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Lisa Smith Fry; Crucifer: Freya Johanson; Eucharistic Minister: Jacqueline Recht; Lectors: Poppy Johanson, TBD; Prayers of the People: George Bickham; Acolytes: Hettie Bickham, Lola Black; Ushers: Leamon Scott, Joan Bennett

Next Sunday November 11, 2018 The 25th Sunday After Pentecost

I 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: Will Robbins; Eucharistic Minister: TBD; Lectors Jane Schroeder, Millie Crocker; Prayers of the People: Bill Freeman; Acolytes: LilyRobbins, TBD; Ushers: Jim Ebbert, Lucy Ebbert

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.

Calendar

Day Light Savings Time—Fall back one hour!

Sunday, November 4 All Saints' Sunday 7:30 am—Holy Eucharist, Rite I (Coffee Hour follows) 8:30 am—Choir Rehearsal 9:00 am—Christian Education Classes 10:00 am—Family Friendly Eucharist, Rite II (Coffee Hour follows) 1:30 pm—Quarry Hill Service 5:15 pm—Centering Prayer—Chapel 6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Monday, November 5 6:30 pm—AA meeting—Parish Hall

Tuesday, November 6 9:00 am—Xi Gong—Green Room 2:00 pm—Staff Meeting 6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Wednesday, November 7 9:30 am— Eucharist 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 8

5:00pm—Choir— Green Room 6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Friday, November 9 6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

Saturday, November 10 6:30 pm—AA meeting—Basement

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