

# The Messenger

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Dear Parishioners,

Early in the morning on February 19, I woke up, hearing that the rover *Perseverance* which had been launched from Earth on July 30, 2020 had safely landed in Jezero Crater on Mars the day before at 20:55 (UTC, Coordinated Universal Time, to be exact). Later, one of my past students sent me a link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vhm-UrfMVIU> to the last “seven minutes of terror” which showed the men and women from NASA headquarters literally on the edge of their seats and hanging onto keyboards as they watched the rover, step by step, do its thing.

When *Perseverance* touched down, those in the room erupted. Imagine! This mission was announced by NASA on December 4, 2012 and now with this success, scientists will be able to investigate the “astrobiologically” ancient environment of Mars and the possibility of past life.

Do you remember where you were when the world witnessed Neil Armstrong take his first step onto the moon, July 20, 1969? I do. As a young teenager, I was overwhelmed by the miracle of science and the beauty of faith, as the two forces merged to reveal God’s creation. Together, like kissing cousins, science and religion can deepen our understanding of God’s truth.

I’m reminded of a conversation I had with students. We were in the middle of a heated philosophical discussion about metaphysics and epistemology (what is real and how do we know what is real), and I asked one of my students, a wiz at math (he was studying the kind of math where no numbers appear on his worksheet), “Do you think math is invented or discovered?” Without hesitation, he said, “discovered,” which surprised me. He saw my reaction and said, “Well, yes, of course, a lot of things are invented within the endeavors of math, but at the core, if I had to pick one, I would say, ‘discovered.’”

“How’s that?”

“Because math is too beautiful, too logical, too patterned, too mysterious to not be Eternal, existing from the very beginning of creation.”

A fellow student scoffed, and said, “Oh, so Math is your God?”

I was about to step in and referee what appeared to be a conversation devolving, when the student spoke up. “I don’t know how to answer your question, but I do know this: when I am in the depths of trying to figure out a problem, knowing that Math is Eternal gives me the confidence to trust in my power to discover truth. I’m not just inventing things!”

We claim the same Easter truth: when in the depths of trying to figure out a problem (life!), knowing that the Loving Christ is Eternal gives us the confidence to trust in our power to discover truth. We are not just inventing things!

As Christians, we have the incredible privilege of entering into our Lenten discipline already knowing that the Risen Lord is our light, our life, and our hope. The One who enlightens our darkness is with us always, even when we are in the depths of our penitential season. This knowledge allows us to go deep, trusting that we won’t get lost in despair. The Holy Spirit is in the middle of it all, and we can feel the energy pulsating through us and beyond us, in creation, and within Eternity.

May our Lent continue to be holy, and our Easter glorious,

Jamie+

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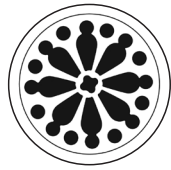
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# From the Vestry

*Nina Pollock, Vestry Member*

As we are all aware, we are entering our second year of Covid-19's presence in our lives. It has impacted all aspects of how we spend our time, whom we see, and how we view our life of faith. The Vestry at All Saints' has been gathering at least monthly to be sure we are faithfully meeting our stated Mission (what we do) — to help people grow in faith and trust in God by helping them to recognize their God given talents and use them to serve God and our neighbors. Grounded in that Mission, we can embrace our stated Vision (where are we going) — to be a community in which God's love is experienced and shared.

We are grateful for all of the financial support that has been pledged to All Saints'. The Capital Campaign Funds are available to start work on the rehab of the kitchen in Reynolds Hall. We will all be excited when we can begin our Tuesday Night Community Suppers again (when it is safe). By the time you read *The Messenger* in March, the wardens will have sent a full update on the specifics of the kitchen project through Saints Alive. If you missed it, don't hesitate to call the church office for details.

We are in the process of exploring possibilities for other ministries. We are contacting (through email, Zoom meetings, surveys, and telephone calls) the volunteers who have been involved with the Serendipity Shop in the past, to get a sense of how best to move forward. One of the overall themes for the Vestry in these coming months is to take a focused look at *all* the ministries that are currently in place at All Saints'. We want to see how our current ministries are supporting the mission and vision of building up our faith, so we can be an active community that is sharing God's love in the Monadnock region.

We invite you to think with us. For those who would like to expand a certain ministry at All Saints', or propose that we redirect our energy, or discuss ways you would like to become involved, please reach out to a member of the Vestry. We would love to hear from you and take advantage of this "forced," yet unique opportunity that Covid has offered us to take a big pause, a deep breath, and a deep dive into thinking through each of our ministries. Together we can sharpen our own articulation of how All Saints' is making a difference in our community, and look afresh at the ways we serve one another, our community, and our Lord.

~ *Nina*

## All Saints' Church and the Peterborough Town Library



All Saints' Church is working in conjunction with the Peterborough Library to present a series of workshops designed to strengthen community understanding and communication.

*Two special workshops are happening this spring:*

### • **RACISM, TRAUMA AND HEALING** **Wednesday, March 24, 6 to 9:00pm**

This workshop will help participants to deepen their understanding of how racism creates trauma in individuals and society, and specifically how to:

- Recognize the signs of trauma from racism
- Better understand institutional racism, and
- Develop healing-centered strategies.

*The facilitators:* Brandon Lee and Ivor Edmonds

### • **ACTIVE BYSTANDER TRAINING** **Thursday, April 1, 6:30pm**

We have all perhaps had the experience of seeing someone bully a person who looks as if s/he is not capable of handling the situation. What to do? This training will offer insights and tools to use in such situations and a chance to think about how we might use them.

*The facilitators:* James McKim and Aron DiBacco

**For complete details or to register, go to:**  
**[peterboroughtownlibrary.org/events](http://peterboroughtownlibrary.org/events)**

## Holy Week at All Saints'

### **Palms are available March 27!**

If you would like to have a palm for your home worship on Palm Sunday, please stop by the Rectory porch on Saturday, March 27 and help yourself! *All are welcome!*

### **Palm Sunday, March 28, 10:00am**

Join us for the 10:00am Rite Now Service via Zoom (or view and listen to the recorded service available by 5:30pm Saturday Eve 3/27).

### **Good Friday, April 2**

View and listen to the recorded service when Rev. Dr. Cathy George will preach, available by 8:00am Friday morning, April 2.

### **Easter Sunday, April 4**

#### **6:00am at Cathedral of the Pines**

Weather permitting, an Ecumenical Sunrise Service at Cathedral of the Pines. *Details coming soon!*

#### **11:00am on the All Saints' Lawn**

Join us for this outdoor worship service! (*We are to bring our own chairs.*), or view and listen to the Easter Sermon online.

**Check the website for details about and links to these worship opportunities:**

**[allsaintsnh.org](http://allsaintsnh.org)**

## Diocesan Holy Week Services

### **Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, March 29, 30, 31, 5:00pm**

*Bishop Rob will lead prayer services online.*

### **Maundy Thursday, April 1, 5:00pm**

*Bishop Rob will lead an Agape meal service online.*

### **Good Friday, April 2, 5:00pm**

*Bishop Rob will lead a service online.*

### **Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 3, 8:00pm**

*Bishop Rob will lead an Easter vigil online.*

### **Easter Sunday, April 4, 10:00am**

*Bishop Rob will join the St. Andrew's Hopkinton community and we are all invited.*

**Check the Diocesan website for details on the Holy Week services.**

**[nhepiscopal.org/worship-liturgy](http://nhepiscopal.org/worship-liturgy)**

PANDEMIC REFLECTION

# Annus Coronavirus

*Ann Lammers, Parishioner*

I started the Covid year by breaking my right shoulder on March 2, during a yoga meditation. (Slippery floor, stocking feet.) My compassionate younger daughter, Molly came a few days later with food. That day, poor girl, she was coming down with something, which turned out to be a bad virus. We later decided it must have been Covid, although no test proved it. And so I sat at home with my broken shoulder and developed symptoms that may also have been Covid — a mild case, though, and gone by Easter.

Meanwhile, my older daughter, Hope fled NYC for central NH in mid-March and promptly came down with what looked like Covid. (Impossible to get tested.) For a few weeks, the three of us texted each other morning, noon, and night, sharing medical articles, reporting temperatures, dizziness, energy, breathing, and reassuring each other that we were going on being. The intensity of caring brought us very close. We all made full recoveries, thank God. My shoulder, too, healed in record time.

Then there's daily life. In collaboration with a team in Zurich, I'm editing a volume of Emma Jung's previously unpublished writings and paintings, aiming toward publication in 2022. Our readership may be wider than the usual Jungian audience, because Emma Rauschenbach Jung will be revealed as a brilliant and original woman of her time. Living in the shadow of a famous husband, raising five children, working as an analyst in her mature years, and having only limited time for her own intellectual

and creative output, she somehow managed to leave a wealth of raw materials to be discovered, a few years ago, in the family archive.

I lost a dear friend in June 2020. Dick Corney died of heart failure, not Covid, but the pandemic made his final months lonely and difficult. I couldn't visit him until the end, when the hospital allowed a few visitors. Those final hours together were a huge gift. Now my spirits are buoyed by the decades of close conversation and a horde of shared memories, going back to 1956.

I feel supported by many people of blessed memory who left us in recent months, including John Lewis and Ruth Bader Ginsberg. And I feel called into action by those whose lives were crushed before our eyes, in whose names I stand silently for an hour every Saturday, with other vigilers, holding a hand-made sign: "For George, Breonna, Ahmaud, Elijah / Equality and Justice."

Dealing with the anomie and depression of Annus Coronavirus, I am increasingly grateful for the living energy that comes through virtual worship at All Saints, and the Diocese of NH, and the brothers of St. John the Evangelist. Also for the ministry of my dear niece Lydia in the Diocese of Northern Michigan. The need for human closeness makes virtual worship more moving than I could have imagined — over the months, only more so. Gloriously, too, there's real-time hiking with friends. And, yes, yoga.

~ *Ann*

**PANDEMIC REFLECTION**

**Musings on Covid**

*Beth Healy, Parishioner*

**MARCH 12** — A normal day – breakfast, gym, meetings, shopping, a movie...

**MARCH 13** — Stores closing, people heading home, what is happening? What is Covid-19?

**APRIL-MAY** — On the move: NY to NH; Daughter Nelly and her boyfriend, Ben head north from Brooklyn to Keene to stay, for who knows how long? Friend Wendy’s grandsons, ages 4 and 6, head north from Manhattan to Marlborough to stay, for who knows how long?

All Saints’ Sunday 10am — online service, audio-only. Centering Prayer bi-weekly group, now on Zoom weekly. Zoom-ing — with friends, meetings, classes. Shopping now only at Shaw’s & CVS. A “driveway get together” — four of us, masks, chairs six feet apart, bring your own glass. Community Garden early planting, plots six feet apart, ground still frozen?

Jack & I — Staying home, with new routines: wearing masks, hand sanitizer, washing hands, six feet apart, please...trying to cope...

**JUNE-AUGUST** — NYC sister Anne is working from home — food delivered, empty streets and subways, restaurants and shops closed. California cousins under Covid-19 lockdown, raging fires. All staying home! Four weddings celebrated — bride and groom, parents and Rector only. Colorado sister Sarah’s 60th Birthday British Columbia Bike Trip cancelled.

All Saints’ weekly prayer service permitted on the lawn, bring your chair and wear your mask.

Mermaid 7am Swims in Harrisville Pond, weekly picnics, daily walks and hikes...wearing masks, six feet apart.

Jack & I — Staying home, starting slowly to cope... home projects, writing, streaming movies.

**SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER** — All Saints’ Sunday service on the lawn, bring your chair and wear your mask. Still ZOOM-ing, to connect with friends from afar. Thanksgiving at son Peter and his girlfriend Kellie’s new house in NH — just 4 of us, masks, chairs six feet apart...

Jack & I — Staying home, coping better...

Indescribable and unbelievable how our world seemed to change in a split second! In the new space and quiet, and with patience, I was able to listen for God and see God in the unexpected. I more clearly recognized and cherished all I hold dear, with thanks be to God.

~ *Beth*

**Alma’s Poem**

*“Even though I walk through the shadows of death, I fear no evil, For thou art with me, thy rod and staff, they comfort me.”*

~ PSALM 23, VERSE 4

**It is sad how anyone could live without belief.  
In dark times how do they get relief?  
These are dark times, we all agree.  
It is wonderful that God is with me.  
Every morning I awake and say,  
“Thank you, Lord, for being with me today.”**

Love,  
*Alma*

# Our Newest Delegate to the Diocesan Convention



**Martha Manley**

To the All Saints' community:

**T**hank you for electing me to be a delegate to represent All Saints' at the Diocesan Convention. I grew up in the Episcopal church, in the Diocese of New Hampshire, and have been active in the church wherever I have lived. When I returned to New Hampshire after a twenty-year absence, I became a CPA and worked in public accounting before joining my husband Frank owning and managing *The Cabinet Press*, the weekly newspaper in Milford.

For the next twenty years, I was active in many aspects of the parish and the diocese. I was treasurer, and later senior warden, including a transition period between rectors. Frank and I initiated the relationship between our local parish and a parish in Angola, which has continued to create bonds of friendship and ministry.

As a delegate to the Convention, I was also a delegate to the Southern Convocation — the grouping of parishes that includes All Saints'. During this time, I was a Co-Convenor of the Convocation, and was elected to be a member of the Diocesan Council. I have also served on the Commission for Ministry, and on the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

We have three children, who are grown and scattered around the country, and one grandson. Six years ago, we retired to RiverMead and joined All Saints'. When I arrived at All Saints', I did not want a "job" in the parish; I did not want to join a committee or find another task to do, even if it was a "ministry." I did want to be involved in the community, and I did want to share a faith journey with others. I found the answer to this in the Education for Ministry program. For four years, I joined the EfM group every Monday night to explore my religion and my faith, and to share thoughts and feelings with others on the journey. This became my ministry in the parish.

My ongoing passion is Girl Scouts, and I serve on the Board of Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains. Frank and I are also deeply involved with the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts, and have traveled frequently to gatherings of the organization around the world.

I believe that my love of Girl Scouts, and my love of the Episcopal Church, are totally aligned in the desire to "strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being." Both organizations help us to recognize that we are not alone, that we are part of larger organizations, that we are part of a worldwide community of people who can make the world a better place.

It is in this process that I look forward to serving as a delegate to the Diocese, and a representative of All Saints'. The parish gathers strength in its ministry by nurturing its connection to the Diocese. We learn about other parishes, other ministries, and other people's struggles and strengths. We grow in our knowledge of what it means to be God's children, and we grow and heal by sharing ourselves in the wider community.

In faith and in community,

*Martha Manley*

# Lest Innocent Blood Be Shed:

## *The Story of the Village of Le Chambon and How Goodness Happened There*

by Philip P. Hallie

We tend to look back on the Second World War with a certain longing. It was one of a very few occasions in history when good and evil seemed clearly distinct. It was community against tribalism, respect against fear and hatred, the rule of law against tyranny, decency against brutality. As always, people did have to make difficult choices, but moral people, we like to think, were making choices with ultimate good in mind.

In *Lest Innocent Blood Be Shed: The Story of the Village of Le Chambon and How Goodness Happened There*, I encountered a thorough examination of how, in the midst of war, occupation, and systematic betrayal of the weak, one Christian community in the south of France found a clear path to decency in action, rescuing thousands of Jews and others while their neighbors were content to keep their heads down and live an apparently normal life.

The author, Philip P. Hallie, is an American Jew and a philosopher, who discovered this story while researching the atrocities of the Holocaust. He went to the village in 1977 and interviewed many of the inhabitants who had participated in the events of 1940-1944. They were for the most part unlikely heroes, very ordinary citizens who farmed, kept guesthouses, taught, and supplied the needs of the village and its annual influx of summer residents from the cities. When asked why they had risked their lives to hide refugees and eventually spirit them across the Swiss border, they tended to become impatient with the question. "It was the only thing to do! What else could we have done?" was a typical response. Betrayal or avoidance had become simply unthinkable.

What happened in Le-Chambon-sur-Lignon, and why? Hallie explores this great moral and historical puzzle in a somewhat circular fashion. It is not entirely a linear narrative, though that is the core of the book. He gives the historical background of the area (a French Protestant enclave for centuries), and the

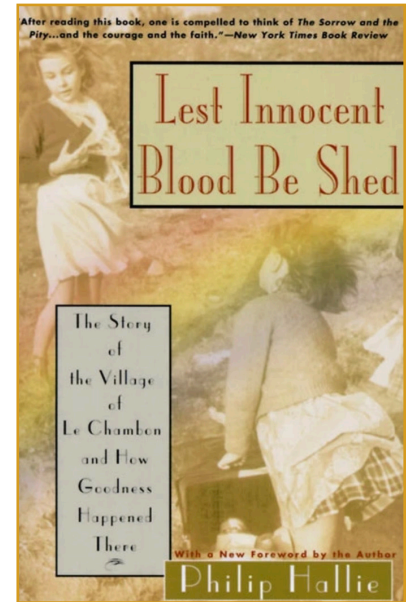
complex political arrangements of Vichy France, conquered by the Germans but not formally occupied.

But the two figures around whom the story revolves are André and Magda Trocmé, the pious and gifted pastor of the village and his Florentine, skeptical, equally gifted wife. This was a marriage of glorious tempestuousness within a framework of dogged commitment to the same values. These values included pacifism, not simplistic or romantic, but using imagination, energy, and courage to preserve human life. The Trocmés, together with André's assistant pastor Edouard Theis, through preaching, study, pastoral work, and hospitality, provided a climate in which Le Chambon discovered its wartime mission and carried it out with courage and not a little guile.

Although Hallie never met André Trocmé, who had died in 1962, he did meet Magda, with whom he formed a great friendship. Her resilience, indeed stubbornness, and sympathy shine forth in her widowed life as in her marriage.

*Lest Innocent Blood Be Shed* was first published in 1979, but I recommend reading the reissued paperback edition (HarperPerennial) of 1994, with a new Introduction. There is much sadness and suffering in this book; I confess that I had to take a break in the middle and come back to it after a week or so. But when we talk about "leading the Christian life," this story has much wisdom and courage to help us on our own way, in our own time and place.

~ Cassius





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### **Our Mission** (What we do)

Our mission is to help people grow in their faith and trust in God by helping them to recognize their God-given talents and use them to serve God and their neighbor.

### **Our Vision** (Where we are going)

Our vision is to be a community in which God's love is experienced and shared.



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## The Inner Child

by Andy Peterson

The inner child  
So meek and mild  
What might he grow to be?

A councilor great  
A potentate  
Master of wildling me

Embrace him dear  
Hold him more near  
Than hands or feet or breathing

He will repay  
Your love this day  
All burdens be relieving

Relax and smile  
Stay a while  
Here in quiet splendor

Then be on your way  
Into the great play  
As a helper and a mender

*We* invite you to send articles, letters, poems, pandemic reflections, or printable artwork, to [deborahwaldo18@gmail.com](mailto:deborahwaldo18@gmail.com).

The submission deadline for the MAY/JUNE ISSUE is Monday, April 12.





# The All Saints' Website: [allsaintsnh.org](http://allsaintsnh.org)

Gail Caron, Ministries Coordinator

## “Okay. I found the website [www.allsaintsnh.org](http://www.allsaintsnh.org). Where do I go from here?”

Everything you wanted to know but were afraid to ask is accessed from our Home Page through interactive links and photos.

### Let's tour the Home page...

First, across the top are four shortcut buttons: **Giving** (a link to set up online giving) — **Times & Directions** — **Events** — **Search**

Next, the wide menu bar across the Home Page has links to the other pages of our website:

**About Us** — **Worship** — **Learn** — **Caring** — **Parish Life** — **Calendar**

Hold the mouse over each tab to reveal that page. For example, **About Us** includes a link “**Explore Our Community**” leading to a page “**I Am New**” that offers a welcoming statement, directions, service times and links to who we are as a community.

Continuing down the homepage, under the large rotating pictures, you will find upcoming events and reminders, seasonal links, or messages and videos from the Rector and the Vestry.

Throughout Lent, the links to Compline and its companion leaflet are located here.

### Now let's go for a “scroll”...

Scroll down and you will find the links to our archives of **Virtual Services** and sermons, which you can listen to or watch.

Further down, the three interactive photos will send you to the following pages:

“**Stay Connected**” has the updated service offerings. “**What's Happening**” is a link to the parish calendar. “**Get Involved**” takes you to the All Saints' Ministries pages with information about how you can participate in our outreach and pastoral ministries. Scroll down.

There is a link to sign up for our weekly e-newsletter, *Saints Alive*. Scroll down further. There is a link to our print newsletter, *The Messenger* archives.

The last piece of our homepage is across the bottom, where the next three events from our calendar are listed with interactive links.

*Our website is continuously being edited and updated to provide you with the latest information about what is happening at All Saints'. Bookmark it, explore it and visit it frequently!*

The screenshot shows the website's layout with several key elements: a top navigation bar with icons for Giving, Times & Directions, Events, and Search; a main menu bar with links for About Us, Worship, Learn, Caring, Parish Life, and Calendar; a central section titled "Open to All" with a wooden door image and a list of links including "Explore Our Community"; a banner for "Coming in Lent on YouTube" featuring a candle; a "Welcome to All Saints' Church!" section with a "COMPLINE FROM THE CRYPT" announcement and a link to a service leaflet; a "VIRTUAL WORSHIP: The Third Sunday in Lent" section with "WATCH" and "ARCHIVE" buttons; three interactive photo buttons for "Stay Connected", "What's Happening", and "Get Involved"; and a bottom section with three event cards for "Virtual Sunday Lenten Worship", "Virtual Rite Now Worship", and "Compline", each with a date and time.



# APRIL 2021 SAINTS' DAYS



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## Happy Birthday!

