

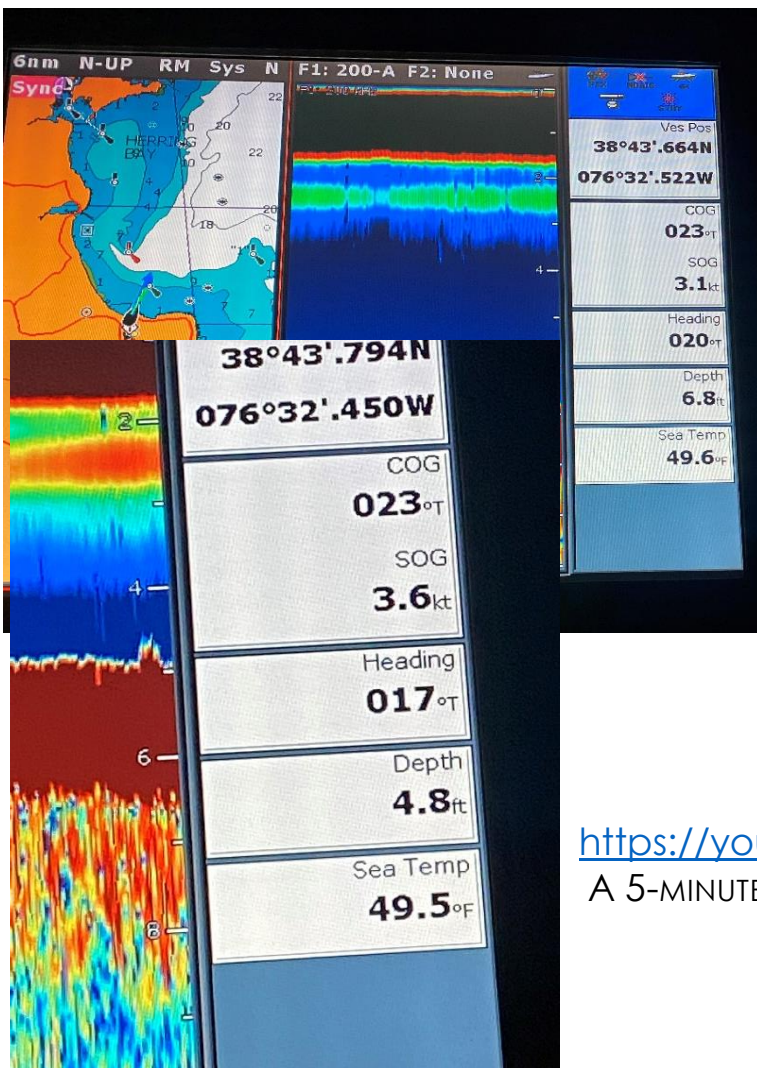
Follow along with us as we cruise onboard our
56' Ocean Yacht.

Somewhere on the Water

December 17, 2021 – Friday, Day 9

Herrington Harbour South Marina Resort in Harrington Harbour, Rose Haven, Maryland to Deltaville, Virginia to stay at the Dozier's Regatta Point Yachting Center.

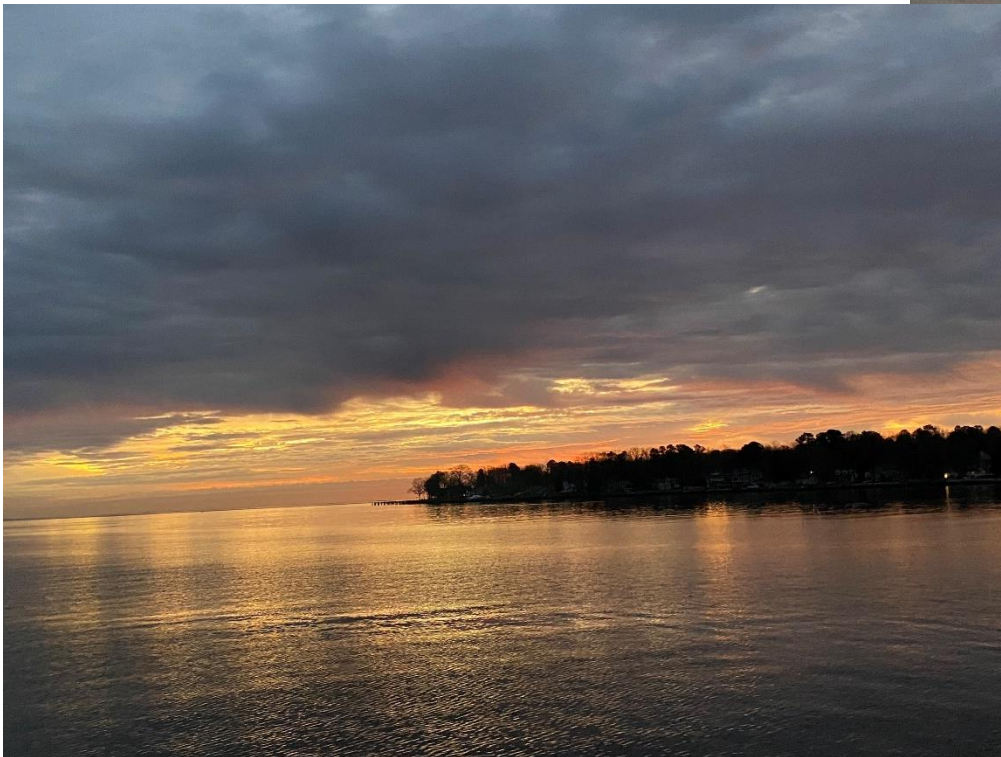
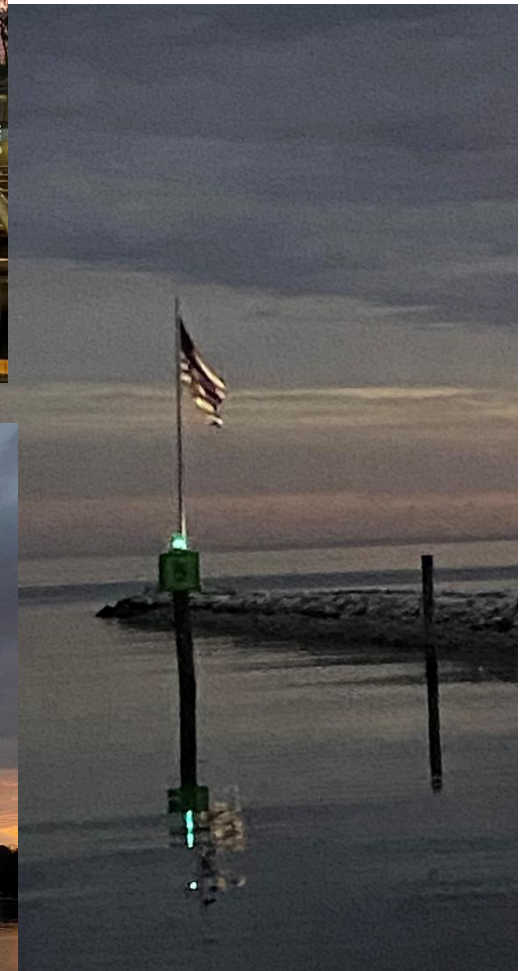
We had 4.8' of water under us this morning leaving the marina. At one point it was 6.8' The higher the number the better. I busied myself with taking pictures and videos of the sunrise to distract me from the depth or lack thereof. This many days into our trip I should be getting accustomed to these low water levels. What do you think?



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A 5-MINUTE VIDEO OF US LEAVING THE MARINA

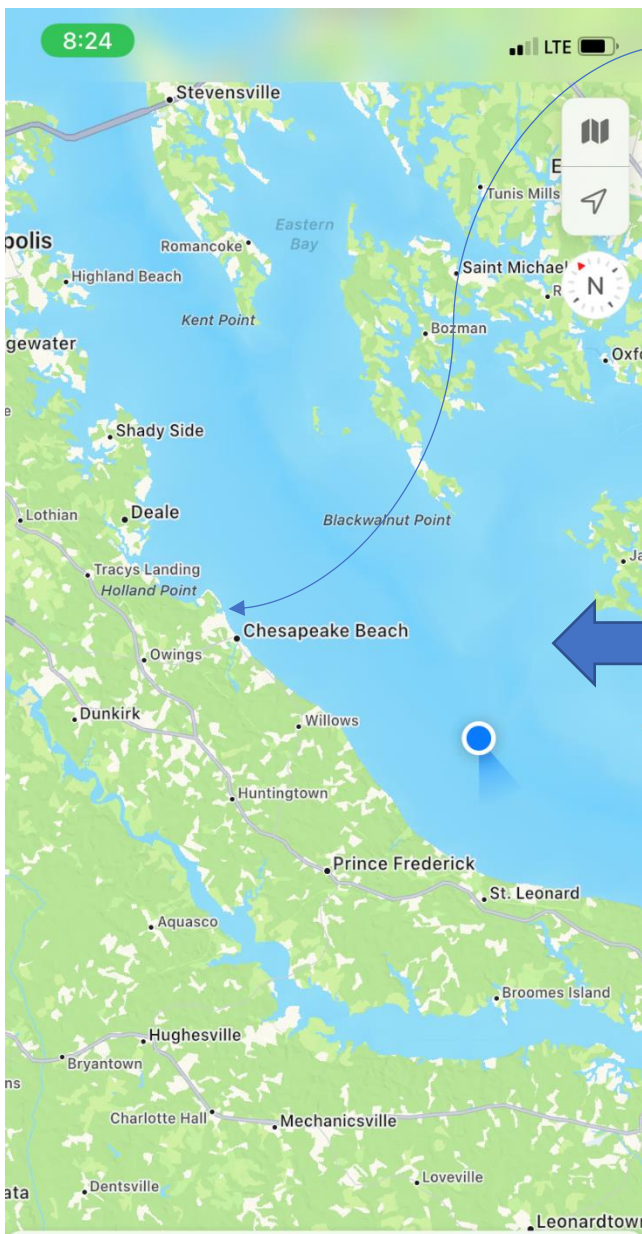
THIS MORNING'S SUNRISE IS JUST TOO MUCH. I GOT ALL THE FEELS GOING ON. WARM WEATHER, FLAT CALM WATER, AND ANOTHER DAY CRUISING IN (ON?) THE CHESAPEAKE BAY.



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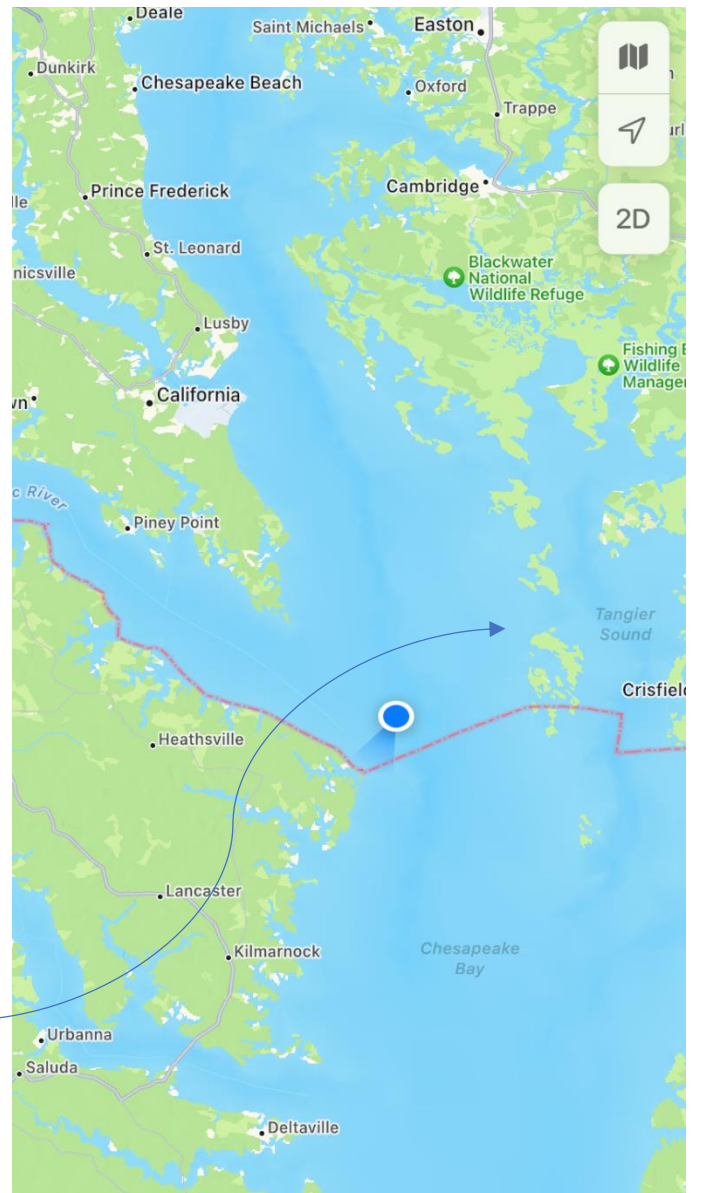
Click here for a 3-minute video of the sunrise

“Every time you hear a gunshot a bird loses its life.” -Mark Corbett
We can see hunters on the water this morning as well as a fellow transient headed to Florida.



Where we left from this morning.

We passed by Chesapeake Beach, Maryland this morning, Plum Point, Cove Point & the Cove Point Lighthouse. Eventually today we will pass by the Naval Air Station Patuxent River (NHK). We will pass the mouth of the Potomac River, which flows through Washington DC.



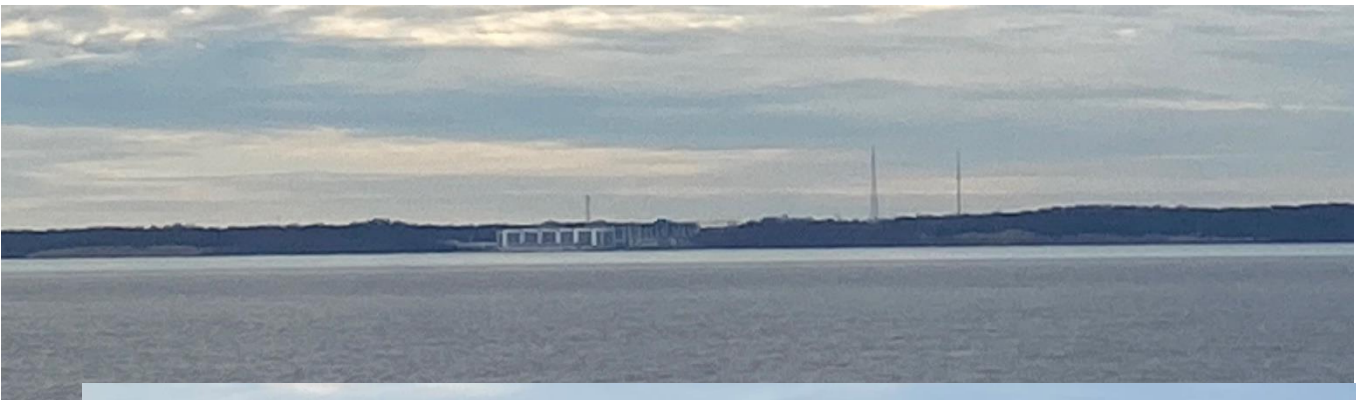
This afternoon we will pass Chesapeake Beach, Virginia but before we do we will be passing by several islands; Opossum Island, Upper Hooper Island, Wroten Island, Middle Hooper Island, and I bet you cannot guess.... Lower Hooper Island. Bloodsworth Island, Pone Island, South Marsh Island, Cherry Island, and Tangier Island.

*Why didn't I list Holland Island? Because it doesn't exist.
It did, once upon a time, but not anymore:
Holland Island was an island located in Chesapeake Bay, MD.
The island was home to fishermen and farmers but was later abandoned.
In 2012, **the island completely vanished**. Because of the erosion caused by
the rising sea level, Holland Island today lies underwater in
The Chesapeake Bay.- I Googled it*

8:23 a.m. We have a follower. We just passed Blackwalnut Point on our left. I wonder how long it will take for him to pass us? Bets anyone?



8:44 a.m. passing by The Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant.
Operating since 1975 it is the only nuclear power plant in Maryland.



9:31 a.m. we have been officially passed by the ship and we met and passed by this LNG tanker which I think is amazing because I have never seen anything like it. It is a carrier that transports liquefied natural gas.



There were 642 of these vessels at the end of 2020. www.statista.com



The tanker can pull up to this terminal and dock here. Part of the Cove Point gas liquefaction facility in Lusby, MD.



Cove Point Lighthouse, Lusby MD. This restored lighthouse can be rented as a vacation home! Yes, please!

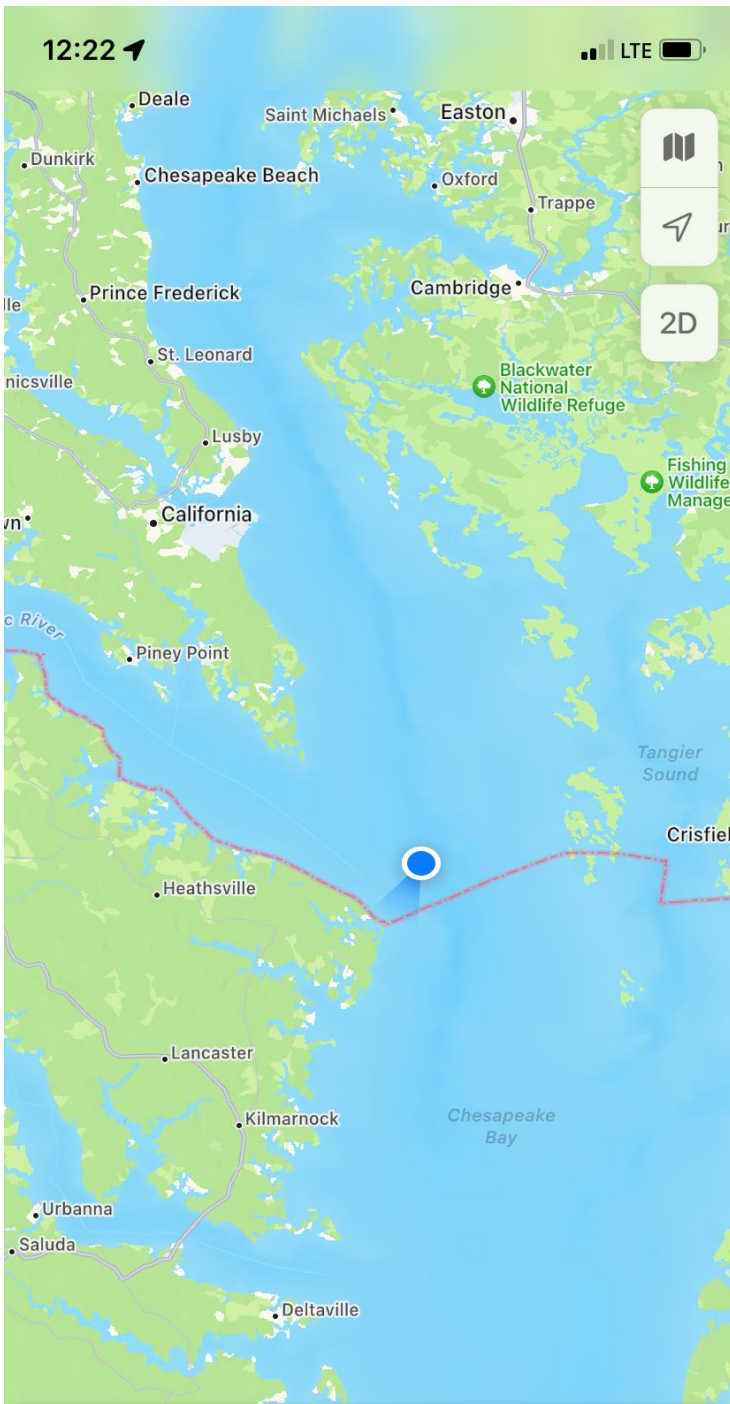


It can accommodate 16 guests. This is the oldest continuously operating lighthouse on the Chesapeake Bay. Built 1826.

Naval Air Station Patuxent River (NHK). So cool. Looking through the binoculars was so great. This thing is immense. Huge hangers. Massive radars; restricted for us boaters to get too close.

I did not get a good photo of the Naval Air Station. For one we were far away and second, I was so busy looking through the binoculars I didn't want to stop! I was just in awe of what I was seeing!





12:23 pm we are about to cross the border into Virginia. We have crossed where the Potomac meets the bay and we just got passed by this beautiful boat.



I broke from what has become a more normal routine these last few days and tried the use the rower.



I can best compare it to when I was a child on my bike and was going down a hill and the pedals were going so fast that I had to let my feet go and just let the bike take me. But then without warning, you find yourself on that same banana seat bike huffing and puffing up a hill that you had no time to gather speed to get up. I did not get nauseous but I felt the same sensation as being on a carnival ride, not a roller coaster, more like a jerky merry-go-round horse on an old antique carousel.

We are going to be meeting Mark's maritime friend in passing. He is on a tug called Ross Cea

Mark's talking to him via cell phone and radio.

He is out there...somewhere on the water....ahead of us.



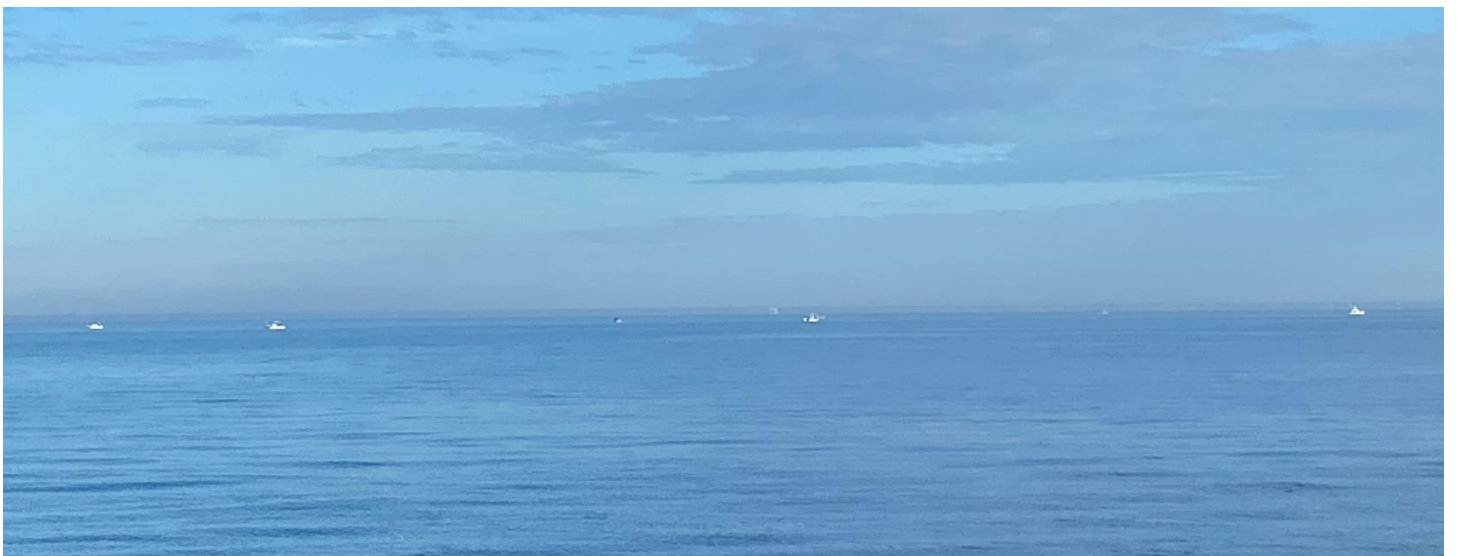
He said to bring it on in closer, so we did. We waved to each other and took each other's photos. It was cool.

We took these, and he took those and we sent them to each other!





There are a lot of pleasure boaters out there today taking advantage of the pristine beauty of the bay and exceptionally flat calm waters. We are not far from Tangier Island, famous for soft shell crab, a delicacy that has made the island famous worldwide – I Googled that!





It looks like it is raining in the distance. What you are seeing in this photo is where we will be headed tomorrow. In the meantime, we are turning into the channel that will lead us to tonight's destination.

4:00 p.m. We are here at Regatta Point Yachting Center, Deltaville, VA. We have electricity and a nice view. We will not be hooking up to live water.

Not fueling up here, but the dock fee is \$2.00/foot with a \$12 electric fee. They boast about state-of-the-art wifi but we will soon have to put that to the test by trying to load a video of us leaving NYC. I started last night but had no luck with last night's marina.



Haleigh made us food upon arrival. I have been snacking off a smorgasbord of a variety of treats that probably weren't meant to be eaten in one night. LoL.



Tonight we have a list of things we need to get done, including finalizing our Christmas travel plans for our Christmas in Vermont and watching the Polar Express.