All Saints' Episcopal Church Second Sunday of Advent

Holy Eucharist Rite II

Sunday, December 7, 2025 ◆ 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. Please introduce yourself to us following the service.

We're glad you're here. Welcome home!

Voluntary |

Méditation from Thais

Jules Massenet (1842-1912)

Helen Kim, violin
Justin Maxey, piano

The people stand as the bell tolls.

Opening Acclamation |

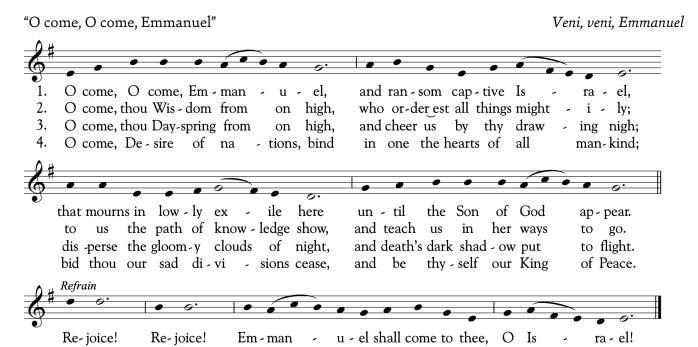
Officiant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen

"...one more powerful than I is coming after me."

- Matthew 3:11

Processional Hymn |



Music: plainsong, Mode 1, Processionale, 15th cent.; adapt. Thomas Helmore (1811-1890); acc. Richard Proulx (1937-2010) Words: Latin, ca. 9th cent.; ver. Hymnal 1940, alt.

The 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.

Kyrie | 11:15 a.m.

Missa Emmanuel, Richard Proulx (1937-2010)



Music: Veni Emmanuel, 15th c. French Franciscan chant; arr. Richard Proulx (1937-2010), Kyrie based on "Kyrie cum jubilo" "Mass IX

Collect of the Day |

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The people are seated.

The First Lesson | Isaiah 11:1-10

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see,

or decide by what his ears hear;

but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,

and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;

he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,

and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,

and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

The wolf shall live with the lamb,

the leopard shall lie down with the kid,

the calf and the lion and the fatling together,

and a little child shall lead them.

The cow and the bear shall graze,

their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,

and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.

They will not hurt or destroy

on all my holy mountain;

for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord

as the waters cover the sea.

On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

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

Psalm 72:1-7, 18-19 | Deus, judicium | 11:15 a.m.



Give the King your justice, O God, and your righteousness to the King's Son;

That he may rule your people righteously and the poor with justice;

That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, and the hills, in righteousness.

Refrain

Let him defend the needy among the people, rescue the poor, and crush the oppressor.

May he live as long as the sun and moon endure, from one generation to another.

Let him come down like rain upon the mown field, like showers that water the earth.

In his time shall the righteous flourish; and let there be an abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.

Refrain

Blessed are you, Lord God, the God of Israel; you alone do wondrous deeds!

And blessed be your glorious name for ever!
and may all the earth be filled with your glory.
Amen. Amen.
Refrain

Music: J. Michael Joncas (b. 1951)

The Second Lesson | Romans 15:4-13

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

"Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; and again he says,

"Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again,

"Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and again Isaiah says,

> "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope."

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

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

Sequence Hymn |

The people stand.

9:00 a.m. stanza 1 only | 11:15 a.m. all stanzas



Music: harm. John L. Hooker (b. 1944) Words: Eleanor Farjeon (1881-1965)

The Gospel | Matthew 3:1-12

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight."

Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume 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.

"I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

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, 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 |

The people stand or kneel for the prayers.

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.

God our hope, we give thanks for the mission of the church, especially The Anglican Communion in Japan, St. John's Church in West Point, and for the lives of our seasoned saints, the community, board and staff of Canterbury Court, the fellowship of Free to be

Saints, and for the gift of longevity.

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. I ask your prayers for those who are sick.

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.

I ask your prayers for those who have died.

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.

The names included in the Prayers of the People come from the congregation.

If you would like to submit a prayer request or speak with a priest,
please email Tracey Sage: tsage@allsaintsatlanta.org, or visit our website: www.allsaintsatlanta.org.

Confession |

Officiant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Officiant and People
Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Absolution |

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 codes to the right with your phone to give electronically.





MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT There are many ways for you to participate in God's work in the world. At All Saints', we have over 100 active ministries, and you are invited to connect your passion with the needs of this parish, neighborhood, and global community. This week, we highlight our Free To Be Saints who enjoy daytime fun with sing-alongs, speakers and fellowship and our partnership with Canterbury Court, a senior living community established by All Saints' and St. Luke's in 1965.

For more information on how you can get involved, please drop by the table in the courtyard between the 9am and 11:15am services or contact:

Free to be Saints - David and Diane Barber

Canterbury Court - David Aldridge

The Great Thanksgiving

Offertory Anthem |

"I wonder as I wander"

Carl Rütti (b. 1949)

I wonder as I wander, out under the sky, how Jesus the Savior did come for to die for poor ordinary people like you and like I; I wonder as I wander, out under the sky.

When Mary birthed Jesus, 'twas in a cow's stall, with wise men and farmers and shepherds and all. but high from the heavens a star's light did fall, and promise of ages it then did recall.

John Jacob Niles (1892-1980)

If Jesus had wanted for any wee thing, a star in the sky, or a bird on the wing, or all of God's angels in heaven for to sing, he surely could have it, 'cause he was the King.

Presentation Hymn |

The people stand.

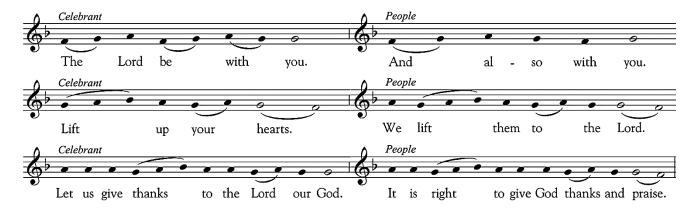
"With gratitude and humble trust"

Forest Green



Music: English melody; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) Words: Frank von Christierson (1900-1996), alt.

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.

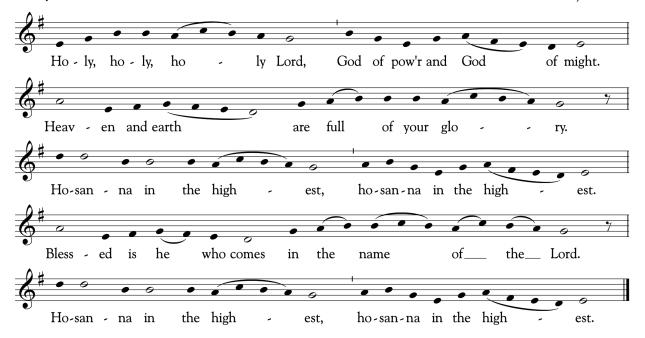
Celebrant

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:



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,

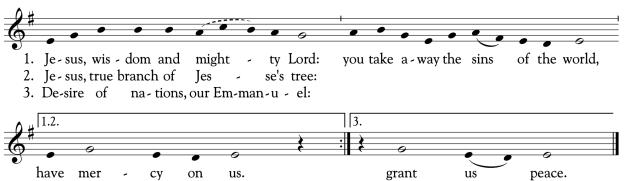
wherever you are on your journey, you are welcome at this table.

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.

Healing prayers are offered in the chapel during communion.

Agnus Dei |

Missa Emmanuel, Richard Proulx



The people are seated.

Communion Anthem |

"In the bleak midwinter"

Harold Darke (1888-1976)

Frank Timmerman, tenor

In the bleak midwinter,
Frosty wind made moan,
Earth stood hard as iron,
Water like a stone.
Snow had fallen snow on snow,
Snow on snow,

In the bleak midwinter long ago.

Our God, Heav'n cannot hold Him,

Nor earth sustain

Heav'n and earth shall flee away,

When he comes to reign.
In the bleak midwinter,
A stable place suffic'd

The Lord God Almighty Jesus Christ.

Christina Rossetti (1830-1894)

Enough for Him, whom cherubin, Worship night and day,
A breast full of milk,

And a manger full of hay.

Enough for him, whom angels,

Fall down before,

The ox and ass and camel, Which adore.

What can I give Him,

Poor as I am?

If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb If I were a wiseman,

I would do my part.

Yet what I can I give Him, Give my heart.

Communion Hymn |

"Wait for the Lord"

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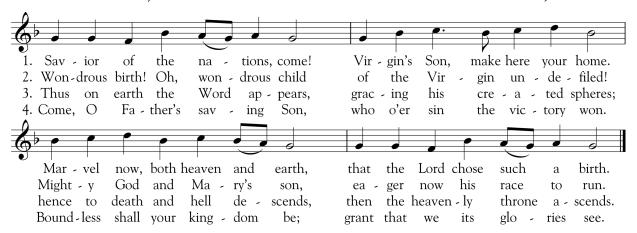
Music: Jacques Berthier (1923-1994)

Words: Psalm 27

Communion Hymn |

"Savior of the nations, come"

Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland



Music: melody from Erfurt Enchiridia, 1524; harm. Melchior Vulpius (1560?-1616)

Words: Martin Lutber (1483-1546) after Ambrose of Milan (340-397); tr. William M. Reynolds (1812-1876), James Waring McCrady (b. 1938)

Post Communion Prayer |

The people stand.

Celebrant Let us pray.

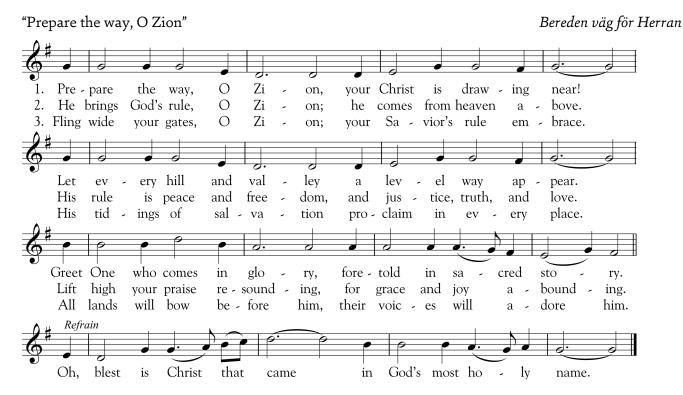
Celebrant and People
Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing |

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.**

Closing Hymn |



Music: melody from Then Swenska Psalmboken, 1697; harm. Koralbok för Svenska Kyrkan, 1939, alt. Words: Frans Mikael Franzen (1772-1847); tr. composite; adapt. Charles P. Price (1920-1999)

Dismissal |

Gospeler We wait for a new heaven and a new earth.

People Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Voluntary |

Fugue in C minor, BWV 546b

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Scott Lamlein, organ



COMPOSER OF THE WEEK Harold Darke's setting of the poem "In the Bleak Midwinter" by Christina Rossetti is one of the two most famous musical interpretations of the text. His version is widely performed, especially by cathedral choirs, and was voted the greatest Christmas carol in a 2008 poll of choirmasters and choral experts. It is a staple of the annual Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols from King's College, Cambridge, where it has been performed regularly since 1945. Its rich harmonies and emotive quality have made it an enduring favorite.

Assisting in Worship

Altar Guild Nancy Yates, Dana Aldridge, Betsy Robinson, Liza Johnston

Flower Guild Cleveland Greer, Bill Bedford, Dana Aldridge, Laura DeMars

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

Justin Maxey, associate organist and choirmaster; Helen Kim, violin

9:00 a.m.

Preacher 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. Jennifer M. McBride

Gospeler The Rev. Dr. Andrew K. Barnett The Rev. Dr. Andrew K. Barnett

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

David Langford, Frances Shepherd Lectors Jerry Byrd, Abby Pratt

Bruce Garner Intercessor George Gray

Eucharistic Travis Darnell, George Gray, Bruce Garner, Dot Miller,

Ministers Ruth Gray, Jan Kibler Jamie Miller, Ryan Washington

Vergers Alvin Moore, Missi McMorries

Nate Little, Cole Pratt, William Echols, Acolytes Bailey Sullivan, CeCe Sullivan,

> Hannah Sullivan, Cade Reinking, Edward Askew-Norton,

Frances Shepherd, Margaret Shepherd,

Prestin Aiken, Jane Aiken

Ushers David Aldridge, David Barber, Fain Barton,

Luke Barton, Will Barton, David Begley,

Kris Birkness, Doug Bragg, Dave Chambless,

Iain Chambless, Jordan Cleare, Justin Connell, David DeLaney,

Kevin Hayes, Larry Jones, Steve Moreland,

Lee Robinson, Caroline Stanford, Johnathan Stanford, Vance White 11:15 a.m.

The Rev. Natosha Reid Rice

Alvin Moore, Marie Brown

William Askew-Norton, Charleigh Fogel

Elias Acuña, Paushali Buattacharya Acuña, Jim Conrad, Dabney Daniel, Beth Furuta, David Knorr, Dot Miller, Jamie Miller, David Osborn, James Paisley, Jim Paisley,

Dan Pennywell, Muffet Polly, Charlie Rigby, Robert Springer

Worship Notes

Thanksgivings and Memorials

The church Advent wreath is given in loving memory of their parents: Bess Vaughn Clark and Francis G. Clark, Sr., and Helen Wagoner Roper and Robert Lee Roper, by Francis Clark, Jr. and James (Jim) Roper.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Jerry Byrd's father, Marion Bonham ("Bee") Byrd, Sr., on the anniversary of his death.

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 people and clergy of The Anglican Church in Japan.

In our diocese, we give thanks and pray for the people and clergy of St. John's Church in West Point.

In our parish, we pray for the lives of our seasoned saints, the community, board and staff of Canterbury Court, the fellowship of Free to be Saints, and for the gift of longevity.

Birthdays this Week

Sunday | December 7

Reid Brisendine
Liz Ernst
Alan Gibby
Sheffield Hale
Mary Jones
Andrea Towers
Emmett Waide
Kara Wilkes
Woodie Wisebram

Monday | December 8

Jack Amrozowicz
Jeann Blankenship
Watt Boone
Evie Brown
Mary Liz Harms
Sophie Heredia
Susan Hooper
Babette Murray
Todd Wedge
Tracy Woodard

Tuesday | December 9

Elizabeth Arriaga
Jim Geddes
Harriet Kirkpatrick
Alvin Moore
Marietta Petters
Martha Pope

Wednesday | December 10

Caroline Herring Crespino Wright Marshall Phillip Nelson Heather Rabold Jeff Tucker

Sidney Childress

John Gordon

Thursday | December 11

Wicker Croft Lawson Feltman Margaret Pope Kenneth West

Friday | December 12

Mike Aiken Meredith Conrad Jesica Eames JoAnn Foshee Lindsay Gerakitis Rose Sheehan Bob Travis Dory Wood

Saturday | December 13

Karen Feigh Jud Graves Nolan Leake Aaron Mojonnier Malinda Snow

Prayer List

Those who have died

Jeannie Gillis, friend of Frank Thomas Vincent "Vinny" Iasiello, friends of Shelley Vincent

Those recovering from illness or surgery

Nontombi Naomi Tutu

Other concerns

Terri, Allie, Steph & Tara Iasiello, friends of Shelley Vincent

New babies

Baylor Bateman Banks III,

son of Virginia & Baylor Banks; grandson of Harriott & Kevin Kelly & Laura Banks

James Wooding Corey, son of Laura Dickey Corey & Jack Corey;

grandson of Jeannette Dickey

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, December 7, 2025 - Second Sunday of Advent

THIS SUNDAY

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I (Traditional Language, no music)
- 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II (Contemporary Language, choral music)
- 11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II (Contemporary Language, choral music)
- 5:00 p.m. The Welcome Table (Contemporary Language, music)

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

<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. The lot at The Varsity is under new management and is no longer available for parking. Ticketing and towing are being enforced. On Sundays, street parking is free.

NURSERY: Our nursery is open for children, ages birth through Pre-K, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

CHRISTMAS SERVICE TIMES

Wednesday, December 24: Christmas Eve

- 1:00 p.m.: A Service of Nine Lessons and Carols with Adult Choir
- 3:00 p.m.: Christmas Eve Worship with Children's Choirs
- 5:00 p.m.: Christmas Eve Worship with Youth Choirs
- 7:00 p.m.: Christmas Eve Worship with Adult Choir and string ensemble
- 10:00 p.m.: Christmas Eve Worship with Adult Choir and string ensemble
 - *Nursery is open 2:30 p.m. 9:30 p.m. for the 3:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m., and 7:00 p.m. services
 - *The 3:00 p.m., 5:00p.m., and 7:00 p.m. services will be live streamed.

Thursday, December 25: Christmas Day

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

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

Sunday, December 28

- 8:00 a.m.: First Sunday of Christmas: Traditional language, no music
- 10:00 a.m.: First Sunday of Christmas: Contemporary language, Adult choir
 - *There is no Welcome Table on Sunday, December 28.
 - * There is no nursery care offered on Sunday, December 28.

We return to our normal worship schedule on Sunday, January 4.

Flower Guild Collection for Christmas

On Christmas Eve, the Flower Guild creates a beautiful floral offering, a tradition made possible by the generous donations of this parish. Donations can be made in memory of or in thanksgiving for a loved one. Please make a donation by December 7 to be listed in the bulletin on Christmas Eve. To donate, please visit: https://form.jotform.com/AllSaints_ATL/christmas-flower-donation-form-2025 or scan the QR code included here. There will also be a table in the courtyard between services on Sundays, November 30 and December 7.



All Saints' Giving Tree - Sundays through December 14, Ellis Hall Foyer

Please join us to learn how to give a gift for Midtown Assistance Center (MAC), FOCUS (for medically fragile children), Emmaus House at Threads, and Refugee Ministries, or contact Louisa Merchant at louisam@allsaintsatlanta.org for information.

Join Us for Sunday Breakfast - Sunday Breakfast, 7:45 a.m. - 8:45 a.m., Ellis Hall

Come join us! Meet new families, reconnect with friends, and enjoy a delicious meal together.

Cost: \$12 for adults & \$7 for children.

One Parish, One Book — Sunday mornings November 30, December 7, 14, & 21, 10:30 a.m. - 11:05 a.m., Ross Room, or Tuesday evenings, December 2, 9, 16, & 23, 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Zoom

During the seasons of Advent, the entire parish will read one book together and gather over four weeks for small group discussion, in person during the Sunday morning formation period or over Zoom on Tuesday evenings. Before and during Advent we will read Isaac Samuel Villegas' *Migrant God: A Christian Vision for Immigrant Justice*. Purchase a copy wherever books are sold. Contact Jenny McBride at jmcbride@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Jesus on the Front Page — Sundays, 10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m., Parish House P307

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. Email Clark Lemons clemons@emory.edu if you have questions!

St. Helena's Hellfire Pepper Jelly Sale — Sundays in November, 10:00 a.m. -11:10 a.m., Ellis Hall Foyer
Saint Helena's famous Hellfire Pepper Jelly is going on sale between services beginning November 2. Get your stocking stuffers and hostess gifts before it sells out. This annual fundraiser supports women and children in need.

The Welcome Table: Sunday Evening Worship Service and Dinner — Sundays at 5:00 p.m., Chapel and Ellis Hall We invite you to come to The Welcome Table, a service with singing, communion and Prayer accompanied by The Welcome Table Jazz combo. A community dinner for all participants follows the service in Ellis Hall. The cost is \$10 for adults and no charge for children under 18 years of age.

An Exciting Art Collaboration At All Saints' In the spring of next year, All Saints' will collaborate with our artist-in-residence, Aysha Pennerman, to create a mural on the concrete base of the Pritchett Center parking deck along Spring Street and Ponce. The project is being made possible via a significant investment from Midtown Alliance, a grant awarded to Aysha, and generous donations from All Saints' parishioners. The mural focuses on the theme of hope and will feature 3-D doves that will be attached to the railings of the upper parking deck, and images and color that will draw people to the vibrancy of our city block and the hope and healing that happens down the street at Covenant Community and the Midtown Assistance Center. For the thousands of people who pass us by on Spring Street each week, the mural will offer inspiration and a clear expression of our values as a church. You are invited to view banners illustrating the mural design on Spring and Ponce. There are also postcards around the campus asking you to name what you hope for. We want to hear your feedback and ideas for the message the mural could send the city. Please contact Simon, the rector, for more information or to share your thoughts: smainwaring@allsaintsatlanta.org.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PLEDGES!

If you haven't made your pledge yet - there is still time!

We're so grateful to everyone who has already made a 2026 pledge. As of December 1st, 563 households have pledged totaling \$3,235,566. Every gift matters and makes a difference. You can pledge online, by mail, or drop your card in the offering plate. Thank You for Your Pledges!

Pledge now at <u>allsaintsatlanta.org/pledge</u>, by mail, or with the tear-out card below. Thank you for helping us shine more brightly by making your pledge today!

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| 2026 ALL SAINTS' ANNUAL CANVASS | To pledge, scan the QR code above or cut out this card and place it in the offering basket. Thank you for your generosity! |

All Saints' offers other easy ways to pay your pledge or to make a gift:

Give online: allsaintsatlanta.org/give

Mail a check: to All Saints' Church, 634 W. Peachtree St., Atlanta, GA 30308

During Services: put a check, cash, or the tear-out card in the offering plate

Direct Electronic Transfer: gift stocks and securities

QR code: one-time gifts

If you have questions, please e-mail them to: jlockhart@allsaintsatlanta.org.



Have You Moved Recently?

Let the church know your new address and contact information!

To update these details, contact our Membership Coordinator, Betsey Gibbs, at bgibbs@allsaintsatlanta.org.

WORSHIP & MUSIC

Welcome the Joy of Christmas with Coro Vocati Sunday, December 14, 2:30 p.m., Church

Experience the spirit of Christmas with Coro Vocati—an evening filled with warmth, joy, and community through music. A treasured tradition at All Saints', this concert leads you on a musical journey across the centuries, blending cherished carols with inspired new works. Part of the Music at All Saints' concert series. Tickets and details at https://www.corovocati.org/events.

Caroling & Hot Chocolate

Wednesday, December 17, 4:50 p.m. – 6:30 p.m., Ellis Hall Join us as we serenade the good folk of Midtown at the North Avenue MARTA Station. Please meet in the church courtyard and we will walk over together. Afterwards, we will warm up with some hot chocolate and fellowship in Ellis Hall.

ADULT FORMATION

Rector's Forum with Sally Yates and Natosha Reid Rice: Law, Covenant and the Future

Sunday, December 14, 10:30 a.m. - 11:10 a.m., Ellis Hall
Join our rector, Simon, in conversation with former acting
U.S. Attorney General, Sally Yates, and our Minister for
Public Life, Natosha Reid Rice, as they explore the
relationship between the biblical tradition of covenant and
the state of the rule of law in our world today. For more
information, please contact Simon Mainwaring
smainwaring@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Parenting with God: The Parable of the Leaven Sunday, December 14, 10:30 a.m. – 11:10 a.m., P305/306

Join us as we continue our study of the Parables and what they may say to us as parents and what we may teach our children from the wisdom of these stories. The Parable of the Leaven is our next story, so all you bakers -let's get cooking! All folks who care about children are invited to join us as we wrestle with God's Word.

Adult Inquirers Class-Winter Session

Wednesdays, January 14 - February 11, 2026,
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Zoom & In-Person Dinner

Adult Inquirer's Class is a four-part introduction to the life of faith at All Saints'. The first three meetings are on Zoom with the final session in person over dinner at the church. Participants are asked to commit to all four 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 Tracey Sage tsage@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Women's Overnight Winter Retreat

Friday, January 30 - Sunday February 1, 2026, Offsite
This fall we have reflected on the relationship between health and spirituality at two Sunday luncheons focused on loving God with all of our heart, soul, mind, body, and strength (Matt 22:37-38). We continue the theme of how to nourish our whole selves at an overnight retreat, led by parishioner and nutritionist Karen Riggs and Rev. Jenny McBride, who will explore food at the intersection of spiritual, physical, and mental health. Register and pay at

https://bit.ly/WomensRetreat2026 by January 15 for the twonight retreat at Timberroot Rustic Retreat in Oconee, TN. Contact Jenny McBride at jmcbride@allsaintsatlanta.org with questions.

The Journey Bible Study — Mondays, 11:00 a.m., Zoom Chapter by chapter, book by book, we are learning together about what the Scripture really says according to the best scholarship of today. Currently, we are studying the prophet, Amos. All are welcome. To join the group, email The Rev. Karen Evans at kevans@allsaintsatlanta.org.

PARISH LIFE

New to All Saints'?

Request a Name Tag by scanning the QR code



Last Wednesday Night Supper of 2025

Wednesday, December 10, 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., Ellis Hall We've reached the end of another wonderful year! Please join us for the last Wednesday Night Supper of the year. We look forward to welcoming you back when suppers resume on January 7.

- Adults (18+): \$16
- Children (5–17): \$7
- Children (4 and under): Free

Children's Christmas Pageant

Sunday, December 21, 9:00 a.m., Church

All children of any age are invited to become part of the story of Jesus' birth in our non-rehearsed, low-stress
Christmas Pageant. We have costumes that kids can choose from or you can create your own. Meet up on the 2nd floor of the Pritchett center to get a costume between 8:15 a.m. - 8:45 a.m., then follow the story in the bulletin for when your child should come up to join the story. A milestone moment of leadership for 4th and 5th graders is to be one of the main characters whose role is to model and shepherd all the younger kids joining in the story. They will meet at 8:15 a.m. on the 2nd floor of Pritchett to dress and run through where and when they will enter. Several parent volunteers are needed to help kids get costumes on before the service. To volunteer, contact Kathy Roberts at

kroberts@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Cookies from Around the World

Sunday, December 21, 10:00 a.m. – 11:10 a.m., Ellis Hall Join us after the Christmas Pageant in Ellis Hall for Cookies from around the world. This is a reminder that we share in a fellowship, all of us children of God, ready to work to bring the kingdom of heaven to earth now. If you have a family recipe from your family tradition, bring a plate to share.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Youth Pilgrimage to Ecuador and the Galapagos Tuesday, June 16 – Saturday, June 27, 2026

High schoolers in 10th-12th grade are invited to a pilgrimage adventure in June of 2026 to Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands. The youth pilgrims will work in the local Episcopal Church and with our partners there, Education Equals Hope (https://educationequalshope.org/), and build relationships with the local community.

Register by January 7, 2026 to book your place: https://bit.ly/YouthPilgrimage2026. For more information contact Luke Nolfa at lnolfa@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Children's Church

2nd fl Pritchett, gathering 8:45 a.m., service 9:00 a.m. We will join you in church at the Peace.

Children's Formation (Sundays)

2nd fl Pritchett, 10:30 a.m. - 11:10 a.m. Doors open after See You at Ten (10:00 a.m. - 10:25 a.m.) in courtyard.

Youth Formation (Sundays)

3rd fl Pritchett (The Attic), 10:30 a.m. - 11:10 a.m. Doors open after See You at Ten (10:00 a.m. -10:25 a.m.) in courtyard.

SNL & Y'all Saints (Sundays)

3rd fl Pritchett (The Attic), 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Children's Choirs (Wednesdays)

- Cherub Choir (PK-K) 4:00 p.m. 4:30 p.m.
- Primary Choir (Grades 1-2): 4:35 p.m. 5:10 p.m.
- Junior Choir (Grades 3-6): 5:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
- Junior Handbells (Grades 4-6): 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.

Youth Choir (Grade 7-12) (Sundays)

- Handbells: 4:15 p.m. 5:00 p.m.
- Choir: 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.

YOUNG ADULTS

Brunch & Bible Study

Sunday, December 14, 12:30 p.m., Ross Room

Come enjoy a delicious meal, lively conversation, and Bible study with the All Saints' Young Adults' group following the 11:15 a.m. service. All are invited – whether you're looking to connect for the first time, reconnect after a long while, or keep connections going! Childcare is available upon request. Contact Piper Shifflett at

youngadults@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Young Adult Fellowship Online!

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

SERVICE

Matthew 25 Mission Trip to Ecuador and the Galapagos Tuesday, June 16 – Saturday, June 27, 2026

Parishioners aged 18 and up are invited to a mission trip in June of 2026 to Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands. The mission trip will travel with All Saints' youth pilgrims and share some time together on location, but will mostly work separately in the local Episcopal Church and with our partners there, Education Equals Hope (https://educationequalshope.org/).

Register by January 7, 2026 to book your place: https://bit.ly/YouthPilgrimage2026. For more information contact Simon Mainwaring at smainwaring@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Christmas Parties for Refugee Ministries and FOCUS Volunteers are needed for the following holiday parties:

- December 13, 11:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m., Nepali American Refugee Ministries Christmas party at First Nepali Church in Stone Mountain
- December 20, 11:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m., Refugee Ministries Christmas party in The Attic at All Saints'
- December 20, 1:00 p.m. -3:00 p.m., FOCUS Christmas party in Ellis Hall

Families with children/teens are welcome and I am happy to provide service hours. To volunteer, contact Louisa Merchant at louisam@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Threads Welcomes Families For Shopping

At Threads, every Thursday and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., our doors open wide to welcome families for instore shopping — not just for clothing, but for a sense of comfort, dignity, and a renewed sense of hope and joy. If you've ever wanted to make a meaningful difference, this is your invitation. Whether you can lend a few hours or come regularly, your presence matters. You'll be part of a beautiful mission that wraps families in love.

There are many ways that you can help Threads Kids

- Drop off gently worn, clean children's clothes
- Shop our Amazon wish list: bit.ly/ASECThreadsWishlist
- Make a financial contribution and be sure to click Threads Donation in the drop box: https://onrealm.org/AllSaintsEpisco85474/-/form/give/now

Thank you for caring.

Link to Amateur Photography Request:

mailto: communications@allsaintsatlanta.org

subject: All Saints' Photography – Parishioner Submission

SUMMARY OF NOVEMBER VESTRY MEETING

The Vestry met on Wednesday, November 19, 2025, at 4:30 P.M.

Simon opened the meeting and Vestry members shared thanksgivings for the many gifts of All Saints'.

Sheldon Taylor delivered the Treasurer's update and noted that the Finance Committee projects that All Saints' will finish 2025 with a balanced budget.

Meg Fogel updated the Vestry on the work of the Egleston Task Force. The task force has added three additional members, who are parishioners with relevant professional experience, bringing the total number of members to six. The task force is in the process of selecting a project management firm that will assist with project management for the work to be done on Egleston, including project scope, architect selection and contractor bids and selection. Simon reviewed the Church's major giving initiative, and Julie Lockhart updated the Vestry on the 2026 Annual Canvass. Nancy Dodson discussed a renewed effort to keep our campus and buildings clean and free of clutter. Finally, the Vestry discussed All Saints' new chef, Chef Sam, and options for additional catered gatherings for our Church community.

The meeting closed with prayer and was adjourned.



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We're excited to get to know you, and to welcome you to this amazing community. You can use this QR code to help us stay in touch, or if you'd prefer pen and paper, you can fill out one of the visitor cards in the back of the pew and place it in the offering plate or hand it to a staff member.

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