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Disciples Making Disciples

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Welcoming the weary,
Dedicated to discipleship

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls."
(Matthew 11:28-30)

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CommonLife

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St. Philip's Vestry—Information and Updates

Vestry Update

With the completion of the new roofs over the entry door of the church and parish hall, over the sacristy, and the bell tower, by Hurlburt Contracting, we are now awaiting the repair of the Rose Window scheduled for this fall. We will be obtaining signage to credit the Northern New York Community Foundation - the "Rock Charitable Fund Organization" for the generous grant that was given us for the repair.

The insurance company has accepted the quote from Andrew Bregg for work to be done in the basement to replace lighting, walls and window casements. It is anticipated work will commence later in the fall. We are also in the process of purchasing new dehumidifiers for the basement.

A work day held October 4th saw all the storm windows put on in the parish hall, brass polished and the kitchen given a spectacular cleaning. Many thanks to all those who stayed and helped. We are also giving thanks for all of the "around the church" work that Jacob, Floyd and Janice Casselman have done this summer and fall, mowing, trimming, pruning, painting etc. they have done it all and we thank you so very much!

The Search Committee consisting of the Vestry and Karen Morgan and Jacob Beaulieu are most appreciative of the completion of the Parish Surveys completed by the parishioners. They were used in the development of a profile for the search for a new rector. The completed profile was sent this week to the Rev. Canon William Hinrichs, Transition Ministry Officer of

God constantly comes to His people. However, if our lives are filled with activities and noise, it won't be easy to hear the barely audible music of God's loving Presence! He often comes softly, in places and ways that surprise us, and His comings are rarely what we expect, so we generally miss their "earthly disguise." Cultivating a spirit of Advent is essential, for our spiritual lives depend on God's perpetual coming to us.



the Diocese, who was pleased with the profile and has directed us to publish it on the Church website. There are additional forms to be completed, however we are confidant, that the process will be completed in good time and we continue with prayers for a successful search for a part-time rector. You may check out the profile on our website htpp://stphilipsnorwood.com

We are looking into restarting internet service for the Church and are checking out local providers. Prayer teams at the rear of the Church during communion have been restarted. Also, in the rear of the Church a new area has been designed for the collection of food for the food pantry. Please bring food items and place in the baskets and they will be taken to the Norwood-Norfolk Food Pantry.

We continue to express our thankfulness for the continued spiritual leadership of Mtr. Meigs, Brother Richard and Pastor Nancy. Their commitment to St. Philip's with their caring ministries is so very much appreciated by all. We are truly blessed.

MaryEllen Casselman
Sr. Warden

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O WISDOM, *your words spoken in the beginning of creation generated a world of beauty and goodness: Come and instruct us in the way of prudence, that we may care for your world with justice and compassion; through the one whom we know as the Wisdom of the Ages, Jesus Christ our Lord.* Amen.



"O Sapientia" - A picture of a goose—it is a Celtic symbol of the Holy Spirit– the giver of wisdom and peace.

PROMISE

PROMESA PROMESSE

Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for the one who has promised is faithful.

—Hebrews 10:23

Advent is, of course, a season of hopeful expectation, pressing on towards the promise. It could very well be said that all of life is about hopeful expectation, pressing on toward the promise despite the long, hard journey we face. Indeed, throughout the biblical narrative and the church's history, we encounter faithful people hanging on to hope, sometimes by a slender thread, clinging to a promise far removed from their harsh reality.

Some caught a glimpse of something glorious as they struggled on. As Martin Luther King Jr. proclaimed before he was slain, "I have seen the promised land." Like Moses before him and far too many others through the ages. Dr. King did not witness the full realization of that promise. But he caught a glimpse, and in his life, he shared a dream of justice and equality and opportunity for God's children...for ALL God's children. He held fast to hope, refusing to waver, and he urged others to do the same.

As times, it is difficult to still see the promise through the fog that envelopes us, the storm that bears down on us. Life can be so very hard and the forces of darkness so overpowering that we might understandably be tempted to give up, to let go of the hope, to let go of the dream. Yet, as the psalmist notes, even in "the valley of the shadow of death," we are not alone; the Shepherd is with us. We make our song "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel," precisely because we dare to believe in Emmanuel, God with us. The promise endures. The hope—the dream—remains sure...despite the fog and storm, despite the darkness.

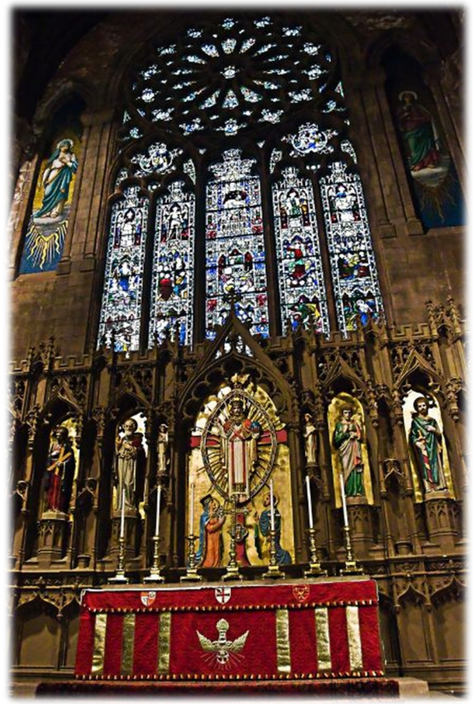
As a prophet and bridge-builder in South Africa both during the wicked time of apartheid and in the years since, Archbishop Desmond Tutu has said, "Your ordinary acts of love and hope point to the extraordinary promise that every human life is of inestimable value." Through our small and seemingly insignificant acts of kindness and care each day, we commit ourselves once more to the promise. By speaking up and standing up for those who are being silenced and pressed down, we proclaim that we refuse to waver in our hope of promise.

The promise of a world that is Beloved Community is real and true, and we are its ambassadors, heralds of the Way of Love, for God's sake and for the sake of ALL God's children.

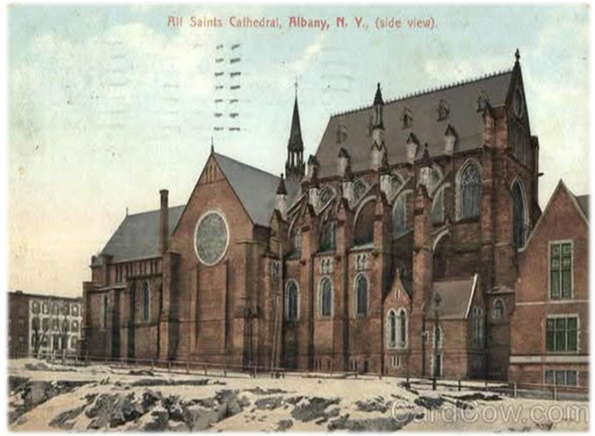
—Michael B. Curry

important element of Anglican cultural and religious life.

The Cathedral of All Saints is significant beyond the Diocese of Albany because of its architectural, historical, and ecclesiastical importance. It helped establish the cathedral model in American Anglicanism, preserved the Gothic Revival tradition, demonstrated the relationship between philanthropy and religious institutions, and maintained a distinctive tradition of choral worship. Its historical significance was formally recognize Historic Place.









The history of the Episcopal Diocese of Albany and its cathedral, the Cathedral of All Saints, is an important chapter in the development of the Episcopal Church in the United States. It reflects the growth of Anglican Christianity in upstate New York, the vision of a remarkable bishop, and the enduring relationship between religious worship, education, charitable service, architecture, and sacred music.

The Episcopal Diocese of Albany was officially established in 1868 when it separated from the Diocese of New York. At its formation, the new diocese encompassed 19 counties in northeastern New York and included 96 Episcopal churches. Its first diocesan convention was held in Albany on December 2–3, 1868, with representatives from 60 parishes attending. On December 3, the Reverend William Croswell Doane was elected the first Bishop of Albany. He was consecrated in 1869 and served as bishop until his death in 1913. His leadership profoundly shaped the identity of the diocese and the establishment of its cathedral. Bishop William Croswell Doane was a prominent figure in nineteenth-century American Anglicanism. He believed that the Church should express its faith through beautiful worship, education, music, charitable service, and the preservation of the historic traditions of Christianity. Influenced by the Anglican and Anglo-Catholic traditions, he emphasized the importance of the historic episcopate, the Eucharist, liturgical prayer, sacred music, and Christian education. He envisioned a cathedral that would serve not merely as a church building but as the spiritual, educational, cultural, and charitable center of the diocese.

The Cathedral of All Saints was established to fulfill this vision. Worship began in 1872, and the cathedral project was incorporated in 1873. The cornerstone of the present building was laid on June 3, 1884, in a ceremony attended by prominent public figures, including Grover Cleveland, who was then governor of New York. The cathedral was sufficiently completed to be dedicated in 1888, although the original architectural design was never fully realized.

The cathedral was designed by architect Robert Wilson Gibson in the Gothic Revival style, inspired by the great medieval cathedrals of England. Its architecture features pointed arches, substantial stonework, elaborate carvings, and a traditional arrangement of nave, transepts, and sanctuary. The design was intended to create an atmosphere of reverence and grandeur appropriate for the principal church of a diocese. The Cathedral of All Saints is often called the "Pioneer Cathedral" because it was among the earliest American Episcopal cathedrals conceived on the scale and according to the principles of the great European cathedral churches. It represented an important development in American Anglicanism by establishing the cathedral as a permanent center of diocesan worship and identity.



Bishop Doane's vision extended beyond the cathedral itself. He sought to create a Christian community that integrated worship, education, and practical service. In 1870, he founded St. Agnes School for Girls, reflecting his commitment to Christian education and the intellectual and spiritual development of young women. The cathedral's original surroundings also included Child's Hospital and other charitable initiatives. These institutions expressed Doane's belief that the Church's mission should encompass both spiritual formation and service to those in need. St. Agnes School later merged with another school in 1975 to become Doane Stuart School, continuing an educational legacy associated with the bishop.

The construction of the cathedral depended on the support of prominent benefactors and skilled artisans. Erastus Corning, an influential Albany businessman and civic leader, helped secure the land for the cathedral. The financier J. Pierpont Morgan was among its important benefactors, contributing to the development of its interior. Generations of craftsmen contributed to the building's stonework, sculpture, altars, baptistery, and memorials.

Sacred music has also played a central role in the cathedral's history. The Cathedral Choir of Men and Boys began singing in 1872 and has maintained a longstanding choral tradition. The cathedral identifies it as the oldest continuously performing choir of its particular kind in the United States. Its musical heritage reflects the influence of English cathedral worship, with its emphasis on the Psalms, hymns, canticles, and elaborate settings of the Anglican liturgy. Choral music has served not only to enrich worship but also to educate young singers and preserve an

Local Church History At the Episcopal Mission Churches Of The St. Lawrence Deanery, et al

Rev. Alexander Elliott

Researched and written by Historian MaryEllen Casselman

Alexander Elliott was born 3 July 1856 in Shawville, Quebec, a son of Hugh Elliott (1811-1895) and Mary Ann Hanna (1825-1906). He received his education at McGill Normal School, McGill University and Diocesan Theological College, all in Montreal. After ordination he served as rector of Old St. Stephen's Church in Montreal, however the demands of the parish impacted his health and he accepted a position in 1900 as missionary to St. Andrew's Mission in Nogalas, Arizona.

The *Arizona Episcopal Diocesan Convention* report in 1901 related "Fr. Elliott is in charge of St. Andrew's Mission where he is serving 2 Sundays a month. Several new good families but not enough to make up for losses. But our good brother is holding the ground with pluck and patience." He also reported serving 2 Sunday a month at St. John's Mission in Tombstone where there are 8 families but also 23 other families that identify but are not part of the church. It was hoped that the various large mining claims at Tombstone will be consolidated under one company and will in the future be worked. This will increase the congregations."

The following year's Diocesan reported no changes in services. The bishop, Rt. Rev. J. Mills Kendrick D.D. related, "The Rev. Alexander Elliott has acquired the confidence and affection of the people. He has gathered into the congregations many not our own church people. I trust he will stay with us; we can't afford to lose him. The prospects of Tombstone as a camp are bright. A shaft has been dug to drain the great mines that once were so productive; if this succeeds the camp may again flourish."

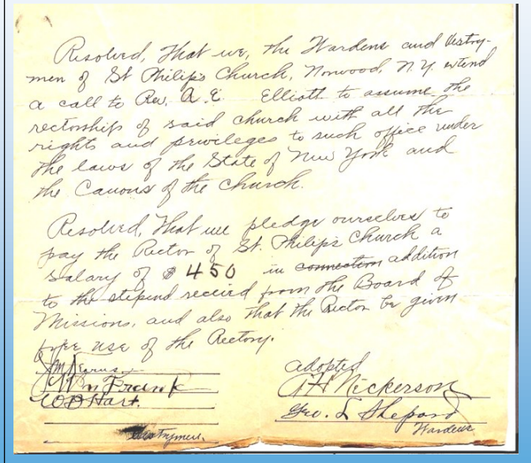
In 1903, *The Churchman* reported; "The Rev. Alexander Elliott has returned from a summer's visit to Canda and has been appointed to give his entire attention to Tombstone. We have a good church property at this place. For many years Tombstone was almost a "deserted Village' But the mines have been consolidated and there is the prospect that this will be a good camp again." In September of that year, the Rev. Mr. Elliott resigned on account of ill health and returned to Canada.

He was received in the Albany Diocese from the Diocese of Montreal 18 May 1904 and began serving St. Paul's Mission in Fort Covington and St. James' Mission in Hogansburgh. He noted in the Diocesan report of 1904 "The last year has proven rather unfortunate for the church in Hogansburgh as 15 members have left town for other parts." Also, in November 1904 the meeting of the Archdeanery of Ogdensburg was held in Trinity Church, Gouverneur and Rev. Elliott spoke on "The Growth of the Kingdom in the World." The following year he resigned the missions and accepted a rectorship in Trinity Church, Whitehall.

On his arrival in 1906, Trinity Church was a parish of 107 families with 138 Communicants and flourished during the next three years. In 1910 he began serving as Rector of St. Peter's Church, Hobart and missionary of Grace Church Bloomville, where he remained for two years.

On 8 May 1912 in St. Peter's Church, Chelsea, New York City at the age of 56 he married 21-year-old Frances Elizabeth Lewis. He also had started serving as rector of Christ Church, Morristown where he remained almost a year before accepting the rectorship of St. Philip's Church, Norwood and Grace Church Norfolk. His first service at St. Philip's was held 20 April 1913.

Rev. Elliott and his wife settled in the rectory in Norwood and on 22 August 1913, they welcomed their first child Raymond Alexander. Two years later 31 October 1915, a daughter Margaret Frances was born. Although Grace Church, Norfolk burned in 1915, he continued to minister to the congregation. He remained serving Norwood and Norfolk until he resigned 15 January 1919, to accept the positions of rector at Christ Church, Coxsackie and missionary to Christ Church, Greenville which he assumed in May.


Resolved, That we, the Wardens and Vestrymen of St Philips Church, Norwood, N.Y. extend a call to Rev. A.E. Elliott to assume the rectorship of said church with all the rights and privileges to such office under the laws of the State of New York and the Canons of the Church.

Resolved, That we pledge ourselves to pay the Rector of St. Philips Church, a Salary of $450 in connection addition to the stipend received from the Board of Missions, and also that the Rector be given free use of the Rectory.

Adopted
A.H. Peckerson
Geo. L. Shepard
Trustees

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Memorials & Gifts Given To St. Philip's Episcopal Church

MaryEllen Casselman, Historian

THE GIFT OF GIVING

Memorials Gifts
The Whan/Wright Families

As you enter St. Philip's Church through the front doors you enter the small vestibule that separates the outside world from the inner part of the church. The vestibule is bright with light from the two lanterns mounted above, on either side of the smaller doors that lead to into the nave (main body) of the Church. Beneath the light on the right side is a plaque engraved "*In Loving Memory* JAMES A. WHAN 1882-1964"







James Alfred Whan was born 22 December 22nd in Croghan, New York a son of Andrew and Elizabeth Burleigh Whan. He married Harriet Carslake 6 August 1908. She was born in Canada 15 March 1891 the daughter of Richard J. Carslake and Margaret Babcock. James and Harriet spent their early years together in Ontario where he was engaged in mining operations. During their time in Canada, they became the parents of three children Lois (1911-1992), J. Carl (1913-1977) and Eva (1916-2005). In 1924 they moved to Massena where he began working for Alcoa until his retirement in 1953. Upon retiring they moved to Norwood and became a part of St. Philip's family. James died 13 May 1964 and after his funeral at St. Philip's officiated by Rev. Jack Higgins, he was buried in the Morley Cemetery. Shortly thereafter the lights and door memorials were given to St. Philip' s in his memory by his daughter Eva and her husband Frederick Wright.

After James's death Harriet spent a few years in Norwood prior to moving to St. Petersburg Florida to live with her daughter Lois and her husband Arthur French. While in Norwood she was a very active member of St. Philip's Women's Guild. In Florida she became a member of the Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross, the Rebekah Lodge and the Royal Neighbors of America. She died 17 March 1980 and her funeral was held at St. Philip's officiated by the Rev. Lawrence Jones with burial following in the Morley Cemetery. The following year a Memorial Gift of red vestments was given to St. Philip's by Eva and Frederick Wright.

The Meaning of Christmas

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In 1980, the day before Christmas, Richard Ballenger's mother in Anderson, South Carolina, was busy wrapping packages and asked her young son to shine her shoes. Soon, with the proud smile that only a seven-year-old can muster, he presented the shoes for inspection. His mother was so pleased that she gave him a quarter.

On Christmas morning as she put on the shoes to go to church, she noticed a lump in one shoe. She took it off and found a quarter wrapped in paper. Written on the paper in a child's scrawl were the words, "I done it for love."

When the final curtain fall, each of us will be the sum of our choices throughout life, the sum of the appointments we kept and the appointments we didn't keep. The glory of the shipwrecked will be that they habitually failed to turn up for duty. In their defense they claim they were detained by a baby in swaddling clothes. When interrogated as to why they hung out at the stable, they answer, "We done it for love."

In their integrity the shipwrecked preserve the meaning of Christmas in its pristine purity—the birthday of the Savior and the eruption of the messianic era into history.

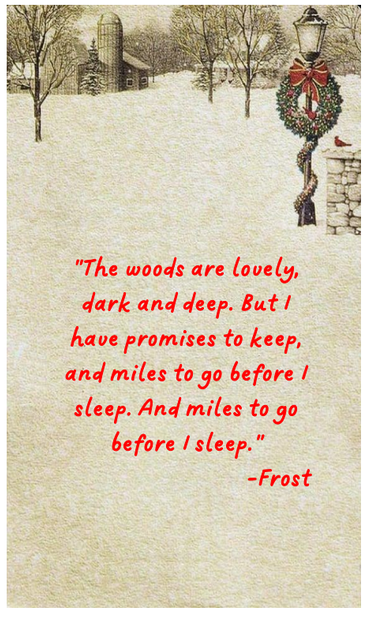
This Christmas, may you belong to their number.
—Brennan Manning

We loved because he first loved us.
I John 4:19





Our dear friend Tom, taking advantage of St. Matthew's message to all: *"Come unto me, all ye who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest…"*

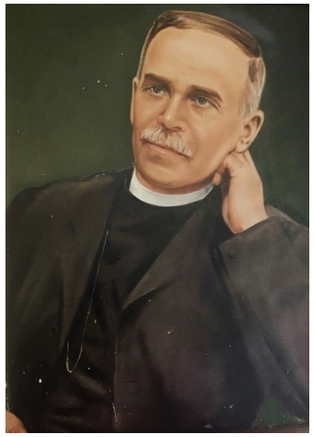


He had served a little over a year when he developed pneumonia which aggravated his other medical issues. He spent over a year in hospitals in Albany and New York, before returning home to Canada only six weeks before he died 25 July 1921 in Ottawa. His body was taken to Shawville, Quebec where it was reposed in St. Paul's Church, the church of his youth, until his funeral and burial in the adjoining cemetery. *The Norwood News,* 10 August 1921 read, "Rev. Mr. Elliott will be remembered by the members of St. Philip's Church and by many citizens outside the church. His sterling qualities, his affable disposition, his devotion to his life's work endeared him to a wide circle of friends. To the last, he spoke of the various phases of his ministry with the upmost pleasure and recalled many of the kind friends who had made that ministry so happy and useful. The words quoted in the Burial service of the Church can be most appropriately applied to the passing of this faithful servant of the Master, "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord; even so saith the spirit, for they rest from their labors."

His wife Frances returned to Potsdam and lived there for many years; she died in 1978. Margaret (1915-2003), their daughter graduated from Potsdam High School and completed nurses' training at Methodist Hospital in Brooklyn. She worked there for 2 years prior to joining the Army Nurse Corp in 1942, serving 33 months overseas in England, France and Belgium; she later married William Cochrane and they maintained a summer home in Ogdensburg for many years. Raymond (1913-1992) graduated from Clarkson University and married Alyce Mary Bullard. They first settled in Ohio and later in San Diego, California.



Fr. Elliott , Wife Frances and Children Raymond & Margaret



The Rev. Alexander Elliott

An Advent Poem by Mary Oliver,

Dear Lord, I have swept and I have washed but
still nothing is as shining as it should be
for you. Under the sink, for example, is an
uproar of mice – it is the season of their
many children. What shall I do? And under the
eaves
and through the walls the squirrels
have gnawed their ragged entrances – but it the
season
when they need shelter, so what shall I do? And
the raccoon limps into the kitchen and opens the
cupboard
while the dog snores, the cat holds the pillow;
what shall I do? Beautiful is the new snow falling
in the yard and the fox who is staring boldly
up the path, to the door. And I still believe you
will
come, Lord; you will, when I speak to the fox,
the sparrow, the lost dog, the shivering sea-goose,
know
that I am really speaking to you whenever I say,
as I do all morning and afternoon: Come in, Come
in.
From Thirst by Mary Oliver



The Rose - Annunciation Window

Charles Bedford Call was born September 18, 1841, in Potsdam, a son of John Masters Call (1791-1874) and Sarah Paulina White (1805-1863). After early education in Potsdam schools, on April 20,1861, he enlisted in Co. B 16th NY Infantry and went to serve in the Civil War. He was discharged January 23, 1865, and returned home. He married Isabella Case on June 20, 1864; Isabella was born October 13, 1844, in Potsdam, a daughter of Lemuel Sumner Case and Elizabeth (Elsa) Case (1805-1885).

The Calls operated a farm on the Norwood-Potsdam Road for a number of years prior to moving into a home on Bicknell Street. For many years he was the Norwood Tax Collector and was also the Secretary of the local school board. They were members of St. Philip's Church.

On June12, 1904, in the *Norwood News:* "A very pleasant event occurred in the village a week ago last Saturday evening. That day was the 40th anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Call--old-time residents of this growing town. That anniversary in itself was a pleasant event, but some of the many friends of the "happy ones" called that evening and presented a very handsome chair to Mr. and Mrs. Call. It was remarked that 40 years ago they doubtless sat in one chair quite often and it might be a good plan for them to try it again. Charles might sit at home a little more if he had the chair and so the chair was brought to them. After a pleasant evening with these who have been married 40 years and do not show any bad effects of that experience, the friends went away. If Charles is not to be found helping people about town when you want to see him just remember that he may be sitting at home in that chair."

Isabella died just two years later of pneumonia December 28, 1907. Her funeral was held at St. Philip's with the Rev. Samuel Call of Syracuse preaching at her funeral. He was a Methodist minister and a half-brother to Charles. He was also for many years a schoolteacher in the old stone schoolhouse on North

Main Street in Norwood, decades earlier.

Charles who suffered with heart disease for many years, died two years later on March 16, 1901. His funeral was also held at St. Philip's by the Rev. G. H. Williams and Rev. D.P. Patterson officiating. The Rose window was given in their memory by the Charles B. Call estate.





MaryEllen Casselman is a cradle Episcopalian, raised in Massena, NY, an only child of parents who with her paternal grandmother respected and valued the history of their forebearers and raised her to do so also. Her ancestry ranges from Irish emigrants to Lower Canada during the potato famine to those who came in the Palatine immigration becoming United Empire Loyalists and settling in Upper Canada. She spent most of her life in various parts of the country (AZ, TX, NC, Il) working with the MRDD population, coaching Special Olympics and working as a Registered Nurse in Oncology and Hospice. Wherever she lived she attended a local Episcopal Church, however, it was not until she became a member of Grace Episcopal Church in Syracuse in the late 1980s that she became intrigued with church history.



MaryEllen

November 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 ALL SAINTS *Holy Eucharist Mtr. Meigs* **(Daylight savings Time Ends)**	2 All Souls/All the Faithful Departed	3 *Common Cents 10:00—noon*	4	5 *Common Cents 10:00—noon*	6 *Bible Study 10:00*	7 *Vestry—10:00* *Common Cents 10:00—noon*
8 *The 24th Sunday after Pentecost—Proper 27–* MORNING PRAYER *- Br. Richard BSG*	9	10 *Common Cents 10:00—noon*	11 *Women's Guild Meeting—Noon*	12 *Common Cents 10:00—noon*	13 *Bible Study 10:00*	14 *Common Cents 10:00—noon*
15 *The 25th Sun. after Pentecost-Proper 28* HOLY EUCHARIST *Mtr. Meigs*	16	17 *Common Cents 10:00—noon*	18	19 *Common Cents 10:00—noon*	20 *Bible Study 10:00*	21 *Daughters of the King—10:00* *Common Cents 10:00—noon*
22 *The Last Sunday after Pentecost-* CHRIST THE KING HOLY EUCHARIST *Pastor Nancy*	23	24 *Common Cents 10:00—noon*	25	26 ***THANKSGIVING DAY***	27	28
29 THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT *Begins Year B-1—Mtr. Meigs—*HOLY COMMUNION	30 SAINT ANDREW THE APOSTLE					

December 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 *Common Cents 10:00—noon*	2	3 *Common Cents 10:00—noon*	4 *Bible Study 10:00*	5 CHRISTMAS BAZAAR *Common Cents 10:00—noon*
6 ***The 2nd Sunday of Advent***	7	8 *Common Cents 10:00—noon*	9 *Women's Guild meeting—Noon*	10 *Common Cents 10:00—noon*	11 *Bible Study 10:00*	12 *Vestry– 10:00* *Common Cents 10:00—noon*
13 ***The 3rd Sunday of Advent***	14	15 *Common Cents 10:00—noon*	16	17 *Common Cents 10:00—noon*	18 *Bible Study 10:00*	19 *Daughters of the King—10:00* *Common Cents 10:00—noon*
20 ***The 4th Sunday of Advent***	21 **Common Cents closed this week**	22	23	24	25 THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST	26 SAINT STEPHEN DEACON AND MARTYR
27 ***The First Sunday after Christmas Day***	28 SAINT JOHN APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST	29 THE HOLY INNOCENTS **Common Cents closed this week**	30	31	*Dates of events may change due to some information not available at printing time.*	