

# ALL SAINTS

## THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II DECEMBER 1, 2024 10:30

**Welcome to All Saints Episcopal Church!** Whether you are a first time visitor or you have been a part of All Saints for generations, thank you for joining us this morning. We invite you to explore how All Saints can be a part of your journey with God.

**Dear Visitors,** if you are visiting, passing through, or searching for a spiritual home, you honor us by your presence. Please complete a welcome card found in the pew racks and place it in the offering plate, or hand it to an usher or clergy person. We are so glad you are here!

### OPENING VOLUNTARY

THE MATIN RESPONSORY (*Sung by the choir.*)

G.P. da Palestrina (ca. 1525-1594)

**LOOK FROM AFAR:** And lo, I see the pow'r of God coming, and a cloud cov'ring the whole earth. Go ye out to meet him and say: Tell us, art thou he that should come to reign over thy people Israel? High and low, rich and poor, one with another. Go ye out to meet him and say: Hear, O thou shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep: Tell us, art thou he that should come? Stir up thy strength, O Lord, and come: to reign over thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

HYMN #59 (*Sung by all. Please stand.*)

The Hymnal 1982



1 Hark! a thrill - ing voice is sound - ing, "Christ is nigh," it seems to say;  
2 Wak - ened by the sol - emn warn - ing, from earth's bond - age let us rise;  
3 Lo! the Lamb, so long ex - pect - ed, comes with par - don down from heav'n;  
4 so when next he comes with glo - ry, and the world is wrapped in fear,  
5 Hon - or, glo - ry, might, and bless - ing to the Fa - ther and the Son,



"Cast a - way the works of dark - ness, O ye chil - dren of the day."  
Christ, our sun, all sloth dis - pel - ling, shines up - on the morn - ing skies.  
let us haste, with tears of sor - row, one and all to be for - giv'n;  
may he with his mer - cy shield us, and with words of love draw near.  
with the ev - er - last - ing Spi - rit while un - end - ing a - ges run.

Words: Latin, ca. 6th cent.; tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, alt.

Music: *Merton*, William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

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

**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 Kyrie Eleison, young people age 3 through 5th grade may follow the wooden cross to Children's Chapel. All will return during the Peace.*

KYRIE ELEISON

The Hymnal 1982, S-96

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.  
 Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have  
 mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.

Setting: From *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

**A**Lmighty 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.**

THE FIRST READING (*Please be seated.*)

Jeremiah 33:14-16

**T**HE 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.**



Lead me in your truth, O LORD, and teach me.

**ANTIPHON**

- 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.

**ANTIPHON**

**THE EPISTLE**

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

**H**OW 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.**



1 Signs of end - ings all a - round us dark - ness, death, and win - ter days  
 2 Can it be that from our end - ings, new be - gin - ings you cre - ate?  
 3 Speak, O God, your Word a - mong us. Bar - ren lives your pres - ence fill.



shroud our lives in fear and sad - ness, numb - ing mouths that long to praise.  
 Life from death, and from our rend - ings, realms of whole - ness gen - er - ate?  
 Swell our hearts with songs of glad - ness, ter - rors calm fore - bod - ings still.



Come, O Christ, and dwell a - mong us! Hear our cries, come set us free.  
 Take our fears, then Lord, and turn them in - to hopes for life a - new:  
 Let your pro - mised realm of jus - tice blos - som now through - out the earth;



Give us hope and faith and glad - ness. Show us what there yet can be.  
 Fad - ing light and dy - ing sea - son sing their Glo - ri - as to you.  
 your dom - in - ion bring now near us; we a - wait the sav - ing birth.

Words: Dean W. Nelson (b. 1944) © 1988 Dean W. Nelson  
 Music: *Ton-y-Boitel*, Thomas John Williams (1869-1944)

THE GOSPEL (Please stand.)

Luke 21:25-36

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

**J**ESUS 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."

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

THE NICENE CREED (*Please stand.*)

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**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.*)

Written by the Rev. David Curtis

In this Advent season, as we await the second coming of Jesus and the Reign of Christ, let us pray for our own needs, the needs of this community, and the needs of the world.

For peace in your time, O Lord, and for peace in our time.

For Sean, our presiding bishop; for Mark, Gayle, Bud, Ted, and David, our bishops; for all who minister in the name of Jesus, and for all the holy people of God.

For this church and for all churches and houses of worship, and for the faithful throughout the world.

For Joseph, our president; for Donald, our president-elect; for Glenn, our governor; and for all elected and unelected officials, and for the citizens of this and every nation.

For those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries.....

For those experiencing hunger or poverty or other challenges, and for us to respond in love.

For the sick and the suffering, including..... and for those who care for them.

For the dying and the dead, including..... and for those who mourn.

For these and all the silent prayers of our hearts, Loving God, hear our prayers.

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

## CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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.**

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

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

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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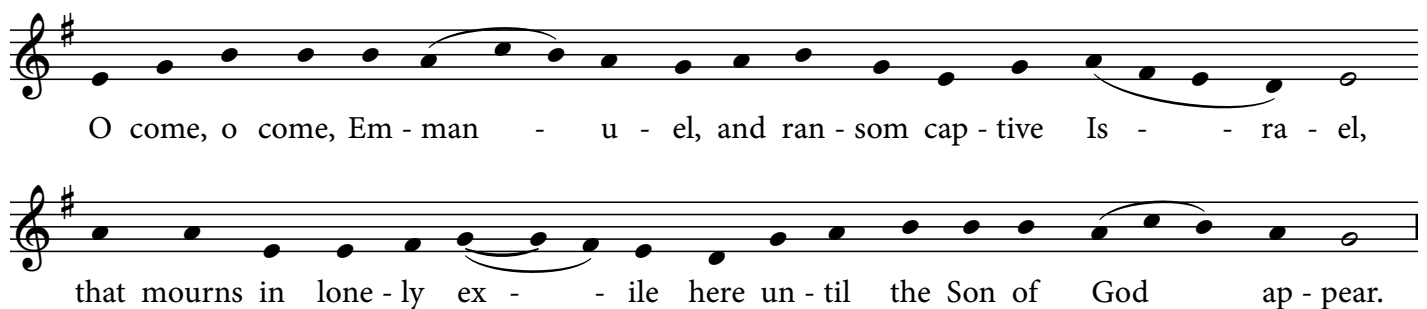


## OFFERTORY ANTHEM *(Sung by the choir.)*

Spiritual, Arranged by André Thomas (b. 1952)

**K**EEP YOUR LAMPS trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh.  
Children, don't get weary 'til your work is done.  
Christian, journey soon be over, the time is drawing nigh.

## THE PRESENTATION HYMN *(Sung by all. Please stand.)*



O come, o come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive Is - - ra - el,  
that mourns in lone - ly ex - - ile here un - til the Son of God ap - pear.

Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

Words: Latin, ca. 9th cent.; ver. *Hymnal* 1940, alt.

Music: *Veni, veni, Emmanuel*, plainsong, Mode 1, *Processionale*, 15th cent.; adapt. Thomas Helmore (1811-1890)

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A**

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

**I**T IS RIGHT, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth . . .

. . . 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:

**SANCTUS** (*Sung by all.*)

The Hymnal 1982, S-130

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,\_\_\_\_

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,\_\_\_\_

hea - ven and earth are full,\_\_\_\_ full\_\_\_\_ of your glo - ry.

Ho san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless - ed is he who comes\_\_\_\_ in the name of the Lord.\_\_\_\_

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho san - na in the high - est.

Setting: From *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

*The people stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues . . .*

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:

**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

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.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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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

The Hymnal 1982 (S-164)

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, bear - er  
of our sins: have mer - cy on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the



world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

Setting: From *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

From The Iona Community

**T**HIS IS THE TABLE, not of the church but of Jesus Christ. It is made ready for those who love him And who want to love him more. So come, you who have much faith and you who have little; You who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time or ever before; You who have tried to follow and you who have failed; Come, not because the Church invites you; It is Christ, and he invites you to meet him here.

**COMMUNION MOTET** (*Sung by the choir.*)

Wordby Charles Wesley (1707-1788)  
Music by Marty Wheeler Burnett (b. 1961)

Come, thou long expected Jesus,  
Born to set thy people free;  
From our fears and sins release us,  
Let us find our rest in thee.

Born thy people to deliver,  
Born a child and yet a king,  
Born to reign in us forever,  
Now thy gracious kingdom bring.

Israel's strength and consolation,  
Hope of all the earth thou art;  
Dear desire of every nation,  
Joy of every longing heart.

By thine own eternal Spirit  
Rule in all our hearts alone;  
By thine all sufficient merit,  
Raise us, raise us to thy glorious throne.

**HYMN #72** (*Sung by all.*)

The Hymnal 1982

Hark! the glad sound! the Sa - vior comes, the Sa - vior prom - ised long; let  
He comes the pris - on\_ers to re - leave in Sa - tan's bond - age held; the  
He comes, the bro - ken heart to bind, the bleed - ing soul to cure; and  
Our glad ho - san - nas, Prince of Peace, thy wel - come shall pro - claim; and

ev - ery heart pre - pare a throne, and ev - ery voice a song.  
gates of brass be - fore him burst, the i - ron fet - ters yield.  
with the trea - sures of his grace to\_en - rich the hum - ble poor.  
heaven's e - ter - nal arch - es ring with thy be - lov - ed Name.

Words: Philip Dodridge (1702-1751)

Music: *Richmond*, melody Thomas Haweis (1734-1820); adapt. Samuel Webbe, Jr. (1770-1843)



1 Once he came in bless - ing, all our ills re - dress - ing;  
 2 Still he comes with - in us, still his voice would win us  
 3 Thus, if thou canst name him, not a - shamed to claim him,  
 4 One who thus en - dur - eth bright re - ward se - cur - eth.



came in like-ness low - ly, Son of God most ho - ly;  
 from the sins that hurt us, would to Truth con - vert us:  
 but wilt trust him bold - ly nor dost love him cold - ly,  
 Come, then, O Lord Je - sus, from our sins re - lease us;



bore the cross to save us, hope and free - dom gave us.  
 not in tor - ment hold us, but in love en - fold us.  
 he will then re - ceive thee, heal thee, and for - give thee.  
 let us here con - fess thee till in heaven we bless thee.

Words: Jan Roh (1485?-1547); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt. Music: *Gottes Sohn ist kommen*, melody Michael Weisse (d. 1534); harm. Jack W. Burnam (b. 1946).

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (Please stand.)

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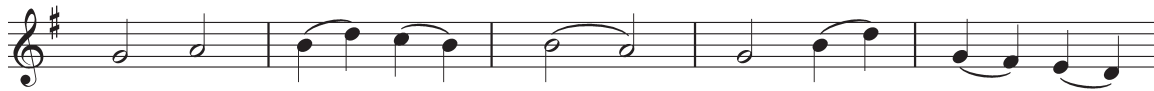
Presider Let us pray.

**A**lmighty 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.

## THE BLESSING



1 Lo! he comes, with clouds de - scend - ing, once for  
 2 Ev - ery eye shall now be - hold him, robed in  
 3 Those dear tok - ens of his pas - sion still his  
 4 Yea, a - men! let all a - dore thee, high on



our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand thou - sand  
 dread - ful ma - jes - ty; those who set at  
 daz - zling bo - dy bears, cause of end - less  
 thine e - ter - nal throne; Sa - vior, take the



saints at - tend - ing swell the tri - umph of his  
 nought and sold him, pierced, and nailed him to the  
 ex - ul - ta - tion to his ran - somed wor - ship -  
 power and glo - ry; claim the king - dom for thine



train: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 tree, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing,  
 ers; with what rap - ture, with what rap - ture,  
 own: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.  
 deep - ly wail - ing, shall the true Mes - si - ah see.  
 with what rap - ture gaze we on those glo - rious scars!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: *Helmsley*, melody Thomas Augustine Arne (1710-1778); harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958), alt.

**THE DISMISSAL**

*People* Thanks be to God.

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

~ PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S LITURGY ~

The Reverend Ben Robertson, *Presider*

The Reverend David Curtis, *Deacon*

Bari Pitts, Susan Semmes & Dan Vallandingham, *Lay Ministers*

Meg Bowles, Molly Chapman, Chan Dau, Emily Keefer, Harrison Keefer & Wesley Smith, *Acolytes*

All Saints Choristers & Schola

Scott Hayes, *Choirmaster*

Daniel Stipe, *Organist*

Marie Wilcox & Team, *Ushers*

Gretchen Cosgrove & Team, *Altar Guild*

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