



ALL ANGELS BY THE SEA WEEKLY TIDINGS

February 29, 2024

SUNDAY SERVICES
8:00 and 10:00 am

To live-stream - go to [AllAngelsLBK.org](https://www.AllAngelsLBK.org), click on the "All Angels Enter Here" picture and you will be routed to our YouTube channel.

Zoom - go to <https://zoom.us/j/5955701807> and watch and listen live. Be sure to stick around after the service for our coffee hour chat-with-your-neighbor time.

The bulletin can be found on the All Angels Website:
[AllAngelsLBK.org](https://www.AllAngelsLBK.org) or at the following link:

[Bulletin for Sunday, March 3](#)

Scripture Readings for March 3, 2024

Exodus 20:1-17

Psalm 19

Romans 13:8-10

John 2:13-22

[*Click Here for the Readings*](#)

2024 PLEDGE CARD

Help support All Angels by filling out, or renewing, your pledge card here.

<https://onrealm.org/AllAngelsBySeaE/-/form/pledge/2024support>

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

Last Sunday's Service



Sunday Sermons

If you would like to read Rev. Dave's recent sermon,
please click the link below

[*Sermon: Journey With Jesus, 2.25.24*](#)

MARCH CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays



5 Justus Doenecke
10 Cade Sibley
16 Elijah Marshall
27 Bob Erker
29 Bill Dobbling

Anniversaries



19 Tom & Pam Blanton
21 Justus & Carol Doenecke
24 David & Sheila Eiss

PRAYERS

A Prayer for Peace Among the Nations *(BCP 816)*

Let us pray in this time of conflict for peace in Israel, Palestine and Ukraine.

Almighty God our heavenly Father, guide the nations of the world into the way of justice and truth, and establish among them that peace which is the fruit of righteousness, that they may become the kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

Centering Prayer

Centering Prayer invites you to pray with them, every day, at 8 am, wherever you are. When you enter into prayer at 8 am (Eastern), you will know that others are praying at the same time.

We Pray for our People

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. Especially we pray for the needs of: Downs IV, Holden, Anne, Victoria, Kim, Michael, Barbara, Lorraine, Maria Christine, Josh & Mary Jo and Caitlin. For those going through cancer treatments and those in remission, especially, Margaret, Downs III, Victoria, Alex, Connie, Douglas, Frank, Gerta, Lauren, Jennifer, TJ, Jim, Stephanie, Cara and Todd. Visit and comfort all who are under the care of skilled nursing, especially Timothy, Barbara, Kim Lou and Jan. Be near to all who are in hospice care especially Jean.

A BRIDGE BETWEEN ALEX AND DAVE

Podcast: A Bridge Between

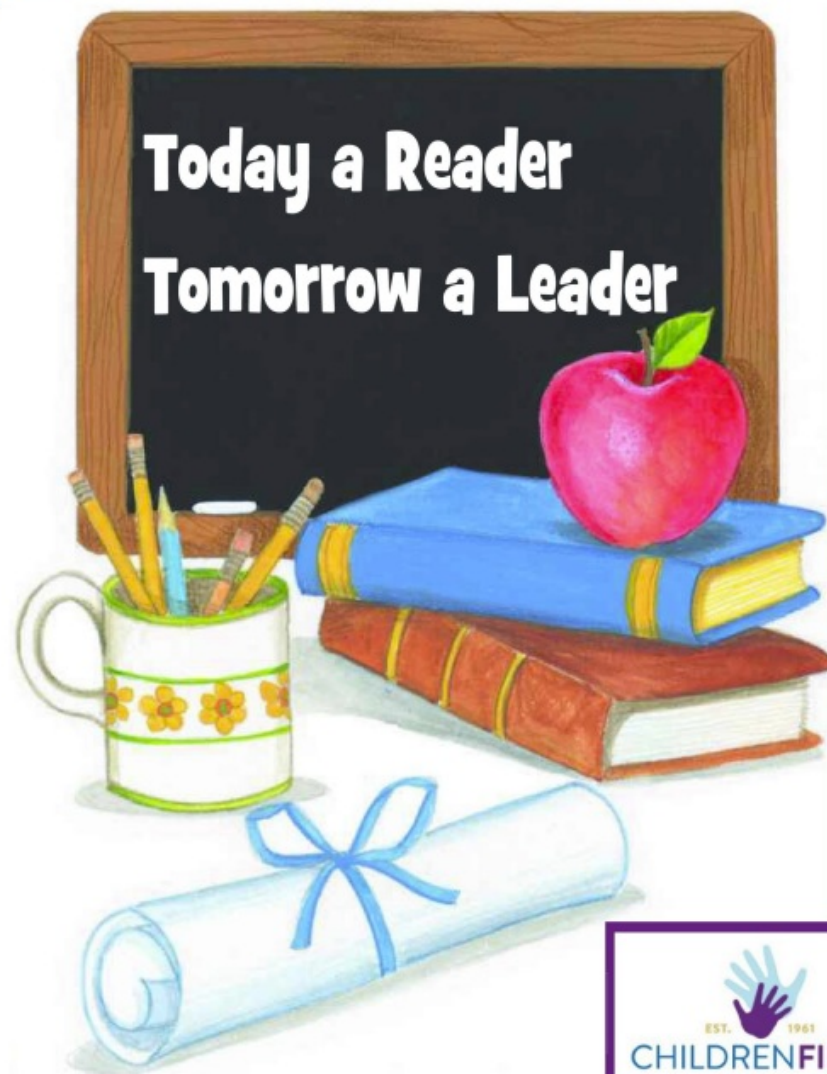
[Episode 65: Breaking Down Barriers](#)

Also available on Spotify:

[Spotify: A Bridge Between](#)

MARCH BOOK DRIVE

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All Angels will be collecting books for the month of March to donate to Children First

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Please bring books appropriate for ages 1-5 years.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Easter Offerings

If you would like to make an Easter offering to All Angels in thanksgiving for or in memory of a loved one, please fill out the card found in the Tidings & drop it off in the church office. You may place it in the collection plate, deliver it to the office in person, or email it to Linn at lt@allangelslbk.org. Please return your cards and donations by Sunday, March 17th.

<p><i>Easter Offering</i></p> <p>Donations for Easter are now being received as Memorials or Thank Offerings.</p> <p>Please make checks payable to All Angels by the Sea Memo line: Easter</p> <p>Your name (please print): _____</p> <p>Choose one of the following categories (please print names):</p> <p>In Memory of: _____</p> <p>In Thanksgiving for: _____</p>	
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Choir News

- Choir meets every Thursday (October – May) at 10:00 am – ALL are WELCOME!
- Bell Choir meets every Thursday (October – May) at 11:15 am – ALL

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Save the Date

Thursday, April 11th:
Spring Fling

Men's and Women's Discussion Groups

Thank you for participating in a powerful week of discussions. Feedback shows that we would like to talk more in depth about suicide; in particular as we age. I am arranging that now (most articles are over five pages so I have some work to do).

Continuing with our Lenten theme of talking about a societal issue and meditating on Scripture, we have an article about how politics had become a false religion and how science and Christianity (and Presiding Bishop Michael Curry) saved her.

Also attached is the Scripture sheet I created and showed you this week - it has two stories about Moses and the prophet Jonah and suicide. It also has passages that for centuries (millennia) have helped lift people from the depths of despair. And, as always, if you would like to talk about this individually, please let me know.

For next week, and those in person, I'll have the coffee ready.

For those on Zoom, here's the link: <https://zoom.us/j/5955701807>

To read the articles, click the links below:

[*The 2016 Election Sent Me Searching for Answers*](#)

[*Depression and the Bible*](#)

Coffee Hour Hosts Needed

One of the most important things we do is gather after the service for coffee hour. If you are interested in hosting, the sign up sheet is on the Gallery table. If you would like help sign up and we will find someone to

gallery table. If you would like help, sign up and we will find someone to show you how it is done.

Online Giving

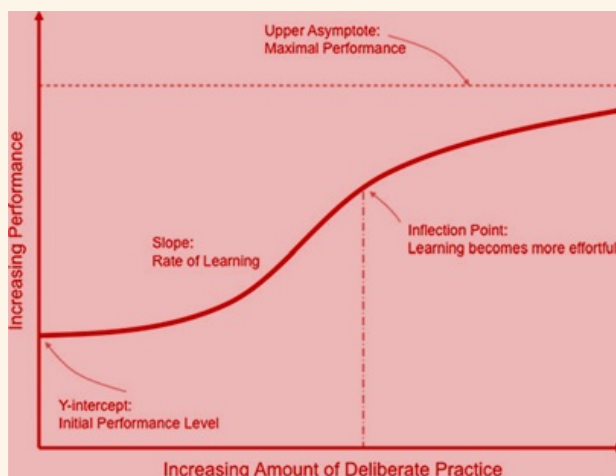
If you would like to give to the offering plate electronically, you can find the online giving link on our All Angels website by clicking the link below:

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REFLECTION

Learning Curve

During our weekly podcast, *A Bridge Between*, my friend, Fr. Alex Andujar and I discussed the story of Jesus throwing the money changers out of the Temple. We both believe that Jesus did this because of the barrier that existed within the Temple marketplace that kept the faithful from participating in that particular part of the Passover. In our conversation, we asked what sort of barriers the Church puts up today that keeps people from participating. After suggesting a few, we quickly realized we were talking about two different things: barriers and learning curves.



Barriers are things like steps to get into church. Ramps are better – and both of our churches have them – but Alex and I realized we both serve churches that require their clergy to be able to climb a stair to be at the altar. Another barrier is the need to hear and to see in order to participate in worship. We also talked about more subtle barriers – like liturgical language and reading four passages from Scripture each Sunday. Our beautiful and longstanding tradition can be seen by some as a barrier to

beautiful and longstanding tradition can be seen by some as a barrier to worship. Alex quickly interjected and said that our tradition is not a barrier, it is a learning curve. There was a time when even our most active congregants and church leaders did not know the ins and outs of our liturgical tradition. Someone had to teach them. Metaphorically speaking, they walked up the learning curve; but not by themselves, they had a guide.

In the United States, there is a great diversity of Christian tradition and worship. Some of those traditions have a slight learning curve; for example, watching TD Jakes or Joyce Meyer – they are designed for a very broad television audience. In contrast, if you were to attend a Greek Orthodox service, it would have a very steep learning curve. Somewhere in between televangelists and the Greek Orthodox church is the Episcopal Church. In our diocese, there are services in Creole, Mandarin, American Sign Language, Spanish and English. There are outdoor services, children's services and Rite 1 services with incense. Yet, each one has a learning curve, to a greater or lesser degree, associated with it.

The Sunday bulletin is a way to help with the learning curve. We used to have to juggle a bulletin, an announcement sheet, a Scripture leaflet, the Book of Common Prayer, and the blue hymnal. Nowadays, it's a little simpler (with larger print). The best way to navigate our service, however, is to walk the learning curve with someone. I am pleased to no end when I see parishioners who have climbed the curve, see the view from the top (which is marvelous, I'd like to add), and then help others walk with them. This past Sunday, we had a couple that was at All Angels for the first time.

The ushers welcomed them and handed them a bulletin, but, just as important, the people sitting next them greeted them and made sure they were following along in the service. That makes me very happy to see.

Our beautiful and meaningful worship service is not meant to be a barrier, like the money changers. We are carrying on the Anglican tradition (as Scripture says) to a generation yet unborn. At the same time, we rely on

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- Rev. Dave



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