

# Called to Worship, Learn, Minister, Proclaim! The Last Sunday after the Epiphany Sunday, March 2, 2025 A Service of Holy Eucharist

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# Before worship, speak to God. During worship, let God speak to you. After worship, speak to one another.

We are thankful you've come today. We are a group of seekers, exploring how to continue to be the Body of Christ in this world today. All Saints is an open and affirming congregation and we welcome everyone on this glorious day that the Lord has made. Please fill out a visitor card in the pew and place it on the offering plate or hand it to an usher. Please join us for coffee hour after the 10:30 service.

<u>New Communion Instructions:</u> If someone has received Communion in one kind (bread or cup), they have received the benefit of both.

- 1. We will be receiving communion at the altar rail (either kneeling or standing).
- 2. You will be served bread by the priest.
- 3. There are two Lay Eucharistic Ministers.
  - a. The first will have the chalice that you can directly sip from after consuming the bread.
  - b. The second will have the small cup if you would rather intinct (dip the bread into the wine).
- 4. After you have received the bread and the wine, you may pause for a moment of prayer, if you desire, before returning to your seat in the congregation.

Thank you so much, Lynn+

YouTube Link to see Live Streaming of Service **10:**30AM https://youtube.com/live/dGYaZNPMrMQ?feature=share

The Rt. Rev. José Antonio McLoughlin, Bishop of Western North Carolina
The Rev Tryggvi Arnason, Celebrant
Dr. Brad Frazier, Senior Warden
Jim McPherson, Junior Warden
Rebecca Beatty, Director of Music Ministries

#### The Holy Eucharist Rite II Book of Common Prayer

**Prelude:** "Look, Ye Saints! The Sight Is Glorious" arr. Anna Laura Page

**Opening Hymn:** "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!" #460 Hymnal 1982

Celebrant Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

#### Celebrant

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:** S 280

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.

#### The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you. **People** And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

#### The Lessons (seated)

**Old Testament:** A Reading from the Book of Exodus.

Exodus 34:29-35

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he

came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

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

The Psalm Psalm 99

The Lord is King; let the people tremble; \* he is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake. The Lord is great in Zion; \* he is high above all peoples. Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; \* he is the Holy One. "O mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; \* you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob." Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and fall down before his footstool; \* he is the Holy One. Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, \* they called upon the Lord, and he answered them. He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; \* they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them. "O Lord our God, you answered them indeed; \* you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds." Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and worship him upon his holy hill; \* for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

**The Epistle** A Reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

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

**Sequence Hymn:** "All My Hope on God is Founded" # 665 Hymnal 1982

verses 1-3

The Gospel A reading from the Gospel according to Luke

Luke 9:28-43a

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" —not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father.

And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

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

The Sermon The Rev. Tryggvi Arnason

Silence will be kept for reflection

The Nicene Creed (All Standing)

**BCP 358** 

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**

Let us pray.

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

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

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

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

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

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

Give to the departed eternal rest, especially Catherine Galiowongo. Let light perpetual shine upon them.

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

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

We pray for Lindley, Jackie, Linda, Jane, Courtney, BF, Eleanor, Wayne, Elynanne, Ashley, Don, Rhona, Randy, Judy, Peter, Deborah, MaryAnn, Gregory, and Ryder.

We pray for those worshipping with us online.

O God, by whom the meek are guided in judgment, and light rises up in darkness for the godly: Grant us, in all our doubts and uncertainties, the grace to ask what you would have us to do, that the Spirit of wisdom may save us from all false choices, and that in your light we may see light, and in your straight path may not stumble: through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart and especially the hearts of the people of this land, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Celebrant offers a concluding collect.

Celebrant says

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.

Celebrant

The Absolution BCP 360

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 BCP 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

#### THE HOLY COMMUNION

#### **The Offertory Sentence**

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:2

Offertory Anthem: "I Love to Tell the Story" arr. Greg Gilpin

All Saints Singers

**Presentation** (All stand)

**Doxology:** #17 in Family Song Book

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer B BCP 367

Celebrant The Lord be with you. **People** And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

**People**Celebrant

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever 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. S 129

#### 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;

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**.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

The Lord's Prayer BCP 364

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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

**Quiet Communion Music:** 

**Hymn Following Communion:** "Deck thyself, My Soul, with Gladness" #339

verse 1 only

#### **The Post Communion Prayer**

**BCP 365** 

Celebrant and People

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.

#### The Blessing

May the peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen**.

# **Welcome and Announcements**

Closing Hymn: "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones" #618 Hymnal 1982

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People** Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "Lord of All Being" arr. Marguerite Wood

#### **Welcome to All Saints**

Please welcome the Rev. Tryggvi Arnason, our guest celebrant.

# ALL ARE INVITED TO COFFEE HOUR IN THE PARISH LIFE CENTER AFTER THE 10:30 am SERVICE.

#### **Wednesday Morning Book Study**

Our next book will be **How We Learn to Be Brave: Decisive Moments in Life and Faith** by Mariann Edgar Budde (Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Washington DC, who led the prayer service on January 21, 2025). After being sold out, it is again available online. I ordered mine from Thriftbooks.com and got it in five days.

We plan to start this book on March 5.

We meet each Wednesday at 9:30 am for one hour on Zoom. We would love to have you join the discussion. Please share with others who might be interested. Thanks!

Here is the link for the Book Group.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83126812658?pwd=zskvdcemYTXSCnFmoCOruLS4rGJ0YU.1

#### **Altar Flowers Dedication**

Our Altar flowers are given by Priscilla & William Graham in gratitude to all that serve God's church and children.

## **Glory to God**

<u>Anniversaries</u>

#### **Adult Forum**

Please join us each Sunday as we study the Lessons for each Sunday in the Library at 9:15 am.

#### **Bible Study**

Please join us as we study the books of the New Testament in chronological order. We are studying 1 Corinthians each Thursday on Zoom at 7:00 pm.

Click below for Zoom Link

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85281195117?pwd=a9BQ0rHlLgn6SmWQgsYCNcbIBa5aTV.1

#### **Loose Cash Offering**

Just a friendly reminder, the loose cash offerings collected on the first Sunday of each month will be deposited in the Rector's Discretionary Fund in order to meet the financial needs of struggling individuals within the community. Thank you for giving generously.

#### This Week in All Saints Music Ministry

The choir rehearses every Sunday at 9:15 a.m. in the choir room. You are welcome to come sing with us!

The handbells practice on Sundays following worship at 11:50, (after you go get a snack at coffee hour). Come join us to ring and fellowship!

#### **Coming in Lent**

Over the years I have heard comments about how sad/depressing/not fun to sing lenten hymns and songs are. While it may seem that way, if you take the time to read the text, there are some beautiful and meaningful statements of faith in them. Over the 5 weeks of Lent, I will be featuring in the Messenger one of the hymns we will be singing in each of our services and tell you the story behind it and its text. Stay tuned in the Messenger!

#### **Pacesetters**

The Pacesetters will visit the Gaston County Museum in Dallas on Tuesday March 4th at 10:30 am. The museum is featuring an exhibit called "Woman in the Wing" which covers the career of Nell Yates who worked in the West Wing as a staff assistant to seven presidents. There is also a photo exhibit that features ballerinas and Lindsey Wells was a model. After visiting the museum, we will have lunch at the Dallas Tavern and Taphouse (formerly Sammy's).

On Tuesday March 18th at 11:30am, the Pacesetters will celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a luncheon of Reuben Sandwiches, salad and dessert. A sign-up sheet is posted in the Family Life Center.

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Come and join us!

# All Saints Men's Fellowship

Group meets every Friday at 8:00 AM at the <u>Eggs Up Grill</u> at the far end of the Food Lion shopping center at the intersection of Redbud and S New Hope Road (2609 S New Hope Road). All men of All Saints are welcome! Join us and let's get to know each other better over food, coffee, and conversation!

#### **SATS - Serving at the Shelter**

We have opportunities available for All Saints to prepare Saturday supper for the Shelter. (Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Parish Life Center).

#### **Crisis Assistance Ministry**

You may drop your donations for CAM off in the Parish Life Center.

Thank you in advance for your donations.

#### CAM is especially in need of the following items:

Chicken Noodle Soup Instant Potatoes
Canned Stew or Chili Hearty Soup

Macaroni & Cheese Peanut Butter & Jelly

Pancake Mix, Syrup, and Hot Cereal

Prepackaged/grab and go snacks for Seniors – Chips, Crackers, Candy/Granola Bars

#### **Chair Yoga**

Please join us Fridays in the Parish Life Center at 9:45AM. The cost is only \$5/class. Instructor: Judy Blankenship, M.A., P.T., Eryt 500, Reiki Master. Questions, call Judy at 704 867-7176 or Jerry at 704-577-9699.

#### **Coffee Hour**

Please sign up for the next available Sunday! Let's all plan to come to coffee hour and socialize with our newcomers and each other.



## **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper**

Please join us in celebrating Shrove Tuesday (aka Mardi Gras!) on Tuesday, March 4th at 6:00 pm in Parish Hall. A delicious pancake supper will be served! And who doesn't like breakfast for dinner? Looking forward to seeing y'all there!

# This Week @ All Saints

Sunday	8:00 am 9:15 am 9:30 am 9:45 am 10:30 am 11:50 am 7:00 pm	Holy Eucharist Adult Forum Children's Sunday School All Saints Singers Practice Holy Eucharist All Saints Ringers Practice New Life MCC	
Monday			
Tuesday	5-7:15 pm	Narcotics Anonymous	
Wednesday	9:30 am	Book Study – Zoom	
Thursday	5-7:15 pm 7:00 pm	Narcotics Anonymous Bible Study via Zoom	
Friday	8:00 am 9:45 am	Men's Fellowship Chair Yoga	
Saturday	5-7:15 pm	Narcotics Anonymous	



# MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Please call the office if there is a need to change the Ministry Schedule.

Date	March 2nd	March 5 <sup>th</sup> Ash Wednesday	March 9th
8:00 AM EUCHARISTIC MINISTER	Brad Frazier Kelly Halley	12 Noon Service Kelly Morris	Brad Frazier Kelly Morris
LESSONS	Kelly Morris	Kelly Morris	Peter Mijumbi
PRAYERS OF PEOPLE	Peter Mijumbi	Kelly Morris	Ken Harvey
USHER	Kelly Halley		Ken Harvey
VPOD	Brad Frazier		Judith Hilton
10:30 AM EUCHARISTIC MINISTER	Bonnie McPherson Allison Wells	<b>7:00 PM</b> Phill Wertz Kathy McKenna	Bonnie McPherson Josie Polhemus
READER	Claudette Forbes	Jim McPherson	Bonnie McPherson
PRAYERS OF PEOPLE	Allison Wells	William Graham	Carol Wertz
ACOLYTES			
USHERS 10:30 A.M.	Gay Lindsey Lindsey Wells		Claudette Forbes Glenda Carpenter
VIDEO TECH 10:30 AM	Phill Wertz	Terry Eckard	Phill Wertz Terry EcKard
ALTAR GUILD	Glenda Carpenter		Magie DeShon
Altar Flowers	Priscilla & William Graham	No Flowers	No Flowers
VPOD	Jim McPherson	Joel Kisubika	Glenda Carpenter
Coffee Hour	Claudette Forbes		Jim & Bonnie McPherson
Sunday School Staff	Priscilla Graham Gay Lindsey		Allison Wells Phill Wertz



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