

All Saints' Memorial Church

Second Sunday in Lent

8am and 10am Sunday Service

February 28, 2021



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Welcome to All Saints' Memorial Church!

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 services, and honor the seating capacity.
- Please use hand sanitizer on your way in before seating, there is also sanitizer in the pews.
- 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 service, there is no congregational singing inside.
- 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 with you .

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

Christe, aller Welt Trost. BWV 673J. S.
Bach, 1739

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
People His mercy endures for ever.

The Celebrant may read

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

The Celebrant then says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.
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 stands and 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

Lord, have mercy

Christ, have mercy

Lord, have mercy.

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Please be seated.

READINGS

First Reading

Genesis 17:1-7,15-16

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.” Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, “As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22:22-30

Deus, Deus meu

- 22 Praise the LORD, you that fear him; *
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;
all you of Jacob's line, give glory.
- 23 For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither does he hide his face from them; *
but when they cry to him he hears them.
- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
- 25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: *
"May your heart live for ever!"
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 27 For kingship belongs to the LORD; *
he rules over the nations.
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.
- 29 My soul shall live for him;
my descendants shall serve him; *
they shall be known as the LORD'S for ever.
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

Second Reading

Romans 4:13-25

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own

body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able

The Holy Gospel

Mark 8:31-38

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ

Please be seated

Please stand as you are able

The 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

Leader: God, we praise you and give you glory. Hear our prayers as we turn to you in faith, saying: Righteous God: **Hear our prayer.**

Lord Jesus, you invite us to follow you: Give your Church the courage and will to risk any and everything for the sake of the gospel. May we be bold in witness and faithful in discipleship. Righteous God: **Hear our prayer.**

God our King, you rule over the nations; give our leaders a heart for justice, compassion, and reconciliation. Righteous God: **Hear our prayer.**

God of Abraham and Sarah, you bring life out of barren places: renew the creation. Forgive us our misuse and neglect of your gifts. Help us to live as good stewards of the earth and one another. Satisfy and care for the poor, the hungry, the homeless and those suffering from the effects of pandemic, violence and abuse. Righteous God: **Hear our prayer.**

Merciful God, be gracious to your Church in the place. Strengthen our parishes as we make our Lenten journey. May we faithfully make known your saving deeds. Righteous God: **Hear our prayer.**

Servant Lord, protect and guide all those who serve in our communities and abroad. Help us to all follow your example of loving service. We lift up to you this day all those who serve, particularly first responders and health care workers: Sonia, Larry, Anthony, Pat, Chris, Bonnie, Jessie, Trent, Candy, Cass Erin, Nick, Phil, Andrew and Jeremy. Righteous God: **Hear our prayer.**

Gracious Lord, you hide not your face from those in need: we trust in your faithfulness. Hear our prayers for those in pain and distress, particularly Laura, Tricia, Jessica, Jerry, Marc, Richard, Walter, Stephanie, Gail, Arlene & Butch, Bob, Carol, Alex, Rob, Caitlin, Scott, Jackie, Enza, Irene, Wendy, Jeanne, Iain, Michele, Will & Miriam, Betty, Dorisann, Lisa & Jeff, Cheri, Clara, Diane, Bob, Carol, Ann, Joan, Ibbey, Maureen, Cathy, Valerie, Felix, 'G', Thomas, Tom and family, Alice Marie & Nicola, Rosalie, Josephine, Lou, Carol. Give them healing and peace. Righteous God: **Hear our prayer.**

Everliving God, you give eternal life to those who have died, especially Stanley, George, Dan Michelle, and call into existence the things that do not exist; hoping against hope, we trust in your promises and look for the day of resurrection. Comfort and sustain all those who mourn, especially the Midrose, Hunt/Pryde, Hertz/Hurd families and Sonia. Righteous God: **Hear our prayer.**

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

Celebrant: Lord, help us to keep our minds on divine things and not on human things. May we love you enough to deny our lives for your sake, and find our new life in you. Hear our cries and do not turn your face from us. All this ask in the name of Jesus, your Son. **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 Music

Air, Suite in c

Johann Mattheson, 1714

Holy Communion **Eucharistic Prayer C**

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.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sanctus

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 Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for

strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *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.

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 Music

Air, Suite in D. BWV 1068

Bach, 1731

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

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

The priest blesses the people, saying

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and all those you love and whose lives you touch now and always. *Amen.*

Dismissal

Celebrant

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

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.

Liturgy in Lent

Beginning today, there will be a few changes to embrace the themes of Lent: repentance and self-examination as well as a renewal of right relationship between us and our Lord. It is the practice of All Saints' and many Episcopal churches to change music and liturgy to reflect the season, to instill in us focus of the season. Some of these changes are:

The primary liturgical change most are aware of is dropping the use of 'Alleluia' or certain songs of praise. This expression of joy will return at our Easter Vigil service on April 3rd.

On the First Sunday of Lent, February 21, both of our services will open with the Great Litany, the first set of prayers or liturgy translated from the Latin into English during the time of Henry VIII.

The remaining Sundays of Lent, except for Palm Sunday, we will begin the service with the Penitential Rite, which precedes the opening Eucharist. In using the Penitential Rite, we open the service with Confession, which means that we are moving it to the front of the service as we enter into worship.

We will be using Eucharistic Prayer C, which begins on page 369 of the Book of Common Prayer. Please note that there is a series of congregational responses woven throughout the Prayer.

We will be using the Post-communion Prayer found on page 366 of the Book of Common Prayer.

The season of Lent is an ancient practice and a key season for us all; and our worship helps remind us of that.

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 re-

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*

Calendar

Sunday, February 28st

Reservations needed for worship

8:00 am Holy Eucharist in Church

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

Tuesday, March 2nd

9:00 pm Compline on Facebook Live

Wednesday, March 3rd

10:00 am Healing Service on Facebook Live

Thursday, March 4th

7:00-9:00pm Landmark Trust Meeting (online)

9:00pm Compline on Facebook Live

Saturday, March 6th

Diocesan Convention (online)

Sunday, March 7th

Reservations needed for worship

8:00 am Holy Eucharist in Church

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

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