

Update from All Saints'
Email to the Parish from The Reverend Simone Hurkmans
12 September 2020

Hi everyone,

Well here we are on the eve of the **second in-person worship service**. Today we had our first in-church funeral since the pandemic began. It wasn't what we were used to; as it was by-invitation only, there was no singing, and everyone was wearing masks and staying physically distanced. However, it was good to celebrate the life of one of our own, Margaret Klassen-Church, who passed away last February.

I didn't send an email yesterday with the Church School video as from now on I'll be **shifting to Saturday and Sunday emails**. Saturday's email will have the Church School video, link to join in online worship, and link for the virtual coffee hour, and Sunday's email will have a link to the recorded Sunday service. Lots of info in today's email, so be sure to read all the way to the end!

First, here is a **link to a Church School video** produced by Julie and her granddaughter Ayla <https://www.facebook.com/allsaintswestboro/posts/3599937186706442>. Julie tells us about Moses and what it means to be a prophet in the here and now. Ayla demonstrates two crafts, one for our younger Saints and one for our older ones. If you'd like a special delivery of craft materials with which to follow the videos along with, please call the office and let Julie know.

Second, registration to attend tomorrow's service is now closed, and we're ready to welcome those signed up. **If you'd like to register to attend next Sunday**, September 20th, please fill out the online form (<https://www.allsaintswestboro.com/register-for-sunday-service/>) on the church website or call the church office after Monday at 9:00 am. Be sure to leave a voicemail indicating you'd like to register as the

day and time of your call is recorded and we take registrations on a first come, first served basis.

Here is a link the bulletin for the September 13th service: <https://www.allsaintswestboro.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/13-September-2020-Pentecost-15.pdf>, which will be recorded and posted to our Facebook page tomorrow so that it can be viewed later.

And lastly, Marcie Taylor is spearheading a **new Prayer Flag Project** inspired by an installation at the Episcopal Cathedral in Jacksonville, Florida. It will make our already beautiful courtyard alive with a visual display of our hopes and prayers in this challenging time. Read all about it here: <https://www.allsaintswestboro.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Prayer-flags.htm> and get involved!

Take care, and hope to “see” you tomorrow, either in-person or over the airwaves!

Simone+

“Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?” Jesus said to Peter, “Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.”

(Matthew 18:21b-22, NRSV)