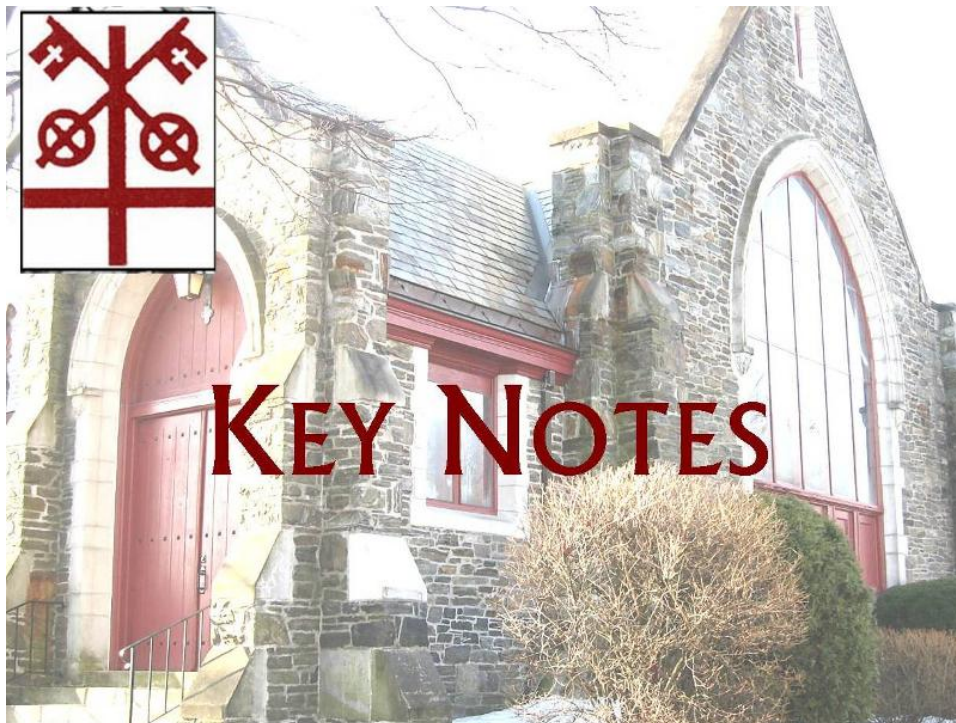




*Opening wide our doors and hearts
in the name of Jesus Christ Our Lord and Savior*

**The Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost
in the Season of Creation
Sunday, September 6, 2026
9:00 a.m.**

Join us in person for our service. Or join us by going to our livestream on the St. Peter's YouTube page [here](#).

The worship leaflet can be found [here](#).

This Sunday's Ministers:

Sunday, September 6, 2026

TBD, *Crucifer*

Ms. Anne Whitman, *Eucharistic Minister*

Mr. Tom Ainsworth, *Usher*

Ms. Jan Tracy, *Lector*

Mr. Will Estrella, *Videographer*

Ms. Janene Gorham, *Altar Guild*

Mr. Jonathan McCormick & Mr. Tom Sumner, *Counters*

Mr. Dan Warren, Ms. Lorna Blackmer, & Others, *Coffee Hour Hosts*

From The Priest in Charge

Dear Friends,

This coming Sunday, we embark on the Season of Creation. Through liturgy and other activities in the parish, we will focus on the wonders of this incredible world God has created and the needs of our fellow creatures. The theme of this year's Season of Creation, "Living Waters," is inspired by Ezekiel's vision (Ezekiel 47:1-12), where water flows out in a small stream from God's sanctuary and deepens as it flows, bringing life to dry land, refreshing stagnant places, and nourishing trees whose "fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing." We are invited to consider how we might love, protect, and advocate for the waters that sustain all life.

This is also a season of losing loving souls. Wendell Berry, the outspoken farmer, writer and environmental activist, died this week. In his poems, essays and novels, he often evoked the spiritual healing we can receive through our interactions with the natural world. I leave you with his poem, "Like the Water," which seems very appropriate as we all try to love one another and our beautiful Creation.

Like the Water

Like the water
of a deep stream,
love is always too much.
We did not make it.
Though we drink till we burst,
we cannot have it all,
or want it all.
In its abundance
it survives our thirst.

In the evening we come down to the shore
to drink our fill,
and sleep,
while it flows
through the regions of the dark.
It does not hold us,
except we keep returning to its rich waters

thirsty.

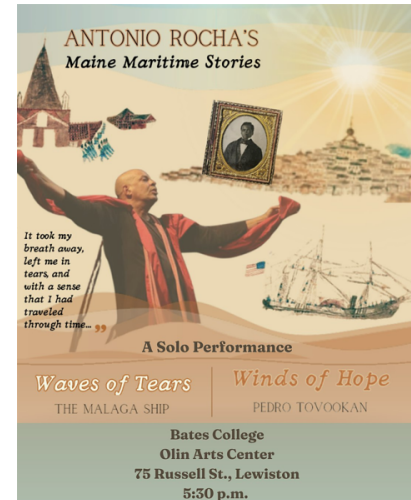
We enter,
willing to die,
into the commonwealth of its joy.

Faithfully yours,
Rev. Myrna

Maine Maritime Stories

One way to kick off our Season of Creation, whose theme is "Living Waters," is by going to see Antonio Rocha perform "Waves of Tears, Winds of Hope" on Saturday, September 12, at 5:30 pm at Bates College. Antonio is a well-known mime and storyteller who has created a number of performances that explore aspects of Maine's history, including "The Malaga Ship: A Story of Maine and the Middle Passage."

The invitation can be found [here](#).



REMINDER! Earth Keepers Retreat Friday, Sept. 11 Camp Bishopswood, Hope

A reminder to Earth Keepers who want to attend the one-day retreat on Sept. 11 at Camp Bishopswood to please register [here](#). Please also register for **Summer Finale** (see below) if you plan to stay overnight.

Thank You to Our Clean Up Crew

Our deepest thanks to John Gorham for helping to clean up debris in the yard, and cleaning out the garage and basement for the dump run, and to Junior Warden Wayne Franklin for cleaning and hauling all the

trash and debris away. We are blessed to have such faithful volunteers!

Greetings from Galen Weibley

Our postulant to the priesthood, Galen Weibley, has sent us a card of thanks as he settles in at seminary in Sewanee, Tennessee. You can read his card to us [here](#)

St. Albans Hosts Godly Play Training

St. Albans is hosting Godly Play training and welcomes participants from across the Diocese and beyond. Below is the information. If you are interested and concerned about cost, please see Rev. Myrna. This is a great opportunity to learn more about a Christian formation program that is developmentally appropriate for children and transformative for adults!

St. Alban's is excited to be hosting a **Godly Play Core Training** this program year. Our trainer, Dr. Sally Thomas, is a nationally recognized trainer who now calls Maine her year round home. Our diocese has graciously underwritten a portion of the costs to make this opportunity an easy "yes" for parishes to participate. This training is designed for 12 participants.

Here is a link to the registration **which includes special pricing of \$200 for members of Episcopal churches of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont** (usual cost is \$350).

Our training dates are Saturdays, October 24, January 9 and April 10, 9AM-5PM at St. Alban's.

Compline

Compline will meet on Wednesday, September 9th, at its usual time, 7:00 PM, on Zoom.

Connect with our gathering by clicking the Zoom link [here](#).

SAVE THE DATE!

Summer Finale Weekend

Friday, Sept. 11 - Sunday, Sept. 13 Camp Bishopswood, Hope

The Episcopal Diocese of Maine invites everyone to celebrate the end of summer together with a weekend at Camp Bishopswood, which is located on Lake Megunticook, about five miles from Camden.



All are welcome ... we really mean it! Although Camp Bishopswood serves our youth during its regular season, Summer Finale is a time when everyone joins the fun! That means households or individuals, friends and family, and YOU!

More details and registration info coming soon.

SAVE THE DATE!

Doctrine of Discovery Learning Weekend Thursday, Sept. 10 - Sunday, Sept. 13 The Cathedral Church of St. Luke

The **Council on Indigenous Relations** and the Province One Justice Network invite you to a long weekend of learning opportunities about the Doctrine of Discovery. The Episcopal Church has taken an historic lead role in repudiating this doctrine which so deeply injured our indigenous neighbors.

Events include "Interacting with Wabanaki History"—an interactive map experience, presentations by members of The Episcopal Church's Truth, Justice, & Healing Commission of Native Boarding Schools, and more. Registration information coming soon. Find more details [here](#).

Come Join our Sunday Ministries!

Every Sunday, there are opportunities for laypeople to serve as crucifer (carrying the cross), Eucharistic Minister, usher, videographer, and counter of the money received in the collection plates. We welcome your participation! **At the moment, we are in particular need of Eucharistic Ministers, crucifer and counters,**

but all other roles are valuable too. If you are interested in serving, please talk with Wayne Franklin, Junior Warden, or Rev. Myrna.

This Week at St. Peter's

St. Elizabeth's Essentials Pantry, Tues. Sept. 8, 8:30-11 am, St. Luke's
Vestry Meeting, Tues. Sept. 8, 6:30 pm, Undercroft
Compline, Wed. Sept. 9, 7 pm, Zoom

Coming up at St. Peter's

Monthly Parish Breakfast, Sun. Sept. 13, after the 9 am service

Sunday Minister Rota for September

September 13, 2026

Mr. Fred Fowler, *Crucifer*

Ms. Anne Whitman & Ms. Janene Gorham, *Eucharistic Ministers*

TBD, *Lector*

Ms. Lenita Richard, *Usher*

Mr. Wayne Franklin, *Videographer*

Ms. Lenita Richard, *Altar Guild*

Mr. Wayne Franklin & Mr. Jonathan McCormick, *Counters*

Mr. Bob Simmons, Ms. Anita Chandler, Ms. Patty Lamb, *Coffee Hour Hosts*

September 20, 2026

Mr. Thomas Ainsworth, *Crucifer*

Ms. Lenita Richard & Ms. Emily Hickey, *Eucharistic Ministers*

TBD, *Lector*

Mr. Will Estrella, *Usher*

Mr. Bob Simmons, *Videographer*

Ms. Anne Whitman, *Altar Guild*

Mr. Wayne Franklin & Mr. Tom Somnuer, *Counters*

Ms. Gerri Rose & Ms. Judy Howes, *Coffee Hour Hosts*

September 27, 2026

Mr. Steve Koskinen, *Crucifer*

Ms. Lenita Richard & Ms. Emily Hickey, *Eucharistic Ministers*

TBD, *Lector*

Ms. Anita Chandler, *Usher*

Mr. Bob Simmons, *Videographer*

Ms. Judy Howes, *Altar Guild*

Ms. Lenita Richard & Ms. Meredith Tipton, *Counters*

The Hickeys, *Coffee Hour Hosts*

Weekly Prayer List

Prayers For Parishioners, Families, and Friends

Ann Marie Cady
Allison Schroth
Francisco Andreu
Diane Dalton
Dino Rice
Robert Stillings
Pat and Fred Fowler
Mary Ann Hoy
Fred Madore
Alan Biagiotti
Jane Noone
Marc Lombe and family
Linda Foster
Garrett Keniston
Paul Loven
Anita Chandler
Melodie Gage
Herb Taylor
Cindy Sherwood

Peter Haskell, *friend of Allison Schroth*
Martha Gagliardi, *friend of Fr. Tom*
Tommy Valente, *friend of Don and Ann Marie Cady*
Jane Reiha, *friend of Judy Howes*
Stephen and Rebecca Seraniche, *friends of Dino Rice*
Marge Devine, *family member of Allison Schroth*
Jimmy Devine, *family member of Allison Schroth*
Fuji Sprott, *friend of Dino Rice*
David Turner, *cousin of Craig Mousin*
Tammy, *friend of Craig Mousin*
Beth, *friend of Lee Walters*
Pam, *friend of Anita Chandler*
The Kutasi Family, *friends of Allison Schroth*
Kelly Marie Bell, *friend of Allison Schroth*
Earle, *friend of Cindy Sherwood*
Grace, *family member of Jessie Vega*
Kay Gross, *friend of Jane Noone*
Lisa Gorham, *daughter of John & Janene Gorham*
Anita Talbot, *friend of Anita Chandler*
Peter Munro, *brother of Emily Hickey*
Todd Cheney, *father of Matt Cheney*
Jay Sprout, *friend of Tom Mousin*
Sandy Woolley, *friend of Judy Howes*
Amanda and Chris Conant, *friends of Jane Noone*
Pam, *friend of Cindy Sherwood*
Michael and Sue King, *friends of Anita Chandler*

Joe Kennedy, *friend of Jane Noone*

Mary Jo Floyd, *relative of Fr. Tom Mousin*

Frank Beal, *friend of Lenita and Rodney Richard*

Mary Lou Toye, *aunt of the McCormicks*

Cathryn Buckley, *sister of Judy Howes*

John Richard, *brother of Rodney Richard*

Jim Halstead, *friend of Craig Mousin*

Janice Grant, *friend of Jane Noone*

Dory, *friend of Judy Howes*

John Lazarczyk, *father of friend of Fred and Priscilla Madore*

Patrick Monahan, *brother of Kathryn Ainsworth*

If you wish to add or return persons to the prayer list, please contact our Prayer Ministry Coordinators:

Allison Schroth: 207-807-1315, Aschroth207@gmail.com

or

Emma Bond: 207-619-3662, emma.e.bond@gmail.com

A Prayer for Those We Love

Almighty God, we entrust all who are dear to us to your never-failing care and love, for this life and the life to come, knowing that you are doing for them better things than we can desire or pray for, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

From *The Book of Common Prayer*

NOTES ON THIS MORNING'S MUSIC

Mozart Fantasy for the Organ in F minor K608

One of the crazy excesses of the ruling aristocracy of Mozart's time was the musical clock. It had a small organ that was played by the likely forerunner to the player piano mechanism. In the last years of his life, Mozart was commissioned to write music for this musical clock. "Andante" is the slow movement of this piece.

March triomphale Sigfrid Karg-Elert

Sigfrid Karg-Elert lived in Germany in the late 1800's and early 1900's.

While he was a noted composer and performer in his own time on the organ, he never had a regular church organist position. This was apparently something he regretted. When he was passed over for the organist position at the cathedral in Berlin, he was upset and destroyed 20 of his compositions. He was on the faculty at the Leipzig Conservatory as part of a long career as a performer and composer.

~SG

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