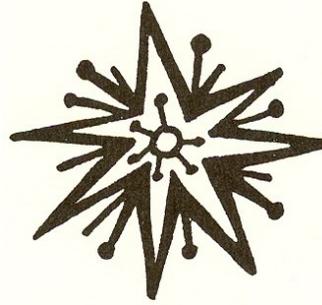


*St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church has been authorized by our Bishop as one of a few places of liturgical experimentation in our diocese.  
Please see the end pages of the bulletin for specific notes about this liturgy.*

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**January 9, 2022**  
**A Service of the Word with Spiritual Eucharist**  
**Celebrating The Epiphany**

**St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church**  
**Yarmouth, ME**



**Prelude**

*Prelude on the carol "We Three Kings"*  
By Janet Linker

*Dr. Schuder*

**Welcome**

*Jan Burson*

**Opening Hymn**

*We three kings of Orient are*

*John Corrie & The St. Bart's Virtual Choir*  
*The Hymnal 1982, #128*



1 We three kings of O - ri - ent are, bear - ing  
2 Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, gold I  
3 Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I: in - cense  
4 Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume breathes a  
5 Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise, King and



1 gifts we tra - verse a - far, field and foun - tain,  
2 bring to crown him a - gain, King for ev - er,  
3 owns a De - i - ty nigh; prayer and prais - ing,  
4 life of gath - er - ing gloom; sor - rowing, sigh - ing,  
5 God and Sac - ri - fice; heaven sings al - le -



1 moor and moun - tain, fol - low - ing yon - der star.  
2 ceas - ing nev - er o - ver us all to reign.  
3 glad - ly rais - ing, wor - ship him, God Most High.  
4 bleed - ing, dy - ing, sealed in the stone - cold tomb.  
5 lu - ia: al - le - lu - ia the earth re - plies.

*Refrain*

O star of won - der, star of night,  
 star with roy - al beau - ty bright; west - ward lead - ing,  
 still pro - ceed - ing, guide us to thy per - fect light!

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### **The Liturgy of the Word**

*The Rev. Amanda Gerken-Nelson*

*Presider:* Arise, shine, for our light has come.

*People:* **And the glory of the Lord has risen upon us.**

*Presider:* Jesus said,

"The first commandment is this:

Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul,  
 with all your mind, and with all your strength.

The second is this:

Love your neighbor as yourself.

There is no commandment greater than these." - *Mark 12:29-31*

### **Song of Praise, spoken**

*Song of Thanksgiving, Isaiah 12:2-6, Scottish Episcopal Church*

*All:* **Behold God is my salvation,\*  
 I will trust and not be afraid;**

**the Lord God is my strength and my song;\*  
 he has become my salvation.**

**With joy you will draw water\*  
 from the wells of salvation.**

**Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name;\***  
**make known his deeds among the nations.**

**Sing to the Lord for he has done gloriously;\***  
**let this be known in all the earth.**

**Shout aloud and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,\***  
**for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.**

### **The Collect of the Day**

*Presider:* God be with you

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Presider:* Let us pray.

O God, by the leading of the star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### **The Lessons**

#### **The First Lesson: The Book of Isaiah 60: 1-6**

*Elizabeth Ring*

Arise, shine; for your light has come,  
and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.  
For darkness shall cover the earth,  
and thick darkness the peoples;  
but the LORD will arise upon you,  
and his glory will appear over you.  
Nations shall come to your light,  
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.  
Lift up your eyes and look around;  
they all gather together, they come to you;  
your sons shall come from far away,  
and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.  
Then you shall see and be radiant;  
your heart shall thrill and rejoice,  
because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,  
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.  
A multitude of camels shall cover you,  
the young camels of Midian and Ephah;  
all those from Sheba shall come.  
They shall bring gold and frankincense,  
and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

#### **Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14**

*Barbara Barhydt*

- 1 Give the King your justice, O God, \*  
and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously \*  
and the poor with justice;
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, \*  
and the little hills bring righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; \*  
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, \*  
from one generation to another.
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, \*  
like showers that water the earth.

- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; \*  
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
- 10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute, \*  
and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.
- 11 All kings shall bow down before him, \*  
and all the nations do him service.
- 12 For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress, \*  
and the oppressed who has no helper.
- 13 He shall have pity on the lowly and poor; \*  
he shall preserve the lives of the needy.
- 14 He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, \*  
and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

**The Second Lesson: The Letter of Paul to the Ephesians 3: 1-12**

*Elizabeth Ring*

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles-- for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

*Reader:* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

**The Gospel: Matthew 2: 1-12**

*The Rev. Amanda Gerken-Nelson*

*Presider:* The Holy Gospel of our Savior, Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

‘And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;  
for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.’”

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

*Presider:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon**

*The Rev. Amanda Gerken-Nelson*

**Affirmation of Faith**, *Enriching Our Worship*

**The Nicene Creed**

*\*\*This text of the Nicene Creed omits the phrase 'and the Son' in the third paragraph, recovering the original text of the First Councils of Nicaea and Constantinople, 325 and 381CE respectively.*

*Presider:* Let us affirm the faith of the Church:

*All:*       **We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father. \*\*  
Who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified.  
Who has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come.  
Amen.**

**Prayers of the People**, *Scottish Episcopal Church, adapted*

*Barbara Barhydt*

We pray for all the peoples of the world;  
that there may be justice and mercy on the earth.  
Loving God:  
**We pray for peace.**

We pray for all who exercise authority and influence,  
that integrity may mark all their dealings.  
Loving God:  
**We pray for wise and careful leadership.**

We pray for all who labor for righteousness;  
that your presence may give them courage.  
Loving God:  
**We pray for strength to advocate for others.**

We pray for communities torn by dissension and strife;  
that they may know healing and forgiveness.

Loving God:

**We pray for compassion.**

We pray for the Church  
that she may be firm in the confession of her hope.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for the congregation of St. Thomas', in Winn; and for the basic right of all people to adequate shelter.

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Anglican Church of Chile.

Loving God:

**We pray for courage to live boldly into our mission and ministry.**

We pray for our Bishops, Michael and Thomas; Amanda, our priest;  
and for all who are called to serve God in the world.

Loving God:

**We pray for lives of integrity and faithful witness.**

We pray for all who suffer injury, sickness or loss, especially  
Bobby; Charles; Kellan; Pat; Mackenzie; Scott; Marcella; Tim; Sam; Matthew; Jean; Sally;  
Antonia; Al; Lee; Ryan; Brook; Alex; Olga; Virginia & Jamil; Ed; Cora; David; Peter;  
Hannah; Paul & Faith; Tom, Siobhan & James; Khenmo; Mike; Joan L; Sarah; Will; Erin;  
Michael; Mary Ann; Perrin; Ava; and Arthur. *Please add your own intercessions.*

Loving God,

**We pray for healing and restoration.**

We pray for those who have been separated from us by death,  
that they may be gathered home to you. *Please add your own intercessions.*

Loving God,

**We pray for mercy and consolation.**

**Concluding Collect**, *Daily Prayers for All Seasons*

*The Rev. Amanda Gerken-Nelson*

*Presider:* Blessed are you, Loving God, our light and our salvation. You gave your Son to shine on those who live in darkness, through your Spirit you empower us to share your light with the world. May our lives bear witness to your truth and our lips never cease to proclaim your praise. **Amen.**

**Confession of Sin**, *Scottish Episcopal Church*

*Presider:* God is love and we are God's children.  
There is no room for fear in love.  
We love because God loved us first.  
Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence is kept.*

*Presider:* Almighty God,

*All:*

**we confess to you  
and to our fellow members in the Body of Christ  
that we have sinned in thought, word and deed,  
and in what we have failed to do.  
We are truly sorry.  
Forgive us our sins, and deliver us from the power of evil.  
For the sake of your Son who died for us,  
Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**The Absolution**, *Scottish Episcopal Church*

*Presider:* May God, who is both power and love,  
forgive you and free you from your sins,  
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,  
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Peace

*Presider:* The Peace of Christ be always with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Please stand in place and turn to face your neighbors to offer a greeting or sign of peace.*

## Offertory Sentence

Let your light shine before others,  
so that they may see your good works,  
and give glory to your Father in heaven. ~ *Matthew 5:16*

*The Offering is brought forward.*

## Offertory Prayer

*Presider and People:* **All things come of Thee O Lord,  
and of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.**

## The Holy Eucharist, *Scottish Episcopal Church*

*Presider:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Presider:* Lift up your hearts.

*People:* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Presider:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People:* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*Presider:* Worship and praise belong to you, Father, in every place and at all times. You made us, all the People of the world, and everything that is. You give us the daylight. Your Word lights up our minds. Jesus was born among us to be light in our darkness. Your Spirit lives in us so that we can look at the world with your eyes. One day we will be with you in heaven, but already we laugh with the saints and angels, and sing their joyful song:

**Sanctus**, *spoken*

*All:* **Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

*The Presider continues*

Father, you never forget us or turn away from us, even when we fail you. You sent your Son Jesus who gave his life for us. He healed those who were sick, cared for those who were poor, and cried with those who were sad. He forgave sinners and taught us to forgive. For all your love we give you thanks in the way that Jesus showed us. On the night before he died, while he was having supper with his friends, he took bread and offered you thanks. He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you."

After supper, he took the cup, he offered you thanks, and gave it to them saying: "Drink this, all of you. This is my Blood of the new covenant; it is poured out for you, and for all, that sins may be forgiven. Do this in remembrance of me."

*Presider:* So, as we do what he told us,

*People:* **we open our hearts to him;  
we remember how he died  
and rose again to live now in us.**

*Presider:* Together with him we offer you these gifts:

*People:* **in them we give you ourselves.**

Send your Holy Spirit on us and on this bread and this wine, that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ, and that, sharing your life, we may travel in your company to our journey's end. With all your people we give you thanks and praise through the Son and in the Spirit, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

## The Lord's Prayer

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your Name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins,  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever.**

**Amen.**

**Anthem at Communion**

***O Sing Joyfully***  
By Adrian Batten

*John Corrie &  
The St. Bart's Virtual Choir*

## The Fraction

The Living Bread, given for the life of the world.

*The Rev. Amanda Gerken-Nelson*

## Spiritual Communion

Beloved, a spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray, expressing their desire to receive Holy Communion in this moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.

*Presider:* Let us pray:

*All:* **Christ, you invite us to your feast,  
setting before us your heart's bread, and your life's wine.  
We long to gather with one another around your table,  
to taste and see your goodness today.  
Since we cannot now find union at the table,  
grant your presence spiritually.  
We offer you our all; hearts, lives and souls,  
that we may become eternally one. Amen.**

## Post Communion Prayer

*Song of Simeon, Luke 2:29-32, OSH*

*Presider:* Let us pray.

*All:* **O God, you now have set your servant free to go in peace as you have promised;  
For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, whom you have prepared for all the world to see:  
A Light to enlighten the nations; and the glory of your people Israel.  
Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God, as it was in the beginning,  
is now and will be for ever. Amen.**

## The Blessing, *Church of England, Common Worship*

*Presider:* May God give to you and to all those you love  
God's comfort and peace,  
God's light and joy,  
in this world and the next;  
and the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
be with you all, now and always. **Amen.**

**Closing Hymn**  
*In the bleak midwinter*

*John Corrie & The St. Bart's Virtual Choir*  
*The Hymnal 1982, #112*

1 In the bleak mid - win - ter, frost - y wind made moan,  
 2 Our God, heaven can - not hold him, nor — earth sus - tain;  
 3 An - gels and arch - an - gels may have gath - ered there,  
 4 What — can I give him, poor — as I am?

earth stood hard as i - ron, wa - ter like a stone;  
 heaven and earth shall flee a - way when he comes to reign:  
 cher - u - bim and se - ra - phim thron - ged the air;  
 If I were a shep - herd, I would bring a lamb;

snow had fal - len, snow on snow, snow — on — snow,  
 in the bleak mid - win - ter a sta - ble - place suf - ficed  
 but his mo - ther on - ly, in her maid - en bliss,  
 if I were a wise — man, I would do my part;

in the bleak mid - win - ter, long a - go.  
 the Lord — God in - car - nate, Je - sus Christ.  
 wor - shipped the be - lov - ed with a kiss.  
 yet what I can I give him — give my heart.

## **The Dismissal**

*The Rev. Amanda Gerken-Nelson*

*Presider:* Go forth into the world,  
sharing the light of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

*People:* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

## **Postlude**

***Maestoso in D***  
By David N. Johnson

*Dr. Schuder*

## **Epiphany Liturgy**

### **Primary Resource:**

Major portions of this liturgy are adapted from the approved liturgy of the Scottish Episcopal Church, 1996. We have used them over the last several years during this season, as they speak to the light of Epiphany. The use of liturgy from the Scottish Episcopal Church ties us into our Episcopal heritage.

Samuel Seabury, the first Bishop of the American Episcopal Church was consecrated in Aberdeen, Scotland on November 14, 1784, by the Scottish non-juror bishops. The American Episcopal Church inherited elements of our Eucharistic prayer from what were then called the Scottish ‘Wee Bookies’, which were Eucharistic prayers unique to the non-jurors of Scotland. These Scottish liturgical elements were incorporated into the 1764 and 1786 editions of the American Church’s Book of Common Prayer, and continue to influence the theology and shape of our Eucharistic prayers.

### **Other Resources Included in this Booklet:**

Approved by the Episcopal Church:

The Book of Common Prayer, 1979 (Church Publishing Inc.)

Enriching Our Worship: (Supplemental Liturgical Materials)

Daily Prayers for All Seasons: (Church Publishing Inc.)

Music – The Hymnal 1982, (Church Publishing Inc.)

– The Wonder, Love and Praise (Church Publishing Inc.)

Also from within the Episcopal Church:

OSH: This is the abbreviation for the Order of St. Helena’s Breviary, which is a religious order for lay and ordained women in the Episcopal Church, whose mission is to show forth Christ through a life of monastic prayer, hospitality and service. You can discover more about the Order at their website: <http://osh.org>.

Church of England:

Common Worship, Services and Prayers for the Church of England.

Anglican Church of Canada:

Book of Alternative Services.

**St. Bartholomew’s Episcopal Church** is an inviting and inclusive community.

We celebrate our connections with one another and all of God’s creation.

We strive to be leaders in the stewardship of the earth and social justice.

Through creative liturgy, life-long education and spiritual inquiry,

we seek to gain depth and energy for ourselves,  
our children, and for our service in the wider world.

## Announcements

### A Message from Our New Priest

To the wonderful community of St. Bart's!

How wonderful it is to greet you as your new Priest in Charge! My family and I have been so warmly welcomed and I cannot thank you enough. It was a great joy to meet so many of you after worship on Sunday and I look forward to opportunities to get to know even more of you in the coming weeks.

I wanted to share a few practical things with you as we begin this ministry together:

Working days & hours – as of right now, my regular working days will be Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday each week along with Sunday mornings. Thursday afternoons will be my “Open Office Hours” from 12:30 – 3:30 PM at the Church Office (396 Gilman Rd). Please note that I am more than happy to set up meetings with you outside of those hours as well, just be in touch!

Preaching & Worship Schedule – in the month of January, I will be preaching and leading worship January 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, and 30<sup>th</sup>. Starting in February, my regular preaching schedule will be the first three Sundays of the month and I will be off on the fourth Sunday of each month. There are a few months with five Sundays, I will be off those days as well.

Contact Information – You can reach me in the following ways:

Email: [amanda@stbartsyarmouth.org](mailto:amanda@stbartsyarmouth.org)

Cell Phone: 207-200-6369

Church Phone: 207-846-9244

I am eager and excited to get to know you and to begin our ministry together!

In joy!

- Amanda

### Returning to Virtual Services

Dear Friends,

The Vestry held its January meeting on Tuesday evening with a short but busy agenda. Amanda joined us for her first St. Bart's Vestry meeting, what a joy to welcome her to the table!

Our longest discussion of the evening was about the COVID virus surge and the coming surge of the omicron variant which is expected to be far worse. **After prayerful deliberation, we made the decision to return to virtual services.** The Vestry will take another look at the situation at its February 1st meeting.

This was not an easy decision. The St. Bart's community is so excited to welcome and embrace Amanda in her ministry with us, which made this choice all the more difficult. One factor in our decision was the plea by the Maine Council of Churches to do our part in reducing risk and supporting the staffing of the health care system which is being strained to the breaking point.

Over the next few Sundays we will worship together on ZOOM and then transition into Coffee Hour.

Click [HERE](#) for the link.

We believe that we are taking care of each other and our neighbors with this decision.

Your Wardens,

Michele & Dennis

### Getting to Know Amanda

An “Onboarding Committee” has been established to help guide our new Priest-in-Charge, Amanda Gerken-Nelson, and the parish with getting to know one another. The committee is made up of Anne Berg, Michele Johns, Dennis Fitzgibbons, Susie Soule, Susie Peixotto, and Arthur Woolverton.

Beginning the first Sunday in February and continuing on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays that month, the “Onboarding” Committee will be hosting zoom coffee hours after our 9AM services so we can gather and get to know Amanda. We will be limiting the number of folks attending these gatherings so we can truly visit and not overwhelm Amanda. A sign-up process will be developed; more on that to come. Please plan to join us on one of these Sunday's in February! Feel free to reach out to any of us with questions.

### **Online Giving**

For those interested in the security and ease of online payments, we offer the option of a secure and confidential payment method that can be used with your credit/debit card, checking account, or savings account. Log on to the St. Bart's website homepage, [www.stbartsyarmouth.org](http://www.stbartsyarmouth.org), and go to the Support tab. From the drop down menu you can 'Make a Pledge' for 2022 or 'Donate'. In the Donate drop down menu you can designate Flowers & Music, Outreach or 2022 Operating Fund. Contact our Treasurer, [Ann Donaghy](#), if you have questions regarding this option for giving to St. Bart's.

### **Friendship House**

The current request for donations include the following:

- \* Saran wrap and aluminum foil
- \* 55 gallon trash bags
- \* Disinfectant cleaners
- \* Antibacterial hand soaps
- \* Personal hygiene items
- \* Laundry detergent
- \* Dishes/Bowls/Cups
- \* **Small End tables, Floor lamps, Bedside lamps** - please contact Pam re: drop off

Donations can be dropped off at St. Bart's in the plastic box labeled "Friendship House" on the front porch.

For drop off of larger items or with questions, please contact [Pam Hobson](#).

Financial contributions are welcomed. Please mail to: Friendship House, 390 Lincoln St, South Portland, ME 04106.

### **St. Elizabeth's Jubilee Center & Essentials Pantry**

The 10 degree winter chill was certainly evident the first Tuesday in January, but it did not discourage 147 neighbors from coming to St. E's for Diaper Day. The week before the wet and cold weather may have discouraged some folks from coming as the numbers were lower than usual, 110 in all. But, for those hardy souls who did show up they received a nice assortment of cleaning products donated by Maine Needs and a bag of personal care items from The World Health Organization. Heather Sylvester and three children (Spencer, Madeline and Alex) from Trinity Episcopal Church volunteered along with the St. Bart's crew of Nancy, Pam and Linda. Gus manned the table outside, Dibbie measured out the laundry detergent in the back while Sarah and Anne kept everything running smoothly.

- \*\* St. E's an **URGENT NEED** for women's winter coats in sizes Large and XL and men's winter coats in all sizes. Can you help? Please double check your closets in case you have a warm coat you don't use.
- \*\* We also have an **URGENT NEED** for queen and king size blankets and comforters.
- \*\* Also in big demand are mittens/gloves and winter hats, if you have any you can spare.

To donate these items, please place in the large blue bins outside the office for pick up on Sunday. Thank you!

For other way to donate check out the links below:

Amazon Wishlist: <http://bit.ly/StElizabethWishlist>

Or, donate \$ using this link: <https://bit.ly/3l2ZqC9>

Questions, contact [Linda Draper](#) or [Anne Jacobs](#).

### **Adult Education Sessions for Lent 2022**

During the Season of Lent, for four weeks in March and early April (calendar forthcoming) Adult Education Sessions will explore the legacy of Clarence Jordan, a farmer and a New Testament Greek Scholar, and the founder of Koinonia Farm who played a principal role in the creation of Habitat for Humanity, and his interpretations of the New Testament Parables of Jesus. Rob Neal will lead these sessions.

## **Outreach Update—in case you missed it!!**

As many of you might remember, we gathered those interested and available in late November to help decide where the final Outreach monies along with the net Christmas Fair proceeds would be distributed. The top 6 areas of perceived community need to receive funding were as follows: affordable housing, asylum seekers/immigrants, environmental issues, food insecurity/food banks, homelessness and racial justice. These categories were previously determined by the parish survey results.

Below is a list of the chosen 501(c)3's:

- \* Habitat for Humanity of Greater Portland
- \* Hope Acts
- \* Cousins River Fields & Marsh Project - a collaboration of Maine Coast Heritage Trust, Royal River Conservation Trust & Freeport Conservation Trust
- \* Growing to Give
- \* Portland Opportunity Crew
- \* Racial Equity and Justice of Bangor

We are thrilled to announce that each of the 6 organizations will receive \$3,225. This really is tremendous and will surely have a meaningful impact.

Thank you to the Vestry for choosing to allocate the Outreach funds in a unique and significant way this year. Thank you also to all who participated in the many aspects of helping to grow and re-imagine outreach. In the new year, we hope to further activate Outreach efforts. Please stay tuned for ways to engage.

[Catherine Richards](#) on behalf of the Re-Imagining Outreach committee

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## **WEEKLY DUTIES**

### **TODAY: 9AM, The Epiphany**

Altar Guild: Linda & John Perkins  
Flower Arranger: Barbara Barhydt  
A/V: Joe Michaud  
Lector: Elizabeth Ring  
Chalice Bearer: Barbara Barhydt  
Snow Removal: Gregg Hoerr  
VPOW: Michele Johns

### **January 16: 9AM, Epiphany II**

Altar Guild: Linda & John Perkins  
Flower Arranger: Jay Reighley  
A/V: **NEEDED**  
Lector: Morris Hancock  
Chalice Bearer: Pal Covie  
Snow Removal: Peter Chandler  
VPOW: Susie Soule

### **January 23: 9AM, Epiphany III**

Altar Guild: Linda & John Perkins  
Flower Arranger: Chrystena Hahn  
A/V: **NEEDED**  
Lector: Don Massey  
Chalice Bearer: Joe Michaud  
Snow Removal: Joe Michaud  
VPOW: **NEEDED**

### **January 30: 9AM, Epiphany IV**

Altar Guild: Linda & John Perkins  
Flower Arranger: Mary Calvin  
A/V: Joe Michaud  
Lector: Laurie Hyndman  
Chalice Bearer: Linda Perkins  
Snow Removal: Ed Simmons  
VPOW: Cecilia Guecia



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