

## THE MISSIONER

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February 2010



### ALL SOULS TALENT SHOW AND POT LUCK SUPPER

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2010, 5:00 P.M.**  
**Snow date February 21st**

*The stage is empty  
The house lights are dim,  
The crowd is ready  
For the show to begin...*

We are missing one important element to make the talent show a success ...you and your talent!!! Children and adults are invited to share your God-given talents on Sunday evening, February 7, at 5:00 PM. Pot Luck and Talent Show will take place in the Vestry. If you read poetry, sing songs, play an instrument, dance, tell jokes, perform in skits or do magic tricks, or anything else...we want you to sign up to share your talent with us.

The Board of Christian Education invites all members of All Souls to join us in an evening of entertainment and good food before we turn our attention in earnest to the more serious and reflective weeks of Lent.

You are asked to bring a salad or main dish large enough to feed the number of people with whom you are attending, plus two more. Dessert and beverages will be provided.

**Mark your calendar for Sunday,  
February 7, at 5:00 p.m.**

## **From the Minister's Desktop**

“Why do we need a church? Jesus didn't have a church.” “I don't need a church to be a Christian. I'm just as good a Christian worshipping God in my own way as any of those hypocrites who go to church!”

Have you ever heard this? They are common sentiments. They are partly anti-ecclesial (anti-church). They can be expressions of “me against them”—a kind of heroic fantasy. They are often rooted in individualism, in the “right” to “do things my own way”. They can be phrases of self-justification; hiding places from submission to God.

These kinds of ideas, though widely held, are wrong.

### **Why do we need a church?**

We need a church because Jesus intended it. Peter confessed, “You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God.” And Jesus responded, “on this rock I will build my church, and the powers of death shall not prevail against it”. [Matthew 16:16-20]

### **Jesus didn't have a church.**

People often take this to mean that Jesus did not have a place of worship. Consider: “And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up; and he went to the synagogue, as his custom was, on the Sabbath day.” [Luke 4:16] Jesus customarily and faithfully attended to public prayer, study and worship.

Remember how, when he was about 12, he stayed behind in Jerusalem with the teachers in the Temple? He engaged them with questions and discussion. “Don't you know,” he asked his astonished parents, “that I must be in my Father's house?” He called the Temple “my Father's house”. He would go there many times in the course of his short life. Because of his devotion to the Temple and his desires for its integrity, his disciples, watching him, remembered Jeremiah's words and applied them to Jesus: “Zeal for (God's) house will consume me.” [John 2:17]

“Day after day,” he said to those who arrested him, “I sat in the Temple teaching.” [Matthew 26:55] He sat in the Temple teaching the people and preaching the gospel. [Luke 20:1] After Jesus ascended into heaven, his disciples, surely following Jesus' own example, returned to Jerusalem “with great joy, and were continually in the Temple blessing God.” [Luke 24:51] Jesus was faithful in synagogue and at temple, in public worship and prayer, and in private devotions. Following the example of his parents and all faithful Jews, he set an example for all who followed him.

### **I don't need a church to be a Christian.**

This idea is based on a misunderstanding of the nature of the church. Probably most American Protestants think of the church as a voluntary association, something like a club or charitable society. Interestingly, this is how a lot of Romans thought of the Christian church. It looked to them like a Roman society club that people joined with like-minded friends. You could join or not. In the United States, most churches are incorporated. So, to some Americans a church looks like a business. The church does have aspects of business, club, corporation, and voluntary association. Still, these are inadequate understandings. These are the culture's way of saying what a church is, not the church's way of identifying itself.

Jesus was faithful in public and private worship and in prayer and study and in teaching and preaching (both in synagogue and temple and outside them), but it is true that **he did not technically have a “Christian” church**. There was no such thing. While Jesus was on earth, there was no such thing as a Christian church.

**This is because Jesus *is* the church!** This is why the church so very different from a club, corporation, voluntary association, or a society of like-minded folks. Unless this is clear, one can go on saying things like “I don’t need a church to be a Christian.” To say that really is to say, “I don’t need Jesus to be a Christian.”

**The church is Jesus’ body in which we are united with him.** He said if we don’t eat him and drink him we can have no part in him. [John 6:56] Christians want a part in him, so Christians must be part of his church. His church—and we all call it this—is the “body of Christ”. Paul says if we are united with him in a death like his (baptism), we will surely be united with him in a resurrection like his. We must be part of him.

While Jesus had zeal for the earthly Temple, he taught that something greater than the Temple is here. He is here! He is the Temple and greater than the earthly temple. Paul reminds us how each of us must be part of that new creation in Christ: “Do you not know that you are God’s temple and that God’s spirit dwells in you?” [1 Corinthians 3:16] He is speaking to us! To members of his body.

“Do you not know,” asks Paul, “that your bodies are members of Christ?” [1 Corinthians 6:15] The church is intended by Christ, gathered by Christ, enlivened by Christ and indwelt by Christ. “The church’s one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord. She is his new creation by water and the word. From heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride. With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.” [from the hymn]

If Jesus did not have a *church* when he lived here, it is because his resurrection would gather his earthly body from all nations, tongues and races. He became the church on earth and in heaven. “Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.” [1 Cor. 12:27] You can’t be part of Christ outside of Christ’s body. It just can’t make sense.

You might be better than a hypocrite outside the body. You might even be a very moral and ethical person. Perhaps God will accept you because of your excellent goodness or your obedience to God’s will. God is sovereign. But the sovereign God sent his Son to found the church, to gather the people of God’s new age. Being part of this people, this church, is not optional for Christians. Outside the church no one is a Christian.

Even the anchorite who meditates alone,  
For whom the days and nights repeat the praise of God,  
Prays for the Church, the Body of Christ incarnate.

T. S. Eliot

*James L. Haddix*

Pastor and Teacher



## **THE DOROTHY DAY SOUP KITCHEN**

### **Volunteers Needed**

As many of you know, All Souls prepares and serves the mid-day meal at the Dorothy Day soup Kitchen on the second and fourth Friday of each month.

A cadre of team leaders and helpers have volunteered with this worthy mission for many years. Unfortunately several of our dedicated team leaders have left or will soon leave the area in the coming months creating a need for additional leaders and helpers. In order to not overburdened the remaining teams we seek four new Team Leaders and six to eight helpers.

This is not an unduly difficult effort consisting of three hours per meal a few times a year. Many find this an enjoyable experience working shoulder-to-shoulder with fellow church members, serving a tasty and nutritious meal to many in need. Sometime family members pitch in.

If you are interested in helping please call the Church Office. Someone will be in touch to give you more details.

Thank you.

*Tom Paine, Soup Kitchen Coordinator*

### **SPECIAL HOLIDAY BULLETIN COVERS**

Members and friends of All Souls are invited to sponsor a special bulletin cover for one of the upcoming holidays. The bulletin cover may be dedicated to the memory of loved ones, in honor of someone, or just a gift. The cost is \$25.00.

#### **Dates available are:**



Maundy Thursday, April 1  
Taize Service, Saturday, April 3  
Confirmation, Sunday, May 2  
Mother's Day, Sunday, May 9  
Memorial Day, Sunday, May 30  
High School Graduation Sunday, June 6  
Fourth of July, Sunday, July 4

Please contact Mrs. Libhart in the Church Office if you are interested in sponsoring the bulletin covers for one of the above dates.

**ORDER YOUR 2010 MEMORIAL  
EASTER LILIES THROUGH THE CHURCH OFFICE  
DEADLINE MARCH 30TH**

The Chancel Guild of All Souls Church is responsible for arranging and delivering Memorial Easter Lilies. Church Members are asked to place orders for the memorial flowers directly through the Church Office. All plants are purchased through a local grower and will be the same size - same price - **\$22.00** each.

We invite you to complete the order form below with the name(s) you wish to memorialize or honor. Please return the form along with your payment of **\$22.00** (checks made payable to All Souls Church) by **Monday, March 30th**.

	<p><i>EASTER MEMORIAL LILY</i> <b>DEADLINE MARCH 30TH</b> <b>IN MEMORY OR IN HONOR OF:</b></p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Please deliver to a shut-in _____</p> <p>I will pick up after worship _____</p> <p><b>Signed:</b> _____</p>	
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Don't miss ASSIST-JC's annual (and very popular!)  
**Lobster Stew Dinner !!!**  
Saturday, April 10, 2010  
Seatings are 5:00 and 6:30 p.m.  
Put it on your calendar now!

## **Lent 2010**

Ash Wednesday Service at All Souls Church

February 17, 7:00 p.m.

Worship and Church School Classes

All Souls Church  
Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

Palm Sunday

Sunday, March 28  
New Members Received  
Distribution of Palm Strips

Maundy Thursday

Thursday, April 1  
Passion Vigil for High School students,  
from 5:30 p.m. through Friday 5:30 p.m.  
Worship Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

Good Friday

Friday, April 2  
12 noon at St. Johns Episcopal

Holy Saturday

Saturday, April 3  
Taize Service at All Souls, 7:30 p.m.

Easter Day

Sunday, April 4  
Worship 10:00 a.m.  
Memorial Easter Lillies

**Chocolate  
Easter  
Eggs**

**On  
Sale  
During  
Lent**

**Assist  
JC  
Project**

### **Suggested Prayer for Lent**

My soul's desire is to see Your face and rest in Your house. My soul's desire is to study the Scriptures and learn Your ways. My soul's desire is to be free of fear and sadness and to share in Christ's risen life. My soul's desire is to imitate You, my King, and sing Your praises always. My soul's desire is to enter the gates of heaven and gaze upon the light that shines forever. Oh Lord, You alone know what my soul truly desires and You alone can satisfy those desires. Amen (adapted Celtic Prayer)

**INSTALLATION OF NEWLY  
ELECTED OFFICERS AND  
COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Sunday, February 7, 2010  
during 10:00 A.M. worship  
service

## Nurture Notes

Seven Deadly Sins...the phrase has lately caught my attention and so the high school students and I have begun to do a little investigating. The 'seven deadly sins' are those behaviors which can jeopardize our souls' relationship to God. The behaviors that threaten the relationship with God include anger, greed, sloth, pride, lust, envy and gluttony.

Anger is not just the irritations that come from daily life. Instead it is the inordinate and uncontrolled feelings of rage directed toward others. One medieval author said that intense anger is a love of justice perverted into revenge. Clearly it interferes with a relationship with God.

Greed is a desire to possess as much wealth, status and power as is possible to grasp. The focus of a greedy heart is on things that only the earth can provide whereas a Christian's heart is to be focused on the things of God.

Sloth is not the fuzzy creature hanging upside down in the forests of Central and South America. Sloth is more appropriately defined as spiritual or emotional apathy. It is characterized by ignoring what God has spoken through His word and by being physically and emotionally passive. It is not using the gifts and talents you have been given to help God's reign become more evident in the world.

Pride is often considered the most serious of the seven sins. Pride reveals the heart's desire to be more important and attractive than anyone else in the world. It is an excessive self-love which really prevents the prideful person from seeing the good and the beautiful in anyone else. St. Augustine refers to pride as the "love of one's own excellence." If we are the center of our universe, it is impossible for God to take His proper place.

Lust is considered to be excessive thoughts and desires of a sexual nature. If one is utterly focused on the object of one's desire, there is no room for focus upon God. A heart that gives into lust can wreak havoc in all kinds of relationships in addition to the separation from God. The tabloids in any grocery store give evidence enough of this.

Envy is very much like greed in that it encompasses insatiable desire. However where greed is focused on the material, envy is much broader. People who are envious of others perceive that the others possess something that the envious ones lack. Envy very often slips over into wishing the other person did not possess the intelligence, or beauty, or wisdom. At times such envy borders on wishing harm. Think about the power of the ring on Gollum in the Lord of the Rings trilogy by JRR Tolkien.

Finally, gluttony is the sin of over-indulgence and over-consumption of food, drink or intoxicating liquids. St. Thomas Aquinas said that there were six ways to commit gluttony: eating too soon, eating too expensively, eating too much, eating too eagerly, eating too daintily, eating wildly. Once again this sin entices the heart to turn from God to the lower object of satisfying the belly.

As we approach Lent, the six weeks prior to Easter, it is a good time to do some self-assessment and to make some decisions about what particular emphasis might facilitate your spiritual growth toward the fullness of a life with Christ. The 'seven deadly sins' give us a sense of the boundaries of Christian personal conduct. These are behaviors that are to be avoided as anti-God attitudes and action. In Lent, if we give up such actions, they really should be replaced with something positive and constructive that we could do. Instead of anger, practice Patience; instead of greed, practice Generosity; instead of sloth, practice Diligence; instead of pride, practice Humility; instead of lust, practice Chastity; instead of envy, practice Kindness; instead of gluttony practice Temperance. No matter how much we want to dance

around behavior through our explanations and justifications, Jesus is quite clear that our behavior matters. In fact, he says our behavior has eternal consequences (check out his story of the final judgment, Matthew 25:31-46). There is no time like Lent to replace poor habits of the heart with better habits that lead to the joy of life with the Risen Lord.

Yours in faith,

*Renee U. Garrett*

Minister of Christian Nurture

December 10, 2009

Dear James,

I wanted to acknowledge that Wider Church Ministries has notified me of the donation of \$2500 for our work here in Turkey. I am truly touched that in these economically challenging times, the members of All Souls Congregational Church have continued to be faithful in their remembrance of our work here in Turkey. Our work in this country stretches back 180 years. In this time the Ottoman Empire became the Republic of Turkey and the nature of our work has changed with the times. Today I work in a school founded in 1876 by missionaries who believed in the value of education. Perhaps their reasons for educating were different, but the vision of education as a vehicle to open one's mind to what is possible and what is real and what is true has not changed. I work with a population of students who are the offspring of doctors, professors, teachers, businessmen and engineers. 1/4 of our students are from homes with only one parent. Many have no real structure in their lives nor are given the freedom to make any decisions for themselves. Their lives are mapped out according to a map that seems to be more a formula for success. As we can see with the latest economic downturn, formulae for success or the acquisition of more material goods does not fill the deep void within. My personal mission is to work with these youth to see that there is more to life than "things". We have a population of Muslims, Jews and Christians both within our student body and within our faculty and staff. No matter our faith tradition, I have colleagues who share a common vision of education and who also deal with the daily challenges of brokenness within our student-parent population.

I mention all of this, because All Souls Congregational Church has continued to believe in our work here in Turkey and has been faithful in its support throughout the years. I am the "donation" to the school on behalf of WCM. But your generous gift will go to a different segment of our work here in Turkey, and that is with the hundreds of thousands of migrants and refugees who pass through Istanbul monthly. Turkey is a transit point geographically for those fleeing hardships in Somalia, Sudan, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Sri Lanka, Iraq, Palestine, Afghanistan and so many more regions of the world that are in upheaval. When looking for help, people go to the small number of Catholic, Orthodox and Protestant churches here in Istanbul. It was the growing number of requests for help at the doors of these priests and pastors that resulted in these churches banding together to form the Istanbul Interparish Migrant Program (IIMP). IIMP was organized and minimally staffed by donations from the local churches, from donations from mission organizations such as Wider Church Ministries (UCC and Disciples), and from donations from individuals and churches. The organization has low administrative costs with a Canadian Baptist currently serving as the coordinator (a friend of mine and a member of my Bible Study group) and with assistants coming from the refugee community itself. It also relies upon volunteers who help with several programs. Its financial books are meticulously kept with stewardship always foremost as a guiding principle. I thank you on behalf of IIMP and will let you know the specific situations your donation will help to remedy.

May this season of Advent be a time of renewal through the expectation of the birth of the one who gave all for us. May it be a time of peace, joy, hope and love. Shalom and Selam.

Grace and Peace Be Upon You

*Alison Stendahl*

Istanbul, Turkey

Note: All Souls Congregational Churches donation is part of the Deacons Benevolence Budget designated for Alison Stendahl's mission work in Turkey.

## ASSIST-JC High School and Eastport 2010 Calendar

Feb. 5, 6 (Fri-Sat-Sun if necessary) Egg production

Feb. 17 (Ash Wednesday) til Easter: egg distribution and sales

Feb. 28 (Sun.) Team Building 6-8 pm

March 5, 6 (Fri-Sat-Sun if necessary) Egg production

March 21 (Sun.) Team Building 6-8 pm

April 1-2 (Thurs-Fri) Vigil (required for ASSIST-JC members; *ALL high school students welcome!*)

Thursday 5:30 Seder meal in vestry; overnight vigil

through supper together in vestry Friday evening. Ends 6:00 pm.

April 10 (Saturday) Lobster Stew Dinner (Shifts in a.m. and p.m.)

(April 11 snowdate for Dinner itself)

April 25 (Sun.) Team Building prep for May 16 service day: 6-8 pm

May 16 BE THE CHURCH DAY — all church event, including ASSIST-JC

May 23 (Sun.) Team Building 6-8 p.m.

June 13 (Sun.) 11:30 a.m. Parents and Participants Meeting in Meetinghouse

June 20 (Sun.) Commissioning service 10:00; arrive at church 9:30 w/ gear

**June 20-27 Mission Week; arrive back at All Souls @ 3:00 p.m.**

**11th ANNUAL  
WOMEN'S SPIRITUAL RETREAT  
REGISTER NOW!  
Deadline is March 5th!**



Cost: \$85 - Includes registration, meals & lodging.

When: Friday, March 12 & Saturday, March 13

Where: Bar Harbor - meals and meetings at the Bar Harbor Congregational Church;  
Lodging at the Atlantic Oceanside Hotel & Conference Center

~ Scholarships are available ~

Please consult with Mrs. Garrett.



*Please tear-off and return bottom portion to Church Office.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email (please print *clearly*): \_\_\_\_\_

Roommate request: \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration deadline is Monday, March 5th!**

# THE MISSIONER

## Here's Your Opportunity to be a *Missioner* Sponsor

The Board of Trustees has voted to increase the number of sponsor ads in our monthly *Missioner* newsletter. The sponsor ads help to defray the cost of printing and postage.

New ads will appear very near the current page. They are business card size. 8 issues for \$185.00.

Please complete the section below and return to the Church Office.

*I would like to sponsor a Missioner Ad!*

Name: (Individual or Company)

Phone:

### MISSIONER DEADLINE SCHEDULE

#### March Missioner

Wednesday	February 3	To Church	<a href="mailto:DBryant@allsoulsbangor.com">DBryant@allsoulsbangor.com</a>
Friday	February 5	To Editor	<a href="mailto:MLibhart@allsoulsbangor.com">MLibhart@allsoulsbangor.com</a>
Tuesday	February 16	To Printer	<a href="mailto:Kb10bdwy@aol.com">Kb10bdwy@aol.com</a>
Thurs-Friday	February 18, 19	Mailed out	<a href="mailto:JHaddix@allsoulsbangor.com">JHaddix@allsoulsbangor.com</a> (for general use) <a href="mailto:RGarrett@allsoulsbangor.com">RGarrett@allsoulsbangor.com</a> (for general use)

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### Sunday Coffee & Tea –Time

-after the Worship Service in the Vestry-  
Sponsor Chart

“Buy a cup of coffee or tea for your fellow  
members and friends of All Souls Church!”



Pick a week — or two, or a month!

Sponsoring a Sunday is only \$10 per week and your name will be listed in the Sunday Bulletin.

The \$10 donation helps defray the expense of coffee, tea and treats that are served in the Vestry each Sunday after the Worship Service.

For more information please call the Church Office at 942-7354.

## SPIRITUALS AND GOSPEL MUSIC AT ALL SOULS



Our congregation has occasionally sung African-American spirituals since the sixties, when our present hymnal was introduced. Our hymnal offers six of them, including *Go Down, Moses*, *Let Us Break Bread Together*, and *Were You There*.

Since the sixties our choirs and soloists have also occasionally sung choral and solo arrangements of spirituals. According to Anton Armstrong, conductor of the St. Olaf Choir since 1990, “the Negro spiritual has long been recognized as one of the most distinctive and rich musical contributions of the United States. These songs, beloved throughout the world, were borne from the trials and tribulations of the Africans ripped from their native soil, then forced into slavery.” He goes on to say how the slave songs “transcend any one race of people and have become a universal expression of people seeking release from whatever personal or societal oppression enslaves us.” (From the foreword the André Thomas’s book, *Way Over in Beulah Lan.’: Understanding and Performing the Negro Spiritual.*)

Our Senior Choir has also very rarely ventured into the realm of gospel music, which has roots in the Negro spiritual, but is hardly the same. Spirituals are folk music, which arose from the West African and African-American peoples in an oral tradition, in the period from the arrival of the first slaves in 1619 through the freeing of the last slaves in the 1870’s. True spirituals have no known original composers; gospel music, on the other hand, is a product of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, and the composer can be identified, for example, Andrae Crouch, who composed *Soon and Very Soon*.

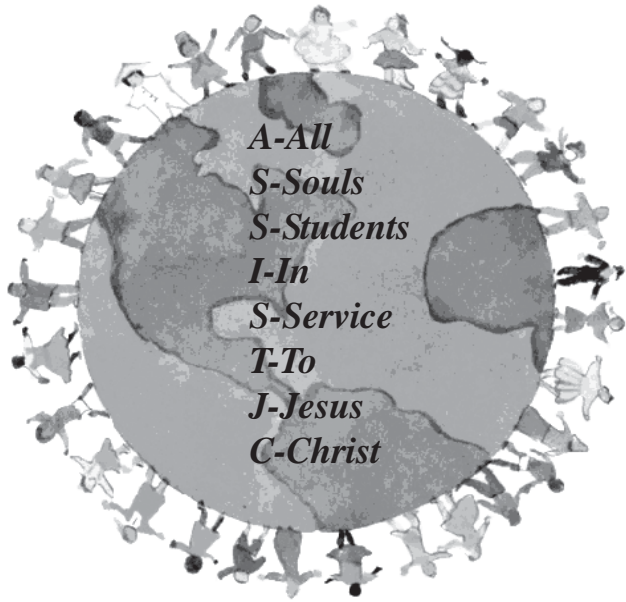
You may notice that our choirs are singing more than our usual number of spirituals and gospel songs this season, such as *Walk in the Light* and *Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning*. There are two reasons for the frequency. One is that I was inspired by the conference I went to last summer, where I experienced some anthems that were so joyful and/or moving that I wanted to share them with the choir and congregation. Sponsored by the Massachusetts American Choral Directors’ Association, the conference featured André Thomas and Anton Armstrong, both in demand as adjudicators, lecturers and conductors across the United States and throughout the world at choral symposia and musical events. As an arranger of spirituals and a conductor, Thomas is one of the most influential interpreters of the Negro spirituals in the United States and abroad.

The second reason for our recent involvement in spiritual and gospel music is the result of a special opportunity that arose as the choir prepared for the Martin Luther King, Jr. service held at All Souls on January 17. Our choir rehearsed with a number of singers who are familiar with the gospel music style, including singers from the Destiny Worship Center in Brewer. Raenicha Johnson, music director, who has recently moved from Tennessee, and Pastor Brian Hurst, keyboardist and vocalist, who led a music ministry in Houston and toured with Tyler Perry for 15 years, provided us with unforgettable musical experiences which were both enjoyable and enlightening for the Senior Choir and me.

In case you are wondering, our choir is not giving up on Palestrina motets, Bach chorales, Latin mass movements, or English anthems! We are simply in the midst of broadening our repertoire a bit, and I hope you find what you hear meaningful.

*Kay Eames, Music Director*

## ASSIST-JC



### Workers in the Vineyard

Please remember that ASSIST-JC travelers are eager to earn mission money by helping you with various work projects throughout the year. Many church members have contacted us for help moving, doing yard work, and other “odd jobs”. If you have a work project you think might be appropriate, contact the Larry Diehl at 631-4433, or speak directly with ASSIST-JC youth members you know personally and make your own arrangements!



### **BANGOR REDEMPTION AND BEVERAGE CENTER**

Please remember to drop your cans and bottles off at 490 Broadway, Bangor and contribute them to the ASSIST-JC account. Big Red Redemption Center has closed. All those nickels and dimes really add up to help us finance our mission program. Thanks!

## THE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 3, at 12 Noon. The program will be, “*Assist-JC Mission Trip from a Student Perspective*”. We welcome all church women to our meetings. Please bring a sandwich. Dessert is provided. We look forward to another year of fellowship.

### TNT



(Tuesday Nights Together) has begun. Everyone is invited to join in on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. Families are welcome. A homework support team is in place for the children. Come enjoy a great

meal, great conversation and great learning opportunities with Dr. Haddix, Mrs. Garrett, Dr. Robert Sherman and others. Though regular attendance is beneficial...it is not obligatory. If you can come occasionally...then by all means come when you can...you are welcome.

### COMMUNION SCHEDULE



Communion is celebrated during Sunday's 10:00 a.m. worship service on the first Sunday of October, December, February, April, June and August for all who attend worship. On the first Sunday of November, January, March, May and September, the Lord's Supper will be celebrated at 9:30 AM, in the Chapel.

### Staff Members of All Souls Church

James Haddix, Pastor and Teacher  
Renee Garrett, Minister of Christian Nurture  
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**BREAKFAST GROUPS**  
**Men's Breakfast Group**  
*Governor's Restaurant on Broadway*



The men will meet for breakfast and conversation on the first Friday of each

month at **Governor's** on Broadway in Bangor at 7:00 AM. The Friday dates for the next few months are: February 5 and March 5.

**Women's Fellowship Breakfast Group**

The group will gather again at 8:00 AM on Friday mornings February 19 and March 19 at Kev Lan on Broadway.

**BUY A CUP OF COFFEE FOR YOUR FRIENDS!**



Coffee hour sponsors contribute \$10.00 per week to help defray coffee hour expenses...coffee, tea, sugar,

paper products, etc. A sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board in the Hearth Room (near the church office). Thanks to recent sponsors:  
*February 7 and 14 Allison and Ralph Keef*  
*February 21 and 28 Ruth Penney*

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

The Sacrament of Baptism may be received on the following Sundays:

February 14, 21 and 28 and March 7.

Please check with Mrs. Bryant or Mrs. Libhart in the Church Office for more detailed information.

PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW WOULD LIKE TO BE VISITED AT HOME OR IN THE HOSPITAL.

**All Souls Website**  
**[www.allsoulsbangor.org](http://www.allsoulsbangor.org)**

**WEEKLY INTERCESSORY PRAYER**



Christians are urged-even commanded-to be at prayer. Each Thursday for half an hour at lunch time, you can respond to that urging and command in our Chapel, meeting others for intercessory prayer.

This quiet time in the middle of the day, sharing concerns of the church, matters beyond the church, and taking time for personal prayer and meditation, has been a source of inspiration and hope for many. Please come from 12:30 PM to 1:00 PM each Thursday.

**WEDDINGS**

Plan ahead - the following dates are not available for year 2010:

*June 26, August 14, and 21,  
 and September 4, and 18*



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