

# THE 16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 17, 2023 10:30 AM



ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

# Welcome to All Saints!

## FIRST TIME WORSHIPING AT ALL SAINTS?

Are you new to All Saints or the surrounding area? We are excited to welcome you and would love to learn more about you. Please take a moment to complete a visitor's card and place it in the offering basket. By doing so, you can let us know how we can include you in our community. Additionally, at the usher's tables, you can find visitor's cards and doodle bags for children, ensuring everyone feels welcome and engaged.

To discover more about our various ministries, we encourage you to visit our website at [allsaintsrichmond.org](http://allsaintsrichmond.org). For the latest updates and information, we invite you to follow us on Facebook and Instagram: AllSaintsRVA. This way, you can stay connected with our community and upcoming events.

We look forward to getting to know you better and sharing the journey of faith together at All Saints.

## RESTROOMS

Restrooms are located at the back of the church off the Narthex (entrance to the church) and at the end of the Cloister hallway.

## CONTACT THE CLERGY

All Saints clergy are eager to hear from you if you have questions, concerns, or a pastoral emergency. Contact can be made by phoning the church at 804.288.7811

## FAMILIES IN WORSHIP

We warmly welcome children of all ages to join us for worship. As you enter the church, you will find colorful bags near the entrances and in the Cloister. These bags are filled with coloring pages, a children's lesson, and crayons. Additionally, we have a table at the back entrance offering books for younger children to borrow, as well as paper and word puzzles for older kids.

If you have a child between the ages of 3 and 5th grade who would enjoy Children's Chapel, we invite them to meet our Christian Formation volunteers during the Song of Praise near the Cloister (hallway) entrance to the church. They will be taken to the Children's Chapel upstairs, where they can participate in a lesson, engage in a craft activity, and enjoy a snack. Parents are welcome to join their children at any time.

During the announcements, we will return your child(ren) and ensure they find their way back to your pew safely.

## SUNDAYS AT ALL SAINTS

*Our Nursery is open from 10:00 a.m. to Noon.*

**8:00 a.m.**

Holy Eucharist Rite I in the Chapel

**10:30 a.m.**

Holy Eucharist Rite II in the Church

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO

## OPENING VOLUNTARY

Meditation

Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

**HYMN #376** (*Sung by all, standing*)

The Hymnal 1982

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee

*Hymn to Joy*

## THE WORD OF GOD

*Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 355*

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

## THE OPENING SENTENCE

**J**ESUS SAID, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your 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 commandment greater than these." *Mark 12:29-31*

*During the Song of Praise, children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to Children's Chapel. Kids (and parents or friends) may follow the wooden cross. All will return during the Peace.*

## SONG OF PRAISE

from *Wonder, Love, & Praise*

Through north and south and east and west May God's im-mor-tal name be  
blessed: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Till  
ev' - ry - where be - neath the sun, God's reign be - gins; God's will is

done: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

BCP, p. 233

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

**O** GOD, BECAUSE WITHOUT YOU we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**THE FIRST READING** (*Please be seated*)

Genesis 50:15-21

**R**EALIZING THAT THEIR FATHER WAS DEAD, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

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

**PSALM 103:8-13** (*Sung by the choir, tone by Kellow Pye*)

BCP, p. 733

- <sup>8</sup> The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, \*  
slow to anger and of great kindness.
- <sup>9</sup> He will not always accuse us, \*  
nor will he keep his anger for ever.
- <sup>10</sup> He has not dealt with us according to our sins, \*  
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.
- <sup>11</sup> For as the heavens are high above the earth, \*  
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.
- <sup>12</sup> As far as the east is from the west, \*  
so far has he removed our sins from us.
- <sup>13</sup> As a father cares for his children, \*  
so does the Lord care for those who fear him.

**W**ELCOME THOSE WHO ARE WEAK IN FAITH, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

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

**HYMN #675** (*Sung by all, standing*)

The Hymnal 1982

"Forgive our sins as we forgive"

*Detroit*

**THE GOSPEL** (*Please remain standing*)

Matthew 18:21-25

*Officiant*       The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
*People*           **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**P**ETER CAME AND SAID TO JESUS, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

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

**THE SERMON**

The Rev. Ben Robertson

**W**e 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.

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** (*Please stand or kneel*)

BCP, p. 387

*Leader* Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
*People* **That we all may be one.**

*Leader* Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
*People* **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

*Leader* We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;  
*People* **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

*Leader* We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;  
*People* **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

*Leader* Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
*People* **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

*Leader* Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
*People* **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

*Leader* Give to the departed eternal rest.  
*People* **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

*Leader* We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
*People* **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

*Leader* Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*The People may add their own petitions. The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

#### CONFESSION OF SIN

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence.*

*All* **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.**

*Celebrant* 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.**

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

To support the mission and ministry of All Saints, you can make a donation by placing your offering in the plates passed through the congregation, or by scanning this QR Code to make a donation online through [allsaintsrichmond.org](http://allsaintsrichmond.org).



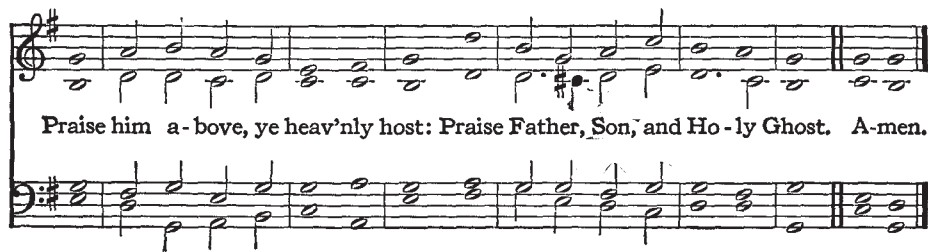
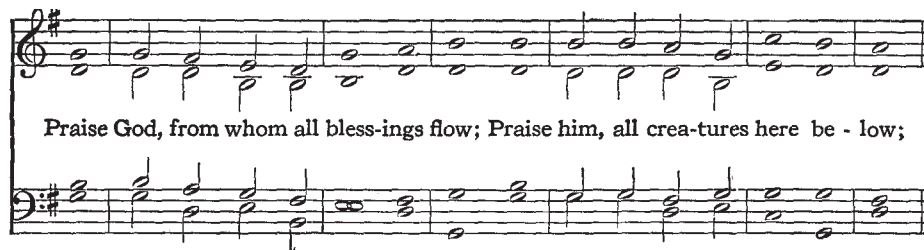
## OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY

Ezekiel 36:26, Music by Melissa Dunphy (b. 1980)

**I** WILL GIVE YOU A NEW HEART and put a new spirit within you; I will take away your heart of stone; I will give you a heart of flesh.

## AT THE PRESENTATION, all sing . . .

The Hymnal 1940 #139



## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

BCP, p. 369

*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 our 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:

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It begins with a fermata over the first measure, marked with a '2'. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are full of thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high - est.' The score includes various musical notations such as eighth notes, quarter notes, and a triplet of eighth notes.

Setting: Mary Beth Bennett (for the 2022 Association of Anglican Musicians Conference, Richmond, Virginia)

*The people stand or kneel. 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 th 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.**

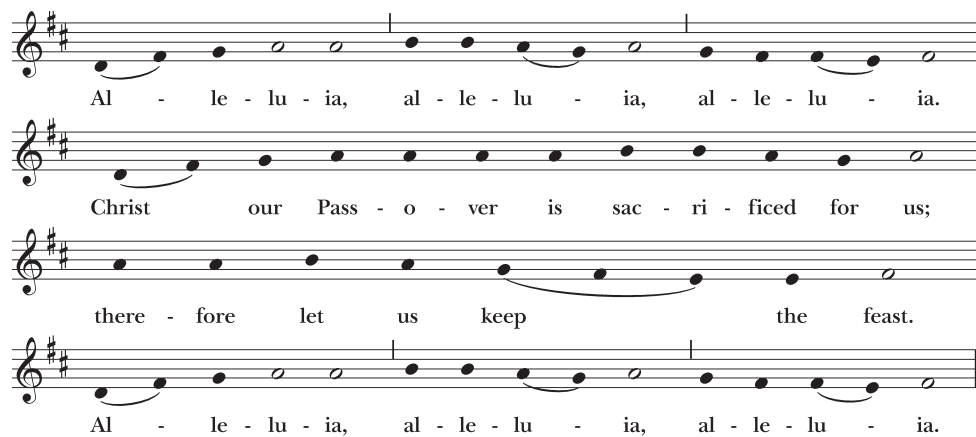
**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

BCP, p. 364

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

**O**UR 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 & FRACTION ANTHEM



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
there - fore let us keep the feast.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Music: From *New Plainsong*; David Hurd (b. 1950). Copyright © 1981 GIA Publications, Inc.

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Celebrant* 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.

### REGARDING COMMUNION

*All who seek a closer relationship with Christ are invited to his table. The ushers will let you know when it is your turn to approach the altar where you may either kneel or stand at the railing. To receive the bread, simply hold out your hands, palms crossed, and a wafer will be placed in them. Gluten free wafers are available upon request. Wine is offered from a common cup from which you may sip, or you may dip your wafer into a separately offered intinction cup. If you prefer not to receive wine, you may leave the rail after you've consumed the bread. If you prefer to receive a blessing, simply cross your arms across your chest when the priest approaches.*

**COMMUNION VOLUNTARY** Words for the Antiphon for Maundy Thursday Foot Washing; Music by Maurice Duruflé

**U**BI CARITAS ET AMOR, Deus ibi est.  
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.  
Exultemus, et in ipso iucundemur.  
Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.  
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.

*Where charity and love are, God is there.  
Christ's love has gathered us into one.  
Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him.  
Let us fear, and let us love the living God.  
And may we love each other with a sincere heart.*

## COMMUNION HYMNS

#645, The King of love my shepherd is

*St. Columba*

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER** (*Please stand*)

BCP, p. 365

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**E**TERNAL 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.

## THE BLESSING

**HYMN #390** (*Sung by all, standing*)

The Hymnal 1982

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

*Lobe den Herren*

**THE DISMISSAL**

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

Toccatà

John Weaver (1937-2021)

## PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S LITURGY

The Reverend Ben Robertson, *Celebrant*

Bob & Jane Wayland, *Lay Ministers*

Spencer Gaffney & James Segneri, *Acolytes*

Scott Hayes, *Choirmaster*

Daniel Stipe, *Organist*

The Choir of Men & Teens with the Choral Scholars

Ernie Leasure & Team, *Ushers*

Gretchen Cosgrove & Team, *Altar Guild*

Will Jackson & Chan Dau, *A/V Volunteers*

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## PRAYER LIST

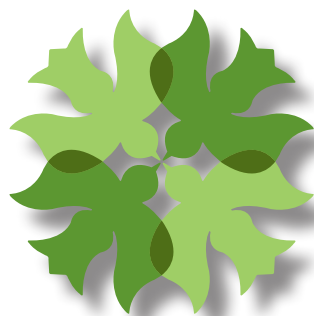
**We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially:** Claudia Segneri, Rebecca Taylor, Chan Dau, Amour Dau, Jim Jollay, Gwynn Litchfield, Wendy Wurlitzer, Jane Wayland, Jack Burgoyne, Sam Popp, Nadira Berry, and Darlene Spires

**We give thanks for those celebrating anniversaries this week, especially:** Matt & Erin Anderson

**The Altar Flowers** are given by Ann Ward to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her husband Fred.

**We lift in prayer those who are sick or distressed, especially:** Alice, Don, Emily Bardeen, Ted Bishop, Jane Scott Chapin, Cliff Fleet, Norma Hyman, Katherine, Doris Leonard, Sun Lynch, Anne Oliver, Cliff Pierce, Pat Poulson, Carol Rhodes, George Cole Scott, Spencer Semmes, Steve, Shannon, and Pat & Diane Taylor

We pray for those who have died, especially: Mac Christian & Matthew Salomonsky



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