

All Saints Chapel celebrates 100 years

Members of the All Saints' Chapel on Orr's Island plan to gather Aug. 6 for a service celebrating 100 years of summer worship and the dedication of an on-site Memorial Garden.

All Saints' Chapel was consecrated on Aug. 6, 1900, and the chapel has been open for summer worship every year since.

Episcopal services began on Orr's Island in 1894 in the

dining room of a cottage that served as a boarding house. Summer residents decided to raise funds to build a chapel on the island, and wrote to the Bishop of Maine, the Right Rev. Henry A. Neely, for his consent.

He replied, "I very heartily and gratefully approve of the movement for the erection of

a simple church on Orr's Island, believing that such a provision would be for the spiritual advantage, not only of the summer visitors but also of permanent residents."

All Saints' Chapel is on Cooper Lane off Route 24. Services are held Sunday at 9 a.m. during July and August, and on Sunday of Labor Day weekend.