All Saints' Episcopal Church Third Sunday of Advent

Holy Eucharist Rite II

Sunday, December 15, 2024 ◆ 9:00 a.m. ◆ 11:15 a.m.

Welcome Home!

Welcome to worship at All Saints'. If this is your first time with us, we invite you to complete a newcomer card by scanning the QR code on the back of this bulletin. All are welcome to receive communion at God's table, the clergy are happy to speak with you at any time, and we're delighted you're here. Welcome home!

Voluntary |

Introit and Kyrie from Organoedia ad missam lectam

Zoltán Kodály (1882-1967)

Scott Lamlein, organ

The people stand as the bell tolls.

Opening Acclamation |

Officiant Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

People Peace in heaven and glory in the highest. Amen.

Processional Hymn |



Collect for Purity | 11:15 a.m.

Officiant Praying together,

Officiant and People

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.

Collect of the Day |

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

The First Lesson | Zephaniah 3:14-20

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The Lord has taken away the judgments against you,

he has turned away your enemies.

The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst;
you shall fear disaster no more.

On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:

Do not fear, O Zion;

do not let your hands grow weak.

The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory;

he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love;

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

he will exult over you with loud singing
as on a day of festival.

I will remove disaster from you,
so that you will not bear reproach for it.

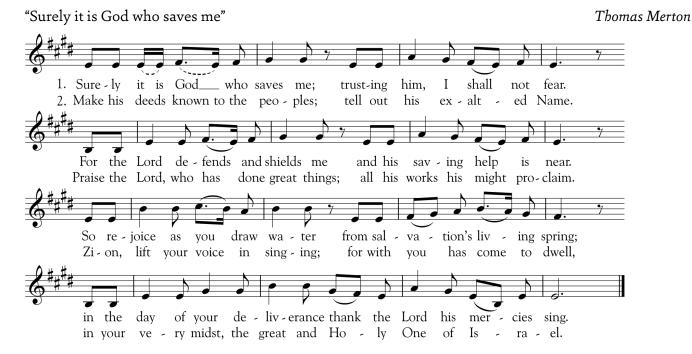
I will deal with all your oppressors
at that time.

And I will save the lame
and gather the outcast,
and I will change their shame into praise
and renown in all the earth.
At that time I will bring you home,
at the time when I gather you;
for I will make you renowned and praised
among all the peoples of the earth,

when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the Lord.

Canticle 9 | hymn paraphrase

The people stand.



The people are seated.

The Second Lesson | Philippians 4:4-7

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

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

Sequence Hymn |

The people stand.



The Gospel | Luke 3:7-18

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire."

And the crowds asked him, "What then should we do?" In reply he said to them, "Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, "Teacher, what should we do?" He said to them, "Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you." Soldiers also asked him, "And we, what should we do?" He said to them, "Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages."

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon | The Rev. Natosha Reid Rice

The people are seated at the preacher's invitation. A period of silent prayer follows the sermon.

The Nicene Creed |

The people stand.

Officiant Let us affirm our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed.

We believe in one God, On the third day he rose again

the Father, the Almighty, in accordance with the Scriptures;

maker of heaven and earth, he ascended into heaven

of all that is, seen and unseen. and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

He will come again in glory to judge the

the only Son of God, living and the dead,

e only Son of God,
and his kingdom will have no end.

eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light,

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,

true God from true God, the giver of life,

begotten, not made, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

of one Being with the Father.

With the Father and the Son he is

Through him all things were made. worshiped and glorified.

For us and for our salvation He has spoken through the Prophets.

he came down from heaven: We believe in one holy catholic and

he came down from heaven:

We believe in one holy catholic and by the power of the Holy Spirit

apostolic Church.

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, We acknowledge one baptism for the

and was made man. forgiveness of sins.

For our sake he was crucified under We look for the resurrection of the dead,

Pontius Pilate; and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People |

The people stand or kneel for the prayers.

he suffered death and was buried.

Intercessor Trusting in God, let us pray, "O come, O come, Emmanuel;

People be our hope and our salvation."

Intercessor God our hope, usher in your reign of justice and righteousness. May all the world know

your peace and safety. O come, O come, Emmanuel;

People be our hope and our salvation.

Intercessor God our hope, under your reign divisions are overcome, unity restored: bring the people

of this world together in a spirit of love and respect. O come, O come, Emmanuel;

People be our hope and our salvation.

Intercessor God our hope, we give you thanks for all of the blessings of this life.

When there is a new birth, "We give thanks for the birth of N."

The people may add their own thanksgivings.

In the worldwide Anglican Communion, we give thanks and pray for The Anglican Church of Chile; in our Diocese, we give thanks and pray for the people and clergy of St. Paul's Church in Newnan; and in our parish, we give thanks for the work of the All Saints'

Concert Committee and for the beauty of the gifts they make available to all who

participate.

Intercessor O come, O come, Emmanuel;
People be our hope and our salvation.

Intercessor God our hope, remember your compassion and love. Heal and restore the sick and the

suffering, the anxious and the grieving.

The names of those who are sick are read aloud. The people may add their own petitions.

Intercessor O come, O come, Emmanuel;People be our hope and our salvation.

Intercessor God our hope, keep us blameless before you that we may meet the coming of our Lord

Jesus with joy. May we, and all who have died, rise to life immortal with all your saints.

The names of those who have died are read aloud. The people may add their own petitions.

Intercessor O come, O come, Emmanuel;
People be our hope and our salvation.

Officiant

Hasten, O God, the coming of your kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

Confession |

Officiant We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Officiant and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 |

The people stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace. The people are seated at the Rector's invitation.

Announcements |

Your financial support helps us participate in God's work in the world. If you would like to contribute to the Sunday offering, we invite you to place your donation in the offering plate, or scan the code to the right with your phone to give electronically.



The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem |

"People, look East"

Christopher Steel (1938-1991)

People, look East. The time is near of the crowning of the year.

Make your house fair as you are able,
Trim the hearth, and set the table.

People look East and sing today:
Love, the guest, is on the way.

Furrows be glad. Though hearth is bare, One more seed is planted there: Give up your strength the seed to nourish, That in course the flower may flourish. People, look East and sing today: Love, the Rose, is on the way.

Birds, though ye long have dreamed to build, Guard the nest that must be filled.

Even the hour when wings are frozen

He for fledging time has chosen.

People, look East, and sing today,

Love, the bird, is on the way.

Eleanor Farjeon (1881-1965)

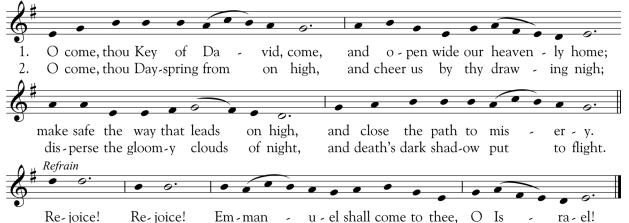
Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim, One more light the bowl shall brim. shining beyond the frosty weather, Bright as sun and moon together. People, look East, and sing today: Love, the star, is on the way.

Angels announce to man and beast Him who cometh from the East. Set every peak and valley humming With the news the Lord is coming. People, look East, and sing today: Love, the Lord, is on the way.

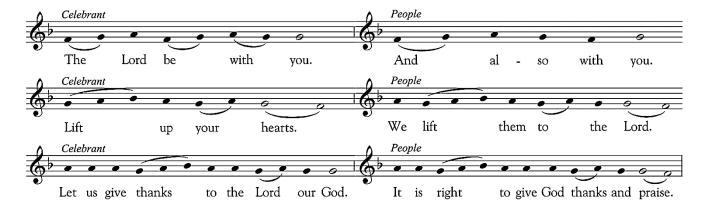
Presentation Hymn |

The people stand.

"O come, O come, Emmanuel" Veni Emmanuel



Eucharistic Prayer C |



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

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant 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.

People By your will they were created and have their being.

Celebrant 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.

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

Celebrant

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 Celebrant Continues

And so, we who have been redeemed by Christ, 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 all 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 forebears: God of Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, Jacob and Leah; God 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, O God, 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 |

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

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread |

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. Whoever you are, wherever you are

on your journey, you are welcome at this table.

Healing prayers are offered in the chapel during communion.

All are welcome at God's table. You may receive communion by taking both the bread and wine or simply taking the bread if you do not wish to receive the wine. If you wish to receive a blessing instead, you may cross your arms over your chest.

Gluten free bread is available.



The people are seated.

Communion Anthem |

"My eyes for beauty pine"

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

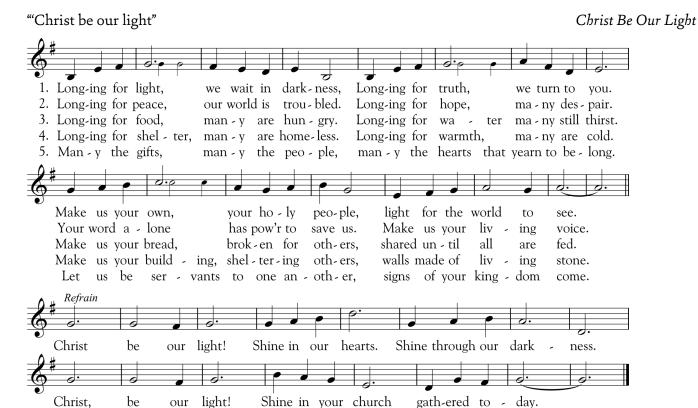
My eyes for beauty pine, My soul for Goddes grace, No other care nor hope is mine, To heaven I turn my face.

One splendour thence is shed from all the stars above: "Tis named when God's name is said, "Tis Love, 'tis heavenly Love.

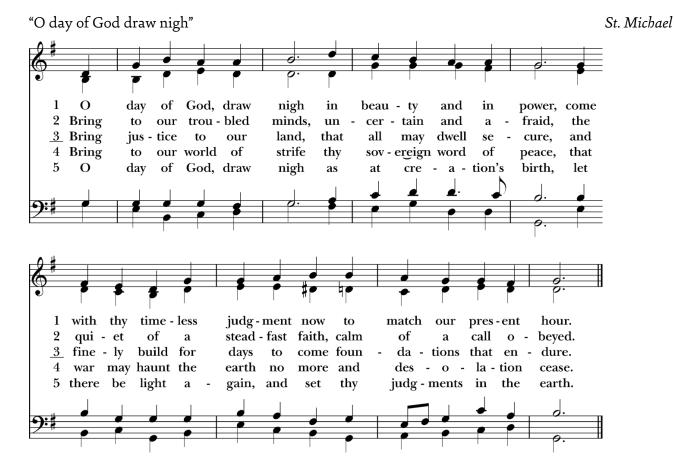
Robert Bridges (1844-1930)

And every gentle heart, that burns with true desire, Is lit from eyes that mirror part of that celestial fire.

Communion Hymn |



Communion Hymn |



Post Communion Prayer |

The people stand.

Celebrant 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.

The Blessing |

Celebrant

Christ the son of Righteousness shine upon you, scatter the darkness from before your path, and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be upon you this day and forevermore. **Amen.**

"O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling" mis - sion high 1. O Zi haste, thy fill on, ful ing, 2. Pro claim peo - ple, tongue, and tion ev ery na 3. He comes gain! 0 Zi - on, ere thou meet him, tell all the world that God Light; to to is God, live Love; that in whom they and move, make known ev ery heart his sav ing grace; that he who made all will ing na - tions not tell how he stooped tion, his lost to cre a whom he let none hath ran - somed fail him, to greet should fail his might. one soul to know love and and died earth that might bove. on we live through thy ne glect, un fit his face. Refrain Pub lish glad ti dings: ti dings of peace, dings of Je demp - tion and re lease. sus, re -

Tidings

Dismissal |

Gospeler We wait for a new Heaven and a new Earth.

People Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Voluntary |

Toccata on Aberystwyth

David Bednall (b. 1979)

Justin Maxey, organ

Assisting in Worship

Altar Guild Loretta Pinkston-Pope, Helen Pinkston-Pope, Dana Aldridge

Flower Guild Linda Harris, Cathy Clark, Bill Bedford

Musicians The All Saints' Choir; Scott Lamlein, organist and choirmaster;

Justin Maxey, associate organist and choirmaster

9:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m.

Preacher The Rev. Natosha Reid Rice The Rev. Natosha Reid Rice

Officiant The Rev. Dr. Jennifer M. McBride The Rev. Dr. Simon J. Mainwaring

Celebrant The Rev. Dr. Simon J. Mainwaring The Rev. Dr. Andrew K. Barnett

The Rev. Dr. Andrew K. Barnett Gospeler The Rev. Dr. Jennifer M. McBride

Deacon of the Table The Rev. Karen. P. Evans The Rev. Dr. Denise Shepherd Moss

Timothy Frilingos, Lectors Frank Thomas, Bailey Sullivan

Mary Wyman Woodward

Bill Bedford George Gray Intercessor

Eucharistic Alan Gibby, Lauri Begley, Jo Ann Dalton, Justin Averette, Debbie Wilson,

Ministers George Gray

Guru Brandes-Swamy, Lynda Herrig Alvin Moore, Missi McMorries Vergers

Acolytes Fiona Sullivan, Darcy Gaynor, Beau Reinking, Cade Reinking, Charlie Freer, Remy Wilkes,

Mary Wyman Woodward,

Lucas Wrammert, Patrick Wrammert,

Brendon Sullivan

Ushers David Aldridge, David Barber, Fain Barton, Jim Conrad, Dabney Daniel,

Luke Barton, Will Barton, David Begley,

Kris Birkness, Doug Bragg,

Dave Chambless, Iain Chambless, Justin Connell, David DeLaney,

Kevin Hayes, Larry Jones, Steve Moreland,

Lee Robinson, Caroline Stanford, Johnathan Stanford, Vance White

Robert Springer

Todd Bouldin, Bruce Garner

Bailey Sullivan, Hannah Sullivan,

Virginia Harrison, Dot Miller,

Dan Pennywell, Muffet Polly,

Charlie Rigby, Morrie Spang,

Jamie Miller, David Osborn, Jim Paisley,

CeCe Sullivan

Worship Notes Thanksgivings and Memorials

The altar flowers are given today to the glory of God and by Missi McMorries in memory of her father, Edwin E. McMorries; her mother, Cynthia Read McMorries; and her sister, Cynthia D. Loftus. The church Advent wreath is given in loving memory

of Bess Vaughn Clark and Francis G. Clark, Sr., by Francis Clark, Jr. and James Roper.

The sanctuary candle is given to the glory of God and by Martha McMillin in memory of her father John Horace McMillin.

In Our Prayers

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we give thanks and pray for The Anglican Church of Chilé. In our diocese, we give thanks and pray for the people and clergy of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Newnan. In our parish, we give thanks for the work of the All Saints' Concert Committee and for the beauty of the gifts they make available to all who participate.

Birthdays this Week

Sunday | December 15

Johanna Chapin Sarah Chester Joe DeVeau Jeannette Dickey Meredith Langford Evangeline Mavrogeorgis

Monday | December 16

William Beery
Didi Cronin
Des Dorsey
Travis Epstein
Judy Hays
Pete Hendricks
Bryn McCarthy
Maile Miller
Natalie Newton
Owen Street

Tuesday | December 17

Susan Borrelli Adam Fristoe Lizzie Sigler

Wednesday | December 18

Gray Bethea
Debra Daugherty
Reese Gordon
James Greene
Katie Greene
Ian Koll
Christine Ragland
Holly Sawyer
Tiffany Stewart
Skylar Wilson

Thursday | December 19

Will Anderson Harper Mac Connell Julia French Robert Sewell Elizabeth Taylor

Friday | December 20

Jane Johnson Anna Kate Jones Charlotte Reid Jim Van Buren AG Way

Saturday | December 21

Harrison Armentrout
Kathy Canning
Staci Fox
Rick Fritz
Doug Holladay
Holly Ingram
Noah Johnson
Tim McClain
Jan Traynor
Mary Leake Way

Prayer List

New babies

Sophia DeMoss Tierney, daughter of Eleanor & Cullen Tierney; granddaughter of Belfield & Ethel Ware Carter

Those who are ill

Francis Brewington, friend of Jim Conrad Joe Butts, friend of All Saints' Tom Gresham, husband of Betsey Gibbs Sage Hoare, friend of All Saints' Savannah Wise, granddaughter of Carla Rinaldi

Other concerns

Alan Demascus, friend of All Saints' Raj Prasad, friend of All Saints'

Those to have surgery

Andy Rutledge Remy Wilke

Those who have died

Sara Betty Cook, aunt of Melissa Fontaine David Tuttle, brother of Beth Tuttle All those who have died in Haiti and all places riven by conflict

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, December 15, 2024 - Third Sunday of Advent

THIS SUNDAY

- 8:00 a.m. (Traditional Language, No Music)
- 9:00 a.m. (Contemporary Language, Choral Music)
- 11:15 a.m. (Contemporary Language, Choral Music)
- 5:00 p.m. The Welcome Table (Contemporary Language, Jazz Music)

<u>ANNOUNCEMENT</u>: The live stream of our Sunday worship services is now available at allsaintsatlanta.org/live, facebook.com/AllSaintsATL and on youtube.com/@AllSaintsATL. Feel free to join us via your preferred platform and be sure to give us a follow!

Tuesday, December 24: Christmas Eve

- 1:00 p.m.: A Service of Nine Lessons and Carols with Adult Choir (No Communion)
- 3:00 p.m.: Christmas Eve Worship with Communion and Children's Choirs
- 5:00 p.m.: Christmas Eve Worship with Communion and Youth Choirs
- 7:00 p.m.: Christmas Eve Worship with Communion and Adult Choir and string ensemble
- 10:00 p.m.: Christmas Eve Worship with Communion and Adult Choir and string ensemble

*Nursery is open 2:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

*The 3:00 p.m., 5:00p.m., and 7:00 p.m. services will be livestreamed.

Wednesday, December 25: Christmas Day

• 10:00 a.m.: Christmas Day: Holy Communion with music

*There is no nursery care offered on Wednesday, December 25.

Sunday, December 29

- 8:00 a.m.: First Sunday of Christmas: Communion, traditional language, no music
- 10:00 a.m.: First Sunday of Christmas: Communion, contemporary language, Adult choir

*There is no Welcome Table on Sunday, December 29.

*There is no nursery care offered on Sunday, December 29.

Beware of Email Scammers this Holiday Season

Please remain vigilant against email scammers pretending to be Simon or another member of the clergy or staff, including those who might appear to use a legitimate All Saints' email address. We will never ask you to buy gift cards, send us money individually, or fulfill any task for us on a personal basis. If you have any suspicion about an email you receive from someone who looks like they could be from All Saints', please call or text the staff member in question to double check.

<u>PARKING</u>: Overflow parking is available at the Bank of America—please enter on North Ave. Get a validation ticket upon entry. Please request an additional validation ticket from an usher in the church narthex upon arrival or exit. Use both validation tickets upon exiting the Bank of America parking deck to park free of charge. Be aware, also, that on Sundays in Midtown Atlanta, street parking is free.

Sunday Morning Breakfast

Sundays, from 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m., Ellis Hall

Join us for a delicious breakfast and fellowship with the saints before Sunday services in Ellis Hall. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$8 for kids. The last breakfast of the year will be on December 22.

One Parish One Book: Light of the World, Chapter Three

Sunday, December 15, 10:20 a.m. - 11:05 a.m., In-Person (Various Locations) and on Zoom

During the season of Advent, the entire parish is reading one book together and gathering over four Sundays for a small group discussion during the morning formation period. Jesus on the Front Page continues to meet for this discussion, while other parishioners will meet in P305/306 with a clergy member leading the discussion group. A Zoom group is also offered. For more information and the Zoom link, please contact The Rev. Dr. Jennifer McBride (jmcbride@allsaintsatlanta.org).

The Welcome Table: Sunday Evening Worship Service and Dinner Sundays at 5:00 p.m., In the Chapel and Ellis Hall

Before your busy week begins, the Welcome Table is a place to join with others and find rest and refreshment. Come to the Welcome Table: a service of piano and singing, prayer (together and in ways that speak to us individually), and communion. A community dinner for all participants follows the service.

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Atlanta, GA 30308

Put a check/cash into the offering plate during the service

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Stock gifts do NOT come with the donor's name included, so remember to contact Betsey Gibbs, bgibbs@allsaintsatlanta.org, and let her know the stock gift is coming.

Year End Giving

There is still time to make a gift, pledge payment or stock transfer. To be counted as a 2024 gift for tax purposes, we must have your gift by *noon on Friday Dec. 27, 2024 or postmarked by Dec. 31, 2024*. The office will be open Monday, December 30, 10:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m., and Tuesday, December 31, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Thanks for your support All Saints'!

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For 2025 I/we commit a total of	
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Please tear or cut this card out and put this in the	
offering plate or give it to an usher or greeter. Thank you!	

WORSHIP & MUSIC

Baby Grand Piano in the chapel, on loan from the Cornerstone Jazz Collective

We give thanks to the leadership of the Cornerstone Jazz Collective, especially saxophonist Will Scruggs and bassist Kevin Smith, for loaning us a Yamaha baby grand piano for the next year. The piano will support the Welcome Table service in the chapel, where Kevin and Will help lead worship through music. Cornerstone Jazz Collective will build out their performance and teaching space in Decatur, and when it's ready, the piano will return to their space, supporting jazz education in Atlanta.

Caroling at the MARTA station

Wednesday, December 18, 5:00 p.m., Kennedy Courtyard Join us as we bring Christmas cheer to our neighbors at the North Avenue MARTA station. We'll meet in the church courtyard at 5:00 pm, cross the street to sing Christmas carols for the passers-by, then celebrate with hot chocolate and cookies back in Ellis Hall. Festive attire is welcome. For more information, please contact Andy Barnett at abarnett@allsaintsatlanta.org.

ADULT FORMATION

Jesus on the Front Page

Sundays, 10:20 a.m. – 11:05 a.m., Parish Hall 307
In this weekly Sunday morning discussion of a current news story, participants reflect on how we are called to live as faithful people. In a nonpartisan reflection, we explore how we might be called to pray differently, think differently or act differently in our private and public lives. We ask where God might be found in this story and learn to name our lament as well as our hope. Email Clark Lemons

The Journey Bible Study

Weekly on Mondays, from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., on Zoom The Journey (Bible Study) continues, led by The Rev. Karen Evans, Parish Priest Associate. Starting in September, we will resume our journey through the Book of Revelation. The only requirements are a Bible and a willingness to learn. Email The Rev. Karen Evans at kevans@allsaintsatlanta.org for additional class information.

Walking the Mourner's Path Wednesdays, January 22 -March 19, 2025 from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m., Parish Hall 307

(clemons@emory.edu) if you have questions!

The grief of today can become new purpose for tomorrow. Walking the Mourner's Path is an 8-week program designed to help those who have lost a loved one learn about grief and what can help. The small group will meet Wednesdays from 6:00-7:30. Contact The Rev. Karen Evans at kevans@all

saintsatlanta.org for more information or to join the group.

Adult Inquirers Class-Winter Session Wednesdays, January 15, 2025 – February 12, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. via Zoom

Adult Inquirers Class is a five-part introduction to the life of faith at All Saints'. The first four meetings are on Zoom with the final session in person over dinner at the church. Participants are asked to commit to all five sessions. Additional adult inquirers classes will be held later in the spring and fall. Upon completion of classes, confirmation and membership will be available. For more details contact Simon Mainwaring at (smainwaring@allsaintsatlanta.org) or Tracey Sage (tsage@allsaintsatlanta.org).

PARISH LIFE

Wednesday Night Supper Holiday Dates

Wednesday Night Supper has ended for the year and will resume on Wednesday, January 8, 2025.

Poinsettia Delivery

Sunday, December 22, Church

Help Sunday Callers deliver poinsettias to homebound parishioners on December 22. You can pick them up after the 9:00 service, or after the 11:15 service on Sunday, December 22. To volunteer, contact Pat Robinson, 404-395-5793, probinson999@gmail.com.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Weekly Children & Youth Formation

Nursery/Little Saints; Birth - Pre-K 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., 1st floor of the Pritchett Center

Children's Church; K-5th grade 8:40 a.m. - 9:30 a.m., 2nd floor of the Pritchett Center

Children Formation; K-5th grade 10:20 a.m. - 11:05 a.m., 2nd floor of the Pritchett Center

Youth Formation; 6th-12th grade 10:20 a.m. - 11:05 a.m.

The Attic, 3rd floor of the Pritchett Center

Our last Sunday morning formation will be December 15, but don't worry we'll resume on January 5! See you in the New Year!

Sunday Night Live (SNL, 6th – 8th grade) & Y'all Saints' (9th – 12th grade)

6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.,

The Attic (3rd floor of the Pritchett Center)

Join us for our annual White Elephant Gift Exchange on December 15. This will be the last SNL of the year, but we'll be back January 5 for the Epiphany Bonfire. If you plan to attend the gift exchange, the max amount is \$10.

Christmas Pageant

Sunday, December 22, 9:00 a.m., Church

Come hear the Christmas Story as told and imagined by the Children of All Saints'. This non-anxious, unpracticed storytelling will be led by 4^{th} and 5^{th} graders who will invite all the children into the story as shepherds, angels, animals, and wise people. Costumes will be available on the 2^{nd} floor of the Pritchett Building *from 8:00 a.m.* – 8:45 a.m.

YOUNG ADULTS

Young Adult Fellowship Online!

Are you in your 20s or 30s and interested in fellowship, discipleship, and service? Reach out to Tasia Blair, our Young Adults Coordinator, at youngadults@allsaints atlanta.org to receive our monthly newsletter, get added to the WhatsApp group chat and find out what events we have coming up!

Link to Amateur Photography Request:

mailto:communications@allsaintsatlanta.org?subject=All Saints' Photography – Parishioner Submission Link to Grace Notes: allsaintsatlanta.org/gracenotes

Threads Welcomes Families for Shopping

Threads welcomes families for in-store shopping Thursdays and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Interested in volunteering?
Contact Marcia Mayfield at threads@allsaintsatlanta.org.

SERVICE

2025 Tanzania Visit Informational Lunch Sunday, December 15, 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m., P305/306

Next July, Simon will lead a small group of parishioners on a visit to Tanzania to continue to build relationships with Lake Tanganyika Theological College where All Saints' supports several women in receiving theological education for ordained ministry. If you have expertise in IT, water management, and environmental stewardship, those skills in particular would be beneficial for our partners to further the life of their diocese. If you're interested in attending, please contact Tracey Sage by Wednesday, December 11 at tsage@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Help Bag Gifts for Burmese Karen Community Sunday, December 15, 10:20 a.m. – 11:05 a.m., Ellis Hall
Join us between services in Ellis Hall on 12/15 for cookies and spreading cheer through gift bagging for our Karen
Burmese community. If you would like to donate gifts for this event, you can use this link: https://amzn.to/4etz0lG: and choose Betsy Robinson Gift Registry Address for shipping. For a tax letter, forward your amazon receipt to louisam@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Holiday Parties for Refugee Ministries and FOCUS Saturday, December 21, 11:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.,

The Attic and 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., Ellis Hall

You have two opportunities to help with holiday welcome.

Sign up to help with decorations, transportation or food for our Refugee Ministries party in the attic from 11:00 a.m.
1:00 p.m. on December 21 at https://bit.ly/AllSaintsGiv ingTree or sign up to provide welcome to FOCUS medically fragile families from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. in Ellis Hall on December 21 at https://bit.ly/FOCUSxmas.

SUMMARY OF NOVEMBER VESTRY MEETING

The Vestry met on Wednesday, November 20, 2024, at 4:30 PM.

Following a meditation by Beth Frilingos, Sheldon Taylor provided the Treasurer's Report:

- (i) Pledges are currently exceeding projections.
- (ii) Parishioners with Kanuga deposits will be given the option to get a refund, carry the deposit to 2025, or donate to the Diocese of Western NC for hurricane relief.
- (iii) Budget progress: final budget will be presented at the December vestry meeting.

Simon Mainwaring shared reflections on All Saints' community care efforts, emphasizing its mission to foster belonging and unity in diversity.

Julie Lockhart was introduced as the new Director of Stewardship and Development, bringing extensive nonprofit experience to the role.

Andy Barnett provided an update on Pastoral Care and Core Ministries highlighting opportunities for deeper participation and community engagement.

Louisa Merchant discussed Refugee Ministries and their ability to support, adapt, respond and advocate for refugees in this evolving political and financial environment.

A Future of Our Block Steering Committee update discussed financial and mission-based considerations for housing and building plans, with a master plan expected by late 2025.

Following a prayer, the meetings was adjourned.

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The Rev. Karen P. Evans, Parish Priest Associate
The Rev. Dr. Jennifer M. McBride, Associate Rector for Formation
The Rev. Dr. Denni Moss, Priest Associate for Pastoral Care
The Rev. Natosha Reid Rice, Minister for Public Life
The Rev. Nontombi Naomi Tutu, Priest Associate

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