

All Saints' Memorial Church

Second Sunday of Advent

8 am and 10 am Sunday Holy Eucharist

Sunday, December 5th, 2021



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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 (updated July 27th, 2021):

All are welcome—always!

Restrooms are located in the Parish Hall (the building closest to the parking lot).

Face masks/Face coverings are requested for everyone over the age of 2 for inside services or meetings. We have extra adult masks if needed.

Lectors, Eucharistic ministers and the Celebrant may remove their face masks when speaking and if they are fully vaccinated and socially distanced.

All pews are now open for seating. For those wishing to practice social distancing, seating is available in the transepts (the sides), and the two front pews.

The entire order of service with readings, except for the hymns, is contained in the bulletin.

Congregational singing has resumed. The music listed is for our 10 a.m. service. Our hymns and service music are located in the *blue 1982 Hymnal*. Service music is indicated by an 'S' in the front, and is located in the front part of the Hymnal. Hymns are indicated by their number in the Hymnal.

The Sign of the Peace is to be exchanged from your own pew by elbow or fist bumps, waving, bowing, or giving the peace sign to those in the pews surrounding you. Handshakes, hugs, etc. are only to be exchanged among household family members.

Communion: For now, only the bread will be distributed, and given in the hand.

Please take your bulletin home or leave it in the marked container.

Coffee Hour has resumed at the 10 am service. Please wear your mask when not eating or drinking, or gather outside especially if you are unvaccinated.

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. If you have any questions about All Saints' or The Episcopal Church, please feel free to speak to Mother Debbie after the service.

If you have been directly exposed to anyone who has Covid-19 and are not fully vaccinated, you are recommended to quarantine for 7 days.

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 persons for indoor services or meetings, except for very young children.

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Prelude

Once he came in blessing
Helmut Walcha, 1963

Hymn # 76

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
Winchester New

All standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant: "Today we light the first and second candles of the Advent wreath. Each candle has a meaning. The first candle is HOPE, the second candle is PEACE."

The candles are lit.

Scripture: "Colossians 3:15 – Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace."

Prayer: "Almighty God, you offer rest for our hearts, and peace for our souls. Give us grace to seek peace in our lives, peace in this community, and peace in the world. Through Jesus Christ, the prince of peace. 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.*

8 am Service: The following is said by all, standing

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

10 am service, sung:

Kyrie Eleison (9 fold)
Healy Willan, 1928

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.*

Collect for Episcopal Community Services Sunday

Loving and compassionate God, we thank you for your constant presence in our lives. Pour into our hearts such love for you that it overflows with acts of service for your people. As you cover us with your love, so may we work to provide shelters of wood, stone, and brick for all who are battered by the elements. May we set aside our own selfish wants and desires which blind us to the needs of our sisters and brothers and cause us to walk on the other side of the road. Grant that in your Kingdom all may together rest in security and love. *Amen.*

Please be seated

READINGS

First Reading

Baruch 5:1-9

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Canticle 16 Page 92, BCP

The Song of Zechariah

Benedictus Dominus Deus

Ad te, Domine, levavi

- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, *
and teach me your paths.

- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
 for you are the God of my salvation;
 in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
 for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
 remember me according to your love
 and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; *
 therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right *
 and teaches his way to the lowly.
- 9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness *
 to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

Second Reading

Philippians 1:3-11

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

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

Sequence Hymn # 721

Wild and lone prophet's voice
 Aberysthwyth

1 Wild and lone the prophet's voice
 echoes through the desert still,
 calling us to make a choice,
 bidding us to do God's will:
 "Turn from sin and be baptized,
 cleanse your heart and mind and soul.
 Quitting all the sins you prized,
 yield your life to God's control.

2 “Bear the fruit repentance sows:
lives of justice, truth and love.
Trust no other claim than those;
set your heart on things above.
Soon the Lord will come in power,
burning clean the threshing floor:
then will flames the chaff devour,
wheat alone shall fill God’s store.”

3 With such preaching stark and bold,
John proclaimed salvation near,
and his timeless warnings hold
words of hope to all who hear.
So we dare to journey on,
led by faith through ways untrod,
till we come at last like John
to behold the Lamb of God.

-Words: Carl P. Daw Jr., 1985

Please stand as able

The Holy Gospel

Luke 3:1-6

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

People:: Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know

that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. "Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

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: We are confident of this, that the One who began a good work among us will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. May we prepare our hearts for His arrival, praying: Fill the valleys; **Come, great Redeemer.**

Merciful God, increase our love to overflowing. Make your Church pure and blameless that we may greet with joy the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Let us pray saying, Fill the valleys; **Come, great Redeemer.**

Merciful God, we long for the light of hope to break into the world, to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, to guide us into the way of peace. We pray for the work and ministry of Episcopal Community Services NJ. Let us pray, saying: Fill the valleys; **Come, great Redeemer.**

Merciful God, give us grace to heed the warnings of those calling us to be better stewards of your creation. We thank you for all you have made, especially those things that sustain and better our lives. Let us pray, saying: Fill the valleys; **Come, great Redeemer.**

Merciful God, you lead us with joy; you delight in our joy. You clothe us in beauty. We give you thanks for your tender care, and for all the blessings of our lives. Let us pray, saying: Fill the valleys; **Come, great Redeemer.**

Merciful God, you remember your children. You do not leave them in sorrow or affliction. Crown your children with glory; clothe them with righteousness. We pray for healing for all who suffer, particularly Shelia, Mary-Elisabeth, Virginia, Valerie, Chris, Joan, Eric, Jimmy, Alice, Missy, Cheri, Noelle, Joycelyn, Sue, Regina, Thomas, Tom and Family, Alice, Marie, Nicola, Stephanie, Dorisann, Will and Miriam. Let us pray, saying: Fill the valleys; **Come, great Redeemer.**

Merciful God, protect and guide those who serve here and abroad, particularly service members, first responders and health care workers: Neema, Sonia, Larry, Anthony, Pat, Chris, Bonnie, Jessie, Trent, Candy, Cass, Erin, Nick, Phil, Andrew and Jeremy. Let us pray, saying: Fill the valleys; **Come, great Redeemer.**

Merciful God, you have raised up for us salvation through your Son. Keep us, with all your saints, in the eternal life of Christ. We remember all those who have died, particularly Mary Ellen, and we pray for comfort and peace for those who mourn, particularly Wilson and Hertz Families. Let us pray, saying: Fill the valleys; **Come, great Redeemer.**

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

Celebrant: Lord, gather up our prayers with those of all your people in every place, and as you prepare the way, making every valley filled and every mountain brought low, guide us to Christ our Lord. **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 The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Announcements for Mission and Ministry

Thanksgivings and prayers for special intentions

Offertory

Jesus Christ the Apple Tree
Daniel Pinkham, 1990

Doxology, Hymn # 43, v 4 *(please stand)*

The Eighth Tune

Eucharistic Prayer B

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:

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread; A period of silence is kept.

The Fraction Anthem (*sung by all at 10 am*)

SI64

For 8 a.m. spoken:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: *have mercy on us*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: *have mercy on us.*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: *grant us peace.*

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 Hymn #339

*Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness
Schmücke Dich*

Please be seated until you can come forward to receive. All persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. 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

Recessional Hymn #59

*Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding
Merton*

Dismissal

*Celebrant
People*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Once he came in blessing
Marcel Dupré, 1930

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.

Christmas Services

Friday, December 24th

4:30 pm Family & Children's Service with Communion

7:30 pm Caroling

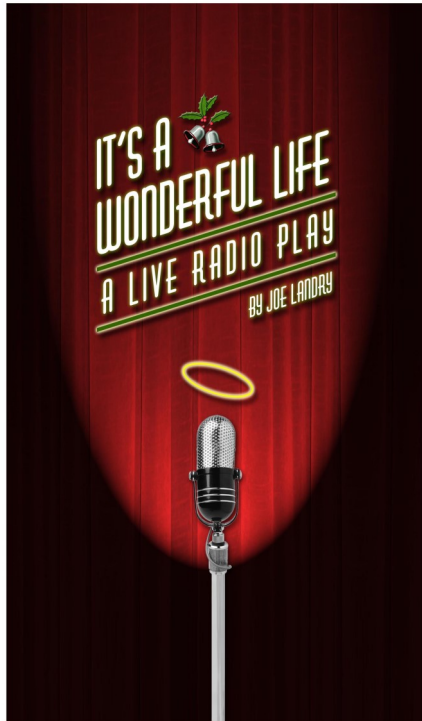
8:00 pm Choral Service of Holy Eucharist (*livestreamed*)

Saturday, December 25

10 am Said service of Holy Eucharist



**The Stone Church Players
Present:**



**December 4th at 8pm
December 5th at 2pm
Tickets At The Door**



Calendar of Events

Sunday, December 5th

8:00 am Holy Eucharist in Church

10 am Sunday School in Parish Hall

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

11:00 am ECW Coffee Sale in the Parish Hall

2 pm Stone Church Players present "It's a Wonderful Life"

Tuesday, December 7th

9:00 pm Compline on Facebook Live

Wednesday, December 8th

10:00 am Healing Service in Church (livestreamed)

11 am Adult formation in Parish hall

Thursday, December 9th

9:00 pm Compline on Facebook Live

Saturday, December 11th

8:15 am Mens' Breakfast/Prayer/Study in Rectory

Sunday, December 12th

8:00 am Holy Eucharist in Church

10 am Sunday School in Parish Hall

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

Last Day for Giving Tree donations

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:

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