

All Saints' Memorial Church

First Sunday of Advent

8 am and 10 am Sunday Holy Eucharist

Sunday, Nov 29th, 2020



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Welcome to All Saints' Memorial Church for worship!

Welcome to All Saints' Memorial Church for worship today! Thank you for joining us. So that we can all worship together as safely as possible, the Diocese of New Jersey along with All Saints' ask you to remember the following guidelines:

- **Face masks/Face coverings are needed for everyone over the age of 2.**
They must be worn at all times, except when receiving communion. We have extra adult masks if needed. Lectors and the Celebrant may remove their face mask if they are about 20 feet from the congregation.
- Please sit only in open/marked pews for Sunday services, and honor the seating capacity.
- Please use hand sanitizer on your way in, before seating.
- There will be no opening procession in the church due to the width of the aisle.
- You will notice that the kneelers have been removed so that we do not have to sanitize them. We will stand (as one is able) instead for the confession, Eucharistic prayer, and for the post communion prayer.
- While some music will be played during the 10 am service, there is no congregational singing.
- The Sign of the Peace is to be exchanged from your own place or pew by waving, bowing, or giving the peace sign. Handshakes, hugs, etc. are only to be exchanged among household family members.
- There will be no offertory procession, or passing of the plate. Please place your offering in the plate on the back table on your way in or your way out. A basket will be left out for outside services.
- Communion:
 - Only the bread will be distributed, and given in the hand.
 - For outside services, follow distribution directions given at the service.
 - In Church, please stand to receive communion to limit cross contamination of the altar rail.
 - Only one person/household in the aisle at a time, which may mean one person receiving communion at a time.
 - Please use the hand sanitizer provided on your way to communion.
 - After receiving please return to your seat. If you wish, you can sanitize your hands on the way back.
- In Church, after dismissal is pronounced, please leave beginning with the back pews to limit people passing one another on the way out.
- Please take your bulletin home or leave it in the marked container.
- There is no coffee hour on Sundays, and we ask that you return to your cars as soon as possible. Any/all conversations must take place out doors, with six feet of social distance between parties, and with masks on.

We know that these guidelines make for a very different worship experience. We pray for a swift end to this pandemic; but until then, we follow these guidelines to keep everyone safe.

This is how we love one another.

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Prelude

Veni, Veni Emmanuel

Gerald Near, 1997

All standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant: “Today we light the first candle of the Advent wreath. Each candle has a meaning. This first candle is HOPE.”

The candle is lit.

Scripture: “Psalm 33:20 – We wait in hope for the LORD; he is our help and our shield.”

Prayer: “Eternal God, as we await the coming of our savior, give us the courage to hope. Give us grace to see your plans of redemption for our lives, for this community, and for the world. Through Jesus Christ, the source of our redemption and hope. Amen.”

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People *And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

The Celebrant says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The following is said by all, standing

Celebrant: Lord, have mercy
People: *Christ, have mercy*
Celebrant: Lord, have mercy.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you
People: **And also with you**
Celebrant: Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated

READINGS

First Reading

Isaiah 64:1-9

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,
so that the mountains would quake at your presence--
as when fire kindles brushwood
and the fire causes water to boil--
to make your name known to your adversaries,
so that the nations might tremble at your presence!
When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.
From ages past no one has heard,
no ear has perceived,
no eye has seen any God besides you,
who works for those who wait for him.
You meet those who gladly do right,
those who remember you in your ways.
But you were angry, and we sinned;
because you hid yourself we transgressed.
We have all become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth.
We all fade like a leaf,
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
There is no one who calls on your name,
or attempts to take hold of you;
for you have hidden your face from us,
and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.

Yet, O LORD, you are our Father;
we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.

Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD,
and do not remember iniquity forever.
Now consider, we are all your people.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 80:1-7,16-18

Qui regis Israel

- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
- 2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.
- 3 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 4 O LORD God of hosts, *
how long will you be angered
despite the prayers of your people?
- 5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
- 6 You have made us the derision of our neighbors, *
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.
- 7 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.
- 17 And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.
- 18 Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as able

The Holy Gospel*Mark 13:24-37*

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

People:: Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus said, "In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. "From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. "But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated

Sermon

Mother Debbie

Please stand as able

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People *(remain standing)*

Leader: May we keep awake, watching for our Lord. Let us lift up our prayers and call upon your Name, saying: God of hosts: **Restore us.**

Shepherd of Israel, restore your Church. Give us eyes to see and acknowledge your good gifts, and strengthen us in mission and ministry for the sake of the gospel. God of hosts: **Restore us.**

Shepherd of Israel, we pray for this nation and all nations; may we learn to live together in peace and mutual respect. Empower our leaders to serve with justice and compassion for all. God of hosts: **Restore us.**

Shepherd of Israel, you work for those who wait for you. Hear the cries of the oppressed and needy, of those affected by pandemic and natural disaster, and come to their aid. Make us mindful of our interdependence on one another. Protect and guide those who serve, particularly our first responders and health care workers: Larry, Anthony, Pat, Chris, Bonnie, Jessie, Candy, Cass, Erin, Nick, Phil, Andrew, Jeremy. . God of hosts: **Restore us.**

Shepherd of Israel, give strength to the weak. Come quickly with healing in your wings to all those who suffer in body, mind or spirit. We lift up to you this day Thomas, Tom and Family, Alice Marie and Nicola, Rosalie, Josephine, Lou, Carol, Ellie & Joe, Valerie, Felix, 'G', Cathy, Ibb, Dan, Maureen, Joan, Barbara, Jack, Diane, Bob, Carol, Ann, Sean, Clara, Cheri . God of hosts: **Restore us.**

Shepherd of Israel, though we all fade like a leaf, still you are faithful. You have called your people in the fellowship of your Son forever. May those who have died, especially Rita, Ann, Michelle , rest in the light of your countenance; comfort and sustain those who mourn, especially Matlaga and Ward families, Sonia families. God of hosts: **Restore us.**

We invite your own prayers of intercession and thanksgiving at this time, either silently or aloud....

Celebrant: O Lord our God, stir up your strength and come to help us. May we keep alert and pay attention to the signs of your presence among us. All these prayers we lift up to you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, the true master. **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Remain standing

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

Celebrant
People

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Announcements for Mission and Ministry

Thanksgivings and prayers for special intentions.

Holy Communion

The people stand as able

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand as able

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last

days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

The Celebrant then continues

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us,
we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name;
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Music *(10 am only)*

Please be seated until you can come forward to receive. All persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion; come forward one at a time. Please use hand sanitizer before approaching altar. You may remove mask to receive communion; please put it back on after receiving communion.

For those worshipping with us online, you are invited to use the Prayer for Spiritual Communion.

After Communion, all stand for the final prayer and blessing.

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Dismissal

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| <i>Celebrant</i> | Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. |
| <i>People</i> | Thanks be to God. |

Postlude

Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying

Paul Kickstat, 1950

Please exit the Worship space/church, with rear pews exiting first, and transepts pews last.

For those worshipping with us online

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you.

May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

If you are coming to indoor worship, please make a reservation, or you may come to the door and be turned away due to a lack of seats. We will not do this lightly, but we are subject to a legal and social distancing limit of the number of persons in the building.

If you have **traveled** out of state, particularly to any of the states on the NJ Advisory list, you are requested by state advisory to quarantine for 14 days after your return. Additionally, **if you have been directly exposed** to anyone who has Covid-19, you are recommended to quarantine for 14 days. **To keep everyone safe, please refrain from attending in-person worship if either of these apply to you.**

If you have any symptoms known to Covid 19 (fever, muscle aches, headache, loss of smell or taste, nausea or vomiting, cough, trouble breathing, among others), please refrain from attending.

Face coverings/masks must be worn by all, except for very young children. If you cannot wear a mask due to a health condition, it is recommended that you do not attend for your own safety.

For all services needing reservations, please know that we will accommodate persons as best as we can; we ask that you be flexible in moving to a different worship time. You are requested to make a separate reservation for each week. If you need to cancel your reservation, please let us know as soon as possible so we can offer a seat to someone else. If a service is filled before the cut-off time, we will send out an email and/or text to let everyone know.

Sunday, 8:00 a.m.

Reservations open Mondays for the following Sunday.

Please call or text Linda Graybill at 973-202-0807. You will need to provide your name, a phone number, and the number of persons in your pew. *Reservations for a Sunday will close by noon on the day before (Saturday noon).* Availability is firstcome, first served; there will be up to 30 open slots, depending on the number of persons in a pew. Your seat will be held until the start of the service. One pew will be left open for potential guest(s).

Sunday, 10 a.m.

Reservations open Mondays for the following Sunday.

Please call or text Valerie Barradale at 732-673-2607. You will need to provide your name, a phone number, and the number of persons in your pew. *Reservations for a Sunday will close by noon the day before (Saturday noon).* Availability is first come, first served; there will be up to 30 open slots, depending on the number of persons in a pew. Your seat(s) will be held until service begins. One pew will be left open for potential guest(s).

Calendar of Events

Sunday, November 29th

Reservations needed for inside worship

8:00 am Holy Eucharist in Church

10:00 am Holy Eucharist in Church (live streamed)

No Coffee Hour

Tuesday, December 1st

9:00 pm Compline on Facebook Live

Wednesday, December 2nd

10:00 am Healing Service on Facebook Live

Thursday, December 3rd

9:00 pm Compline on Facebook Live

Saturday, December 5th

10:00am-4:00pm Outdoor Winterfest

Sunday, December 6th

Reservations needed for inside worship

8:00 am Holy Eucharist in Church

10:00 am Holy Eucharist in Church (live streamed)

No Coffee Hour

ON LINE GIVING OPTIONS

Text to Give:

- Text the word GIVE to 732-400-5774;
- If this is your first time, it will direct you to a screen to setup a giving method—either via credit card or using ACH (from your bank account). *Whatever method you pick will be the method Text-to-give continues to use for subsequent donations.*
- Enter the information and pick your amount.
- For future donations, text GIVE to the same number, answer the prompt for the amount, and the donation will be processed.

Rather do this from the web? Go to:

<https://allsaintsnavesink.breezechms.com/give/online>