# The Guardian

NOVEMBER 2018

#### FROM THE RECTORY

#### **CONSIDER THE RADIANCE**

When you consider the radiance, that it does not withhold itself but pours its abundance without selection into every nook and cranny not overhung or hidden; when you consider

that birds' bones make no awful noise against the light but lie low in the light as in a high testimony...

A.R. Ammons, "City Limits"

I was reminded of this poem while walking with Juniper, our dog, on the West River Trail this fall. The light was so stunning, reflected off the water while the geese honked and flapped their wings overhead. Indeed, the radiance does not withhold itself but pours its abundance on us all in such moments of blessing and grace. Perhaps this is what the psalmist meant when writing, "my cup overflows."

Shortly after I returned from sabbatical, I got an email from Annie Landenberger, Christmas Pageant Director extraordinaire for the last many years. She let me know that because of many life circumstances (like a new grandson!) she was going to step down from the director's chair this year. While I was filled with gratitude for the many years she had directed the Christmas pageant so wonderfully, there was a part of me that was filled with anxiety. "Oh no!!! Who will direct the pageant this year? Will we even be able to have a Christmas pageant this year???"

Sometimes when people in our congregation step down from leadership roles, or move away, or depart from this world, we wonder what will happen. Who will fill their shoes? How will we go on? We may enter a scarcity mentality. There is not enough. Not enough people. Not enough money. Not enough love....you name it. And yet, after many years of practicing this ministry, I know that to indulge this sense of scarcity is directly opposed to the life of faith we are called to. Our God is a God of abundance and the more we can trust in God and God's abundance, the more we can see how God provides in ways we may not even expect.

Last Sunday, I gathered the folks that help with our kids and youth ministry to talk about what we might do about the pageant leadership. Before the meeting even started, one of the parents told me that a few of St. Michael's high school teens, when told about the pageant director vacancy, had volunteered to direct the Christmas pageant this year. They were excited and enthusiastic to do it and had lots of new ideas about the pageant! Before we knew it, the planning came together and this ministry had new energy. I couldn't help but remember Jesus' words, "Oh ye of little faith, why did you doubt?"

Consider the radiance. The season of stewardship is the season we look ahead in hope to supporting our ministry in the coming year. It is a time when we may be tempted to see scarcity. Don't do it. Consider the radiance. Consider the abundance that we are showered with each day in the ministry we do and live out in Christ's name. God is faithful. May we be faithful too.

#### MORE ABOUT THE MISSIONAL WORKSHOP: TOOLS FOR ENGAGING A CALL IN THE COMMUNITY

Folks who've been coming to church the last few weeks probably know the basics: on Saturday Nov. 3rd from 10 am to 3 pm there will be a workshop at the church on "Tools for Engaging a Call in the Community." The workshop will include community organizing practices adapted for a Christian context: prayer, storytelling to help people connect with their own call, and 1:1 relationship-building. The goal for this November workshop is that participants will leave with a better sense of how they can explore or strengthen a missional call, with whom they can explore that call, and next steps for doing so. For those who discover a call around a certain issue, and/or anyone who can't make the November workshop, there will be a follow up workshop on Saturday, January 12 to help people move into action as a team.

That said, I wanted to answer a few questions that have surfaced since announcing the workshop last month.

#### How did this missional workshop come to be?

Many different influences from this fall gave rise to the missional workshop:

- Feedback from the sabbatical survey and reflection that there was a desire for "more reaching out to the town community, visibility and engagement" and more "opening ourselves to the larger needs in our community"
- Awareness on my part that my main focus last year was on Christian formation and relationship-building, and that authentic discipleship needs to be balanced with mission, the outward movement to support and celebrate what's already happening in the world
- Conversations with parishioners about the political turbulence nationally and issues locally like the opioid crisis and homelessness and a desire for a space to consider how to respond as people of faith
- A commitment on my part and Mary's to intentionally support and develop lay leadership.

Why this particular workshop?

My previous job of five years was with the Leadership Development Initiative (http://www.leadership-development-initiative.org). We trained and coached parish teams - first in Massachusetts, and then over the years in Connecticut, Texas, and Alabama - to discern, develop and launch mission projects in their local communities by providing training and coaching in community organizing tools adapted for Christian contexts. The arc of our program year was that in November we equipped people to discern a call in the community; in January we invited parishioners to return with a team to take action on their call and launch a mission project; through the winter and spring we provided coaching and helped teams complete a project or at least the first phase of a project.

These are a few of the projects that stand for me from that time:

- Grace Church, Salem launched a one-day-per-week after school music program for an under-resourced elementary school
- Christ Church, Cambridge organized Harvard Square churches/NGOs/stakeholders to commit to building a \$4 million renovation plan for the Common public restroom facilities
- MANNA Community at St. Paul's Cathedral made sure the people on the streets were protected from the elements by collecting and distributing 1,000 Space blankets. Through this project they empowered homeless people and included them in the MANNA community.
- A team of students from Gordon College organized other Gordon students in the LGBTQ community and their allies into a "club" that would be a sustainable base for overturning discriminatory policies in the next 3-5 years. to demonstrate our capacity to affect change or achieve a public good and build an active community in the Square and a tangible good for citizens

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No doubt training and coaching in a parish rather than across parishes will be different, and Brattleboro is undoubtedly different than Massachusetts or Texas. That said, this model for missional training is a starting point and then **we can adjust it as we go.** 

What is the outcome for the overall program?

The outcome of the overall program is fourfold:

- Participants learn and hone skills in storytelling, relationship-building, team-building, action so that they are better equipped to recognize and respond to God's call with action
- 2. New and unlikely relationships are formed across social boundaries in the process of discerning and

#### ALL SAINTS' DAY CELEBRATED ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. – Paul's letter to the Ephesians

On November 4, St. Michael's will celebrate the Feast of All Saints at both the 8 am and the 10:15 am service. During this service, we will remember those saints who have gone before us and loved ones who have died, as well as recognize ourselves as those 'saints' who have been called to follow Jesus with our whole selves. On this day, we will remember in our prayers those who have died during the last year.

- If you have people you would like to be named in the prayers, please add them to the book in the back of the church.
- If you have pictures of loved ones who have died whose lives you want to give thanks for, we will provide two tables in the chancel area (in front of the altar and in the corner) as a visible reminder of the saints who have come before us for worship that day.
- Because this is a major feast day, we will have incense at the 10:15 am service.

acting on a call in the community. In the words of Fr. Gregory Boyle, Jesuit priest, one outcome is that "kinship" happens

- 3. That out of a process of storytelling and relationship-building that some teams form around building or strengthening a pre-existing missional project
- Participants develop a deeper understanding of place
   neighborhood, politics, ecology, social issues and how God is active there

#### Who should attend?

Anyone who feels a nudge from God to put their faith into action but isn't sure where to begin. Anyone who wants to explore what it means for them to participate in God's mission of renewal in this time and place.



#### STEWARDSHIP INGATHERING SUNDAY IS NOVEMBER 11

Fall is the time we ask you to consider your financial pledge to St. Michael's for 2019. We hope you have received the packet of stewardship materials and a pledge card in the mail. If for any reason, you have not received this material, please contact the church office at 802 254-6048 or info@stmichaelsvermont.org

We ask you to prayerfully and boldly consider your pledge to St. Michael's in 2019. Your support means a tremendous amount to our ministry together and every pledge no matter what size is important. This year, our goal is to raise \$265,000 in total money pledged and collect 140 pledge cards. With everyone's participation we are confident that we can attain, if not exceed these goals.

Please return your pledge cards at our Stewardship Ingathering Sunday on November 11. Many thanks for your generosity!

#### NEWS OF THE PARISH

## FUTURE OF THE TAG SALE MEETING, NOVEMBER 11, 9-10 AM, UNDERCROFT

On November 11 at 9 am we will gather to talk about the future of the Tag Sale. Because of transitions in leadership, we are not sure if and how to continue this ministry. Please bring your ideas, creativity and inspiration and let's see if we can make some plans for the sales to carry on!

#### FALL CLEAN-UP, NOVEMBER 17, 9 AM

The fall churchyard cleanup is scheduled for November 17, @ 9 am with a rain date of December 1. Great time for fellowship in the crisp autumn air! Bring your work gloves, rakes and leaf blowers. The more hands, the faster the work goes!

#### INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE

All are invited to an Interfaith Service of Thanksgiving on Tuesday Nov 20 at 7 pm, held at the First Baptist Church, 190 Main Street in Brattleboro. Leaders and members of various faith communities will be involved, sharing from their own traditions. There will be singing and choirs of all ages.

This is an opportunity to celebrate and give thanks for the amazing support and generosity of neighbor to neighbor in our community and to recognize that in the midst of all the ups and downs of life, we have many blessings to share. An offering of non-perishables contributions will be accepted at the door to benefit the Groundworks Drop-in Center. This service is sponsored by the Brattleboro Area Interfaith Leaders Association.

#### THANKSGIVING DAY MORNING PRAYER AT CHRIST CHURCH

Join us on Thanksgiving Day (November 22) at Christ Church in Guilford for a Thanksgiving Morning Prayer service with hymns. Coming together to give thanks to God is a beautiful way to begin your Thanksgiving, and you will still have plenty of time to go home and cook! All are welcome.

#### NEWCOMERS TEA, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25 AT HALLELUJAH LOWER FARM

All those who are new to St. Michael's in the last year (or still feel new to St Michael's) are invited to a Newcomer's Tea on Sunday, November 25 at 4 pm at the beautiful retreat center in New Hampshire, Hallelujah Farm. You can check it out on the website, http://www.hallelujahfarm.com There will be food, drinks, a warm fire and good company for all ages (children are newcomers too)! Please let us know if you will be attending by signing up at church or by contacting Mary Lindquist at mary@ stmichaelsvermont.org

## ST. NICOLAS DAY FAIR – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The annual St. Nicolas Day Fair will be held on December 2 this year. There are a number of opportunities where you can help support this wonderful and fun inter-generational parish event!

- Help out at the individual craft tables. If you would like to create and organize your own craft activity, we welcome that. Or, we can provide you with a craft activity to supervise.
- Help set up on Saturday, December 1.
- Help out the day of the event.
- Donate some of the items needed for crafts. Please place these items in the designated container in the Common Room.
  - Pine cones any shape or size but the larger the better;
  - Large containers of Creamy Peanut Butter;
  - Bag of bird seed;
  - Recycled Christmas cards;
  - Recycled yarn or ribbon.

If you can help with any of the above, contact Lydia Taggart at lydiafin@comcast.netor find sign-up sheets in the Common Room.



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#### CHRISTMAS EVE PAGEANT REHEARSAL BEGINNING DECEMBER 2

Calling toddlers, children and teens! Join St. Michael's Christmas Eve pageant and help bring the Nativity to life for our parish.

This year, the Christmas Eve will be directed by St. Michael's High School Teens Jayne Fritz, Jonah Johnson and Caleb Fritz with the continued help and assistance of Assistant Director, Miranda Smith. We are so grateful to Annie Landenberger, who stepped down this year, for her many years of amazing directorship of the Christmas Pageant.

This year, there will be a new script, but we will still need all the usual suspects - Mary, Joseph, Angel Gabriel, Baby Jesus, Angels, Shepherds, Wise wo/men, Starbearer, Innkeeper and Readers.

We'll rehearse: Sunday mornings 9:00-10:00 a.m. on December 2, 9, 16 and 23. December 23rd's dress rehearsal may occur in the afternoon, but has not yet been determined.

December 24 is the day of the Pageant. All should arrive at 3:15. The pageant begins at 4:00 p.m.

We invite youth from outside the Parish to join in, too. Kids: if you have friends from school or the neighborhood who'd like to be part of the pageantry, please encourage them to come to do so.

#### ST. MICHAEL'S WOMEN'S RETREAT -SAVE THE DATE!

The women of St. Michael's are invited to gather for a retreat, February 2-3 at Hallelujah Farm's Lower Farm. This will be a chance for the women of St. Michael's to come together in reflection, prayer, play and conversation. We hope women of many different ages will join us for this wonderful opportunity. More information to come.

#### ARE YOU CALLED TO SERVE ON THE VESTRY?

The Vestry of St. Michael's is called to advance the mission and ministry of our parish and to be open in spirit, deep in faith, rich in worship and active in service. Each year we nominate new candidates for the open positions on the Vestry. This year we have three open positions of 3-year terms. A total of nine people serve on the Vestry, each with 3-year terms.

We ask that you would give prayerful consideration as to whether God is calling you to serve on the Vestry. The next few years will be important in the life of our church as we are deepening our understanding of how we are called to be Jesus' followers in the world.

If you would like to know more about serving on the Vestry (job description, nature of commitment, etc.) or if you would like to be nominated to serve, please arrange a time to speak with one of the outgoing vestry members (Judith McBean, John Byrnes or Lynn Billington). We hope to have nominations by mid-December so that we may publish them in January's Guardian.

#### CHANTED SERVICES: NOVEMBER 1, 7 + 11

Please join us for the chanted daily office services in the coming weeks. Each 30-minute service includes Psalms, prayers and readings.

- November 1, 9 am Morning Prayer
- November 7, 7:30 pm Compline
- November 11, 5 pm Evening Prayer



#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

**November 3 (Saturday)** – Tools for Engaging a Call in the Community, 10am-3pm November 4 – All Saint's Day celebrated at both services November 22 – Thanksgiving Service at Christ Church, Guilford, 10 am November 25 – Newcomers' Tea, Hallelujah Farm, 4pm **December 2** – First Sunday of Advent; St. Nicholas Day Fair & First Pageant practice. December 8 (Saturday) – Greening of the Church **December 9** – Advent Lessons and Carols December 15 (Saturday) – Choir School Festival of Lights, 4 pm **December 16** – Longest Night Service, 4 pm **December 23** – Advent IV **December 24 (Monday)** - Christmas Eve Services at 4 & 8pm December 25 (Tuesday) - Christmas Day Service, 10 am **December 30** – Christmas Lessons and Carols January 6 – Visitation from Tom Ely, the Bishop of Vermont January 27 – Annual Meeting February 2-3 – Women's Retreat

#### HOLY COMMUNION FOR ALL RECOVERING PEOPLE AT THE TURNING POINT

Are you connected to recovery through any 12-step program (AA, NA, Al-anon, Nar-Anon, OA, etc.)? Duncan is piloting a monthly Holy Communion service at Turning Point (39 Elm St), beginning on November 2 at 5 pm. It will include scripture reading, healing prayers, songs/chant, sharing from the heart, and communion with grape juice. Connect with Duncan (Duncan@stmichaelsvermont.org) if you're interested or have questions.

#### FORUMS FOR NOVEMBER 2018

**11/4 + 11/11-- LET'S LEARN ABOUT ADDICTION.** Let's separate fiction from the truth. Let's understand what we don't know and how we can become a part of the solution to the crisis gripping our nation today. A two-part forum including a PBS video entitled "Chasing Heroin." Sue Avery will lead.

**11/18** -- **THE WARRIOR CONNECTION.** Ann Black PhD, founder of The Warrior Connection Center in 2010 and located in E. Dummerston, VT (thewarriorconnection.com), will be our guest speaker. The Warrior Connection is a non-profit that supports week-long residential support and therapy for veterans suffering from PTSD resulting from deployment and/or combat conditions. These residential sessions are for women and men. The Veterans Committee of St. Michaels, facilitated by Bill Ames, now has 11 members and has provided for two dinner engagements at the Center - one for men and one for women. We will do one more meal in October before the Center closes for the winter season (November thru March). We prepare and serve dinner to between 20 and 30 residents and staff.

#### 11/25 -- To be determined

#### "HOW I SPENT MY SUMMER VACATION"

Well I won't tell you EVERYTHING, but just wanted to thank some members of our parish for taking time away from their own projects and fun this summer to help out at the rectory. The Building and Grounds Committee had asked Mary what she thought needed some repair or updating in their home while they were away. She came up with a very reasonable list, and then I asked our committee what jobs they wanted to pursue.

Here are the tasks that were accomplished in the rectory:

- 1. Touch ups on walls and kitchen cabinets on the first floor. As I looked at what needed to be painted, I realized that maybe calling on some professional painters was the way to go. The time it would have taken one of us to do the work was greatly minimized by the guys of Black Mountain Painters, LLC. They did the work in a fraction of the time and did a great job. You may remember they did all the painting for the nursery school two years ago...thanks Michael and Terry
- 2. Replace dishwasher. A new Bosch dishwasher was installed by Bruce Lawrence and Steven Meyer. They first disconnected the old dishwasher, and when the new one was delivered, they installed it on a steamy evening in July. And of course, a simple job often becomes a bit more complicated, and this one was no exception.
- 3. Fix threshold to basement and put stair runners up to second floor. I was able to take care of these jobs, simply enough. I purchased some carpeted runners for each stair, and now no more slippery falls! Mink,

the cat, thoroughly enjoyed my presence and really liked sprawling herself on the newly installed runners (I think she missed her family).

4. Repair cement stairs off screened in porch and repair outside fencing and install new gate on fencing. Ross Kinney and Vince Johnson easily enough took care of these two jobs! They have the right tools and happily took care of these tasks, much to the happiness of the Johnson-Lindquist family.

Besides the interior of the house, Rev. Jean Smith and Deb Jones thought it would be a great surprise to the family to spruce up the outdoor gardens! On three successive hot and humid Friday mornings, a group of us gathered with our gardening gloves and tools and got to work on the gardens in the front and back yards. We pruned back bushes and overgrown areas, got two gigantic piles of brush heaped and then planted new flowers, spread mulch and generally made the place look great! There were already many perennial plants in place and some annuals placed here and there added the extra pop of color. Many thanks to: Rev. Jean Smith, Deb Jones, Dick Burtis, Doug Switzer, Nancy & Bill Ames and their son Peter, Judy Davidson, Anne and Wayne Cook, Ken Jacobs and myself.

It was a great way to get to know one another a bit better! Thanks again.

Lucia Osiecki



Photo from Missa Gaia performance at the Retreat Farm, October 13.

#### WINTER MEALS FOR THE HOMELESS SHELTER

Starting in December, St. Michael's parishioners are once again invited and encouraged to participate in the important ministry of preparing and serving meals for the Seasonal Overflow Shelter run by Groundworks Collaborative in Brattleboro. St. Michael's has a long tradition of preparing dinners for this project; many people enjoy helping with it, and new people are welcome to join in!

We prepare a hot, nutritious meal for approximately 30 men and women, one evening a month, December through April. The dates assigned for this winter will be the first Monday of each month: Mondays, Dec. 3, Jan. 7, Feb. 4, March 4, April 1. Generally, groups of several families or friends get together to sign up for a dinner, and decide among themselves who will prepare which dishes. Dinner responsibilities include serving and cleaning up from the meal at the Shelter.

Mondays are pasta nights at the Shelter, but variety is appreciated! Some examples could be lasagna, hamburger Stroganoff casserole, macaroni and cheese. We always plan on having a few servings of a vegetarian version of the main dish, although most residents enjoy some meat in their dinner. The hot dishes are prepared and baked in our homes and brought to the Shelter hot, ready to serve. Additionally, each group signing up should plan on providing bread (available free, sliced, at the end of the day at Amy's Bakery if they are contacted ahead of time), butter, salad and dressing, dessert and beverage.

The Shelter will once again be located at the Winston Prouty Campus on Maple St., Brattleboro (former Austine School). Dinners should be delivered at 6pm, served at 6:30, and generally we are all done by 8 pm.

To request a date to provide dinner at the Overflow Shelter, please look for sign-up sheets on the table in the Common Room. Further details (reminders, directions, guidelines, contact #'s) will be given to everyone signing up, and I am always available to support any group bringing a meal to the Shelter. I am honored to once again be coordinating this important ministry of St. Michael's, and I thank you in advance if you might be able to help with the dinners!

Blessings,

*Liz Vick* ebethvick@gmail.com, 254-7060

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#### OUTREACH TO DORA AND ANGELIQUE

The Outreach committee is hoping to help 2 African women and their children now living in Brattleboro. Angelique emigrated from Congo and lived in a refugee camp in Uganda for 20 years, applied for asylum with her husband, and arrived a year or so ago with their daughter Cody, now 8 years old and in school. Angelique worked in early childcare and her husband worked toward a degree from SIT. Their son Jonathan was born 11 months ago. She dreams of finishing her undergraduate degree.

Dora attended the CONTACT program in peace and conflict transformation at SIT and worked for SIT in Rwanda. She was imprisoned there for political reasons and SIT was able to help her come to Brattleboro to begin a master's program. She will complete the degree in several months. She now has a son Liam, 3 years old and in preschool. Dora has been offered a job at the Retreat.

Dora, Liam, Angelique, Cody, and Jonathan have been given housing in Brattleboro and will move in together on November 4. Their immediate needs: Dora needs a double bed and help with diapers, size 6. Angelique needs help with diapers, size 5.

We can help with diapers now and during our Diaper Sunday November 11. Please call St. Michael's office or Susan Wilson, 802-536-4641, with questions or donations.

#### MISSIONAL WORKSHOP: TOOLS FOR RESPONDING TO GOD'S CALL SATURDAY NOVEMBER 3, 10 AM – 3 PM

Have you been feeling a nudge from God to put your faith more into action but aren't sure where to begin? Come to this workshop to be equipped to explore what it means for you to participate in God's mission of renewal in this time and place. The workshop will include community organizing practices adapted for a Christian context: prayer, storytelling to help people connect with their own call, and 1:1 relationship-building. Participants will leave with a better sense of how they can explore or strengthen a missional call, with whom they can explore that call, and next steps for doing so. For those who discover a call around a certain issue, there will be a follow up workshop in late January to help people move into action as a team. Lunch and childcare will be provided.



#### PHOTOS FROM ST. FRANCIS DAY BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS





#### NEWS OF THE PARISH

#### APPLICATIONS TO BE BISHOP OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN VERMONT ACCEPTED UNTIL NOVEMBER 16

October 9, 2018

Dear People and Friends of The Episcopal Church in Vermont,

We are pleased to announce the launch of our Profile and website for the 11th Bishop of The Episcopal Church in Vermont at http://bishopsearchvt.org. It is a thorough, accurate and honest summary of our ministry together and our hopes for the future. It represents the culmination of six months of faithful work by the Bishop Discernment and Nominating Committee (BDNC), astute guidance from our transition consultant, the Rev. Dr. Gary Butterworth, and final thoughtful review by our Standing Committee, Bishop Ely, the Canon to the Ordinary, the Chancellor, and the Treasurer. We are grateful for the inviting website design by Maurice Harris, communications minister.

We invite you to take a look and read the Profile. Please share it with clergy, bishops, and others you know who can help spread the word to potential applicants. The BDNC will be accepting applications until November 16, 2018.

We ask that you hold the applicants and the BDNC in your prayers as we proceed in our mutual discernment.

Peace and blessings -

*Maggie Thompson*, Chair Bishop Discernment and Nominating Committee

*Rev. Rick Swanson*, President Standing Committee

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#### NOVEMBER LECTIONARY

November 1 -- All Saints --

Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9 or Isaiah 25:6-9, Psalm 24, Revelation 21:1-6a, John 11:32-44

> November 4: Deuteronomy 6:1-9, Psalm 119:1-8, Hebrews 9:11-14, Mark 12:28-34

November 11: 1 Kings 17:8-16, Psalm 146, Hebrews 9:24-28, Mark 12:38-44



November 18:

Daniel 12:1-3; Psalm 16; Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25; Mark 13:1-8

November 25: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; Psalm 93; Revelation 1:4b-8; John 18:33-37

#### **CELEBRATIONS**

#### NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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November 1	Willow Hesselbach
November 2	Patrick Meyer
November 3	Rich Melanson
November 4	Tian Ragle 👘 😽
November 5	Kierstan Landin
November 8	Miles Ackerman-Hovis,
	Jesse Ackerman-Hovis
November 9	Ruth Tilghman 🗼 🎢
November 11	Mikael Mattson
November 15	Wendell Howard,
	Nathan Olmstead
November 16	Judy Walker,
	Taytum Rose
November 17	Kate McGinn,
	Ken Jacobs
November 18	Heddy Pomazi
November 19	Christopher Wesolowski,
	Aiden Anderson
November 20	Christine Gauthier,
	Eve Pomazi
November 21	Annelise Fedoruk,
	Amanda White
November 22	Anne Brown
November 24	Pam Crispe
November 28	Laurie Chiperfield,
	John Laamanen
November 30	Alfred Cramer

#### **NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES**

- November 2
- Irene & Richard Burtis November 13 Rosie & Matt Wojcik November 29 Jessica & Chris Mattson



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### Our Worship Together

SUNDAYS

WEEKDAY MORNINGS WEDNESDAYS THURSDAYS SATURDAYS 8:00 am, Quiet service of prayer and Holy Communion
10:15 am, Prayer, music, and Holy Communion, with childcare
6:00–7:00 am, Silent hour in chapel
12:00–12:30 pm, Brief service of prayer and Holy Communion
5:30–6:00 pm, Contemplative service of chanting, silence, and prayer
8:00 - 9:00 am, Centering Prayer