

# CONNECTIONS

## All Saints Episcopal Church Monthly Newsletter



### HOLY WEEK



- **Maundy Thursday** April 17, 7:00pm  
Holy Eucharist, Foot Washing, Stripping The Altar
- **Good Friday** April 18, 12noon  
Solemn Liturgy for Good Friday
- **Holy Saturday** April 19  
Prayers, Preparation for Easter 9:00am  
The Great Vigil of Easter 8:00pm

*Alleluia*

### EASTER

*He Is Risen*

- **Easter Day—The Day of Resurrection** April 20  
Easter Holy Eucharist 10:30am  
Singing of Handel's Hallelujah Chorus 11:45am  
Easter Egg Hunt, Easter Brunch. 12noon

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#### Welcome to All Saints

Masks are welcome but not required during the service. The service will continue to be available at 10:30am at [allsaintsnorthfield.org](http://allsaintsnorthfield.org)

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## From the Rector



Dear people of God at All Saints,

Your Vestry met for a half-day retreat the morning of March 22nd, 2025. Our hostesses for the day were the Junior and Senior Wardens, Laura Kay Allen and Rhonda Rowe (with the help of Bob Rowe, Special Assistant to the Senior Warden 😊) who provided breakfast and lunch for us.

We prayed Morning Prayer and engaged in lectio divina (an ancient process of meditative reading) focusing on Acts 2:42-47 which tells of the gathering of the early Christian community:

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone because many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

-Acts 2:42-47 (NRSVue)

Based on that reading and our shared reflection together, I briefly drew out five shared activities to which the early Christians committed themselves: praying together, playing (resting) together, studying together, eating together, and serving together.

The rest of our time together was spent in conversation—both in small groups and as a whole—discussing the ways that we, as a parish, already do those five things together and how we might continue to grow in those areas.

It can be very easy for vestries to get bogged down in the temporal affairs of the faith community and lose sight of the spiritual leadership to which they have been called and elected. The annual vestry retreat is a wonderful opportunity for the vestry to press 'pause' on the business and spend some time in prayer and reflection in the service of our shared life together at All Saints.

Please pray for your vestry! And consider if God might not be nudging you to serve on the vestry in the years to come!

As ever, be in touch with any particular ways that I or others can be helpful. We're a small church and we can't do everything, but, by golly, we can do a lot!

Yours ever,  
Fr Cody

Vestry Retreat  
March 22, 2025

The Vestry met for a morning of reflection and brainstorming. The retreat ended with a fabulous lunch! .



April

- April 2, 9**      **Wednesday Lenten Simple Suppers and study**
- April 3**        **Resurrected Women's Group Dinner**
- April 5**        **Creative Collective Gathering**  
**Southeast & Southwest Mission Area Gathering**
- April 13-19**    **Holy Week**
- April 19**       **The Great Easter Vigil with Baptism**
- April 20**       **Easter Day Eucharist, Egg Hunt**
- April 23**       **Vestry meeting**
- April 26**       **Earthday Celebration**

**NORTHFIELD EARTH  
DAY CELEBRATION**

**Saturday, April 26th, 11-4**  
**Armory Square | Northfield**





# VESTRY



Jr. Warden  
Laura Kay Allen

The Junior Warden oversees buildings and grounds and there are dozens of parishioners who assist in this work.

Nearly every day, I see (or hear about) All Saints parishioners and our church sexton working on various matters and keeping us looking good! Jason Schwartz has been our sexton for 10 months and we are very pleased with his work. Bob Rowe is our main “go to” person with repair questions and he can often take care of things right then and there. He stepped up as the interim Junior Warden from mid-January to mid-March. As reported in the weekly bulletin, Bob also cleaned our All Saints ovens, repaired the door frame to the music room and cleaned the air return grate by the coffee machine.

Our building continues to be used at all hours of the day, every day of the week and we have even had two overnight lock-ins since the first of the year. Our own Youth Group held one in January and recently we opened our church to St Clement’s in St Paul for their Youth Group’s overnight retreat.

And speaking of our Youth Group, a big thank you to them for cleaning and organizing the Nursery and Youth Group room and for moving folding chairs to storage. Our snow removal team, under the direction of Marshall Hansen, has cleared snow for us and we are thankful to each member of that team. Recently, Paul Pieper removed the old CRT television from the basement and took to it recycling. Thank you to these two groups and to Paul for helping.

I am already connecting with individuals that will do the safety checks this summer. We are working on contracts or contract renewals with companies that serve us annually.

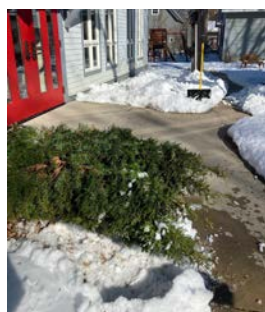
Please continue to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you to everyone for all you do here and for your support of my efforts.

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## Snow Days!

We didn’t have many snowy days in Northfield, but when we did, we were grateful for our Snow Removal Team, led by Marshall Hansen and our outside, paid helper, Tyler Green for having our walkways and entryways clear!

Thank you also to Pam Middleton for uncovering the buried evergreens and to Jay Zoller for finding a way to prop them up!



**A Message from The Right Reverend Craig Loya**  
**April 2, 2025**  
**Don't Just Do Something, Stand There with Jesus!**



Beloved in Christ,

In the gospel lesson appointed for this coming Sunday, Jesus and his disciples are gathered at the home of Lazarus a few days before Jesus's arrest. They are no doubt engaged in something that seems important, when Mary barges in with a jar of expensive and pungent perfume, anointing Jesus' feet, and wiping them with her hair. It's a scene of disorienting intimacy. The awkwardness in the room is palpable.

Judas raises the obvious objection: why would we waste something so expensive on such a weird and frivolous act, when the money could be given to the poor? There is work to be done, good to accomplish in the world, forces of evil to overcome. Let's get on with it.

Like Judas, we often draw a hard line between action and contemplation. Especially during hard times, we tend to favor the former over the latter. Prayer is all well and good, we imagine, but action in the world is what really counts. We have to do something!

Mary's interruption of a church meeting with an act of extravagant contemplation reminds us that the actions we take in the world will always be misguided unless they are grown in the soil of regular and intimate encounters with Jesus. Occasionally, we have to flip the injunction of "Don't just stand there, do something!" to "Don't just do something, stand there, with Jesus!"

Mary's contemplative perfume is, of course, meant to transform the stink of death. And that's where the false binary of prayer and action breaks down. We all know the world stinks of death, of injustice, of fear, and of suffering. The time we spend simply being with Jesus in prayer, and in our weekly worship, isn't about accomplishing anything, or even making ourselves feel better. The time we spend in prayer is about being saturated in the perfume of God's love, so that we render the scent of it wherever we go. Standing there, doing nothing with Jesus, is the only way we can ensure our acting in the world is really for Jesus, and not just imposing our own will. So beloved, in these late days of Lent, for the love of God, don't just do something, stand there, with Jesus, until death's hold on the world is fully and gloriously swallowed by God's eternal Easter Day.

Grace and Peace,  
The Right Reverend Craig Loya  
Bishop X  
Episcopal Church in Minnesota

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*Save the date*

May  
June

Graduation Celebration  
Pride in the Park  
Red Cross Blood Drive

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH



## Good Friday Plate Offering

### The Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem

Submitted by Rachel Zoller  
Outreach Committee

The American Friends of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem (AFDEJ) will be the recipient of this year's Good Friday plate offering. This is a leading fund raising organization which finances schools, hospitals and centers for children with disabilities in Palestine, Israel, Jordan and Lebanon. 100% of the funds go to the organizations and they serve people regardless of their religion, ethnicity or ability to pay.

My dear friend and neighbor, Heidi Shott, was the communicator for AFDEJ for a number of years. Thus, I have gained knowledge about the separate parts. I got to know Archdeacon Imad M. Zoorab, Vicar of All Saint's Church, Beirut and director of St. Luke's Center for Special Needs Children.

Heidi arranged for Imad's sons, Marc and Ralph, to attend high school in our town. They were sponsored by the Diocese of Maine. I organized a group of Aunties who provided warm clothing, snacks and weekend stays away from the dorm. They were much loved in the community. They are both doing extremely well at the University of Maine.

As of now, the Zoorab's have lost their ancestral home. Living in Beirut, Imad continues to run the school. The family is loving, kind and forever hopeful.

Having had this closer relationship with the Zoorab family and knowing how the organization is run and what each site does, I can honestly tell you that this is an organization doing God's work.

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## ~~The Minnesota FoodShare March Campaign~~

### March is our month to help restock Minnesota's food shelves.



Thank you to everyone who has donated funds to the March Food Share Campaign for the CAC's Foodshelf! As of March 23, we have almost reached our goal of \$2,000. Watch for an update in the next newsletter for the final numbers!

# Shrove Tuesday



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## Lenten Wednesdays

Thank you to Brad Ely and Morgan Jones for the Lenten evening discussions and to all of the hosts who prepared (and cleaned up) the Simple Soup Suppers on Wednesdays in Lent! Thank you also to Fr. James for leading the book discussion each Wednesday at noon!



### YOUTH GROUP SERVICE PROJECT!

Thank you to Rebecca and Mark Krug for leading our Youth Group with a Birthday Package Project for the CAC Food Shelf! It was a lot of fun!



### LYNN NAECKEL AND DAVID MCKEE, An All Saints Departure

Last month we bade farewell to our friends the Rev. Lynn Naeckel and David McKee. We're sad to see them leave Northfield, but glad that they'll only be a hop, skip, and a jump away at McKenna Crossing in Prior Lake!

Lynn and David are keeping their phone numbers and email addresses the same, but their new mailing address is: 18310 Shepherd's Path NW Apt 400 Prior Lake, MN 55379



"Greetings to everyone! We miss you all!," says Lynn and noted that this was their first ever selfie!

**Celebrating Larry Archbold  
for all of his years of service as organist, mentor, vestry clerk and treasurer with All Saints**



Sunday brunch table filled with Larry's favorite...CHOCOLATE

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**Thank you to Melody, Kalie and Kate Ford  
and to folks that donated clothing to the  
Epilepsy Foundation.**



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**Thank you to Sabe Dunlap, Faiz Wareh, and the All Saints  
Choir for a beautiful service of Evensong during Lent**



Episcopalians are celebrated all around the world and we would love for you to submit photos of Episcopal churches that you have taken. Photos from where you have traveled to, have lived or even one you were married in. Share with us the beauty of those churches. Please feel free to include a story to go along with your submission. Send submissions to [jaynequarry@yahoo.com](mailto:jaynequarry@yahoo.com)

Brad Ely went to visit his long term friend Bishop Carl Wright, VII Bishop Suffragan of the Armed Forces and Federal Ministries. Brad and the Bishop served together in the USAF some 25 plus years ago.

Brad wanted to share photos from their visit to Pasadena, MD to St. Andrews Episcopal Church. St. Andrew's was the Bishop's last parish before his consecration in 2017. Sadly, Bishop Carl was forced to retire due to health issues in 2022.



Bishop Carl Wright



**EASTER FLOWERS**



Easter is on April 20<sup>th</sup>! Would you like to donate funds for the Easter flowers/plants in thanksgiving for or in memory of loved ones? The suggested donation is \$30.00. Please email the office with your dedication, and send your check to PO Box 663, Northfield or put in the offering plate with "Easter flowers" on the memo line.

## ORGANSPEAK IV "A Theology of Sound" Values & Long Term Investment

submitted by Richard Collman

This continues the series of columns for the All Saints newsletter called "Organspeak", a term Fletcher Coolidge has used in educating the Vestry and others about our present pipe organ and the proposal for a reconditioned 1893 historic organ from Owatonna for our sanctuary in 2026.

The Vestry vote in October of 2024 to move, purchase, and retrofit the 1893 Steere pipe organ from Owatonna was not made it haste. It was made after much research, consultation with a group of organists, and realization that a central value of this parish is singing in worship which spiritually forms and inspires us. This organ will be based upon the 8 ft. pitch (our singing pitch) with lower and upper sounds to enhance our singing. Characteristic of many organs in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, we will have a rich, warm, and mellow sound to support our singing. Dare I call this a "theology of sound" which can characterise Episcopalian worship? Our present organ sounds are more shrill and even brittle to the ear. Organ pipes "breathe" like we do. Metal, wood, wires, and air all combine to amplify our praise of the Creator.

We are involved with long term investment here. "The great use of a life," wrote American philosopher William James in 1900, "is to spend it for something that outlasts it." Most well built pipe organs will outlast us all as they accompany the life passages we all make. Or, to quote John Panning, president and artistic director of the Dobson Pipe Organ Company in Iowa, "I have come to realize that the organ is more than wind instrument: it is a machine for bringing people together. It calls people, it gathers them, it unites them in common purpose, it sends them. It is the locus of the musicians' sweat and triumph, the composers' dreaming, the listener's wonder."

To end upon a note of historical humor, on Nov. 25, 2012, upon the 177th birthday anniversary of millionaire philanthropist Andrew Carnegie (from Garrison Keillor's *The Writer's Almanac*): Andrew Carnegie endowed 2,811 libraries (including ours in Northfield) and many charitable foundations. He also bought 7,689 organs for churches. The purpose of the latter gift was, in Carnegie's words, "To lessen the pain of the sermons." Gladly, such is not the case here but could be true in some churches!

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Sunday, April 6, at 12:15pm after church, there will be an information session about our pipe organ for interested persons. Come to the office area and ask your questions. There have been four articles called "Organspeak" in the Connections newsletter since last fall for your background and reference. Organists will be on hand to answer your inquiries. All are welcome.

## MUSICAL HAPPENINGS

### Katie Gunn's Graduate Organ Recital

Former organist and choirmaster, Katie Gunn, is performing a graduate organ recital on Saturday April 5th from 1:00-2:00pm which will be livestreamed here: <https://www.youtube.com/live/bUOSw8-USu8>. Katie will be performing works by Bach, Howells, Rozan, Demessieux, Franck, and Gade.



### IF MUSIC BE THE FOOD OF LOVE

The Northfield chapter of If Music Be the Food—a concert series hosted by local musicians to raise awareness and support for members of our local community who are experiencing food insecurity—was hosted by the First UCC of Northfield on Saturday March 22nd. If Music Be the Food was founded in New York City by violist Carol Rodland (daughter of our own Joanne Rodland and sister of St. Olaf organ professor, Cathy Rodland.)

Two of our All Saints community members performed in the recital: Faiz Wareh (our student organist) and Agnes Barthel. Both are students at St. Olaf College. Other members of Dr. Rodland's studio performed in the recital as well. All proceeds from the recital's free will donation were sent to the Community Action Center. Those funds were matched by the Minnesota Foodshare, bringing the total impact to \$7,170!

Congratulations, Agnes and Faiz! Thanks for your leadership, Joanne!

### ALL SAINTS GARDEN CLUB

Submitted by Pam Middleton

As spring is finally approaching, the time is coming for the All Saints Garden Club in (ASGC) to play in the dirt again! We will schedule our outdoor workday once the temperature has been above 50 degrees for several days in a row- we need to keep the winter habitats for the critters to live before they emerge with the warmth. This is part of keeping our ecosystem healthy!

However, with prompting from Elizabeth Campbell, our Gardening Angel, some early tasks were undertaken to tidy the grounds up a bit before Easter. Katharine Powers and I got some good pruning advice from Karen Doherty, and we pruned some plants from the rain garden and some of the hydrangeas. Laura Heiman brought her electric saw to help us to remove two of our low-grow cypress plants which had died over the winter. Thank you, everyone!

If you would like to be a part of this fun group, the All Saints Garden Club, please speak with me!



***Episco-Speak***  
*A Guide to the Language of Episcopalians*

Submitted by James Young

You say you don't know your apse from your clerestory? Well, don't despair! Help is here. Each month I will attempt to dazzle you with my command of the vocabulary of Anglicans and Episcopalians. If there is some term or concept about which you want to learn more, I will also take requests. Please contact me!!

This month: ***Triduum***

The Latin word triduum literally means a period of three days. **Easter Triduum, Holy Triduum, or Paschal Triduum** is a term used to denote, collectively, the three days from the evening Maundy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday. The intent has always been to view this three-day period as a seamless and integral whole, not a series of loosely related services. Taken as a whole, the Triduum literally takes the congregation on the journey of Jesus' last supper, arrest, trial, crucifixion and resurrection. May your journey of the Paschal Triduum be holy and blessed.



Next Month: **Is it a sermon or a homily?**  
Stay tuned for another thrilling installment of ***Episco-Speak***

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**Thank you to Laura Kay Allen, Mark Heiman, Fr. Cody, Jayne Cook-Quarry and Pam Middleton for providing the photos for the newsletters!**

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CO-TREASURER	Pam Middleton
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**April Readings**

6	Isaiah 43:16-21 Philippians 3:4b-14 John 12:1-8 Psalm 126
13	Isaiah 50:4-9a Philippians 2:5-11 Luke 22:14-23:56 Psalm 31:9-16
17 Maundy Thursday	Exodus 12:1-4 (5-10) 11-14 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 John 13:1-17, 31b-35 Psalm 116:1, 10-17
18 Good Friday	Isaiah 52:13-53:12 Hebrews 10:16-25 John 18:1-19:425 Psalm 22
20	Acts 10:34-43 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 Luke 24:1-12 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
27	Acts 5:27-32 Revelation 1:4-8 John 20:19-31 Psalm 118:14-29 or Psalm 150

**BIRTHDAYS**

April	
14	Peggy Olson
15	Katie Landon
16	Joanne Gulickson
19	Elizabeth Campbell
28	Doug Jones
29	Marie Schlink
30	Jayne Gardner



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