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Welcome to the Episcopal Church in Bay Head

# For All the Saints



## Senior Warden's note >>>

### God knows me as....

It's time we all got to know one another by name—just as God does. So, the vestry (thanks to Chris Kyse) has arranged to have **magnetic name tags** made for every member of the parish. The vestry already are wearing theirs if you'd like to see a sample.

As the name tags become available, they will be posted (alphabetically by last name) on one of the magnetic boards in the narthex or outside Bristol Hall. We ask that you wear your name tag in worship and at parish events, and return your tag to one of the magnetic boards afterward. Thank you!

Steven Beresik



## The Rector's Corner

### Liturgy: To Dance with God

**Liturgy, the word describing the form and structure of our common worship, is commonly translated from two Greek words—one as work and the other as people. When it comes to worship, however, we ought to note that God belongs in the equation! Another school of thought puts forward that rather than people, the translation is more accurately public.**

The latter makes liturgy God's work, and we, God's people, actively participate in God's work, with

worship as a means of being in relationship. The community gathered for worship is the primary means by which we engage in sacred community, strengthening

our relationship with God in Christ Jesus and with each other as members of the body of the faithful. As such it is the work of all the Baptized. Our liturgy most fully represents our family when every member knows that they are integral to the experience of the whole, both by faithful participation from the pew and in offering ourselves in service that enriches our common worship.

Besides impacting our ability to gather in person, the pandemic hindered broad participation of lay



leadership in defined liturgical roles. The safety precautions of the past two years, although necessary, unintentionally and significantly kept many lay leaders from

exercising their particular ministry as lectors, acolytes, choir members, ushers, greeters, Eucharistic ministers, and hospitality team members. Thankfully, now that restrictions to in-person worship are lifting, we are gradually resuming a pattern of common life that allows us more physical presence in worship and the opportunity for all to resume

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## Liturgy: To Dance with God

their previous and much-appreciated ministries. Even more welcome, new members want to celebrate this re-opening of our parish life by contributing their spirit and hands to our common life in liturgy.

It is vitally important to me that our worship team be broadly representative of our family of faith—whether serving at the altar or greeting worshipers as they enter our doors, reading at the lectern or singing in the choir, or preparing the altar for worship or baking the bread that we share at the Lord's table (or the treats for Coffee Hour). I invite each of you to prayerfully consider what offering you are led to make in breathing life into our corporate worship—our dance with God.

You may want to start simply by voicing the names on our prayer list during the Prayers of the People. Perhaps you will accept the invitation to bring the bread and the wine up to the altar one Sunday. But as you keep your eyes, ears, and hearts open in

worship, you may discover new ways to volunteer. Our joy and challenge as a community of faith is to meaningfully engage each member of the congregation in worship that puts each of us on the path presented by the Spirit of God. This is an opportunity for relationship building, deepening of bonds of community, and most importantly engaging in the sacred work of creating space for God to touch hearts and transform lives.

Kathryn+

**Who to talk to about engaging:**  
**Reader, Eucharistic Minister: Kathryn+**  
**Acolyte: Clayton Smith, our Verger**  
**Altar Guild: Lois Eberhart**  
**Ushers: Joe DeAmicis, Junior Warden**  
**Choir/Music: Stephen Pinel, Organist**  
**Bread Bakers: Terry Williams, Katherine Benzinger**



## New vestry member is hard at work

Say hello to **Penny Witt**, one of our new vestry members and an alto in the choir. Although it's her first year on vestry at All Saints, she previously served as warden three times and on vestry at St. James in Montclair for several years, working on stewardship campaigns, in the church school, and on altar guild. She moved to Bay Head a few years ago, but Penny has deep connections to All Saints. The daughter of the late **Phyllis Hurst** and niece of **Allison Goetting**, two long-time members of our parish, Penny first came to worship at All Saints with her grandparents in summers. As a teenager, she babysat for **Bill and Connie Fortenbaugh's** two older children on weekends, bringing them to All Saints for church on Sundays.

Since her election to vestry here, she has participated in one of the small group meetings with the Rev. King and was joined by **Ed and Phyllis Kata**. Penny says it was a great opportunity not only to get to know the rector better but also the Katas. "I learned that both Ed and Phyllis had worked in the foreign service and was fascinated to hear about all the places they have lived around the world." Since then, she has gotten to know Phyllis better by getting involved in Supper for All Saints. Penny explains, "I like to cook and don't get to do enough of it living alone."

## Help for Ukraine

Thanks to your generosity, All Saints has just sent \$3,700 to Episcopal Relief and Development's Ukraine Crisis Fund in support of ERD's relief efforts.

Individual donations accounted for \$2,700 of that amount, and All Saints matched the first \$1,000. As the war continues to ravage Ukraine and displace countless victims, All Saints is continuing to accept donations via the e-Giving tab on [www.allsaintsbayhead.org](http://www.allsaintsbayhead.org). Thank you! *Phyllis Kata*



On that note, she is looking forward to helping to bake bread for communion on Palm Sunday, which is one of the new projects the vestry and rector have planned. Penny would also like to assist in updating the parish directory and pitching in when the vestry hosts a newcomers' brunch sometime after Easter.

Penny adds, "I get closely aligned with my church and like to help where I can," and she encourages others to do so as it's "enjoyable and fulfilling."

# Palm Sunday & Holy Week Highlights

*As this issue makes clear, there's a lot going on at All Saints in April!*

*Below are some highlights of what the Rev. King, the vestry, and wardens have planned for April 9 through April 17, Easter Day.*

(Shown below is Evan Veenboer, grandson of Dick Hewson, serves as acolyte.)



**Saturday, April 9, from 10 a.m. to noon**, two events are planned:

**Palms To Go** – For those who cannot worship in person with us on Palm Sunday (April 10), stop by the Lake Avenue entrance to collect your palms. That way you can hold them high along with us when you watch the service online. Then join us for Coffee Hour

via Zoom to watch as we learn how to make palm crosses.

**Meet & Greet** – Families with toddlers and school age children are invited to participate in fellowship activities and to get information about the re-opening of our Church School and Youth programs. A barbecue lunch will be provided! Please RSVP.

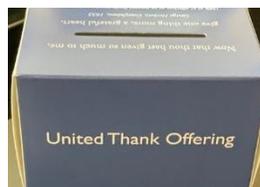
**Palm Sunday** – Regular service times, Eucharist opens with the blessing of the palms.

**Holy Week** – Check the schedule on p. 5. Note that *Maundy Thursday* service begins in Bristol Hall with a simple supper; *Good Friday* services include an interactive one especially for children; *Easter Vigil* will be followed by a Champagne Reception; and *Easter Day* services (**at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.**) will both feature special music and an egg hunt after the 10:30 service.

**Story Walk** – Keep your eyes peeled for a special series of signs around the churchyard. The Rev. Kathryn has something new to share with families!

## United Thank Offering

The United Thank Offering (UTO) enables us to turn our many blessings into blessings for others. This ministry of the Episcopal Church suggests that people pray daily, and in recognition of their thanks for what God has given them, put coins (and dollars) in the little blue mite box. Your donations fund grants that support innovative mission and ministry throughout the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion. Since 1883, more than 5,300 grants totaling \$140 million have been awarded. Last year, thanks to your generosity, All Saints contributed \$654.50. To continue your support, pick up a UTO blue box in Bristol Hall (or write out a check) and **return it to church between April 24 and May 1.**



## Ukraine Talk & Potluck Supper

On Sunday, **April 10**, come to a special Lenten program on Ukraine. It will feature presentations and discussion led by **Ed and Phyllis Kata** and by **Jim Doran**, all of whom have lived in Ukraine while working in the U.S. foreign service.

The presentations will begin at **6:30 p.m.**, followed by a question and answer session. Prior to the presentations, everyone is invited to a **potluck supper** that begins at **5:30 p.m.**

If you plan on attending the supper, please fill out the sign-up sheet outside Bristol Hall and indicate what dish you will be bringing to share.

## New Member Session

On **Saturday, April 9**, the Church School will hold a meet & greet for new and returning Church School families.

The gathering, which runs from **10 a.m. to noon**, will include a cookout. The Rev. King has some fun and instructive activities planned. Please call the Church Office to RSVP.



# Vestments & Vessels

*On March 22, our rector, the Rev. Kathryn L. King was guest speaker at the Women's Guild Lenten Quiet Day. Her talk focused on the church seasons and their associated colors. The talk was highlighted by examples of her personal collection of clergy vestments and vessels and how they echoed the church seasons. More photos of these items can be seen at [www.allsaintsbayhead.org](http://www.allsaintsbayhead.org).*



After an impromptu singalong to a Girls' Friendly Society (GFS) song about the church seasons, the Women's Guild was treated to a glimpse inside the rector's "wardrobe" of Eucharistic vestments. (She also explained that the GFS is an Anglican or Episcopal version of girl scouts.) Among these garments were the plain black cassock, traditionally topped by an amice, and a cassock alb that combines both those other items. The priest then wears a stole across both shoulders, while

a deacon wears one diagonally (over one shoulder only). The Rev. King also showed us a tippet, which she said is often light-heartedly referred to as a "liturgical letter sweater."

## Handmade and Unique Items

Since the turn of the century, the Rev. King noted, the chasuble (which is laid across the altar rail until the priest puts it on before the Great Thanksgiving) is now available in custom designs. She showed us one that she hand painted (at left) with imagery significant to her personally, including the likeness of her grandmother from whom the rector inherited her faith.

Another chasuble, which she wore at her ordination, has quilting made from materials from her father's shirt, a childhood dress, and other fabrics donated by friends and family. She also displayed several stoles, two of which were made by Ramapo Indians. Another has an open cutwork of a vine. Made by Colleen Hintz, it features a dragonfly as the cross at the nape of the neck. The designs in these garments often reflect the personal ministry of the priest and the priest's faith community.



## NJCS Spring Concert

On May 7 at 4 p.m., All Saints hosts the NJ Chamber Singers, who will present a program entitled *Odyssey*.

This musical journey features William Grant Still's "Plainchant for America," which debuted in 1941 when the United States was on the brink of being swept into World War II. This work by the "dean of African-American composers" is a call for justice and peace.

The singers will also present John Corigliano's setting of Dylan Thomas' poem "Fern Hill," which tracks the passage of time through imaginative young eyes and vivid imagery. Listeners will be treated to "The Secret of the Sea," a recent composition by Jake Runestad, which highlights "indigenous poetry" and a "thunderous" score.

Accompanying the singers is a small orchestra that features Grammy award winners Keiko Tokunaga on violin and Pedro Giraud on bass. See Terry Williams at Coffee Hour for tickets or go to

[www.njchambersingers.org](http://www.njchambersingers.org)

## Women's Guild News >>>

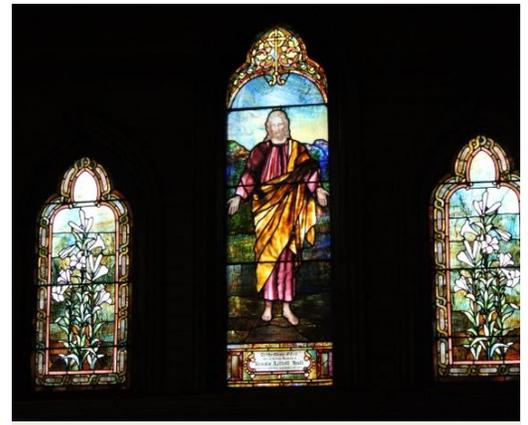
### Cookie wizard in the kitchen!

Join us for our next meeting on **Tuesday, April 19, at noon** in Bristol Hall when George Chapman, a friend of one of our members, will demonstrate his cookie baking skills. Bring a brown bag lunch. Beverage and dessert (cookies!) will be provided.



# 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 and evening services during Holy Week, including the Great Vigil of Easter, and **Easter Day at 10:30 a.m.**, can be livestreamed via the All Saints Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsbayhead/>

## Wednesdays in Lent (through April 6 for Lenten Study)

**8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist**

**11 a.m. Lenten Study** (in Bristol Hall, concluding with Noon Day Prayers)

**6 p.m. Potluck Soup and Salad Supper**

**7 p.m. Lenten Study** (in Bristol Hall and via Zoom, concluding with Compline)

## Sunday evenings in Lent

**7 p.m. Bedtime Stories and Prayers** via Zoom (every Sunday in Lent)

## April 10 – Palm Sunday and Holy Week

### ◆ Sunday, April 10: Palm Sunday ◆

**8 and 10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist** begins in the Memorial Garden with the blessing of the palms and procession into church. Reading of the Passion Gospel with participants. Special music. Palm cross making at Coffee Hour. Palms to Go will be available April 9 (see p. 3). Special evening program on Ukraine (see p. 3).

### Wednesday, April 13: 8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

**11 a.m.** Lenten Study (in Bristol Hall, concluding with Noon Day Prayers)

**6 p.m.** Potluck Soup and Salad Supper

**7 p.m.** Lenten Study (in Bristol Hall and via Zoom, concluding with Compline)

### ◆ Maundy Thursday, April 14: 7:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist with foot washing ◆

### ◆ Good Friday, April 15 ◆

Noon Stations of the Cross

**3 p.m.** Interactive Family Observance

**7:30 p.m.** Liturgy of Good Friday

### ◆ Saturday, April 16: The Great Vigil of Easter ◆

**7:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist** begins in the churchyard, featuring special music, candles, the return of the Alleluias; followed by a Champagne Reception!

### ◆ Sunday, April 17: Easter Day (Feast of the Resurrection) ◆

**8:30 and 10:30 a.m.** Festive Holy Eucharist with special music, bells, and egg hunt!

## Celebrating our saints >>>

### Birthdays:

4/3: Laurie Doran

4/7: Jane Anuario, Chloe Colyar

4/14: Cheryl Smith

4/18: Don Noffsinger

4/21: Paul Chowansky

4/22: Lori Copman

4/24: Eric Jacobs

4/28: Cathy Mulligan

4/30: Larry Kyse

### Anniversaries:

4/23: Julie & Keith McBride

## Meeting Reminders:

4/19: Women's Guild meets at Noon in Bristol Hall (see p. 4)

4/19: Book Club meets at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom to discuss *The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry*.

4/26: Vestry Meeting at 7 p.m. in Bristol Hall and via Zoom.

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