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Welcome to the Episcopal Church in Bay Head

# For All the Saints



## Senior Warden's note>>>

### Being "all in" for All Saints

September 18 will be an important day. It will mark not only the re-opening of our Church School after two years (see p. 2), but it is also **Stewardship Kick-off**. Under the Rev. King's guidance, the committee (consisting of Penny Witt, Rob McCullam, Mike Ling, Scott MacMurray, and the wardens) is taking a new approach. Our emphasis is less on how much is pledged and more on how many pledge. **We are shooting for 100% participation.**

Everyone's participation will serve as a sign of our commitment to All Saints, so let's be "all in."

A pledge is also a vote of confidence in All Saints, its programs, and its future.

Furthermore, if we can show 100% participation from our parishioners, it will go a long way to encouraging the community to take part in fundraisers. People will invest in All Saints when we can show we believe in its value.

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## The Rector's Corner

### Tradition, Reason, Change, and Wheels

*You know the sayings, "The more things change, the more they stay the same" and "No need to reinvent the wheel." Well, I believe there is wisdom in both those sayings, but I also believe in the wisdom of Thomas Cranmer and the Anglican tradition of the three-legged stool of Scripture—Tradition, Reason, and Experience.*

Recently, those ideas all came together in practice when I hosted the current and former wardens, junior and senior, for an evening at the rectory, forming a council of advice for me. My goal is that they will serve as a sounding board and brainstorming group that will meet three to four



times a year. As an unofficial group, they will have no legislative or organizational authority; their role is simply to share the gift of their wisdom and experience with me as Rector.

Rectors come and go, but the legacy of the community of faith is carried in the hearts of the faithful. The faithful who have answered the call to serve as wardens in any congregation have, in

my opinion, a unique experience of the deep workings of the parish as well as a vital view of the arc of his-

tory of the community. Like families and organizations, faith communities experience life cycles as well as blessings and challenges unique to particular seasons of life. This is certainly true of All Saints. At the top of the list of challenges was Superstorm Sandy and the 15-month displacement of the parish, followed by the joy of returning to the corner of Howe and Lake. Among the blessings, the wardens recounted the purchase of the neighboring home that expanded the church property for classrooms and more gathering/meeting space.

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## Tradition, Reason, Change, and Wheels ....

I want to express my deep appreciation to the wardens who were able to be present at our first gathering (Steve Beresik, Lois Eberhart, Ted Griffin, Gerald Harvey, Dick Hewson, Zoe Wells, and Betty Yersin—see photo at right) and to those who have indicated their intention to join us in the future.

The storytelling that was part of our first gathering has already provided me with some new insights. It was a gift to sit back and listen to them talk with each other, remembering people and events that have shaped who we are today. When I asked them what word they would use to describe All Saints during their particular tenure as warden, they mentioned resilience, community, family, welcome, friendship, faithfulness, hard working, and legacy.

Indeed, the legacy of All Saints is rich in souls who worshipped and served with devotion. As we live into our



time we have a well-trodden path to follow and new trails to blaze.

May God who has given us the will to do these things give us the grace and power to perform them.

Faithfully, Kathryn+

## Sr. Warden's note (cont'd)

So, what else is new about this year's Stewardship Campaign? **When you pledge—**

- ✦ You will **see your name in the bulletin and newsletter**, because your commitment deserves public recognition.
- ✦ You will **be able to serve as a committee chairperson, on vestry or in other elected positions, and vote at the Annual Meeting.**
- ✦ You will **feel good about supporting** our music program, Church School, Supper with All Saints, and fellowship activities, as well as keeping the lights and air conditioning on and the coffee pot full at Coffee Hour.

And, we'll also be welcoming you to support All Saints with your unique skills and talents. You'll learn more about Stewardship from the special messages presented by the committee members in the weeks ahead.

*Steven Beresik*

## New Christian Ed. and Fellowship for Children

The Rev. King encourages all students, teachers, and school administrators to be present at **10:15 a.m. service on September 18**—and bring your backpack, school bag, or briefcase to church with you for a special blessing.

After the exchange of the Peace, students and educators will be invited to come forward to be recognized and receive a token to keep with them to remember that no matter where they are, they are loved by God and this family of faith.

**Sunday, September 18 also marks the re-opening of our Church School** after two years of pandemic closure. The children will be with Church School teachers and friends during the first part of service. Then, they'll have time to engage in games and activities as well as to visit the classrooms for a sneak peek at what's coming up this year. And we want to hear what they want to explore and experience.

"We are very excited to get back to regular programming for our younger parishioners and hope to entice more parents—and any interested adults—to get involved in helping us live into the vows we make at baptism 'to do all in our power to support these persons in their lives in Christ,'" said the Rev. King.

She also notes there will be extra give-aways for anyone would like to pass one on to the special children in their lives who may not be able to attend in person on September 18. All are welcome!

# Bristol Music Series Launches

*All Saints is launching a new program, the Bristol Music Series, featuring three free programs for music lovers. Spearheaded by Stephen Pinel, our organist and choirmaster, and Betsey Sayen, the series kicks off on Sept. 16.*



Named in honor of Dr. Lee Hastings Bristol, Jr., a distinguished author and composer who served as president of Westminster Choir College and for 40 years as organist at All Saints, the series promises programs of interest for everyone. A free-will offering will be taken at the door before each program. On **September 16 at 7 p.m.**, the renowned Dutch organist **Lubbert Gnodde** will perform an hour-long program of Bach, Sweelinck, and Ralph Vaughan Williams. While still in his twenties, Mr. Gnodde won three international organ competitions. Now a resident of Vermont, he is an organ builder and serves as organist at Our Lady of the Snows R.C. Church in Woodstock.

The second program in the series will take place on **February 5, 2023, at 4 p.m.**, when **Jeremy Lees**, baritone soloist, will offer an hour of his favorite English songs. Many know him as the bass section leader of the All Saints choir and member of the NJ Chamber Singers, but he has performed as a soloist with The Monmouth Civic Chorus, The Shrewsbury Chorale, and has been featured in several operas statewide.

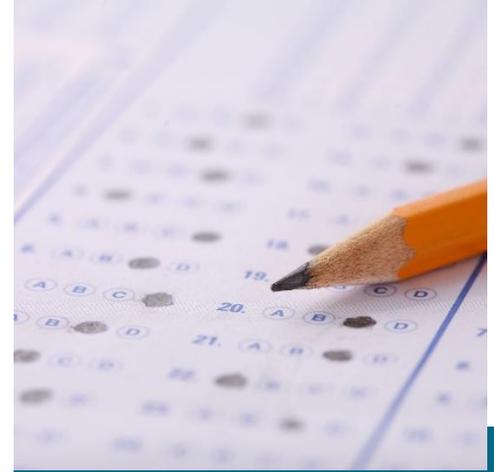
The inaugural season of the series closes on **April 24, 2023, at 4 p.m.** when **Dr. Michael Diorio**, organist and director of music at the Church of the Redeemer (Episcopal) in Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania, presents an hour-long exploration of the *1982 Hymnal*. With music degrees from Westminster Choir College, Yale Institute of Sacred Music, and Boston University, Dr. Diorio has performed extensively not only in the United States but also Europe, and has taught and performed at The Shipley School, the Episcopal Cathedral of the Diocese of New Jersey, and The Lawrenceville School.

A wine and cheese reception follows each program.

## Women's Guild Meets Sept. 20

The Women's Guild will hold its Welcome Back Luncheon on Tuesday, September 20 at noon in Bristol Hall. Lunch will be provided. As this is the first meeting of the new program year, we will be collecting annual dues of \$10.

All women in the parish are reminded that they are automatically members of the Women's Guild, and we look forward to seeing you at any of our meetings which take place on the third Tuesday of the month.



## Surveys sent out....

Check your email inbox! If you are a parent of young children or teens, you should have received a Survey Monkey poll, drawn together by the Rev. Kathryn, Lori Copman, and Cindy McGlynn as we relaunch the children, teen, and family ministries. We know we have two age groups of elementary school children and believe there are enough older ones who might be interested in Confirmation and youth group programs. Your responses to the survey will help us confirm headcount, they will help us provide children and families with fun and informative programs—on a schedule that works for you!

We are thinking beyond traditional Sunday morning classes every week, with new schedules and activities and trips of interest to all ages. So, if you haven't received the survey, or if you don't have school-age children but would like to lend a hand in some of the activities/trips, contact the Church Office.



# Looking ahead

Keep up with the latest service schedule and events at All Saints by visiting our parish website: [www.allsaintsbayhead.org](http://www.allsaintsbayhead.org).



All Sunday 10:15 services can be livestreamed via the All Saints Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsbayhead/>

**Saturdays in Summer (May 28 through September 10)**

**5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist in the Garden**

**Sundays year-round**

**8 and 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist in the Nave**

**Wednesdays year-round**

**8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist in the Nave**

## Meeting and Community Event Reminders

**September 16 – Bristol Music Series** organ recital by Lubbert Gnodde at 7 p.m., followed by wine and cheese reception (see p. 3 for details)

**September 18 – Church School Kick-off** with Blessing of the Backpacks and a festive Coffee Hour (see p. 2 for details). Bring your backpack!

**September 18 – Stewardship Kick-off** (see p. 1)

**September 20 – Women’s Guild Meeting** at noon in Bristol Hall (see p. 3)

**September 27 – Supper with All Saints, 4 to 6 p.m.**

**October 16 – Ministries Fair** (details in next issue of newsletter)

**October 29 – Celebration of New Ministry at 11 a.m.** Bishop Chip Stokes and other diocesan clergy will join our All Saints family as we liturgically mark the union of our congregation and our rector, as Kathryn is installed. Bring your bells! A festive reception will follow this joyous service. All are welcome!

## Share your good news with us!

If you are celebrating a milestone or special achievement, please call the Church Office or let us know by email so we can add it to our next newsletter.

## Celebrating our saints >>>

### Birthdays:

9/5: Nick Stango

9/6: Valerie Leavy

9/10: Sarah O’Brien

9/13: Study Mayo

9/14: Joan Hamelberg

9/15: Kelly Bicking, Patty Slack

9/16: Paul Mastroserio,  
Debbie McCullam

9/19: Zoe Wells

9/21: Toms Royal

9/22: Claudia Jacobs

9/26: Shea Bicking

9/30: Susan Bristol

### Anniversaries:

9/3: John & Kelly Bicking

9/9: Kathy & Toms Royal;  
Pat & Tom Trunkwalter

9/10: Caroline & John Petrie  
Altha & Curt Morton

9/19: Martin & Susan Morales

9/22: Chris & Susan Palmer

9/25: Donna & Skip Knapp

9/26 : Bill & Connie Fortenbaugh  
Cathy & Frank Mulligan

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