

#### HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

November 30, 2025 | 10:00 a.m. *The First Sunday of Advent* 

Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity, being formed and transformed as the people of God. One of the hallmarks of the Episcopal Church is its liturgical worship. Liturgy literal ly is "the work of the people," and refers to the patterns, forms, words, and actions through which public worship is conducted.

In the Episcopal Church, the season of Advent marks the beginning of the new liturgical year. The name of the four-Sunday season originates from the Latin word *adventus*, meaning "to approach." During Advent, Christians joyfully await the coming of Jesus, a celebration commemorated on the feast of the Nativity of Our Lord, also known as Christmas Day. The season is full of expectation and preparation, not only for Christ's incarnation, but also for his promised "second coming" in majesty. The Advent wreath originally emerged as a devotional tool used in the home but eventually migrated into the church. It is a visual symbol that marks the progression of time in Advent. This symbolism is especially powerful in the Northern Hemisphere as the wreath's growing light contrasts with the increasing darkness of winter.

The service usually begins with an organ prelude or other music designed to call us into worshipful presence.

All hymn numbers correspond to the blue Hymnal 1982 in your pew rack.

The people's responses are in **bold**.

**PRELUDE** 

THE WELCOME

The Rev. Catherine M. Thompson

# THE ENTRANCE RITE

CHORAL INTROIT James Grzadzinski

The people stand as able at the introduction to the hymn.

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN** 

Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending
TUNE: HELMSLEY

No. 057

Presider Blessed be God: + Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

Presider Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the

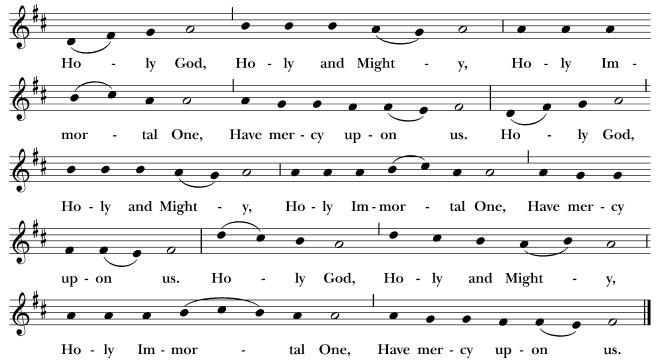
thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and

worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

THE TRISAGION S 100

The Trisagion, or some other song of praise, centers the service on the God we gather to praise in our worship.



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#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The collect is the prayer appointed for each Sunday that "collects" or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray: Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor

of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you

and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

The people are seated.

# LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON Isaiah 2:1-5

This reading is typically from the Old Testament (Hebrew Scriptures) which Jesus knew and from which he often referred or quoted.

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruninghooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

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

PSALM OF THE DAY

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LAETATUS SUM

The psalms are prayers that Jesus used, and they cover every mood of humanity's relationship with God and one another.

# Chanted by the Parish Choir

- <sup>1</sup> I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."
- <sup>2</sup> Now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.
- <sup>3</sup> Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity with itself;
- <sup>4</sup>To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the Lord.

- <sup>5</sup> For there are the thrones of judgment, the thrones of the house of David.
- <sup>6</sup> Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: "May they prosper who love you.
- <sup>7</sup> Peace be within your walls and quietness within your towers.
- 8 For my brethren and companions' sake, I pray for your prosperity.
- <sup>9</sup> Because of the house of the Lord our God, I will seek to do you good."

THE SECOND LESSON Romans 13:11-14

This reading, taken from the New Testament, is typically from a letter (epistle) to the early Church, the Acts of the Apostles, or the Revelation to John

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The people stand as able at the introduction to the hymn.

The sequence hymn moves us toward the summit of the Liturgy of the Word—the reading of the Holy Gospel. Gospel means "good news"—specifically the "good news of Jesus."

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE

Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers
TUNE: LLANGLOFFAN

No. 68

THE GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 24:36-44

This reading is taken from one of the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John), which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. We stand for the Gospel reading to show the particular importance placed on Jesus' words and actions.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to the disciples, "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

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

The people are seated at the invitation of the Preacher.

#### THE HOMILY

The Rev. Catherine M. Thompson

The homily directly follows the Gospel because it is to be grounded in the scriptures. It illuminates the scriptural readings and relates them to daily life.

The people stand as able at the invitation of the Celebrant

#### THE NICENE CREED

The word "creed" comes from the Latin "credo" for "I believe." First formulated at the Council of Nicaea in 325 AD and confirmed in 381 AD, the Nicene Creed is said at the Holy Eucharist and reflects what Christians believe regarding the relationship between the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit: The Holy Trinity.

All 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

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Prayer is offered with intercession for the following. We are reminded in prayer that we are part of a larger fellowship, the Church—the Body of Christ.

The Lector and People pray responsively.

*Lector* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. (*Silence*) Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

Lector Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. (Silence) Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

Lector Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. (Silence) Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

Lector Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; and for all those who are traveling; remembering especially our Military and First Responders: D., Bruce, Erin, Tavis, Charles, Chris, Clark, Jasmine, Ryan, Tyler, Tapanga and Vincent; and for Daniel and Santana, our Seminarians. (Silence) Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

Lector Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, remembering especially: Adeline, Arlene, Bob, Bonnie B., Caroline, Darlene, David B., Dottie, Doug S., Elaine+, Ida, Ike R., ILA, Ivy, Jane, John & Sudha, John M., Kim, Laurence, Lynne, Mary, Matt S., Matthew N., Owen, Pam R., Piet,

Sarah, Sheila H. Sheila P., Sherriz, Stark family, Sylas, Sylvia, Teion, Tyler F., Tylan, Walter, Zach, Zack.

(Silence) Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

Lector We commend to your mercy all who have died, and we pray that we may share with all your saints in

your eternal kingdom. Remembering especially; Bob Thompson, brother of Fr. Gilen Thompson-

Uberuaga. (Silence) Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

Presider Hasten, O Father, 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.

People Amen.

# CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION

Confessing our sins, receiving forgiveness (absolution), and showing signs of peace to one another prepare us to receive Christ in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

All Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that

we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Presider 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.

People Amen.

#### THE PEACE

Presider 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 and then are seated.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

BIRTHDAY PRAYER BCP p. 830

All Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

## THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Having listened to the Word of God, affirmed our faith, and shared in the peace, we are prepared for the mystery and miracle of the Holy Eucharist. An offering is received to support All Saints' ministry of sharing God's love. All are invited to make a gift as the plate is passed, by scanning the QR code or online at allsaintsmd.org/give.



The Altar is now prepared for Holy Communion

# **OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

Leland B. Sateren

1. Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free; from our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee.

Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art; dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.

2. Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a King, born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring. By thine own eternal spirit rule in all our hearts alone; by thine all sufficient merit, raise us to thy glorious throne.

The people stand at the invitation of the Celebrant

#### RESPONSE AT THE PRESENTATION

Owen Alstott

The response is sung first by the Parish Choir, then repeated by all



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#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us to do: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. The Great Thanksgiving, or Eucharistic Prayer, is a long prayer with four parts. Each of these four parts corresponds to a different action of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread and wine as sacraments of his body and blood. We begin the Great Thanksgiving with the Sursum corda, meaning "Lift up your hearts."

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant

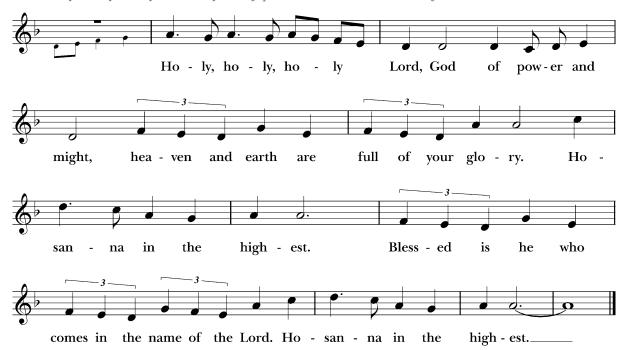
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS S 129

The Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) is the hymn of praise that never ceases before God and is based on Isaiah 6:3.



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We recall God's acts of salvation history. The Celebrant says the "Words of Institution" that Jesus said at the Last Supper. At the Memorial Acclamation we remember Christ's death, resurrection, and promise to return at the end of the age. During the prayer, the Holy Spirit is invoked to bless and sanctify the gifts of bread and wine.

Celebrant

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."

Celebrant

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."

Celebrant Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

People We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

Celebrant 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.

The Great Amen is when the congregation with a unified great voice concurs with all that the presider has prayed. It is the only "Amen" in all capitals found in the Book of Common Prayer, signifying the greatness of the congregation's response.

Celebrant 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.

People AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER BCP p. 364

We pray together the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray. The link between our daily bread and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist is an ancient connection.

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

People 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. Then all sing the following.



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# THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The people are seated.

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please move at the direction of the ushers. You may receive the wafer in your outstretched hands and respond to receiving Communion by saying, "Amen." If you require a **gluten-free** wafer, please place one arm over your chest to make your need known. Receiving the wafer alone is full participation in the Eucharist. For those who wish to consume wine, please assist in guiding the chalice to your lips. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of receiving Communion, you may indicate your choice by crossing your arms across your chest. If you are unable to come forward to receive Communion, please notify an usher and it will be brought to you.

**EUCHARISTIC HYMN** 

"Sleepers Wake!" A Voice Astounds Us

No. 61

TUNE: WACHET AUF

The people stand as able.

# THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

All 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 CONCLUDING RITE #

THE BLESSING

The Rev. Catherine M. Thompson

The Celebrant offers a blessing, and the people respond "Amen."

**RECESSIONAL HYMN** 

The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns

No. 073

TUNE: ST. STEPHEN

#### THE DISMISSAL

*Celebrant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

#### **POSTLUDE**

#### **ARE YOU NEW?**

We are so glad you are with us today. Whether in person or online for a short time or a lifetime, sure in faith or full of doubt, you belong here. If this is your first time at All Saints, we'd love to learn more about you. Please scan this QR code to fill out our welcome form and a member of our Newcomer's Committee will be in touch with you shortly. We look forward to getting to know you better.



# **Today at All Saints**

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8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist (Historic Church)
9:00 AM	Children's Formation (Court St. Classrooms)
9:00 AM	Adult Formation (Large Conference Room)
9:00 AM	Fellowship (Parish Hall)
10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist (Historic Church)
10:00 AM	Children's Chapel (St. Paul's Chapel)
11:15 AM	Fellowship (Parish Hall)
11:15 AM	Youth Group - Grades 6-12 (Youth Group Room)
3:00 PM	Blue Christmas Service (St. Paul's Chapel)
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#### This Week at All Saints: December 1 - December 7

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7:30 AM Morning Prayer (St. Paul's Chapel & Zoom)

1:00 PM St. Mary's Meeting & Luncheon (Historic Church, Brewer's Alley)

7:00 PM Weekly Bible Study (Zoom)

Tuesday:

7:30 AM Morning Prayer (St. Paul's Chapel & Zoom) 4:00 PM Education for Ministry (Conference Room)

Wednesday:

7:30 AM Morning Prayer (St. Paul's Chapel & Zoom)5:30 PM Healing Service with Eucharist (St. Paul's Chapel)

Thursday:

7:30 AM Morning Prayer (St. Paul's Chapel & Zoom) 8:15 AM Knitting Ministry (Memorial Lounge)

6:30 PM Hand Bells (Choir Room)

7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room, Historic Church)

Friday:

7:30 AM Morning Prayer (Zoom)

Saturday:

8:30 AM Centering Prayer Group (Zoom)

Sunday:

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist (Historic Church)

9:00 AM Children's Formation (Court St. Classrooms) 9:00 AM Adult Formation (Large Conference Room)

9:00 AM Fellowship (Parish Hall)

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist (Historic Church)10:00 AM Children's Chapel (St. Paul's Chapel)

11:15 AM Fellowship (Parish Hall)

11:15 AM Youth Group - Grades 6-12 (Youth Group Room)
11:15 AM Christmas Planning Meeting (Memorial Lounge)
12:30 PM Youth Group D&D (Youth Group Room)

#### **Adult Formation: Simon Peter**

Mark your calendars and join All Saints adult formation as we take a journey into the life of Simon Peter, one of Jesus' most passionate yet imperfect followers. Using Adam Hamilton's book, Simon Peter: Flawed but Faithful Disciple, as our guide, we'll explore how Peter's story mirrors our own—full of missteps, doubts, and struggles, yet ultimately transformed by Christ's call. This study will encourage us to see how God works through ordinary people, even in their weaknesses, to do extraordinary things. Whether you are new to Bible study or a longtime learner, you'll find fresh insight, encouragement, and practical faith lessons for daily living. Come discover how Peter's journey of

stumbling, yet staying faithful, can inspire your own walk with Christ. All are welcome! Books will be provided. Contact Diane Warner at <a href="mailto:dianea.dok@gmail.com">dianea.dok@gmail.com</a> if you are interested. This class will be meeting in the Large Conference Room in the basement of the Office Building.

November 30 "I Will Not Deny You" December 7 "From Cowardice to Courage"

**December 14** "The Rest of the Story"

## Weekly Bible Study on the Appointed Gospel (Zoom)

All are welcome to join the Gospel Bible Study Zoom held every Monday evening at 7:00 P.M. Eastern Time. Our next Bible study will be on **Monday, December 1st,** when we will study the Gospel for the coming Sunday which is **Matthew 3:1-12**. Anyone wishing to study this Gospel reading for next Sunday may gather on Zoom.

Meeting ID: 881 8405 9606 Passcode: 272102

## **Advent Vespers**

Schola Cantorum of Gettysburg is presenting an Advent Vespers **tonight at 7:30pm**. This excellent choir sings in a beautiful sacred space and will perform works by Biebl, Distler, Folkemer, Manz, Palestrina, and premiere Hollis Thoms' "Magnificat." Jacqueline Thoms sings in Schola, and both Hollis and Jacqueline sing in All Saints' choir. Seminary Chapel, United Lutheran Seminary, is located at 147 Seminary Ridge, Gettysburg, PA 17325.

#### Blue Christmas Service on November 30th

Our Blue Christmas service will take place **tonight November 30th at 3:00 PM**, in St. Paul's Chapel. If you are one for whom celebrating the holidays is difficult due to loss, grief, or sadness, please consider attending. It is a service meant to recognize that not all of us are merry and bright and gives space for us to grieve and heal as we approach the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ.

# St Mary's December Meeting

The December meeting will feature the talented Joy Bells Handbell Choir. We will gather at **11AM on December 1st** in the Historic Church to kick-off the holiday season. After the performance, we will share lunch together at Brewer's Alley. \*\* Everyone is responsible for their own bill. \*\* Please RSVP to Sara Gibson by 11/25. <a href="mailto:hmarkg@mindspring.com">hmarkg@mindspring.com</a>

#### **Youth Sunday**

One of the best Sundays of the year is upon us! Youth **Sunday is December 7th**. We are looking for children and youth in both services to volunteer to be ushers, torch bearers, lectors, and more! Email Alex Harrington: <a href="mailto:aharrington@allsaintsmd.org">aharrington@allsaintsmd.org</a>, or Megan Fowle: <a href="mailto:megan.fowle7@gmail.com">megan.fowle7@gmail.com</a> with any questions!

#### **Christmas Flower Dedications**

Christmas is a time for worship, family and friends, and the perfect time to honor those you love with a dedication of Christmas flowers. Your dedication will appear in the bulletin. A minimum of \$25 and the form must be submitted to the office by **Noon on December 10.** Please deliver by cash, check, or money order to the church office with attention to Vickie Burgee.

#### **Seasoned Saints Luncheon**

Join the fun for the Christmas Party at Gladchuk Brothers, **December 10th at Noon**. Call Terry to reserve a seat 301-620-9906. If you are unable to make it please let her know.

## The Ordination of Daniel Catalano, Santana Bartoldus, and Kelly Gearhart

By the grace of God and with the consent of the people, The Right Reverend Carrie Schofield-Broadbent, Bishop of Maryland, will ordain Daniel Catalano, Santana Bartoldus, and Kelly Gearhart on **Saturday, December 13th, at 11:00 AM** at the Church of the Redeemer, 5603 N. Charles Street in Baltimore. Your prayers and presence are requested. Parking is limited, so carpooling is encouraged.

# Save the Date: Christmas Movie Night

We will have our annual Charlie Brown Christmas Movie Night on **Saturday December 20th at 6pm!** This year we're doing a potluck dinner, so save the date and bring your best to-share dish!

## 2025 Christmas Pageant

It's still early, but Christmas will be upon us sooner than you think! If you would like to volunteer to help with costumes for the Christmas Pageant, or your little one would like to be in the pageant, please email Alex Harrington, <a href="mailto:aharrington@allsaintsmd.org">aharrington@allsaintsmd.org</a>.

## Save the Date: Frederick Historic Tour of Churches

We are honored once again to be one of the historic churches to open our doors to all of Frederick, and to serve as a hospitality center for the event. On the evening of **December 26th**, many helpers will be needed to assist with directing people and serving refreshments in the Great Hall. As always, we are also looking for generous cookie and brownie donations (including allergy free options) so that we may have plenty of sweet treats to serve. This is a wonderful opportunity to share our love of All Saints, its history, and its music with so many people. More details will arise as we get closer to the date. For more information, contact Hilary at <a href="https://hilarypetti@gmail.com">hilarypetti@gmail.com</a>; Teri at <a href="https://hilarypetti@gmail.com"

# Don't Forget to Turn in Your Pledge Cards!

If you have not yet turned in a pledge card, it is not too late. Please prayerfully consider how you might contribute to the mission and ministry of our church and let us know how much you will be able to contribute in the coming year. Thank you for your support! You can scan this QR code for an electronic donation or send by mail to 106 W. Church St.



## **Lend A Hand For Fellowship!**

After Sunday services, we provide an opportunity to gather in the Parish Hall (9 & 11:15 am) for coffee/tea and treats with fellow parishioners, to visit and see old friends and meet new people. We are looking for additional folks to volunteer 1.5 hours to assist with set-up or clean-up and serving. The parish provides food and supplies, and a mentor will assist with training and answer questions. Volunteers rotate so assignments are about once a month. Interested in learning more about this easy way to get involved in parish life and meet new people? Please contact Betty Briese-Ludwig at <a href="mailto:bettybrieseludwig@gmail.com">bettybrieseludwig@gmail.com</a>

# "All I Want for Christmas"

# A Special Advent Campaign for the Capital Improvements Fund

"All I Want for Christmas" is a special campaign meant to preserve our sacred space as a community gathering place where all are welcomed and God's presence is encountered. We preserve our sacred space by keeping our buildings in excellent condition and choosing not to defer maintenance we know needs to be done. Peter Dula, our Junior Warden, has put together a five-year capital improvement plan encompassing those areas of our campus we know will need to be repaired or replaced, as well as allowing for unexpected emergencies that inevitably present themselves. How can you help? A member of All Saints has generously offered a \$100,000 matching grant to support our Restricted Capital Improvements Fund. We are looking for donations during Advent to help meet that \$100,000 goal. Every gift matters in meeting our goal – whether it is a \$50, \$500, or \$5,000 gift. You can give using the QR code provided or by check with "Capital Improvements" in the memo line. Please donate no later than December 31s for your contribution to be matched. You will see photos around the campus of a few of the projects we intend to complete using these restricted funds. Please prayerfully consider how you might help us preserve our sacred space for generations to come.

# **December Outreach**



We have been asked to make the Christmas season a merry one by purchasing gifts for 35 children this year. Starting on November 30, the Christmas tree will be set up with tags that include the names and wishes of the children. If you select a tag, please return the gifts wrapped and labeled no later than **December 11.** If you want to help this amazing organization but do not have the opportunity to select a tag, we are also holding a diaper drive for them. Again, please return all diaper donations no later than December 11.

If you have any questions you can contact Jeanne Cassie at <u>jeanne.cassin@gmail.com</u> or Toni Kellinger at <u>tkellinger@aol.com</u>

Thank you for sharing your holiday blessings this holiday season!





Celebrate the true spirit of Christmas with beautiful music, timeless carols, and community togetherness!



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