

# A Season of Advent

Besides this you know what hour it is, how it is full time now for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed; the night is far gone, the day is at hand. Let us then cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. ~ *Romans 13:11-12 (RSV)*



Advent means “Coming” as in preparing for the coming of Jesus.

The Advent wreath is an evergreen circle symbolizing God’s ever presence.

Four candles, designated by the early church to represent virtues of Christ, are lit in succession each Sunday.

Three candles are usually purple, the royal color, to remind us we are watching and preparing for our King; one candle is rose, representing love.

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The One who is to come is near;  
have no anxiety,  
but in everything make your requests known to God  
in prayer and petition, with thanksgiving.

~ *Philippians 4: 5b-6 (OSH)*

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

**The First Sunday of Advent - November 28, 2021  
A Service of the Word with Eucharist**

**Prelude**

*Prelude on "O come, O come, Emmanuel"*

*Dr. Schuder*

**Welcome**

By Charles Callahan

*Jan Burson*

**Opening Hymn**

*"Sleepers, wake!" A voice astounds us*

*John Corrie & The St. Bart's Virtual Choir  
The Hymnal 1982, #61*

**Opening Acclamation**

*The Rev. Kit Wang*

*Presider:* Blessed are you, God of grace and hope,

*People:* **you come to your people and set us free.**

*Presider:* Dispel the darkness of this world,

*People:* **and guide our feet into the way of peace.**

**Lighting of the Advent Candle**, *First week of Advent: The Candle of Hope*

*Leader:* "The people who walk in darkness have seen a great light;  
those who live in a land of deep shadow,  
on them a light has shined." ~ *Isaiah 9:2*

*Lighting the candle(s).*

*People:* **Almighty God,  
grant that the love of your Son, Jesus Christ,  
may so light our whole lives that  
we need never again walk in darkness.**

**Song of Praise**,

*The Rev. Kit Wang*

*A Song of the Spirit (Revelation 22:12-17, OSH)*

**"Behold, I am coming soon," says the Lord,  
"and bringing my reward with me, \*  
to give to everyone according to their deeds.**

**I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, \*  
the beginning and the end."**

**Blessed are those who do God's commandments,  
that they may have the right to the tree of life, \*  
and enter the city through the gates.**

**"I, Jesus, have sent my angel to you, \*  
with this testimony for all the churches.**

**"I am the root and the offspring of David, \*  
I am the bright morning star."**

**"Come!" say the Spirit and the Bride; \*  
"Come!" let each hearer reply!**

**Come forward, you who are thirsty, \*  
let those who desire take the water of life as a gift.**

**The Collect of the Day**

*Presider:* God be with you

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

*Presider:* Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him 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 Jeremiah 33: 14-16**

*Harriet Davis*

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

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

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

## **Psalm 25:1-10**

*Lisa Fitzgibbons*

- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; \*  
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; \*  
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, \*  
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, \*  
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, \*  
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; \*  
remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; \*  
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right \*  
and teaches his way to the lowly.
- 9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness \*  
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.
- 10 For your Name's sake, O LORD, \*  
Forgive my sin, for it is great.

## **The Second Lesson: The First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians 3:9-13**

*Harriet Davis*

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

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

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

## **The Gospel: Luke 21: 25-36**

*The Rev. Kit Wang*

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

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

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

*Presider:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Affirmation of Faith**

*Based on Revelation 4:8, 11; 5:9; 22:17, 20*

*Presider:* Let us say together in faith:

**Holy, holy, holy  
is the Lord God almighty,  
who was, and is, and is to come.**

**We believe in God the Father,  
who created all things:  
for by his will they were created  
and have their being.**

**We believe in God the Son,  
who was slain:  
for with his blood,  
he purchased us for God,  
from every tribe and language,  
from every people and nation.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit:  
the Spirit and the Bride say, 'Come!'  
Even so come, Lord Jesus! Amen.**

**Prayers of the People**

*Lisa Fitzgibbons*

For our deepest and most holy longings we pray:  
**Renew us, O God.**

For the courage of the Church,  
**Renew us as people of service and compassion.**

Bless our bishops, Michael and Thomas; our guest celebrant, Kit Wang; the Diocese of Maine, and our companion Diocese of Haiti.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Church of the Good Shepherd, Houlton; and for Seeds of Hope Neighborhood Center, Biddeford.

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil.

For the peace of the world,  
**And the dignity and wellbeing of all of God's people.**

For the reconciliation of the nation,  
**Renew in all people the will for good and the longing for peace.**

We pray for those who govern our state: particularly Janet;  
and those who lead our nation: including Susan, Angus, Chellie, and Jared;  
and Joe, our President;  
guide them in the ways of justice and peace.  
**May we honor one another and serve the common good.**

For this planet, our home:  
**Renew our will to be healers of creation.**

For those in need of our prayers:

*We pray for:* Bobby; Charles; Kellan; Pat; Mackenzie; Scott; Marcella; Tim; Sam; Matthew; Jean; Sally; Antonia; Al; Lee; Ryan; Brook; Alex; Olga; Virginia & Jamil; Ed; Kathy; Cora; David; Peter; Hannah; Paul & Faith; Tom, Siobhan & James; Khenmo; Mike; Joan L; Sarah; Will; and Erin.  
For all who wander, who hunger, who suffer:  
**May we embody your love and care.**

For those who have died:

Receive them into the arms of your mercy.

**May we comfort those who mourn.**

For the blessings of our lives:

*(Please add your thanksgivings, silently.)*

Bless those we love and all creation with your goodness,  
**and renew our trust in your love.**

### **Concluding Collect**, *(OSH)*

*The Rev. Kit Wang*

O God, our rock and refuge: Keep us safe in your care and strengthen us with your grace, that we may pray faithfully to you and love one another boldly, following the example of Jesus; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### **The Confession**

*Presider:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence is kept.*

*Presider:* **Most merciful God,**

*All:* **we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**

**For the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

### **The Absolution**

Almighty God have mercy on you,  
forgive you all your sins  
through the grace of Jesus Christ,  
strengthen you in all goodness,  
and by the power of the Holy Spirit  
keep you in eternal life. **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**

Behold, the glory of the Holy One shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, Alleluia.

*~ Isaiah 40:5*

*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 Great Thanksgiving**

*The Rev. Kit Wang*

*Presider:* God 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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs of everlasting life; that when Christ shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**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.**

*Then the Celebrant continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember Christ's death,  
We proclaim Christ's resurrection,  
We await Christ's coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Bartholomew and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, 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.**

## The Breaking of the Bread

*Presider:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People:* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

## The Invitation

*Presider:* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## The Communion

*Everyone is welcome to receive communion here at God's table. The ushers will invite you to come forward in the center aisle and receive the bread at the front one at a time. There is hand sanitizer available here at the front as well. Please use the side aisles to return to your seat once you have received. If instead you prefer to receive a blessing, please indicate that by crossing your hands across your chest. If you need gluten free bread, please let us know when you come forward and we are happy to accommodate.*

## Music at Communion

*Dixit Maria*  
*Hans Leo Hassler*

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

## Post Communion Prayer

*The Rev. Kit Wang*

*Presider:* Let us pray:

*All:* **Holy One,  
you hold both heaven and earth in a single peace.  
Let the design of your great love  
shine on the waste of this world's anger and sorrow;  
give peace to your Church,  
peace among nations,  
peace in our homes,  
and peace in our hearts,  
in Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## The Blessing

*The St. Bart's Blessing*

My friends, life is short  
and we do not have much time  
to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us,  
so be quick to love and make haste to be kind.  
And rest assured that God is infinitely more concerned  
with the promise of our future  
than the mistakes of our past.  
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**  
*O love, how deep, how broad, how high*

*John Corrie & The St. Bart's Virtual Choir*  
*The Hymnal 1982, #448*

**Announcements**

*Michele Johns*

**The Dismissal**

*The Rev. Kit Wang*

*Presider:* Go in peace to love and serve Jesus Christ our Savior.  
Alleluia, alleluia.

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

**Postlude**

***PSALM 19 (The heavens declare God's glory)***  
By Benedetto Marcello

*Dr. Schuder*

**TODAY 9AM In-Person service w/Euchraist**

Guest Celebrant: The Rev. Kit Wang  
Altar Guild: Jan Burson  
Bread Baker: Mary Ann Hodsdon  
Flower Arranger: Mary Ann Hodsdon  
A/V: Peter Sillin  
Lector: Harriet Davis  
Chalice Bearer: Lisa Fitzgibbons  
Ushers: Nancy Gunzelmann, Linda Draper  
Counters: Morris Hancock, Tom Hyndman  
Lawn Care: Joe Michaud  
VPOW: Michele Johns

**December 5 9AM, In-Person w/ Healing**

Altar Guild: Mary Ann Hodsdon, Beth LaSalle  
Flower Arranger: Mary Ann Hodsdon  
A/V: **NEEDED**  
Lector: Mike Perfetti  
Chalice Bearer: Linda Perkins  
Ushers: Ann Donaghy, Pam Hobson  
Counters: Harriet Davis, Pal Covie  
Lawn Care: **NEEDED**  
VPOW: Michele Johns

**December 12 9AM, In-Person w/Eucharist**

Guest Celebrant: The Rev. Anne C. Fowler  
Altar Guild: Mary Ann Hodsdon, Beth LaSalle  
Bread Baker: Peter Sillin  
Flower Arranger: Mary Ann Hodsdon  
A/V: Peter Sillin  
Lector: Michele Johns  
Chalice Bearer: Ian-Meredythe Lindsey  
Ushers: Pal & Sarah Covie  
Counters: Pam Hobson, Pamela Trudo  
Lawn Care: Ed Simmons  
VPOW: Gregg Hoerr

## Christmas Fair News

### Attic Treasures Has Retired!

**There will no longer be an Attic Treasures booth at the Christmas Fair.** There are plenty of places nearby that will accept your no longer needed items, such as: Freeport Community Services, St. Elizabeth's, Furniture Friends, Goodwill, Salvation Army, Maine Needs.

### We are looking for handled paper bags for shoppers at the Christmas Fair!

Contact [Cecilia Guecia](mailto:gueciacecilia@gmail.com), [gueciacecilia@gmail.com](mailto:gueciacecilia@gmail.com) or [Sarah Fischer](mailto:sarah@sarahandsons.com), [sarah@sarahandsons.com](mailto:sarah@sarahandsons.com), if you have any to donate.

### The Baked Goods/Food Table needs your contributions!

Cookies, breads (small and large loaves) pies, snack mix, or your specialty! All items need to be packaged for selling. Decorative packaging welcomed Cookies can be packaged by half or whole dozens or individually. All contributions need to be labeled with ingredients listed. If possible, please have your contributions delivered to the church on Friday, 12/3 by 6pm or please call and I can pick up. Thank you! [Pam Hobson](mailto:pamhobson46@gmail.com), 671-6254, [pamhobson46@gmail.com](mailto:pamhobson46@gmail.com).

### Greens Committee

The greens committee is looking for eager volunteers. We will gladly teach you whatever you need to learn. I will set up and organize all of the decorations on the Sunday after Thanksgiving. We will work Monday through Friday from around 9:00 to 2:00 or 3:00. Come and stay as long as you can. It's lots of fun. We clean up on Friday to get ready for the fair so our work time is very limited. Let me know if you want to have some fun with us. Contact [Mary Calvin](mailto:maryecalvin@gmail.com), [maryecalvin@gmail.com](mailto:maryecalvin@gmail.com) or 713-385-4708.

### Silent Auction

We are looking for items that will generate lots of competition among bidders. Popular items include: weekend getaways; gift certificates for restaurants and retail stores, garden centers; artwork and collectibles; small furniture; and jewelry. Items should be dropped off Friday, Dec. 3 by noon. Contact [Laurie Hyndman](mailto:lauriehyndman@gmail.com), [lauriehyndman@gmail.com](mailto:lauriehyndman@gmail.com) or [Deborah Wathen-Finn](mailto:deborah.wathenfinn@gmail.com), [deborah.wathenfinn@gmail.com](mailto:deborah.wathenfinn@gmail.com) with questions.

### Christmas Ornaments Needed

The greens committee is ordering ornaments to use for the Christmas Fair. **Please check your stash of ornaments that might be left over from previous years. We could use your donations.** The shelves are pretty bare at our usual suppliers. It also saves us a surprising amount of money. Questions, contact [Mary Calvin](mailto:maryecalvin@gmail.com), [maryecalvin@gmail.com](mailto:maryecalvin@gmail.com).

### A Call to all Chefs for Gourmet Frozen Foods

St. Bart's is fortunate to have many talented chefs in its ranks. While we cannot hold the luncheon this year, we are excited to offer great food at the Gourmet Frozen Food table. Thus, we are seeking all interested chefs to contribute to a diverse menu of frozen soups and entrees that will be sold and distributed the day of the fair (December 4<sup>th</sup>). Please consider making one or more of your specialties for the table.

Please contact [Barbara Barhydt](mailto:jbml@gwi.net) ([jbml@gwi.net](mailto:jbml@gwi.net)) as soon as possible, if you are interested in volunteering or if you have any questions. We need to know who is interested in participating by November 15<sup>th</sup>. We look forward to another successful year in offering delectable meals to go! Barbara Barhydt and Michele Johns.

### Crafts Needed

Calling all crafters!! There's still plenty of time to make a craft before this year's Fair. You can make 6 of any item, or more if you think appropriate. Table decor/linens, scarves, pot holders, mittens, hats, face masks, coasters, soaps, candles, bath salts/bombs, wooden or metal crafts or whatever you would like to contribute. If you need suggestions or have questions, contact [Harriet Davis](mailto:harriet.davis@gmail.com), [harriet.davis@gmail.com](mailto:harriet.davis@gmail.com).

Also, if you have license plates, please let us know. Joe Michaud creates wonderful things from license plates.

### Jewelry, Handbags, Scarves Needed!

Do you (or someone you know) have jewelry you no longer wear? The St. Bart's Jewelry elves await your donations to sort, organize, research, price, and/or polish! We accept necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings, pins, cufflinks... real or costume...and broken items as we can repair. We welcome donations of handbags and scarves in very good condition. Designer items are best sellers. Please drop off at the St. Bart's office labeled for Anne Jacobs. Questions, feel free to email [Anne Jacobs](mailto:ajacobs207@gmail.com), [ajacobs207@gmail.com](mailto:ajacobs207@gmail.com).

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### **Adult Education - This afternoon, 3:00-4:30pm.**

Reminder on the session Walking with Mary in Her Time. The first of our Advent program from presenter Elizabeth Ring: This is your time. I will present ideas and resources to start the conversation each week and then we will see where it leads.

As background, I hope you have a chance to watch the webinar *Magnificent, Marxist, Mary*, from General Seminary, presented by The Rev. Dr. Julie Faith Parker, as she takes us into Mary's world and explores how we have understood Mary in the centuries since:

<https://www.gts.edu/upcoming-events/magnificent-marxist-mary-textual-light-on-advents-brightest-star>.

In preparation for our discussion, as we begin our walk with Mary, what are your images of her? Do you have an icon or piece of art depicting her? If so, and it is easily portable, please bring it with you to share. Please also bring your favorite Bible with you.

### **Book Room Notes: Donations Wanted!**

**Finally! The announcement you've been waiting for:** the Book Room is now **accepting donations** of books. Remember that certain categories of books do not sell; examples are self-help, textbooks, travel guides, medical advice, outdated books in general. Also: any book that is musty, damaged, has underlined pages or personal notes.

Books should be left upstairs in the book room. Feel free to check out the small bookcase in the hallway for a sample of the books upstairs, and then head up to the book room for more. Our usual excellent prices have not changed: \$2 for hard cover, \$1 for paperbacks. Donations of any amount are welcome. Cash boxes have been provided.

For more information, contact [Margaret Betts](mailto:margaretbetts@stewardship.com), 784-5676 or [Linda Draper](mailto:lindadraper@stewardship.com), 653-1666.

### **Are You one of the 20?!**

Jamie Michaud delivered a very comprehensive report on the status of the 2022 pledge campaign at worship on Sunday. Here are some highlights:

- 29 of the 66 pledges in hand were made using the online feature on the website!
- Those pledges totaled \$183,523, with the average pledge 9% higher than 2021.
- More than half the households (36) have increased their pledge over 2021.
- 3 new households have pledged.
- 5 households who had lapsed in their pledging have returned for 2022!

This is all exciting news! Where does the 20 come in? 20 households who pledged for 2021 have not yet done so for 2022. As Jamie said, it's easy to put off making the pledge until there's more time to think about it, and time just slips by! If you're in that company this year, please take time to **MAKE YOUR PLEDGE TODAY!** It's easy to do this online, just connect here!

We are deeply grateful for the love and generosity that continues to be exhibited in acts of sharing so freely made within our community. Thank you!!!

The Stewardship Committee

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

Add our Portland neighbors to your Giving Tuesday commitment!

Many of our Portland, ME neighbors lack the essentials of daily living not covered by food stamps (SNAP). Every Tuesday morning we distribute these necessary non-food items as available - toilet paper, a bar of soap, laundry detergent, feminine products, shampoo, winter gloves, bedding, dental products, and more. You can help! No amount is too small!

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

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

Questions, contact [Linda Draper, ldraper347@gmail.com](mailto:ldraper347@gmail.com) or [Anne Jacobs, ajacobs207@gmail.com](mailto:ajacobs207@gmail.com).

### **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, pamhobson46@gmail.com](mailto:pamhobson46@gmail.com).

Financial contributions are welcomed and can be mailed to: Friendship House, 390 Lincoln St, South Portland, ME 04106.

### **Afternoon Handwork**

We welcome all to join us on zoom on **Monday, December 6 & 20 from 3-4:30pm** as we work on our craft projects and have friendly conversation. See the weekly e-bulletin for Zoom link.



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