



ALL SAINTS

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HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II
December 14, 2025 | 10:00 a.m.
The Third 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 literally 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

On Jordan’s Bank the Baptist’s Cry

No. 76

TUNE: WINCHESTER NEW

OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP, p. 355

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

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

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im -
mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us. Ho - ly God,
Ho - ly and Might - y, Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy
up - on us. Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

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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: 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.

People **Amen.**

The people are seated.



LITURGY OF THE WORD



THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 35:1-10

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

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the LORD, the majesty of our God. Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveler, not even fools, shall go astray. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM OF THE DAY

146:4-9

Chanted by the Parish Choir

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

⁴ Happy are they who have the God of Jacob
for their help!

whose hope is in the LORD their God;

⁵ Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all
that is in them;
who keeps his promise for ever;

⁶ Who gives justice to those who are oppressed,
and food to those who hunger.

⁷ The LORD sets the prisoners free;
the LORD opens the eyes of the blind;

the LORD lifts up those who are bowed
down;

⁸ The LORD loves the righteous;
the LORD cares for the stranger;
he sustains the orphan and widow,
but frustrates the way of the wicked.

⁹ The LORD shall reign for ever,
your God, O Zion, throughout all
generations.
Hallelujah!

THE SECOND LESSON

James 5:7-10

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

Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

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

“Thy Kingdom Come!” on Bended Knee

No. 615

TUNE: ST. FLAVIAN

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 11:2-11

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.**

When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to him, “Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?” Jesus answered them, “Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me.” As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: “What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written, ‘See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.’ “Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.”

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. Deacon Daniel Catalano

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

Form IV, BCP p. 388

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, protect all those who are traveling; and be present with our Military and First Responders: D., Bruce, Erin, Tavis, Charles, Chris, Clark, Jasmine, Ryan, Tyler, Tapanga and Vincent; and our Seminarians: Daniel and Santana. *(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, Syllas, Sylvia, Telon, Tylan, Tyler F., 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; Earle Hart (*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.

Lector 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 “Rejoice, O Jerusalem, Behold, Thy King Cometh”

Healey Willan

The night is far-spent, the day is at hand! Therefore let
us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the
armor of light!

Behold, the Lord shall come, and all His saints with
Him, and in that day the light shall be great!

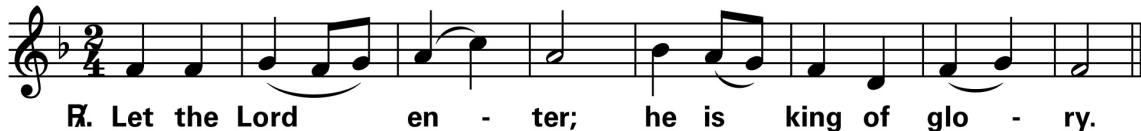
Rejoice, O Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh! Alleluia!

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.”

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift 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.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and

might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. _____

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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."

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.

THE AGNUS DEI

Owen Alstott



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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.*

EUCCHARISTIC HYMN

Savior of the Nations, Come

No. 54

TUNE: NUN KOMM, DER HEIDEN HEILAND

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.**

SENDING FORTH OUR EUCCHARISTIC VISITORS

Celebrant In the name of this congregation we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We, who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread and one cup.**



THE CONCLUDING RITE



THE BLESSING

The Rev. Catherine M. Thompson

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

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Hark! The Glad Sound!

No. 72

TUNE: RICHMOND

THE DISMISSAL

The Rev. Deacon Santana Bartoldus

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

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)
11:30 AM	Baptismal Preparation Class (Memorial Lounge)

This Week at All Saints: December 15 - December 21

Monday:

7:30 AM	Morning Prayer (St. Paul's Chapel & Zoom)
17:00 PM	Men's Ministry Meeting (Cugino Forno Pizza)
7:00 PM	Weekly Bible Study (Zoom)

Tuesday:

7:30 AM	Morning Prayer (St. Paul's Chapel & Zoom)
4:00 PM	Education for Ministry (Small Conference Room)
6:30 PM	Truth & Reconciliation Committee Meeting (Memorial Lounge)
7:00 PM	Vestry Meeting (Conference Room)

Wednesday:

7:30 AM	Morning Prayer (St. Paul's Chapel & Zoom)
12:00 PM	Labyrinth Visitations (Parish Hall)
5:30 PM	Healing Service with Eucharist (St. Paul's Chapel)
6:30 PM	Stewardship Committee Meeting (Zoom)

Thursday:

7:30 AM	Morning Prayer (St. Paul's Chapel & Zoom)
6:30 PM	Hand Bells (Choir Room)
7:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room, Historic Church)

Friday:

7:30 AM	Morning Prayer (Zoom)
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Saturday:

8:30 AM	Centering Prayer Group (Zoom)
5:00 PM	Charlie Brown Movie Night & Potluck (Great Hall)

Sunday:

8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist (Historic Church)
9:00 AM	Children's Formation (Court St. Classrooms)
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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 15th**, when we will study the Gospel for the coming Sunday which is **Matthew 1:18-25**. Anyone wishing to study this Gospel reading for next Sunday may gather on Zoom.

Meeting ID: 881 8405 9606 Passcode: 272102

Baptismal Preparation Class

Are you interested in being baptized in the Episcopal Church? Do you know of someone who is interested? Please join Rev. Catherine for this required class **today**, at **11:30 AM** in the Memorial Lounge, in preparation for baptisms on **Sunday, January 11th**. All ages are welcome, and godparents of candidates are encouraged to attend. If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Catherine or churchoffice@allsaintsmd.org.

Save the Date: Christmas Movie Night

Join us at **6pm on Saturday December 20th** in the Great Hall for the Annual Charlie Brown Christmas Movie Night! Scan the QR Code to sign up for the potluck dinner. Wear your pajamas, bring pillows, blankets, and a friend!



Greening of the Church

Please join us at **11:00 a.m.** on **December 21st** in the Historic Church for our annual Greening of the Church, as we prepare for our Christmas services. It's a whirlwind of festive activities! Teens transport boxed hurricane lamps, children help wheel carts of poinsettias for placement in the windows, folks replace bows on wreaths, and more! No flower arranging experience is necessary. There are lots of easy tasks that can be accomplished in an hour with many volunteers. Mark your calendars and join the camaraderie! Email Jackie Gambill at jamgambill97@gmail.com with any questions or to RSVP and help provide an estimated headcount of helpers.

2025 Christmas Pageant

The 4:00pm Christmas Eve service will feature the Christmas Pageant! If you would like to sign up to volunteer, or your child would like to participate, please sign up through the Eblast or website event. Note that all children participating in the pageant must participate in the rehearsal on **Sunday, Dec. 21st at 9:00am**. 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, aharrington@allsaintsmd.org.

Volunteer Sign Up for the Frederick Historic Tour of Churches



Scan the QR code for online **signup for Dec. 26th!** There is also a paper version in the lower gathering space. Thank you to those who have already offered to help, and please now select a time that works for you. We anticipate extending our great All Saints hospitality to 2000 - 3000 visitors who will come to share our beautiful Church on that night, and so we are asking for LOTS of donations of brownies and cookies (need not be homemade). These may be left on the indicated table in the Parish Hall beginning **Dec. 14th**. Please label if they are peanut free, gluten free etc. as we will handle them separately.

"All I Want for Christmas" A Special Advent Campaign for the Capital Improvements Fund

This is an excellent time of year to consider your charitable giving, and we hope that you will consider giving generously to our Capital Improvements Restricted Fund. We currently have approximately \$50,000 in this fund, but there is a \$100,000 matching grant on the table. We have until December 31st to meet our goal, and we are hoping you want to be a part of this legacy of faith and love handed on to future generations.

Donating cash is one way to give to the fund, but you can also donate stock, designate a portion of your Required Minimum Distribution from your retirement account, set up a Donor Advised Fund or make a multi-year commitment. We would be happy to discuss these possibilities with you if you contact the church office at churchoffice@allsaintsmd.org to set up an appointment. You may also consult with your Certified Financial Advisor for more information. Donate today!



A Special New Year's Eve Healing Service

Please join the Rev. Jen Mariano for a special New Year's Eve Healing Service with Eucharist on **Wednesday, December 31st at 5:30 p.m.** in St. Paul's Chapel. During this special service we will take time to reflect on the year gone by and share our hopes for the year to come. This is a beautiful opportunity to pray for ourselves and for the world as we begin 2026. Following the service, we invite you to stay for a time of New Year's Eve fellowship with light refreshments and sparkling cider. We look forward to seeing you there. Please enter through the St. Paul's Chapel door using the sidewalk to the left of the Historic Church entrance.

Adult Formation: "Dignity: Seven Strategies for Creating an Authentic Community"

Let's start 2026 becoming a better Beloved Community. The All Saints Truth & Reconciliation Committee will be hosting this adult formation using Sarah-Beth Wright's book, *Dignity: Seven Strategies for Creating an Authentic Community*, as our guide. DIGNITY is seven actionable tenets (diversity, identity, growth, nurture, integrity, transparency, and yield) with which we can identify our purpose, articulate our aspirations, and equip ourselves and others for both the opportunities and challenges of honoring our Beloved Community covenant. This hands-on workshop will require us to be reflective about who we are and what we value as a congregation and to create ways to focus our attention on the wider Frederick Community. All are welcome! Books will be provided. Contact Tracy Boyd at tlboyd23@gmail.com if you are interested.

January 4 Diversity
January 18 Growth
February 1 Integrity
February 15 Yield

January 11 Identity
January 25 Nurture
February 8 Transparency

Christmas Tree Pick-up

January 3-4 or January 10-11

\$15 per tree

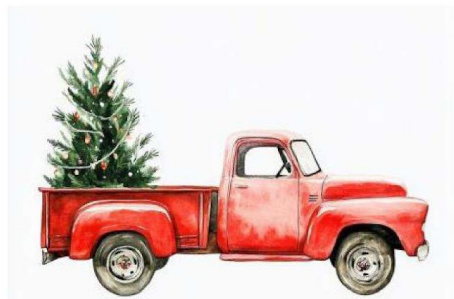
Additional items \$10



Troop 3017

All proceeds go directly to scouts

Troop3017TreePickup@gmail.com




Frederick County, MD
Trees will be delivered to goat farms or mulched

Cherub Choir

Grades K - 2

Sundays
(as scheduled)

Do you like to sing?



Youth Choir


Grades 3 - 8


Thursdays
4:30 p.m.

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