



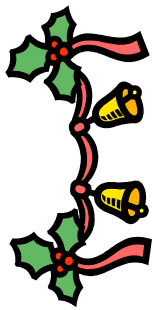
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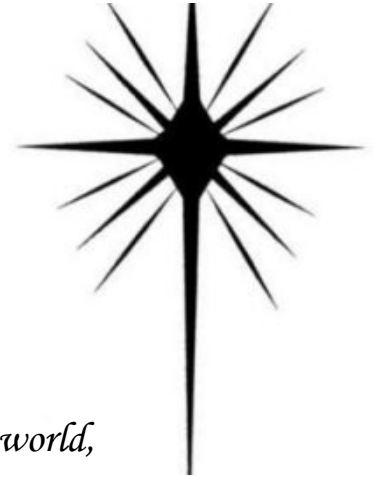
- Centered in Christ,
- Glorifying God,
- Serving our neighbors.

ST. THOMAS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH—DOVER, NH—CORNER OF HALE AND LOCUST



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*Hush now, be still, all sounds and noises,
all anxiety and worry,
all pain and suffering,
be quiet now,
be at peace,
for something comes this way
that will not abide your constant clamor,
something that is the opposite of our ever loud world,
a calming comes, a time of such stillness
that only a heartbeat may be heard,
only a whispered prayer spoken,
so great is this presence,
so overshadowing
of shadows that no fear may remain before it,
so healing that no harm may withstand it.
Hush now, and bow before the coming of the love of God*



- A prayer by Bishop Steven Charleston



From the Interim Rector's Desk

The Rev. Gail Avery



Let us begin Advent, waiting.

Not the "going back to sleep" kind of waiting.

Not the impatient pacing, or the wasted anxiety of waiting.

Not even the passive-aggressive waiting that says, "Really? We'll see."

Let us begin Advent, waiting.

Getting up and joining the adventure,

Even when we don't know where it will take us.

Shifting the impatient waiting to expectant living.

Boldly claiming the Good News that we know will come.

Waiting with joy as we reach out with the grace of God that is so much more than amazing.

-A prayer by Michelle Thomas Bush, "Follow the Star" Advent Devotional

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This year like never before, I have felt the invasion of the commercialism of Christmas. And I'm having a hard time blaming it on the fact that Thanksgiving was late this year. The old adage rings true—it's all about gaining market share. Retailers are clamoring for our money, trying to convince us that we need to buy this product or that product. Christmas (and our lives) will be incomplete without it. "20%, 50%, 60% off...we have a car just for you...0% financing...our store is open 6pm Thanksgiving evening—come early, come all...come before Black Friday begins."

So I thank God, that *Advent* is here—that season in which the church invites us to slow down, to be quiet, and to wait in joyous expectation for the coming of our Lord—past, present, and future.

The first Sunday of Advent marks the beginning of our Christian year, to be followed by four weeks of *Advent*—not *Christmas* but *Advent*. *Advent* means 'arrival of' or more appropriately 'coming towards', which is a helpful reminder every Christmas.

Despite the whirl of activity around us, these few weeks are an invitation to set time apart—to wait patiently, to pause, and see the world around us with the wondrous eyes of a child—in anticipation of the arrival of something really special.

Sure, there are preparations to be made for Christmas, but the Advent wreath is another reminder that it's important to 'keep *Advent*' and not to move to Christmas until the 4th candle is lit—a discipline that is hard to live *into* when our Christmas lists are so long.

Why? Why not just jump into Christmas with all the retailers. One could argue that it would prolong the celebration of the birth of our Lord. For me, though, my biggest reason is that you *miss* something important when you *miss* Advent. You *miss* the quiet, the stillness, the feeling of anticipation, the in-breaking of God around us. The *Kairos*, that special moment when God's presence surprises us like the unexpected joy we feel with a birth of a child.

Advent invites us to *come towards* Christmas slowly—hold back a bit, (perhaps becoming more deliberate in our actions)—slowing down and making the necessary preparations for the coming of God into the world.

So, come Lord Jesus, come—but in your time, not ours. Help us to slow down and see the world born afresh each day. Then we might have a better chance of seeing your presence *coming towards* us.

Blessings to you this holy Advent season,

Gail+

A FAVORITE TIME OF MINE!

The Rev. Dr. David D. Holroyd
Interim Associate, St. Thomas', Dover



One of my greatest recollections of growing up in my parish church involved going to the late service on Christmas Eve. Being able to attend a late service was a rite of passage for me. There always seemed to be a special kind of electricity in the building when it was dark and late at night, an aura of mystery and joy that "Christ the Saviour is born." This excitement carried into adulthood. Ordination brought with it the privilege of leading worship at all Christmas liturgies and that excitement and memory returns every year.

There have been changes, however, some just based on the aging process. This year I get to opt out of the "late late" service in Exeter and will participate at the services of late afternoon and early evening. Maybe that means that the late service that I once loved so much is just becoming too late!

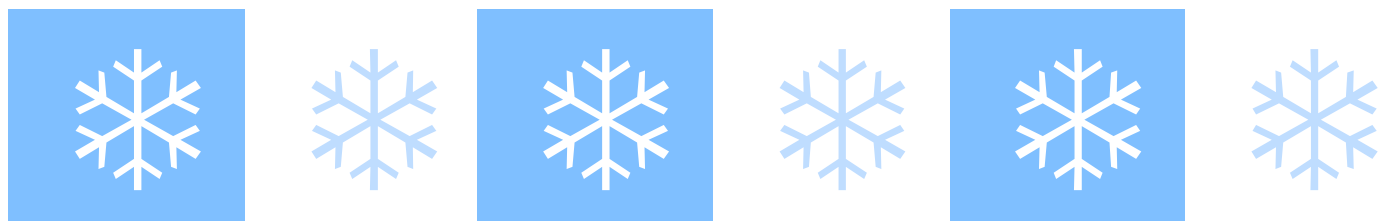
So I will have time to get some rest and be here at St. Thomas' to lead your 9:00 service on Christmas Day. I look very forward to being with the minority of folks who don't like driving at night, maybe prefer a more quiet service, or have other family gatherings on Christmas Eve.

All of this leads me to ask which Christmas service is my favorite. The early service on Christmas Eve usually has a full contingent of children, parents, grandparents, and an appropriate amount of noise often bordering on chaos. The later service on Christmas Eve usually offers beautiful instrumental and choral music which contributes to that aura that is still part of my deep memory. Christmas Day is usually characterized by quiet services with little or no music and much smaller crowds. Suffice to say that each service is quite different and offers options for the faithful and even opportunities to change as our lives change.

So which is my favorite? I love them all -- whether they bring noise, chaos, beauty, or simplicity. I love them all because they have in common what is most important -- that God enters our world with a Saviour who identifies with us, loves us, and walks with us through the joys, sorrows, and challenges of the journey that we call life.

But not only do I love Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. I love the Advent season that leads up to it. I love the twelve days of Christmas that follow. I love the lights, the exchange of gifts, the hugs, and the joys of being with family and friends. Because of what God has done, it is my favorite time of year and it is great to be alive.

See you in Church!



Advent - The Journey to Christmas

How to Celebrate Advent with an Advent Wreath

-from ucc.org/worship resources



Advent (from Latin, *adventus*, meaning “coming towards”) is a four-week season of preparation for Christmas. The First Sunday of Advent (November 30th) marks the beginning of the church’s year. Advent and Christmas both focus on the *past*—the coming of Jesus as an infant born into poverty in Bethlehem, and the *future*—the coming of Christ in glory to fulfill God’s loving purposes for humanity. This past and future orientation is reflected in the readings appointed in the church for each Sunday of Advent.

From ancient times, one way to celebrate Advent—not only in church but also at home—is by lighting candles on an *Advent wreath*. The wreath was widely used in northern Europe long before Christianity as a symbol of life and hope. Made of evergreens, it symbolized the circle of the year that would turn from

winter to spring, from shadows to light. During the Middle Ages, Christians adopted this symbol and reinterpreted its meaning: the lighted candles symbolizes the light of Christ shining in the night, and the evergreens represents the new life that Christ brings into the world.

The Advent wreath is placed on a table or other surface. Four candles are placed inside next to the greens in a circle; a fifth candle (the “Christ candle”) is at the center.

The first four candles correspond to the four Sundays of Advent: they are lit on Sundays and can be relighted with an appropriate prayer before the evening meal on any day of the week, or during a time of private prayer at the end of the day. The “Christ candle” is lit Christmas Eve and can be relighted along with the four Advent candles on any or all the subsequent Twelve Nights of Christmas until Epiphany (January 6.)

Three of the candles are purple—symbolizing the sovereignty of Christ. One candle is pink or rose—symbolizing the early dawn. The Christ candle is white—symbolizing daylight and celebration. Some churches use blue as the Advent color: blue is the traditional color of Mary, and symbolizes the night sky as it lightens towards dawn.



Living in Our Abundance

Judi Turner

Going into the winter season may have you thinking things are looking bleak. The leaves have mostly fallen and the ground is starting to dry out and freeze. But in our children’s program on Sunday morning, I see a different picture. We started this fall with Gail and me having a conversation about the abundance of material stored away. I talked about the people I knew who had a love and passion for the stories that were stored away. And I talked about the abundance of enrichment programs we could also have in future months. My focus was on this abundance that inspired the room you see today (and we still have some in storage waiting to come out.) Come and take a peek sometime!

Our abundance is **9 storytellers and doorpers** who are probably there because the unexpected gifts that the children bring show in their attention to the story and their response to the wondering that is overflowing. We have **90+ stories and materials** that could be presented. As you can see, we have the ability to create a second room when the need comes, and it will! We started with five and now we have **12 children**, and I heard another new child came this Sunday! This is a time of year that we typically will see families looking for a church home. We will be welcoming all children on Christmas’ Eve to share in our telling of the story by Luke. We hope that in January we will be sharing our abundance with even more children.

My focus will remain on the abundance and for that I am truly grateful.

The Church Year, *A Poem by Ann Weems, Kneeling in Bethlehem*

*T*he church is Advent.

*The unwrapping of God's greatest gift is near.
Advent—coming.
God will take away the tinsel
and decorate our human hearts in hope
so that Christians can sit laughing in the rain,
knowing that the Lord is going to
shine in upon their being.
For no matter how long the darkness,
God will send the Light.
In spite of cursing and violence and the massacring of human
dignity,
we will dance in the streets of Bethlehem,
for He will be born!*

*The church is Epiphany.
We are the Magi, searching,
resplendent in this world's accouterments
of knowledge and wealth and achievement.
But we search for something more.
And—of all unlikely places—
in a stable
the Deity appears.
The birthing of our Lord
bursts in upon our ordinary lives
like fireworks in the snow.
Only God would send a little baby King,
and we are on our knees,
where we are within reach of our full personhood.*

*The church is Good Friday.
Darkness burnt into blackness,
abysmal absence of anything good.
We acknowledge that death is real
and we tremble for a world that would kill its God.
Our feet stand in quicksand;
our voices echo sterile silence.
We huddle together to meet the dark and the death,
forgetting what was taught us,
forgetting that somewhere
a seed is sprouting
somewhere
a child is growing.
All we see is Christ crucified.*

*The church is Easter.
Out of Death: Life.
Out of darkness:
a lush green world
flowers in the ice
sunrays in the storm
mustard seeds galore.
Our souls enter a spiritual springtime,
our bodies given over to leaping and dancing
our very beings saturated in hosannas.
Our shouting crashes in upon this world:
the Lord lives!
we live!*

Resurrection resounds throughout our community.

*The church is Pentecost.
The Holy Spirit is poured out upon us
and sends us out together
afame with new life,
inheritors of the wealth of God:
life abundant.
We are liberated from the prison of pettiness,
jealousy, and greed,
liberated to be the church.*

*We are freed to free others.
We are affirmed to affirm others.
We are loved to love others.
We are family;
we are community.
We are the church triumphant—
you, me, anyone who would come unto the Lord—
renewed, redirected, empowered
to change things and lives
together in love and wholeness.
We are the Lord's church,
the church of justice and mercy,
the people sent to open prisons,
to heal the sick
to clothe the naked
to feed the hungry
to reconcile
to be alleluias when there is no music.
The mantle is upon our shoulders.
Joy is apparent in our living.
We have been commission to the church of Jesus Christ.*



Facilities Re-Keying:

Background and additional information

Out of concern for the safety and security of our parishioners, our property, and all those who use our facilities, the Property Committee proposed, and Vestry approved, a plan and funding for the re-keying of all our locks.

There are a lot of keys to our facilities. Originally, these keys were numbered and tracked in a key log. Over the years, the numbering stopped and the keys became more difficult to track. Additionally, many keys have changed hands several times or have simply been lost. This makes accountability very difficult and is a security risk. From a safety perspective it's uncomfortable not knowing where all our keys are and who has them.



With the re-keying, comes an updated key policy. Everyone requiring a key, will need to read the policy and complete and submit a key request form to indicate why and where they need access. (Forms and copies of the policy are located on the Property Committee bulletin board). The Rector or Wardens will review and approve the requests. The keys will be issued to individuals, not groups, and will be signed for. Those accepting keys, will also be accepting responsibility to ensure the areas they access are secure when they leave the church property.

To continue to improve the safety and security of those who use our facilities, in the next year or so, we plan to have everyone who wants to retain a key complete Safe Church training. So, keep an eye out for training opportunities and sign up.

And, further down the road, we plan to move to an electronic key pass system that may include the ability to lock the doors remotely, log access by individuals, and make facility access more manageable.

If you have questions about the new key policy and procedure please contact me.

Allen Laughlin, Jr. Warden

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Blue Christmas Service

Sunday, December 14, 7:00 pm, St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church
150 Central Avenue in Dover

All are welcome! (The church is handicapped accessible.)

Once again, Christian churches in the greater Dover area invite all who would be blessed by a Christmas service which also acknowledges all-too-painful realities. A time of hearing scripture, carols, music and fellowship to bring comfort and solace.

This may be the first Christmas without a loved family member. Or caused by another loss. It may be a time that has always been difficult. The constant refrain on the radio and television, in shopping malls and churches, about the happiness of the season, about getting together with

family and friends, reminds many people of what they have lost or have never had. The anguish of broken relationships, the insecurity of unemployment, the weariness of ill health, the pain of isolation - all these can make us feel very alone in the midst of the celebrating and spending. We need the space and time to acknowledge our sadness and concern. We need to know that we are not alone.



Electronic Pledging

-Allen Laughlin

Looking for way to make pledging a little easier, or at least the actual “check writing” part? Does your bank offer electronic bill pay? If so, you can set up St. Thomas’ Episcopal Church as a vendor in the same manner you may do for other regular payments.

Several years ago Patty and I set up St. Thomas’ with the Bill Pay service our bank offers. We added them as a “vendor”. Then we set up a regular monthly payment that equates to our pledge.

That’s all there was to it.

Now, the church gets a check drafted from our checking account every month, even if we miss a Sunday or two or even an entire month. We don’t have to remember to write a check or bring out check book to church. Because we are not missing a Sunday pledge and/or trying to play catch up, St. Thomas’s can better manage cash flow; which becomes very important during the summer attendance drop (is this you?).

We still have the ability to stop a payment if needed, or even add an additional payment on occasions when we are “extra” blessed. No need to worry about the ushers or others sitting around you on Sunday morning if you don’t drop something into the plate, no one will think less of you. In this day of electronic banking, it is quickly becoming the norm.

Sandpipers Winter Concert

The Sandpipers Seacoast Children's Chorus, will present its Annual Winter Concert of festive Christmas music on Saturday, December 6, 7pm, at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 5 Hale St. in Dover, and on Sunday, December 7, 3pm, at Middle Street Baptist Church, 18 Court St. in Portsmouth. The program will include pieces by Rutter, Holst, Britten, Rowley, and Praetorius, conducted by Artistic Director Tamara Rozek, Prep Chorus Director Priscilla Stevens French, accompanied by Kathy Fink, with guests harpist Sorana Scarlat and flutist Roseanna Drysdale. Tickets: \$10/\$5 students. Sandpipers is comprised of singers ages 7-14 selected by audition from around the Seacoast region. www.sandpiperschorus.com



A Child's Christmas in Dover: Celebrate Christmas and Support the Kids of Dover

St. John's Methodist Church invites the congregations of Dover's churches to join them in supporting Dover Children's Home this Christmas! Plan to attend our benefit concert "A Child's Christmas in Dover", Sunday, December 7, at 6:30 pm at Dover High School's Frederick Walker Auditorium. In doing so, you will not only enjoy an uplifting Christmas concert -- you are reaching out in support of the Dover Children's Home and its work with the young people of the community.

Come and enjoy a special Christmas celebration concert by the music ministry of St. John's. Come to hear joyous, uplifting, inspiring Christmas music to ring in the season, presented by the choir, children's choir, band, soloists and small groups, dancers and bell choir.

But also come, as befits the season and our mission as people of faith, to reach out to others by your presence at this very special concert. While you are enjoying the music, your freewill offering will help the Dover Children's Home support its young residents not only at Christmas, but year round.

So come for the music, and come for the kids. And we ask one more thing - help us to make this event a BIG show of support for the Children's Home -- by reaching out to your friends, to your coworkers, and to your neighbors and encouraging them to come too.

If you have any questions, call the St. John's church office at 742-3617.

CONNECTIONS - *Hospitality beyond introductions...involving ourselves in the life of each other and our community*



The Breakfast Café

We wish to thank Kevin Gorham and Fran Whiting for volunteering their time to help fill in at closing time of 9:30-10:30. Such a help, especially for those of us setting up before 7:00 in the morning. Kevin will hold down the first Sunday of each month. Does anyone else wish to volunteer?

We will have our annual Christmas Raffle Tickets available November 30th, December 7th, 14th and 21st. One dollar per chance, seven for \$5.00.

In our Christmas morning Breakfast Basket we will have a quiche, canned ham, scones and cream, jam, calendar, candle, CD coffee, tea, hot chocolate, juice, cider, 4 mugs, Café cookbook, free breakfast coupon and much more.

We will also have a 'winter farm stand' raffle, with gift certificates for Jan, Feb and March. For example, in January you'd receive a \$10.00 gift certificate for Blue Seed Grain in Rochester (excellent way to purchase bulbs to start inside) and a \$10.00 gift certificate to Windjammers, across the street from Blue Seed. February and March items will be announced on the 30th.

For those of you with wood burning stoves and fireplaces, some of our young people are recycling/reusing to make fire starters. Check them out: \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00. The money from this project will be donated to the Dover Food Bank.

Café Gift certificates will be available once again for \$6.00 a piece for a \$7.00 value. And cookbooks make a great gift.

A blessed Christmas to one and all. Health is our wish for each of you, in body and spirit. Thank you for supporting us.

Café Team: Thomas, Patty, Tim, Nancy C. Bonnie, Lisa, Peg, Deb, Robyn, Kevin, Fran and Nancy SP



You're Invited!

The annual St. Thomas' Christmas gathering will be Saturday December 20th at 7pm at the Whitings', 160 Locust St. Dover. Please bring a snack to share and a gift for Yankee Swap (not to exceed \$10 value). Everyone is invited to come and enjoy!

Christmas Flowers

Poinsettias and greens are traditionally set out in abundant profusion, decorating our church during Christmas. This is a time to remember or give thanks to family and friends. Donors are needed, with a suggested contribution of \$50. Names of the honored and their donors are printed in the Christmas bulletins. Please contact the parish office to sign up with your donation and to record the sentiment you wish to use. Office e-mail: stthomas@worldpath.net Office Phone: 603-742-3155



ACTS - Action in Community through Service

FAMILIES WHO WOULD ENJOY A HOT MEAL

The Seymour Osman Community Center located on Hampshire Circle at the Dover Housing Authority seeks churches and faith groups to provide monthly and holiday meals for residents of our neighborhood. Our neighborhood in Dover is home to 184 families with approximately 200 children. Households in our neighborhood qualify for federally rent subsidized housing on the basis of extremely low income.

A typical monthly dinner meal at our Community Center is attended by 100-150 residents. Usually, the meals are provided by volunteers who prepare, serve and clean-up after a meal provided at no cost to our residents. Typically, meals are provided near the end of each month and near major holidays. Meals may be prepared in the commercial kitchen located in our Center or brought to the site.

Please contact Stacey Kearns, Director of Family Services at 742-5804 ext. 445 for further information.



Homeless Shower Program a Success!!

Yes, the Homeless Shower Program at the Dover Indoor Pool is a success thanks to the Parishioners of St. Thomas! The many towels, washcloths, travel size soaps, shampoo, conditioner, shaving cream and razors have made the program work for those who in need of a hot shower. This is one of the many ways St. Thomas' reaches out to the community. Many thanks to all of you for your ongoing support of this important program.

More about this program, and how you can contribute...

Dover Cooperative Ministries, of which St. Thomas' is a part, need help in providing for our brothers and sisters in need in the community. We put together shower packs to leave at the indoor pool next to the Children's Museum for the homeless to use. Items needed are: bath towels (new or gently used), travel size shampoos, conditioner and shaving cream, disposable razors and combs. The Dover Food Pantry also has a great need of personal care products, such as toilet paper, diapers, soap, shampoo, conditioner, shaving cream, razors, toothbrushes and toothpaste, feminine pads and tampons, cleaning supplies. Many of these items can not be purchased with food stamps and are desperately needed by the patrons of the food pantry. Milk cards are also welcome. Please keep those who are in need in your thoughts and prayers as well.

Gifts for Children in Need of Christmas Joy

During Advent the parishioners of St. Thomas' can adopt children whose parents are unable to provide gifts for them for Christmas. Once again, the Bridge windows will be adorned with "Wish Lists" for these children in need. Please watch for the Wish List to be displayed and consider helping bring joy to these children.

Thank you, Mary Jo Dudley and Marci Novak




Hanging of the Green Service

The Hanging of the Green Service is Saturday, December 13 at 5:00 PM followed by a parish pot luck! Join the choir for a beautiful service of readings and carols plus the greening of the church.

Kathy Fink, Musical Director
pianotchr@aol.com, 603-534-4526



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 1 7a AA Morning Reflection 7p Property Committee	2 9a-12 Office Hours 5p DFK	3 7a AA Morning Reflection 9a-12 Office Hours 7p Choir	4 9a-12 Office Hours 5p DFK	5 7a AA Morning Reflection	6 7p Sandpipers Winter Concert	
7 8a & 10a Services 9:30a Sunday School 8:30a-10 Breakfast Café 6:30p Dover Children's Home Benefit Concert (Dover High School)	8 7a AA Morning Reflection	9 9a-12 Office Hours 5p DFK	10 7a AA Morning Reflection 9a-12 Office Hours 7p Choir	11 9a-12 Office Hours 5p DFK 7p Dover original AA	12 7a AA Morning Reflection	13 5p Hanging of the Green 6p Parish Potluck
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Celebrating in...



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 Pierce Briggs
 Charles Cooper
 Claire Dean
 Hilary Flinkstrom
 Mark Gearreald
 Emily Howell
 Ted Kontos
 Mary Krans
 Griffin Leach
 Katherine Lynch

Lois Martin
 Abigail Mathieu
 Caitlin Mathieu
 Chris Parker
 Kevin Plante
 Laurie Raybould
 Emma Sattler
 Jasmine Seaver
 Kyle Seaver
 Claire Tucker
 Kiersten Shute



Anniversary Blessings and Congratulations to:

Gray & Kitty Cornwell
 Gerald & Kathryn Finley
 Barbara & David MacInnis
 Donald & June Meserve
 Laurie & Steven Raybould
 Jennifer and Dr. Robert Stiefel

We are delighted to celebrate your birthdays and anniversaries in The Bridge each month. If you have a birthday or anniversary this month, and are not listed, please contact us so we may update our records. Thank you!



Serving God in His Church

The Rt. Rev. A. Robert Hirschfeld, Bishop
 The Rev. Gail Avery, Interim Rector
 The Rev. David Holroyd, Interim Associate
 The Rev. Dick Siener, Interim Consultant

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Jerry Costanza, Financial Bookkeeper

Kathy Fink, Director of Music

Roland Girard, Sexton

For upcoming events and 'The Bridge' articles, visit our website at:
www.stdover.org

Mission Statement

The mission of St. Thomas Episcopal Church is to know and worship God, to build community, and to serve others.



**Come
Worship**

Sunday Services

8:00 am Holy Eucharist
9:30 am Sunday School
10:00 am Holy Eucharist with music

Breakfast Café 8:30-10:00 am

Please call the church office for additional pastoral needs at 603-742-3155. In cases of emergency call Rev. Gail at 603-674-5455

