

Your presence today is a blessing to this parish.

This bulletin has been created from the prayers found in *The Book of Common Prayer*, and it contains most of the spoken parts of worship.

The blue Hymnal 1982 in your pew rack contains most of the hymns that are sung. You'll find words to the hymns that come from supplemental hymnals printed in this bulletin.

Voluntary

Announcements

Commissioning of Sunday School Teachers

Sponsor: I present to you these persons to be admitted to the

ministry of Teacher in this congregation.

Antiphon The words which I command you this day shall be

upon your hearts; and you shall teach them diligently

to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit

in your house, and when you walk by the way, and

when you lie down, and when you rise.

Priest: We will recount to generations to come the

praiseworthy deeds and the power of the Lord:

People: And the wonderful works he has done.

Let us pray.

God of all wisdom and knowledge, give your blessing and guidance to all who teach in your Church, that by word and example they may lead those who they teach to the knowledge and love of you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

In the Name of God and of this congregation, I commission you as Teachers in this Parish.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Entrance Hymn All stand. Hymnal 1982 – 420

When in our music God is glorified Engelberg

Opening Acclamation

BCP p. 355

The people standing, the Celebrant says

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

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

Amen.

Collect for Purity

BCP p. 355

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.

Song of Praise, S278 See pew card for music. BCP p. 356
Glory to God (Canticle 20) Mathias
The following is sung, all standing.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world;

have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father;

receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

BCP p. 357

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

The people sit.

The Lesson

Old Testament Reading: 1 Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14

A reading from the First book of Kings.

David slept with his ancestors, and was buried in the city of David. The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David; and his kingdom was firmly established.

Solomon loved the Lord, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot

be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor all your life; no other king shall compare with you. If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

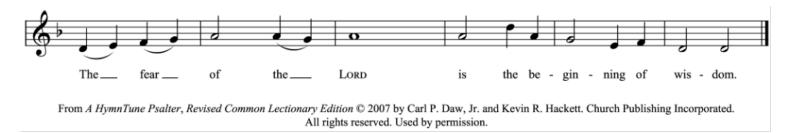
People: Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

Psalm 111

Remain seated. The choir first introduces the Antiphon, then the congregation joins the choir in singing the Antiphon each time.

Antiphon



1 Hallelujah!

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, * in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

- 2 Great are the deeds of the Lord! * they are studied by all who delight in them. **Antiphon**
- 3 O Lord, your work is full of majesty and splendor, * and your righteousness endures for ever.
- 4 You make your marvelous works to be remembered; * you are gracious and full of compassion. **Antiphon**
- 5 You give food to those who fear you; * you are ever mindful of his covenant.
- 6 You have shown your people the power of your works * in giving them the lands of the nations.
- 7 The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice; *

all your commandments are sure.

- 8 They stand fast for ever and ever, *
 because they are done in truth and equity. **Antiphon**
- 9 You send redemption to you people; you commanded your covenant for ever; * holy and awesome is your Name.
- 10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; * those who act accordingly have a good understanding; the praise of the Lord endures for ever. **Antiphon**

The people remain seated.

The Second Reading: Ephesians 5:15-20

A reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Ephesus.

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

All stand.

Sequence Hymn

Hymnal 1982 – 488

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart

Slane

The Gospel: John 6:51-58

All stand.

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to

John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day;

for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Rev. Vern Cahoon

The Nicene Creed

All stand.

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

All remain standing.

From Praying the Scriptures, by Jeremiah D. Williamson

Intercessor: Dear siblings, the fear of the Lord is the beginning

of wisdom. Let us offer to God our prayers, saying,

"At all times and for all things: wise God, we give you

thanks."

Faithful God, you are ever mindful of the covenant

you made with your Church in baptism: Give us

grace to follow daily in the blessed steps of your

Son Jesus. Silence.

At all times and for all things:

People: Wise God, we give you thanks.

Intercessor: O Lord, for the sake of this nation and for the

world, give to our elected officials wise and

discerning minds. May all our works be done in

truth and equity. Silence.

At all times and for all things:

People: Wise God, we give you thanks.

Intercessor: Mighty Creator, your work is full of majesty and

splendor. Give us the vision to look upon all you

have made with awe and wonder and give you

thanks. The people are invited to add their thanksgivings, followed by silence.

At all times and for all things:

People: Wise God, we give you thanks.

Intercessor: God, we praise you for children. We pray that our

hearts might be humbled to learn from our

youngest brothers and sisters what it means to be gracious, compassionate, and filled with the Spirit.

Silence.

At all times and for all things:

People: Wise God, we give you thanks.

Intercessor: Merciful Lord, great are your deeds and marvelous

are your works: we pray for those in need of your

help and healing, trusting in your righteousness. The people are invited to add their petitions, followed by

silence.

At all times and for all things:

People: Wise God, we give you thanks.

Intercessor: We pray you so to guide Nancy, our Rector, during

her Sabbatical. May she return to All Saints'

restored in body, mind, and spirit. We also pray that

you bless this parish and all who come here. May

we carry out with joy the ministries to which we are

called. May this also be a time of intentional rest, prayer, and reflection for us.

At all times and for all things:

People: Wise God, we give you thanks.

Intercessor: Lord Christ, Living Bread, you promise eternal life

for all who eat of your body: grant to us, and to all

who have died, eternal life in your heavenly

kingdom. Silence.

At all times and for all things:

People: Wise God, we give you thanks.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

Confession of Sin

BCP p. 359

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Silence may be kept.

Minister 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.

The Absolution

The Priest stands and says

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.**

Peace BCP p. 360

All stand

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

A note about receiving Holy Communion: In the Episcopal Church, we understand that Christ is "really present" in the bread and wine provided from God's table. All who claim Christ as Lord are always welcome to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion in this church. Children are welcome to receive communion at the discretion of their parents. Come forward at the direction of the ushers. Receive the consecrated wafer in the palm of your outstretched hand from the first person who comes to you. To receive a gluten-free wafer, please cross your hands palms down. Wine may be received by lightly dipping the bread into the small cup in the center of the plate/paten from which you received the bread. Alternatively, you may choose to drink from the larger cup/chalice which the next person will offer you. Receive the consecrated wine by guiding the offered cup to your lips and sipping. Those who distribute the wine will wipe the chalice with a food safe sanitizer and turn it for the next person after each person receives. You may also decide to take the wafer only. If you choose not to receive communion, you may cross your arms over your chest and receive a blessing as your presence is a blessing to all of us. Once you have been blessed or received communion, you may offer a short prayer and then return to your seat.

If physical limitations make it difficult to come forward, please let an usher know that we may have the honor of bringing communion to you.

Offertory Sentence

BCP p. 376

The Celebrant says

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High. *Psalm 50:14*

Offertory Anthem

César Franck/Mark Schweizer

For the bread which you have broken

For the bread which you have broken, for the wine which you have poured, For the words which you have spoken, Now we give you thanks, O Lord.

By this pledge that you do love us, By the gift of peace restored, By your call to heaven above us, Hallow all our lives, O Lord.

In your service, Lord, defend us, In our hearts keep watch and ward, In the world where you do send us, Let your kingdom come, O Lord.

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Presentation of Gifts

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O Lord.

People: And of thine own have we given thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

Sursum Corda

BCP p. 361

The People remain standing.

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 him thanks and praise.

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

The Celebrant adds a proper preface.

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:

Sanctus See pew card for music. BCP p. 362

S 128 Holy, holy, holy

Mathias

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Memorial Acclamation S 135

See pew card for music.

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.

The Great Amen

See pew card for music.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP p. 363

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

People and Celebrant

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

Fraction Anthem See pew card for music.

BCP p. 364

S 169 My flesh is food indeed

Urwin

Choir: My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.

All: My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.

Choir: Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood dwell in me

and I in them.

All: My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink

indeed, says the Lord.

Invitation BCP p. 364

The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

A prayer for those joining online to be unified in Communion with Christ.

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. And since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. **Amen.**

Communion Hymns

Hymnal 1982 – 403

The heavens are not too high

MacDougall

Draw nigh and take the Body of the Lord

Hymnal 1982 – 328

Song 46

Lay Eucharistic Minister Prayer (as needed)

Celebrant: In order that all may receive Holy Eucharist,

_____ will take the Eucharist to _____ today.

All:

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. We

who are many are one body because we all

share one bread, one cup. Amen.

The Post-Communion Prayer

BCP p. 365

After Communion, the Celebrant says

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.

Blessing BCP p. 366

Post-Communion Hymn God of grace and God of glory

Hymnal 1982 – 594

Cwm Rhondda

Dismissal

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

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The flowers on the altar today are given by Donna Wilson to the Glory of God and in memory of Jon Wilson.

This Week's Announcements

Christian Formation has started for all ages at 10 AM on Sundays. Be sure to check out the classes available.

Interested in a choir? That's great! All Saints' has five groups that meet or serve weekly. For details, contact Brian Sapp-Moore.

Upcoming events | Mark your calendars!

- Tour de Saints is on Saturday, August 24, 2024! Sign up to ride, volunteer, and/or sponsor! *Details on church website*.
- Pride Night at Cannon Ballers Aug. 29 at 7 PM Sign up for \$3 tickets in Realm!

AYA House in Concord offers recently incarcerated men an opportunity to succeed and reintegrate into society. The Men of All Saints' have a great opportunity to help make this happen. Talk to Chuck Collier or Don Foskey about how you can assist AYA House in transforming the lives of formerly incarcerated men.

Weekly Small Group Studies | Tuesdays at 3 PM via Zoom; contact Charles McKinley or Brenda Trott for link. Wednesdays at 7 PM via Zoom; contact Chuck Collier for link. Thursdays at 5 PM on Zoom; contact Alice Baxter or Michelle Bohrer for link. Men's Group on Saturdays at 8 AM in the Welcome Center.

A Note on Today's Readings

Welcome to All Saints' Episcopal Church. Jesus' discourse on the bread of life continues to be the center of our liturgy, as it has been now for several weeks. Jesus has met physical hunger by providing material bread (a primary Old Testament sign of salvation); he has said that a spiritual (or mystical) relationship with him constitutes the bread of eternal life; now he says that nourishment with his life is given by actually eating his flesh and drinking his blood. If we eat his body and drink his blood, we will have eternal life.

After a reign of forty years, David died and was succeeded by Solomon, his son by Bathsheba. From the first we see the continued breakdown of David's descendants. Even though God answers Solomon's prayer to be wise and renews the promise to David's family, Solomon, we are told, worships God not in Jerusalem but at one of the old pagan high places. This will bear bitter fruit for Solomon's descendants and for Israel.

The second reading is once again from the letter to the Ephesians. We are exhorted to let God's Spirit inebriate us and speak through us in thanksgiving and song.

"People with a story to tell and a song to sing" is a way Christians have been described. It is preeminently in liturgy that we carry out that role. We gather here to be fed physically, spiritually, and sacramentally. Our response is to give thanks (the word "eucharist" means "thanksgiving") and, having told our story and sung our song here, to take it out to our brothers and sisters in the world.

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