

Your presence today is a blessing to this parish.

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# Voluntary

### Announcements

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

Entrance Hymn All stand. Hymnal 1982 – 388
O worship the King, all glorious above Hanover

## 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 and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

The people sit.

## The Lessons

## Old Testament Reading: Job 1:1; 2:1-10

A reading from the book of Job.

There was once a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job. That man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil.

One day the heavenly beings came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the Lord. The Lord said to Satan, "Where have you come from?" Satan answered the Lord, "From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it." The Lord said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and turns away from evil. He still persists in his integrity, although you incited me against him, to destroy him for no reason." Then Satan answered the Lord, "Skin for skin! All that people have they will give to save their lives. But stretch out your hand now and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse you to your face." The Lord said to Satan, "Very well, he is in your power; only spare his life."

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So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord, and inflicted loathsome sores on Job from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head. Job took a potsherd with which to scrape himself, and sat among the ashes.

Then his wife said to him, "Do you still persist in your integrity? Curse God, and die." But he said to her, "You speak as any foolish woman would speak. Shall we receive the good at the hand of God, and not receive the bad?" In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

### Psalm 26

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

### **Antiphon**



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- 1 Give judgment for me, O Lord, for I have lived with integrity; \*

  I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.
- 2 Test me, O Lord, and try me; \* examine my heart and my mind. **ANTIPHON**
- 3 For your love is before my eyes; \*
  I have walked faithfully with you.
- 4 I have not sat with the worthless, \* nor do I consort with the deceitful.
- 5 I have hated the company of evildoers; \*
  I will not sit down with the wicked. **ANTIPHON**
- 6 I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord, \* that I may go in procession round your altar,

- 7 Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving \* and recounting all your wonderful deeds.
- 8 Lord, I love the house in which you dwell \* and the place where your glory abides. **ANTIPHON**
- 9 Do not sweep me away with sinners, \* nor my life with those who thirst for blood,
- 10 Whose hands are full of evil plots, \* and their right hand full of bribes. **ANTIPHON**
- 11 As for me, I will live with integrity; \* redeem me, O Lord, and have pity on me.
- 12 My foot stands on level ground; \*
  in the full assembly I will bless the Lord. **ANTIPHON**

The people remain seated.

## The Second Reading: Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

A reading from Paul's letter to the Hebrews.

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. But someone has testified somewhere,

"What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them?

You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, subjecting all things under their feet."

Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying,

"I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

All stand.

Sequence Hymn

Hymnal 1982 – 669

Commit thou all that grieves thee

Herzlich tut mich verlangen

The Gospel: Mark 10:2-16

All stand.

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

Mark.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Some Pharisees came, and to test him they asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?" He answered them, "What did Moses command you?" They said, "Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her." But Jesus said to them,

"Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation, 'God made them male and female. For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.' So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."

Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. He said to them, "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery."

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon The Rev. Jim Bernacki

### 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:

Siblings, God has made us for each other. So joining our voices together, let us pray, "O Lord our Governor, how exalted is your Name in all the world!"

Heavenly Father, give to your Church the faith to accept your kingdom as a little child. Bless us with grace and love so that we might love those who share with us your kingdom. *Silence*.

O Lord our Governor,

People: How exalted is your Name in all the world!

Intercessor: What are mortals, O Ancient of Days, that you are

mindful of us? And yet you are. We praise you for

your goodness and your overwhelming

compassion. The people are invited to add their

thanksgiving, followed by silence.

O Lord our Governor,

People: How exalted is your Name in all the world!

Intercessor: When we consider your heavens, the works of your

fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in

their courses, we stand in awe. O God, we praise

you for all your works. Silence.

O Lord our Governor,

People: How exalted is your Name in all the world!

Intercessor: We ask your blessing, O God, on all married and

partnered couples. You know the challenges

committed couples face. You know the temptations

and the stressors. But it is your desire that what you

have joined, no one separate. So increase our love

and understanding. Silence.

O Lord our Governor,

People: How exalted is your Name in all the world!

Intercessor: Lord Jesus, you sustain all things by your powerful

word. Sustain those who are wearied by illness or

sorrow. Come, Great Healer, come.

The people are invited to add their petitions, followed by

silence.

O Lord our Governor,

People: How exalted is your Name in all the world!

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. Silence.

O Lord our Governor,

People: How exalted is your Name in all the world!

Intercessor: By your incredible grace, O God, your Son tasted

death for us and by his sufferings perfected our

salvation. Grant to those who die a place with your

Son, and all the saints, in your eternal kingdom.

Silence.

O Lord our Governor,

People: How exalted is your Name in all the world!

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

Savior, teach me day by day

Raymond Weidner

Savior, teach me day by day
Thine own lesson to obey,
Better lesson cannot be,
Loving Him Who first loved me.

With a childlike heart of love
At thy bidding may I move,
Prompt to serve and follow thee,
Loving him who first loved me.

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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 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

Eternal Spirit of the living Christ

Hymnal 1982 – 698

Flentge

My song is love unknown, vs. 1-2, 6-7

Hymnal 1982 – 458

Love Unknown

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.

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Post-Communion Hymn

Hymnal 1982 – 397

Now thank we all our God

Nun danket alle Gott

## 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 Don and Nancy Foskey to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for Luke, Emma, and Katelyn.

### This Week's Announcements

First Sunday Offering | Large portions of Western North Carolina and adjacent areas were devastated by flooding from Hurricane Helene. All Saints' wants to assist with the recovery through Episcopal Relief and Development. This Sunday we are dedicating our "loose plate" offering to their Hurricane Relief Fund. If you are giving through Realm, use the drop-down selection for Hurricane Relief or make that designation in the memo line on your check made payable to All Saints' Episcopal Church. Funds will be sent to Episcopal Relief and Development designated for those impacted by the disaster in Western NC, wherever they are located or wherever they have been displaced to. *Donations up to \$6,000 in total will be matched by current outreach funds*.

### Mark your calendar for these upcoming events:

- Blessing of the Pets, TODAY at 4:30 PM
- Red Cross Blood Drive, October 9, 2:30-7 PM. Sign up online.
- CROP Hunger Walk, October 13, 2 PM
- Vaccine Clinic, October 20, 9 AM-Noon, Welcome Center
- All Saints' Goes to the Movies, October 26, 9:30 AM at Gem Theatre for screening of Disney's "Coco." Sign up in Realm.
- A Night of Italian Fine Dining, November 13. Fundraiser for EYC Mission Trip to Costa Rica

# A Note on Today's Readings

Welcome to All Saints' Episcopal Church. The primary theme today in the Gospel is marriage. Here we are not to think simplistically of the varied forms of the human institution of marriage found in different periods of history. We are instead focused on the biblical understanding of God's will for marriage as a union between two people which creates a new, complex personality out of the two. Jesus' disapproval of divorce is clear and uncompromising. We may note that, in the words of Professor Reginald Fuller, "It is often the current institutionalized form of marriage that many people are really rejecting, not marriage as intended by God."

The first reading continues our exploration of the part of the Hebrew scriptures known as the Writings. Today we begin reading the Book of Job, a brief story that seeks to understand why bad things happen to good people. We are introduced to Job and to the strange wager between God and Satan that leads to the testing of righteous Job's faith. The Letter to the Hebrews seems to have been intended particularly for Jewish Christians to assist them in understanding the work of Christ in images familiar to them. In today's passage, the full humanity of Jesus and his suffering and death are explained as essential to his role of redeeming all humanity, as illustrated by quotations from the psalms.

We find in our worship that the Christian message is a call to put aside the conventions of human society and to take up the new life of God's Kingdom. That new life calls us to rethink all aspects of our ways of living, even our views of marriage. Those who live in committed lifetime relationships must be certain that what they seek is the relationship God wills and not simply the conventional understanding of the world. Our worship together is the clearest sign that we are responding to God's call to be different from the world even as we live in it. A gathering of people which welcomes everyone to a common table is not conventional. It is a sign of God's Kingdom.



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