

All Saints' Memorial Church

The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8 am & 10 am Holy Eucharist

September 1st, 2024



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Welcome to All Saints' Memorial Church for worship!

Whether this is your first time here, or a first time in a long time, please know a few things:

All are welcome—always!

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

The entire order of service with readings, except for the hymns, is contained in the bulletin. Hymns are sung at the 10 am service only.

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.

We normally stand to sing the hymns, for the reading of the gospel and prayers; and are seated for readings, Psalm, and the homily. It is traditional to kneel for the confession.

The Sign of the Peace is to be exchanged from your own pew. Please respect your neighbor's choice of greeting whether it is by handshake, or by elbow or fist bumps, waving, bowing, or giving the peace sign to those in the pews surrounding you.

All are welcome to receive communion regardless of age or your faith background:

Ushers will guide you to the communion rail; you may receive communion either standing or kneeling.

We receive bread in the hand. You may retain it to dip into the cup; please be careful so fingers do not touch the wine. You may also drink from the cup if you wish.

You may also come to the altar for blessing instead; please indicate by crossing your arms over your chest, or tell the priest.

If you are unable to make the trip to the communion rail, please let the ushers know and communion will be brought to you.

Please join us for food and fellowship after the service in our Parish Hall!

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.

Note:

If you have been directly exposed to anyone who has Covid-19 and are not fully vaccinated, you are recommended to quarantine for 5 days. **If you have been directly exposed** to anyone symptomatic with Covid-19 **and** are fully vaccinated, masking is recommended for five days.

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

If you are immuno-compromised and need a mask, we have them available at the entrance table.

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Prelude

Sinfonia 2 in c-Moll. BWV 788
Johann Sebastian Bach, 1723

Please Stand as able

Processional Hymn #398

I Sing the Almighty Power of God
Forest Green

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his Kingdom, now and forever. 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.**

Gloria in excelsis

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**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

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

Collect of the Day

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated

READINGS

First Reading

Song of Solomon 2:8-13

The voice of my beloved! Look, he comes, leaping upon the mountains, bounding over the hills. My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag. Look, there he stands behind our wall, gazing in at the windows, looking through the lattice. My beloved speaks and says to me:

"Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away; for now the winter is past, the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land. The fig tree puts forth its figs, and the vines are in blossom; they give forth fragrance. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 45:1-2,7-10

said responsively by whole verse

- 1 My heart is stirring with a noble song;
let me recite what I have fashioned for the king; *
my tongue shall be the pen of a skilled writer.
- 2 You are the fairest of men; *
grace flows from your lips,
because God has blessed you for ever.
- 7 Your throne, O God, endures for ever and ever, *
a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of your kingdom;
you love righteousness and hate iniquity.
- 8 Therefore God, your God, has anointed you *
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.

9 All your garments are fragrant with myrrh, aloes, and cassia, *
and the music of strings from ivory palaces makes you glad.

10 Kings' daughters stand among the ladies of the court; *
on your right hand is the queen,
adorned with the gold of Ophir.

Second Reading

James 1:17-27

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.

If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

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

Please stand as able

Sequence Hymn #383

Fairest Lord Jesus
St Elizabeth

The Holy Gospel

Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23

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

People:: **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” He said to them, “Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

‘This people honors me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me;
in vain do they worship me,
teaching human precepts as doctrines.’

You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.”

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, “Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.” For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Please be seated

Sermon

Mother Debbie

Please stand as able

Nicene Creed *(say together)*

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: Knowing that God hears our prayers when they are made in sincerity and humility, we pray for our church and our world in our time of need, saying: **Hear us, good Lord.**

We pray for the church that its structures promote justice, its teachings foster integrity of heart, and its ministry models compassion. We pray for church leaders, particularly our Bishops, to be filled and guided by your spirit. We pray for those who teach the word of God that they may embrace the justice of God in their own hearts as they call us into the life of God. Gracious God: **Hear us, good Lord.**

We pray for our world that we will be freed from that hypocrisy which lurks in our hearts, when we seek the assurance of external observance without the commitment of faith. Gracious God: **Hear us, good Lord.**

We pray, in this new school year, for all teachers, students and school professionals, that all may know safe and enriching school environments and be encouraged to grow and learn. Gracious God: **Hear us, good Lord.**

We pray that we may be delivered all sinful intentions that can infect our hearts, and make room for justice and peace to grow and fill our lives so that we may live in harmony with one another. We pray for those who serve, particularly service members, first responders and health care workers: Max, Ryan, John, Neema, Sonia, Anthony, Pat, Bonnie, Jessie, Trent, Candy, Erin, Nick, Phil, Andrew and Jeremy; grant them protection and grace. Gracious God: **Hear us, good Lord.**

We pray for your healing and mercy for those in need, particularly Connie, Alice, Tricia, Patty, Michael, Erin, Russell, Janet, Virginia, Dan, Laurie, Guy, William, Maureen, Kathy, Mary, Harry, Valerie, Chris, John, Pam, Clara & John, Miriam, Ray, Elsie, Libby, Georgia, Larry, Willy, Linda, Lydia, Ibbey, Karen, Eleanor, John, Lee, Olga. Gracious God: **Hear us, good Lord.**

We pray for those who have died that they may dwell with the saints, remembering this day Peggy, Chantel, Stephen, Jenny, Jackie, and we pray for comfort for those who mourn, particularly the Letts/Burrus family, the Slovenz/Ellis family, the Scandariato family, the Lansing/Funes family, and the Roilland/Bazin family. Gracious God: **Hear us, good Lord.**

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

Celebrant: All just and merciful God, you know our wants, and you know our true needs. May you attend to our prayers, direct our hearts in the way of justice and mercy, and enlighten our minds that we may know your holy will. We ask this through the just One, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the power of the Holy Spirit, One God forever and ever. **Amen.**

Please kneel or remain standing for the Confession:

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 alone stands and says

Celebrant continues and the people may stand as able or kneel:

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.

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

(Together)

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.

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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People: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for you, 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

Air in D-Dur. BWV 1068

Bach, 1731

Please be seated until you can come forward to receive; usher will guide you.. All persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. We receive bread in the hand. You may retain it to dip into the cup; please be careful so fingers do not touch the wine. You may also drink from the cup. 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 #416

For the Beauty of the Earth

Dix (288)

Dismissal

Celebrant
People

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

Postlude

Marsch in C-Dur. BWV Anh. 145
Bach, 1757

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.

Save the Dates

Sunday, September 8th
September Family/Children's service at 9 am

Sunday, September 15
Choir returns to our 10 am service

Wednesday, September 18th @ 11 am
Adult Formation begins

Saturday, October 5th
'Q for a Cause with the Waterwitch Foundation and the Jam Band

Sunday October 6th
Blessing of the Animals
2 pm

Sunday October 13th
October Family/Children's Service @ 9 am

Sunday, October 27
Candlelight Concert

**The Stone Church
Players Present**



“Twelfth Night”

***Shakespeare
in the Sheds***

September 6th—15th

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Calendar of Events

Sunday, September 1st

Labor Day Weekend

8:00 am Holy Eucharist (said) in Church

10:00 am Holy Eucharist (w/music) in Church (livestreamed)

Coffee Hour in Parish Hall

Tuesday, September 3rd

1:30 pm Chair Yoga with Laura in Hall

6:00 pm Yoga with Laura in Parish Hall

9:00 pm Compline on Facebook Live

Wednesday, September 4th

10:00 am Healing Service in Church

Thursday, September 5th

9:00 pm Compline on Facebook Live

Friday, September 6th

7:30 pm Twelfth Night performance

Saturday, September 7th

7:30 pm Twelfth Night performance

Sunday, September 8th

8:00 am Holy Eucharist (said) in Church

9:00 am Family/Children's Service in Church

10:00 am Holy Eucharist (w/music) in Church (livestreamed)

Coffee Hour in Parish Hall

2:00 pm Twelfth Night performance

Note

*Stone Church Players rehearsals for 'Twelfth Night'
will be taking place most Monday—Thursday nights through Sept 5th
In the sheds or the church.*