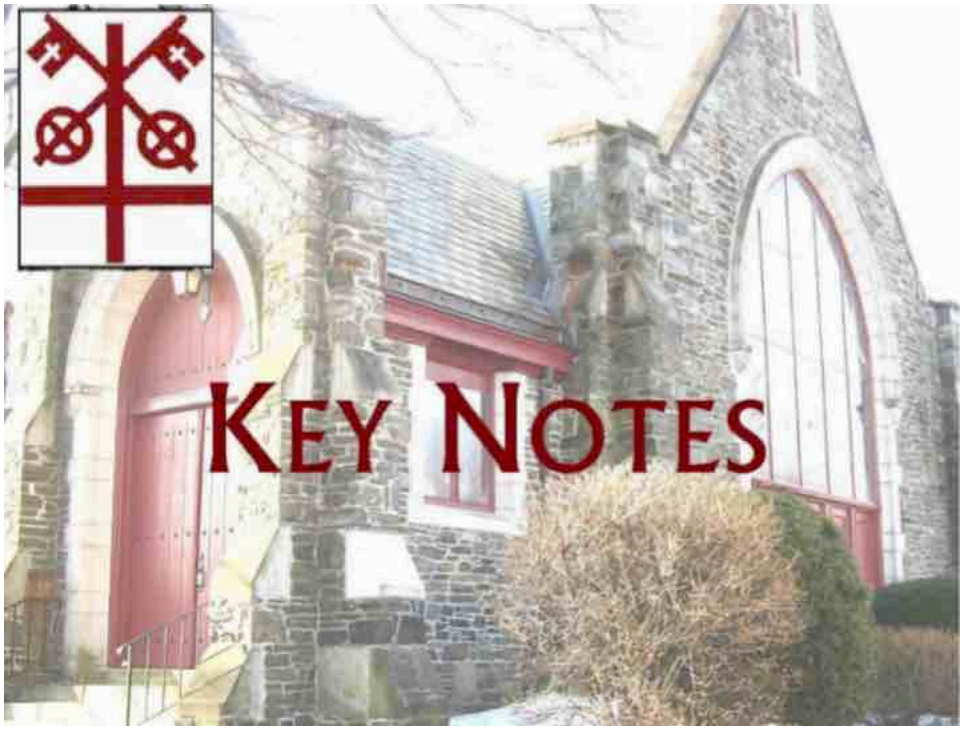

Opening wide our doors and hearts
in the name of Jesus Christ Our Lord and Savior

The Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost
Sunday, October 25, 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:

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From the Priest in Charge

Dear Friends,
As we turn the corner into late fall, as the days shorten, the light changes, and the weather gets colder, the plight of our neighbors comes into sharper relief. We know that this year the cost of fuel will be higher and many of our neighbors will be struggling to afford heat, as they already are struggling to afford basic necessities.

I am grateful for our Rector Discretionary Fund, which will enable me to respond to folks who may have trouble paying their heating or utility bills. Generous donations from you, along with the proceeds from our Clynk bottle returns, have made this possible.

I am also thankful for the work of the St. Elizabeth's Essentials Pantry, Wayside Food Program, Project Feed and so many other local organizations who help those who are very low-income make ends meet. If you are interested in volunteering for any of these organizations, please let me know and we can help you get connected.

Two opportunities to support our neighbors are happening this Saturday, October 24: one is the Empty Bowl fundraiser to benefit Project Feed, from 5-7 pm at the First Lutheran Church in Portland. The other is a benefit concert for the Immigrant Legal Advocacy Project (ILAP), from 7-9 pm at Woodfords Church in Portland. Some of the musical groups who will perform are composed of young New Mainers! You will find posters with more information in this Key Notes edition.

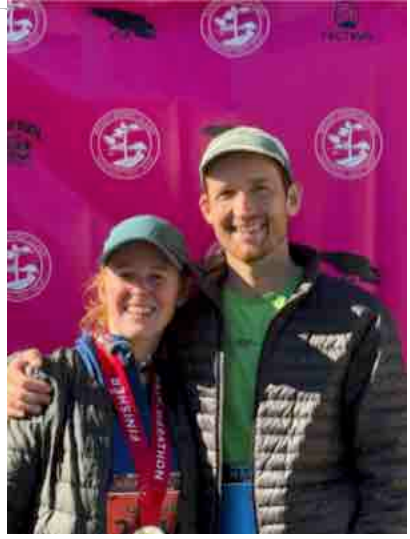
We truly have an abundance of ways to live out the love of neighbor Jesus calls us to, and I look forward to exploring other ways we can work together as a parish to support those who are suffering or in need.

Faithfully yours,
Rev. Myrna

Around the Parish

Congratulations to parishioner Matt Cheney, who placed first in the MDI (Mount Desert Island) Marathon, held last Sunday. This is the second time he has won that marathon! His wife and our fellow

parishioner Gwyn Stansfield completed her second half marathon in the same race, on a very hilly course. Well done, Matt and Gwyn---we are proud of you both!



Holiday Fair Update

Many thanks to our crafters (pictured below) who spent time making items for the fair last Sunday, and to those who have donated items to the Thanksgiving basket! Raffle tickets are still available and will be sold during coffee hour as well as on fair day. We welcome anyone who would like to sell tickets---perhaps you can take some to your workplace, or to gatherings or clubs you are a part of.

Volunteers and donations are still needed. Many hands make light work! Please check the online form (see link) or sign up in the undercroft. Questions can be directed to **Colette**, **Lenita**, or **Louise** . Thank you!

Volunteer Form Link

BENEFIT CONCERT
SINGING Portland RESISTANCE
SAT 10/24
7-9PM
DOORS AT 6:30PM
WOODFORDS CHURCH PORTLAND, ME
202 Woodford St. Portland, ME 04103
ENTRY BY CASH DONATION AT THE DOOR
ALL ARE WELCOME
FOR ILAP
Immigrant Legal Advocacy Project provides free state-wide immigration legal services to low-income people and much-needed community education and advocacy
Performances by Pihcintu Multi National Girls Choir, Madeleine Hanna, Hadithi Abdulle, poet Jeri Theriault ,the Singing Resistance Groups of Portland and Brunswick/Topsham **and more.**
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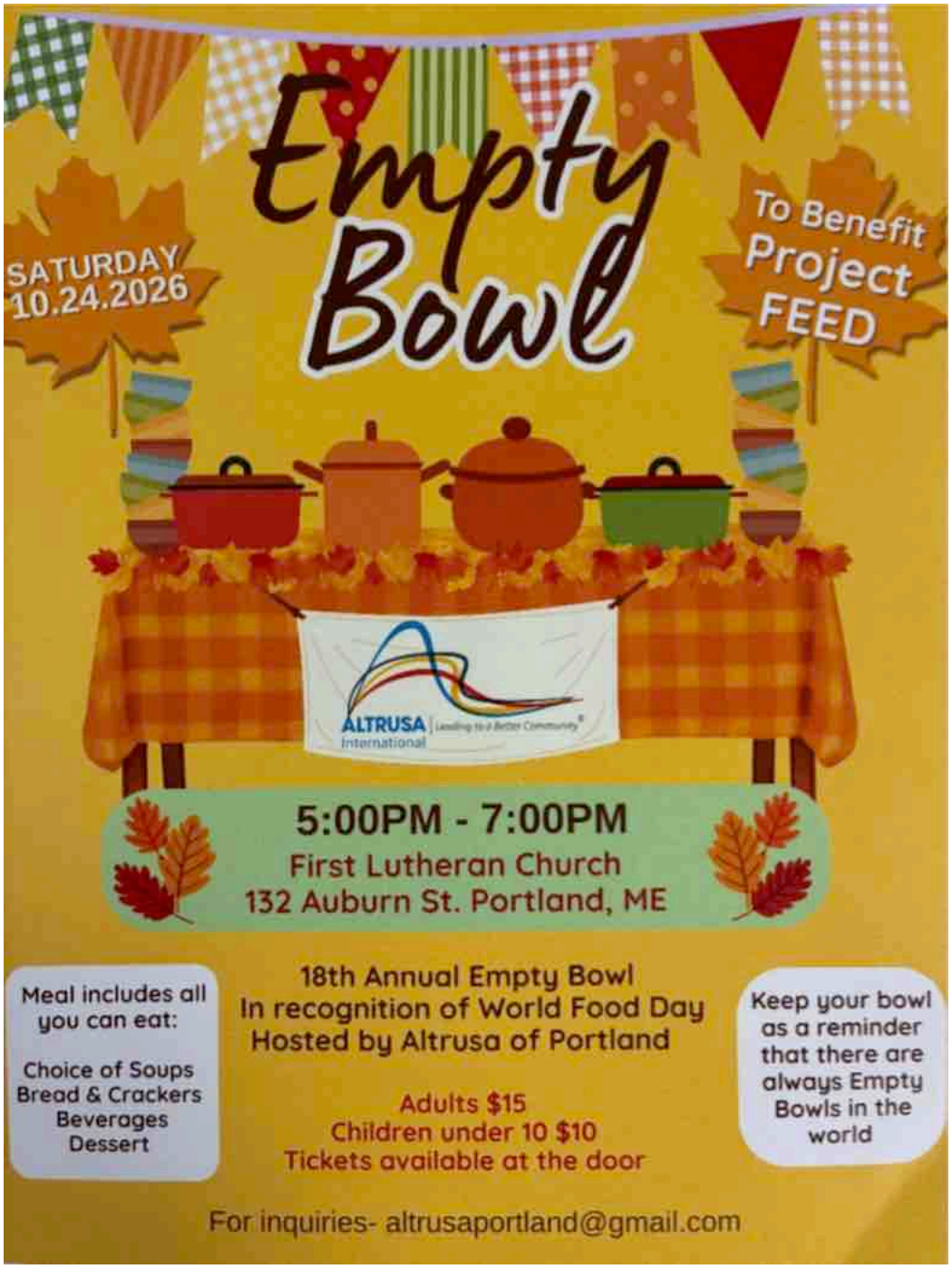

Harvest Home Weekend In Pictures

We are so grateful to everyone who decorated, cooked, served, and cleaned for our Harvest Home Weekend. What a lovely time of fellowship, reveling in beauty, and expressing our gratitude for God's bounty!!

Eucharistic Visitor Training
Friday, October 30 9-11 am

We will have a Eucharistic Visitor training on Friday, October 30, from 9-11 am at St. Peter's, for all who wish to serve their fellow parishioners by bringing them home communion. Please see Rev. Myrna if you are interested in attending the training session.

Compline

Compline will meet on Wednesday, October 28th, at its usual time, 7:00 PM, on Zoom.

Connect with our gathering by clicking the Zoom link here.

All Saints and All Souls Names for Remembrance

We will celebrate the Feast of All Saints and All Souls on Sunday, November 1. As is our practice, we will include names of those who died in this past year (All Saints) in the leaflet and will name them in the service, and we will include names of those dead whom we remember (All Souls) in the leaflet. A form will be available at church for you to fill out, or you may download one here. **We need all names by Wednesday, October 28 for inclusion in the leaflet.**

This Week at St. Peter's

Creation Care Book Study (The Serviceberry)**,** Sun. Oct. 25, 11 am, Bethany House
Vestry, Tue. Oct. 27, 6:30-8:30 pm, Zoom
Compline, Wed. Oct. 28, 7 pm, Zoom

Coming up at St. Peter's

Creation Care Book Study (The Serviceberry), Sun. Nov. 1, 11 am, Bethany House
St Elizabeth's Essentials Pantry, Tues. Nov. 10, 8:30-11 am, St. Luke's
Holiday Fair, Sat. Nov. 14, 9 am-3 pm, St. Peter's

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Weekly Prayer List

Prayers For Parishioners, Families, and Friends

Ann Marie Cady
Allison Schroth
Francisco Andreu
Dino Rice
Robert Stillings
Pat and Fred Fowler
Mary Ann Hoy
Fred Madore
Alan Biagiotti
Jane Noone
Marc Lombe and family
Linda Foster
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*
Paul Loven, *former parishioner*

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*

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