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CALENDAR REMINDERS

- November 20** **Feast of Christ the King**
- TASK (Trenton Area Soup Kitchen) donations due**
- November 24** **10:15am Thanksgiving Day Service**
- November 27** **First Sunday of Advent**
- December 6** **Second Sunday of Advent**
- December 11** **Third Sunday of Advent**
- December 18** **Fourth Sunday of Advent**
- Lessons & Carols at 5:00 PM**
- December 24** **4:00 pm Family Service with Drama Presentation and Live Animals**
- 8:30pm Musical Prelude, 9:00pm Candlelight Service**
- December 25** **10:15am Christmas Day Service**
- January 28, 2023** **Diocese of New Jersey Electing Convention**

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Interim Rector's Report *The Rev. Jane Milliken Hague*

All Saints' is a sacred place of curiosity; we welcome all who are seeking God. Over the past month, I loved meeting and greeting the saints at All Saints'. You are people of kindness with a passion to honor the dignity of everyone who gathers in our sanctuary and the world.

Saying goodbye to a beloved priest who has served All Saints' for 15 years is not an easy transition. The Rev. Dr. Hugh Brown was a wonderful teacher and compassionate priest. We shall miss him and his beloved wife, the Rev. Elly Sparks Brown. They are enjoying well-deserved retirements in Charlottesville, VA. Somehow our isolation during the pandemic made the farewell more poignant. But it is wonderful to see old friends return to All Saints'; there are many hugs and smiles while we pass the peace during the services on Sundays. There is a rich history of being the blessed community at All Saints'.

As an interim rector, my task is two-fold. One area of my work is administrative. It involves managing a thriving church and doing things such as personnel management, property issues, and leadership development. I will also assist with forming the Search Committee, who will be hiring the next permanent rector. If we expect people to contribute their time, talent and treasure to All Saints', we need to honor best practices of a small non-profit. This is the necessary work for diocesan compliance and national church protocols.

As a priest and pastor, I much prefer the second task. I love to walk with the people of All Saints' as they travel their spiritual journeys. Since my beginning two months ago, I have sat with people who feel God is very distant, I have met with people who are angry at God for a plethora of reasons. I have prayed with people who feel that God is calling them to a distant shore.

In my first week at All Saints', an older couple came into the sanctuary and asked to speak to the rector. They shared with me the story of their journey with God. They had met in the '60's while the woman was getting her PhD at Rutgers and he was a post-doctoral student at Princeton. The first rector of All Saints' married them in 1968 and they went on to have careers in Indiana, Hong Kong, Texas, and finally California. They were traveling through Princeton to relive fond memories and their first stop was the sanctuary of All Saints'. I found their marriage in the Parish register and they wept. They knelt at the altar as I blessed their continued love for each other.

It is stories like these that tell of All Saints' as a sacred place. As we look to what the future holds for our church, let us thank God for the abundance of journeys that weave together into becoming the Body of Christ in Princeton.

Two living saints of All Saints' are rotating off the Vestry this year. Charles Colagiuri is completing his term as Senior Warden. Charles has done an amazing job of navigating the church during and after the pandemic and overseeing the transition and retirement of Fr Hugh Brown. I will always be grateful to Charles and his wife, Liz for organizing the gracious welcome to the rectory and the community of All Saints'. Steve Knowlton is also going off the Vestry this year. He has led as stewardship chair, capital campaign chair, adult formation coordinator, and chair of the worship committee. We are truly blessed that both of these men have agreed to continue in leadership roles.

As we enter into this new era of All Saints' Church, please pray for our community and the members of the Vestry and Search Committee. God has good things in store for our church and our path forwards.

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Adult Christian Education Report

Steve Knowlton

Adult Forum: 2022-2023: The adult forum began on October 2 and will be held every two weeks for the rest of the academic year. Our theme this year is learning more about our parish community, and we hope that all our speakers will be members of All Saints', speaking about their interests and lives.

Altar Guild Ministry Report

Judy Soncrant, Directress

A small group of dedicated women continue to serve All Saints' Church by participating in the Altar Guild. Members serve at regular Sunday services, special services and occasionally at weddings or funerals. Schedules are setup on a four-month rotation. Members are allowed to switch services according to their personal needs. The Altar Guild does not have regular meetings.

Each Sunday (before or after the service), members are asked to perform additional duties in preparation for the Sunday schedule of services. The Altar Guild is also responsible for the care of the silver, linens and clergy vestments.

We are always interested in new members (youth included) for this service to God and our church, please contact me, the church office or any member of the Altar Guild. We are currently training new members.

Communications Report

Priscilla Bostock and Paul Murphy

External communications are particularly important to All Saints' as we continue to be largely invisible to the surrounding community. After a hiatus forced upon us by COVID, our advertising program resumed this past year. Announcements of our Holy Week services were placed in four local newspapers and two online sites, as they will be for Advent. We are also paying to obtain favorable placement in Google searches and boosting Facebook posts so that newcomers or church seekers can find us more easily.

Newspaper articles covering notable events at All Saints' present a cost-free opportunity to reach potential members. Town Topics and Planet Princeton ran an announcement of the Rev. Jane Hague's joining us as Interim Rector. Articles on any parish activity or event that we judge to be newsworthy will be submitted to the local media.

Our website and social media sites, (which include Facebook and Instagram), are intended to reach both internal and external audiences with information about the parish and its activities. Priscilla Bostock has ably managed the sites for the past year, keeping them up to date and posting events, weekly readings, and links to our online services. We see these as important parish resources and we encourage you to visit our website regularly at www.allsaintsprinceton.org, our Facebook page at All Saints' Church Princeton, and on Instagram @allsaintspton

Community Formation & Fellowship Report

Joan Jones

Here is a list of the events of the HOLY HOSTS for 2021

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- Refreshments after Sunday service
- Refreshments after Compline
- Refreshments after Blessing of the animals
- Westminster Party for about 150 people
- Interns Farewell
- Newcomers Reception
- Requiem Reception for 150
- Annual Meeting Dessert and Beverage
- Choral Compline Reception
- Lois Laverty's birthday celebration for 150 people

Most Sundays after the 10:15 service, a hot meal is provided for parishioners to sit down together as the Body of Christ. Eating together provides us with an opportunity to get to know and to support each other. This Sunday lunch may be one of the few times that a parishioner has the chance to socialize with others. As a family, we build relationships and caring for each other through a shared meal.

The invitation extended to you at God's Table applies in the fellowship hall as well: There are no strangers, outcasts or unwanted guests here at our table. If you're hungry, for food or for companionship, come and eat.

Flower Ministry Report *Amy Johnson, Chair*

The Flower Committee has been arranging flowers for the alter now that services are in person. Liz Colagiuri, Joan Jones, Heide Ratliff, Beth Farris, Jessica Knowlton, and Amy Johnson are serving faithfully with the Committee. We always welcome new members who feel a call to the ministry of beauty for our Altar and Sanctuary.

Our procedures remain largely unchanged from recent years with Flower Committee members creating altar arrangements most weekends from cut flowers delivered to the church on Friday by the Pennington Market Floral Shop. The color and type of flowers are selected by the Floral Shop most weeks, reflecting what is in season and the best value, but the chair places specific orders to honor memorial or other special requests and for certain dates in the Church calendar, (e.g., all white for All Saints' Sunday, red for Pentecost, etc.).

Following Sunday services, Flower Committee members take down the altar arrangements if they are able to and the flowers are made into smaller arrangements. These are then placed in the Chapel and/or breezeway or delivered to parishioners who are convalescing, grieving, or observing a memorial, birthday, anniversary, or birth either by committee members or by clergy staff when making pastoral visits.

In addition to making the altar arrangements for each week of the Church year (except during Lent and Advent when there are no flowers on the altar), Committee members also plan, order, purchase, create and coordinate the floral decorations of the Church for Easter and Christmas.

In years past we have made an appeal at Easter and Christmas for donations by parishioners to mark memorials or thanksgivings. We need to organize such an appeal this Christmas (2022) and Easter (2023) to support the flower ministry.

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Lay Pastoral Care Ministry Report *Sue Langhans, Chair*

All Saints' Parish, both clergy and parishioners, serves the pastoral needs of the congregation in many ways. These include calling on our homebound, hospitalized, ill, and those in need; taking Holy Communion to our hospitalized; offering the sacramental rites of Healing and Ministry at the time of death; and offering support to those requesting our prayers.

During the search for our Interim Rector, two of our Priest Associates, Rev. Canon Joan Fleming and Rev. Canon Jack Belmont provided support in leading Sunday services and pastoral care. In keeping with the Episcopal Church teaching that ministry is the work of all the baptized, we also include a significant lay ministry of pastoral care at All Saints' Church. On Sundays not covered by one of our Priest Associate, several lay leaders led us in Morning Prayer services -- Liz Colagiuri, Caroline Travers, and Lois Laverty.

A number of us continue to minister to the needs of our fellow parishioners. These ministries include transportation to church services and events, visiting the sick, homebound, and those otherwise desiring the companionship of a fellow parishioner, and delivering groceries to the homebound.

While many of us have returned to attending church services in person, we have a group of volunteer sound techs, who live-stream our 10:15 AM Sunday services and other occasions throughout the year. This has expanded our reach and has served our homebound with greater ease and inclusion.

I continue the vestry tradition of sending birthday cards to all current and former parishioners who have provided us with their birthday and either a physical or email address.

Lectors Ministry Report *Liz Colagiuri, Chair*

The Lectors are parishioners who read the Old Testament and/or New Testament lessons at the 10:15 a.m. service each Sunday and at special feast day services. We have a great group of readers, who are each scheduled to read four to five times throughout the year. We always welcome others!

I would also like to thank the larger group of parishioners who help us "speak in tongues" on Pentecost by reading the assigned verse in a language other than English, as well as the many who take a part in the Palm Sunday reading of the Passion.

If you would like to become a lector, please send me an email at lizcolagiuri@gmail.com.

Music Ministry Report *Kevin O'Malia, B.M., M.M., Director of Music*

"For everything there is a season"

This year has been very exciting, yet bittersweet with a very large transition in the parish life of All Saints' Church. As we've continued to do all things possible in the third year of the COVID-19 pandemic, we've had to think out of the box, and adapt many times. We've experienced a large change in staff, most notably with the retirement of Fr. Hugh Brown, and with change in our Parish Administrator. We have welcomed The Rev Jane Milliken Hague as Interim Rector as we discern our mission and ministry at this crossroads. We've also

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welcomed Blythe Quelin as our Acting Parish Administrator. And our rock this year, through the transition has been our Senior Warden, Charles Colagiuri. Through all this exciting change, our music program has been a fundamental cornerstone to the parish, one that has reinvented itself and continues to flourish. I am thankful to each of these staff team members, who enrich our music program with their expertise and collaborative spirits!

The past year has featured the resuming of full choral offerings at All Saints' Church, after a year of COVID remote worship and dormancy.

- New to this season were two Choral Compline services, held in Advent and Lent. This featured an entirely chanted liturgy, which was a candlelit time of prayer and contemplation. The services were very well attended, and we expect to continue them in coming program years.
- April 28-30, we hosted Westminster Alumni from across the nation and world for our reunions celebration, and we feted our Director of Music Emerita, Lois Laverty, on her belated 90th birthday.
- In late May and early June, we held a series of Farewell services for Fr. Hugh. This included a Requiem Eucharist for all parishioners lost during the pandemic, and we set this with Requiem, op. 48, by Gabriel Fauré. This was accompanied by the Fairmount Chamber Ensemble, and sung by our parish choir and friends.
- On June 26th, our parish choir served as choir-in-residence at St. Thomas Church, Fifth Avenue, New York.
- In July, we hosted the choir of Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, UK for three days. They performed for us to a full house. We are thankful to our hosting parishioners for providing these youth with hospitality in room, board, and transportation. We collaborated with St. Andrew's Church, Yardley to host them, and build a lovely bridge with them.
- We welcomed Rev. Jane on October 2 at our St. Francis Day service, with full choir, and blessing of the animals.

Now to programming for 2022-2023:

- Last year, we began a collaboration with Church of the Holy Spirit, Harleysville, PA, to serve as combined choir-in-residence at Exeter Cathedral, UK, from August 4-14, 2023.
- This year will mark preparation for that cathedral residency. We will be singing monthly choral evensongs, at our parish, in Harleysville, and at other venues as well (Philadelphia Episcopal Cathedral on the list).
- We will hold two Choral Compline services, on Advent I and Lent I, at 7PM
- Lessons & Carols will be moved to an afternoon time, Sunday December 18th, 5PM. This is to integrate the parish into the greater Princeton community, and make it a community offering.
- Full Holy Week offerings will include Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday.
- More complete congregational participation, including singing psalm responses, and different hymns and service music. This will be accomplished through variance in repertoire and through teaching sessions in the Adult Forum.
- Recruitment: we continue to seek adult volunteers for our parish choir, and I will be liaising with Pastor Maddy to provide opportunities for Youth, in hopes of resuming choral offerings for families. Please join us, and if you have friends who love music and fellowship, please reach out to them!
- Our choral staff is essential for continuance of our choral traditions. We thank them for their loyalty and devotion to our program during the pandemic and look forward to their continued leadership.

Fundraising

This year, we had a very successful Hymn-a-thon Fundraiser. On October 30th, I accompanied a volunteer choir for 6 hours, and we recruited donations from inside the parish and out. Here are the very successful numbers:

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Total	\$15,510
Total Online	\$4,940
Less online fees (2.3%)	\$4,826
Total take:	\$15,396

To General Operating Budget:
\$7,698
To Music Fund: \$7,698
From outside the parish:
\$3,398

We've met our goal and surpassed it by \$1,396! This is very good news.

In 2023, we will have a choir cabaret, silent auction, and festival in the spring, and we will repeat the Hymnathon in the autumn. With our UK tour past us at that point, we will be raising funds for a new choral scholar program, and supporting the General Operating Budget, which sustains our music ministry.

We look forward to presenting all of this with excellence, passion, and first and foremost, in safety. Thank you for bearing with us in highly changeable circumstances.

Lastly, a word of personal thanks. Thanks to my fellow staff: to Fr. Hugh, to Sarah, Maddy, Brian, Gary, Tommy and Charles— thank you for being a supportive staff in this difficult time. Thanks to our new staff of Rev. Jane and Blythe, for the same collaborative and graceful spirits. Thanks to the wonderful vestry and wardens for their vocal support of our music program. Thanks to the kind and gracious parishioners of All Saints' Church, who continue to sustain our beloved music program from near and far. Thank you for prioritizing music as essential at All Saints' Church.

With God's help, I will continue to be the best steward I can be for our parish.

Outreach Ministry Report Jane Kleindienst & Suzanne Thompson, Co-Chairs

Supporting Refugees

All Saints Outreach supports two HomeFront projects on a yearly basis. We participate in the Backpack project in August and the Christmas gift project in November each year. Our congregation was very generous and we were able to provide backpacks and gifts to 30 HomeFront children.

Last fall, former parishioner Pastor Joy Kulvicki launched an effort to support refugee families being resettled in New Jersey. The generosity and empathy of our church family was on full display right in our Sanctuary as we collected not only several thousand dollars in donations, but also enough furnishings and more, to provide a fully functioning home for an Afghan family of 8 people whom we hoped to welcome in person. A delay in official paperwork prevented the family from moving to Princeton Community Village, so instead the furniture was picked up gratefully by I-RISE, an accredited refugee resettlement agency based at the Reformed Church in Highland Park, New Jersey, and taken to where it was most urgently needed in south Jersey.

As the influx of refugees continued apace, we had an opportunity to use some of the funds collected to purchase 50 good-quality bike helmets for adult refugees to use as they rode to their new jobs. Most were going to need

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time to get drivers' licenses and cars, so the bicycles were essential in areas lacking convenient public transportation.

One family of 13 from a remote rural region of Afghanistan caught our attention. One of the most pressing needs for refugee families is affordable housing, and because of the size of this family, with 2 parents and 11 children from 2 to 19 years old, a house near West State Street in Trenton was assigned to them. The neighborhood is rough – the family were victims of several burglaries and two assaults involving classmates at the childrens' middle school – and the local schools were not able to provide adequate support during the 6 months they attended. A proposal to move the family to Hopewell didn't work out, so instead, partial scholarships and fundraising have allowed 6 of the 11 to attend the Waldorf School in Princeton, where they are now thriving, and 2 older children are at a Newcomer Academy for Mercer County Technical Schools in Ewing. All Saints' Vestry has decided to donate the remaining funds collected last fall to support the education of the six children at the Waldorf School.

With world attention on the war in Ukraine, a Compline service organized by our Music Director, Kevin O'Malia, on March 6, 2022, raised funds to provide relief and support to individuals and families fleeing the violence. A substantial donation was made by All Saints' to the United Nations High Commission for Refugees, which was meeting and caring for Ukrainians escaping across the border into Poland. A special collection at our Sunday morning service that day provided additional funds for Episcopal Relief and Development, also active in Ukraine, Afghanistan, and other areas, providing humanitarian aid. Worldwide, the numbers of refugees fleeing famine, persecution, war, and the effects of climate change will only increase, and we at All Saints' Church gladly play our small part in answering their needs, both locally and abroad. Volunteer opportunities to help families settle in Princeton and nearby will be posted on our bulletin board.

Prayer Chain Ministry

*The Re. Jane Milliken Hague, Interim Rector, Blythe Quelin Parish Administrator,
and Sue Langhans Pastoral Care*

The Prayer Chain is a network of members who offer their prayerful support to members of the parish and their families in critical need. For example, the group may pray for a sick parishioner, a family member preparing for surgery, or a recent birth in the family. Parishioners who wish to have the Prayer Chain offer intercessions on their behalf may speak to interim rector or to the church office. We would like to hear from you as to how our prayers are helping. After one month, prayers are cycled off the chain unless an extension is requested.

Our prayer chain has been essential in bringing comfort, healing, and God's peace to our congregation. We are people of prayer and as a parish are called to pray unceasingly. The Prayer list is listed in the Sunday bulletin, in the Saints' Alive digital newsletter and on the board outside the rector's office.

Property Report

Howard Bellizio & Roland Patterson, Co-Chairs

The highlights of the year have been installation of a heat pump in the wing for heating and cooling of all rooms and several iterations of the kitchen renovation plan after talks between the kitchen committee and architect. With the retirement of Father Hugh, the rectory has had some major repair work done.

Building Assessment & Long-Term Planning

Entech Engineering was asked to evaluate our HVAC systems and create a plan for the next 2 – 3 years to repair and upgrade. This assessment includes a priority list of deferred maintenance and capital

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improvements. The highest priority items are repairing the pumps to provide heat to the sanctuary and the kitchen renovation.

2022 Maintenance Highlights

Many items in the Entech Building Assessment have been fixed or partially fixed and we have been hard at work on new tasks such as preparing the rectory for new tenants. A few highlights are:

1. Rectory AC, kitchen floor, and rugs replaced
2. Radon remediation blower installed in rectory
3. Removed the old shed from courtyard
4. Pumps for sanctuary and offices heating repaired
5. Leaks in radiators for hot air heating repaired
6. Started replacing rotten fencing on east playground and spread new mulch
7. Repaired and replaced bathroom plumbing fixtures that leaked
8. Replaced dead magnolia with new tree on edge of courtyard.
9. Spring work day when many parishioners cleaned windows and woodwork in sanctuary and weeded outside gardens

Many people have contributed time to the tasks and the property committee has several new members but we are always open to any new members who would like to lend their talents to this extremely important committee.

Future Projects

Renovate the south end of the classroom wing including kitchen and reception room.

(Estimated construction start in March)

Replace outdoor signage

Paint the soffits and trim around the roof.

Covered access to building from vehicles in driveway

Treasurer's Report ***Amy Johnson, Treasurer***

After 18 years as bookkeeper and 7 years as treasurer, Gary Hefner has retired. I'm sure I speak for everyone in thanking him for his years of service. We have brought on a new bookkeeper, Lily Leonard, and I have volunteered to serve as the new treasurer. Because several of us are new in our roles, we're still getting our bearings on how to work with current systems and processes. It will take a little time to bring the same kind of seasoned lens that Gary had to the interpretation of the financial numbers, but I'll try to get there!

Our current operating income through September is under budget to date by \$37,157, led by pledge income which is under by \$33,277. These numbers suggest a better financial position than a year ago, however, when we were about \$79k under budget and ended the year with a \$50k deficit. Because pledge income historically picks up in the last months of the year, there is reason to hope that year-end income matches our original budget and covers expenses. In addition, total expenses through September are just \$5,605 over budget to date (last year at this time, expenses exceeded income by over \$68k). Some savings in expenses are from being under budget on salaries and benefits (though somewhat offset by higher-than-budgeted expenses for rectory repairs).

To support our financial work going forward, we have upgraded our financial software program to a cloud version, which provides better backup and access capability. We are also taking other various steps to account for the staff changes. We're working on changing passwords and verification contacts, changing check-signing

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privileges, and getting new debit cards issued (given the departure of Sarah Nickelson). We're also generally beginning to review processes to see where we can streamline and create some efficiencies. Scott Rickets, Randy Haase, Matt Wallack and Howard Bellizio conducted an audit on our church finances which Charles submitted to the diocese last month. Many thanks to this audit team—we'll need to do this again next year!

Trinity-All Saints' Cemetery Report ***Lisa Crane, Cemetery Administrator***

Trinity-All Saints' Cemetery, located adjacent to All Saints' Church, is owned and operated by Trinity and All Saints' Episcopal Churches. A Committee, consisting of seven members (three appointed by the Rector of each parish, and one joint chairman) administers the affairs of the cemetery.

Graves are sold on the basis of perpetual care. Clear rules and regulations ensure that their appearance will be preserved. The original cemetery layout offered approximately 1,120 graves to the parishioners of Trinity and All Saints' Churches. Graves are sold on a first-come, first-serve basis for \$2,700 each. Each grave may hold up to 4 cremation burials or one full vault and one cremation burial.

PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT

Revenues and Expenses October 1, 2021 through Sept 30, 2022:

Cemetery revenues from ongoing operations and investments \$27,702

3 full burials and 5 cremation burials

Unrealized loss on the *Diocesan Investment Trust* (\$90,490)

Expenses from ongoing operations (\$32,401)

Net revenues less expenses (\$95,189)

Trinity-All Saints' Cemetery is a private, religious cemetery available only to the parishioners of Trinity and All Saints' Churches. Parishioners of Trinity and All Saints' Churches are invited to visit the cemetery or inquire about plot purchase. For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact the Cemetery Manager at 609-924-7757.

Tuesday Morning Men's Group ***Alan Dybvig & Peter Travers, Co-Chairs***

The Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Study, co-facilitators, Peter Travers and Alan Dybvig, now meeting online via a Zoom platform with discussions underway of making it hybrid. The group is currently finishing reading the Torah with Deuteronomy. It is a fascinating "reinterpreting of Mosaic teaching (i.e., *Exodus and Numbers*) in light of later historical experience (i.e., *Josiah and the exile*)." NRSV, page 217.

The Tuesday Morning Men and Women Book Study, co-facilitators, Peter Travers and Alan Dybvig, now meeting online via a Zoom platform with discussions underway of making it hybrid. The group is currently reading Bernanos' *Diary of a Country Priest* having read Sayers' *Mind of the Maker* just previously.

Youth & Children's Ministry Report ***The Rev. Maddy Patterson, Director***

Youth and family ministries at All Saints' Church include Sunday school, Confirmation class and outings for youth in grades 6-12. An unattended nursery is also provided.

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Sunday school meets for 45 minutes from the first hymn at the 10:15 service until the Peace. Lessons alternate weekly between Bible stories told with felt figures, and videos and projects focusing on Creation. We know God both through Scripture and Creation. We meet in the library for any age up to 5th grade.

The **nursery** space is meant to give young children a place to calm down and collect themselves, or to get changed, before rejoining the congregation.

Confirmation class runs from mid Oct at least through Easter, on Tuesday evenings via Zoom from 6:30 to 7:15 p.m., to leave students time for homework after the class. We open in prayer, and will read the first four chapters of Genesis slowly, looking for the relationships between God, humans and Creation, that last being a particularly interesting subject right now. We'll also study church history, the Book of Common Prayer, theology and ways of praying. Confirmands will have service opportunities throughout the year.

Youth outings strictly for fun are planned monthly - bowling, hatchet throwing, escape room, board games and miniature golf are a few of the planned activities.

Youth newsletters go out monthly, written in two versions for older and younger students. They're posted each month in the hall between sanctuary and breezeway. The newsletters include a joke, a game, a thought and prayer for the month and the church calendar, as well as a question especially for the older kids:

- Does the American flag belong in the sanctuary?
- What will you be for Halloween?
- Given what we hear about school shootings, are you afraid to go to school?

It's a privilege and a pleasure as I begin my 6th year at ASC to offer my faith and love for both the Word and Creation to young people.

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Annual Meeting Ballot - November 13, 2022

VESTRY MEMBERS

We will elect the following new Vestry members by acclamation, unless there is a nomination from the floor; if there is a nomination from the floor, vote for five of the candidates. Biographical information is on the back of the ballot.

Warden to be elected for the following term:

_____ Louise Gross (new) (2 years) 2022-2023*

Vestry Members to be elected for the following terms:

_____ Anna Shields (new) (3 years) 2022-2023*

_____ Priscilla Bostock (reelection) (3 years) 2022-2025

_____ Joan Jones (reelection) (3 years) 2022-2025

_____ Suzanne Thompson (reelection) (3 years) 2022-2025

* Anna will complete the term of her predecessor and stand for reelection in 2023.

Nominations from the floor: _____

Please turn page over for bios

DELEGATES FOR 2023 ELECTING CONVENTION

(Trinity Cathedral in Trenton, NJ on Saturday, January 28, 2023)

Vote for two

_____ Louise Gross

_____ Priscilla Bostock

ALTERNATE DELEGATES

Vote for One

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Louise Gross has been at All Saints' since she was 10 years old and remembers the laying of the cornerstone. She has sung in the choir since high school and has served as an usher, lector, intercessor, and lay eucharistic minister for years. Louise is a registered nurse and has worked as a diabetes educator at Penn Medicine Princeton for the last 8 years. Before that, she worked at her family's wholesale tree growers and perennial nursery for 22 years. If elected, this will be her third time serving on the vestry and she will be the third Senior Warden in her family, after her mother and father. Louise is very glad for the chance to work with Jane Milliken Hague and be part of our parish's next steps as we grow as a community.

Born and raised in Alabama, **Anna Shields** has lived in Princeton since 2015 and has been a lifelong Episcopalian, attending churches across the country in the many places she has lived as an adult (St. Louis, MO; Cambridge, MA; Taipei, Taiwan; Bloomington, IN; Arlington, VA; Ann Arbor, MI; Tucson, AZ; and both Bethesda and Ellicott City, MD), and has also been a lifelong chorister since age 5. She is a professor of Chinese literature at Princeton University, and chair of the department of East Asian Studies. She is currently a member of four non-profit boards. She has three adult children (Tommy, Michael, and Jack Hegarty). She has attended All Saints Church from the month after moving to Princeton and is truly happy to have found such a wonderful church home.

ALL SAINTS' VESTRY (as of October, 2022)

Wardens

Senior Warden:	Charles Colagiuri*	Class of 2023
Junior Warden:	Roland Patterson	Class of 2023

Treasurer

Amy Johnson

Vestry Members

Class of 2022

Priscilla Bostock
Joan Jones
Suzanne Thompson

Class of 2023

Steven Knowlton*
Paul Murphy
Peter Travers

Class of 2024

Howard Bellizio
Jane Kleindienst
Sue Langhans

* We thank Charles and Steven for their service as they depart the vestry.