



*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

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### Entrance Hymn

Hymnal 1982 – 518

Christ is made the sure foundation

*Westminster Abbey*

### Opening Acclamation

BCP p. 355

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Song of Praise

S 278 – BCP p. 356

Glory to God (Canticle 20)

*See pew card for music.*

**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

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## Collect During Interim

Ever-present and ever-living God,  
throughout this season of change,  
weave us ever more closely into the fabric of your love;  
grant us wisdom to discern your will,  
patience to await your leading,  
and steadfast hearts to continue your work.

Teach us to act justly, practice kindness,  
and to walk humbly with you.

And, as you once declared through your prophet,  
“Behold, I am doing a new thing – now it springs forth.”

Grant us grace to see and join in that new creation,  
that in all things your Name may be glorified;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Lessons

*The people sit.*

The First Reading: Acts 7:55-60

*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.*

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,  
to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the  
glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God.

"Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man  
standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears,  
and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they  
dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the  
witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul.  
While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive  
my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice,  
"Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this,  
he died.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*Silence may follow.*

## Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

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



From *A HymnTune Psalter, Revised Common Lectionary Edition* © 2007 by Carl P. Daw, Jr. and Kevin R. Hackett. Church Publishing Incorporated. All rights reserved. Used by permission.

### **Antiphon: You have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.**

- 1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge;  
let me never be put to shame; \*  
deliver me in your righteousness.
- 2 Incline your ear to me; \*  
make haste to deliver me. **ANTIPHON**
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe,  
for you are my crag and my stronghold; \*  
for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.
- 4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, \*  
for you are my tower of strength. **ANTIPHON**
- 5 Into your hands I commend my spirit, \*  
for you have redeemed me,  
O Lord, O God of truth.

15 My times are in your hand; \*

rescue me from the hand of my enemies,  
and from those who persecute me.

16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, \*

and in your lovingkindness save me. **ANTIPHON**

## The Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:2-10

*Remain seated.*

*A reading from the First letter of Peter.*

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation – if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone,  
a cornerstone chosen and precious;  
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the very head of the corner,”

and

“A stone that makes them stumble,  
and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were  
destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation,  
God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts  
of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people,  
but now you are God’s people;  
once you had not received mercy,  
but now you have received mercy.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*Silence may follow.*

Sequence Hymn                      *All stand.*                      Hymnal 1982 – 536

Open your ears, O faithful people                      *Torah song [Yisrael V’oraita]*

The Gospel: John 14:1-14

*All remain standing.*

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
according to John.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus told his disciples, “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.”

Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.” Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

Mocha Simone

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:**

**he became incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the  
Virgin Mary, and became truly human.**

**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.  
Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and  
glorified.  
Who 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 Hear Our Prayer, by Jon White & Lisa Graves*

**Intercessor:** Steadfast God, you have never abandoned your  
promise to be with your people, be present to us  
now and hear us as we say, Lord in your mercy,  
hear our prayer.

Imbue your church with the courage of Stephen, that it may hold steadfast to Christ and uphold always your command to love one another. *Silence.*

Lord in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Grant wisdom to those in authority in our lives that they may not be seduced by the expedient or the popular, but strive always to lead us towards true safety, seeking the welfare of all people. *Silence.*

Lord in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Embolden us to share our faith with confidence through our actions and choices, and especially in our mercy to those in need. *Silence.*

Lord in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Strengthen and sustain us as we forge new, life-giving ways to contend with world conflicts and climate change and help us to hold onto the power of your promises even, and especially, when we feel hopeless. *The people are invited to add their thanksgivings, followed by silence.*

Lord in your mercy,  
People: **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Let your healing presence be known to all who suffer from any trouble, bring wholeness to all that is broken in our lives and in our world. *The people are invited to add their petitions, followed by silence.*

Lord in your mercy,  
People: **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor: Grant peace to the dead and dying, comfort to those who mourn or grieve; let the light of your love dispel the darkness in our hearts. *Silence.*

Lord in your mercy,  
People: **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Most glorious God, you have strengthened and sustained your people since first you called Abram to follow you. Lift us up, we pray, and help us to be the people we were created to be that we might fulfill your dream for our human family. **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. You may drink from the chalice which the next person will offer you. Receive the consecrated wine by guiding the offered cup to your lips and sipping, or by intinction: lightly dip the wafer into the wine. 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 Anthem

Malcolm Archer

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:  
such a way as gives us breath;  
such a truth as ends all strife;  
such a life as killeth death.

Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength:  
such a light as shows a feast;  
such a feast as mends in length;  
such a strength as makes his guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:  
such a joy as none can move;  
such a love as none can part;  
such a heart as joys in love.

*You can give online by scanning the QR code with your phone.*



## 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. 367

*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 God 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.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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:



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, according to his command, O Father,

Memorial Acclamation    *See pew card for music.*    BCP p. 368

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death,**

**We proclaim his resurrection,**

**We await his coming in glory;**

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 [\_\_\_\_\_ and] 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.

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, S 169

*See pew card for music.*

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**

## Spiritual Communion Prayer

*A prayer for those worshiping virtually 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

Praise the Lord through every nation

Hymnal 1982 – 484

*Wachet auf*

We the Lord's people, heart, and voice uniting    Hymnal 1982 – 51  
*Decatur Place*

### 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

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

**God of abundance,  
you have fed us  
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;  
you have united us with Christ and one another;  
and you have made us one  
with all your people in heaven and on earth.  
Now send us forth**

**in the power of your Spirit,  
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world  
and continue for ever  
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## Blessing

Post-Communion Hymn

Hymnal 1982 – 525

The Church's one foundation

*Aurelia*

Dismissal

BCP p. 366

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

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**

## Voluntary

*Scripture quotations are from New Revised Standard Version Bible, copyright © 1989, National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved.*

---

**The flowers on the altar today are given by  
Pam & Chuck Collier to the Glory of God  
and in memory of Courtney Bethay Collier.**

---

## This Week's Announcements

---

**Thank you to all the EYC members who participated in today's Youth Sunday worship service!**

**Are you interested in being baptized?** We are planning for baptisms at the Pentecost service on Sunday, May 24. To prepare, any adults or children interested in being baptized are invited to a class on Sunday, May 17 at 10 AM. Questions? Call or email Father John at [jjohanssen@allsaintsconcord.org](mailto:jjohanssen@allsaintsconcord.org).

**To ensure every voice is heard** as we continue our prayerful discernment toward calling our next Rector, the Search Committee invites your feedback. Whether or not you attended a Congregational Meeting, you are warmly encouraged to respond to, or build upon, the questions shared with the congregation. *Use the QR code to access the online form.*



### **Looking Ahead** | *Mark your calendar!*

- Marshall Smith All Saints' Baseball Outing – Sunday, May 31 at 1:30 PM. Tickets are only \$3/each. *Sign up in Realm.*
- Parish Summer Kickoff – June 7, one worship service at 10 AM, then covered dish lunch & outdoor fun on church grounds. *Details to come.*
- Vacation Bible School – July 9-12



## A Note on Today's Readings

---

**Welcome to All Saints' Episcopal Church.** We begin today the fifth of the seven weeks of the Christian year set apart to celebrate the dying and rising of Jesus. The Gospel reading today is a discussion between Jesus and his disciples, particularly Thomas and Philip, about the results of his dying and rising. He is revealed to be the Way into eternal life, and in knowing Jesus we know and are known by the Father. Today's reading from Acts describes the martyrdom of Stephen, the first Christian to suffer death for the name of Christ. This is itself a particularly strong witness to the resurrection of Jesus; as Stephen joins his Lord in dying he sees Jesus raised from the dead and leading him into God's eternal Kingdom. In the second reading today Peter applies to us the words of God to the people of Israel during their Exodus. By virtue of our baptism into Jesus' dying and rising, we are set apart as "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people," with the vocation of making God's wonderful deeds known to all people. In the Eucharistic celebration, we are revealed as the royal priesthood. In most religions, the priesthood is a small group of people who stand between God and the rest of the people. Christians, however, all stand before God on behalf of the entire human race; on behalf, indeed, of the whole creation. That priesthood is enacted most clearly as we stand before God in intercession and in thanksgiving in the Eucharistic liturgy.

From *The Rite Light: Reflections on the Sunday Readings and Seasons of the Church Year*. Copyright © 2009 by Michael W. Merriman. Church Publishing Incorporated, New York.



---

## CLERGY

---

### INTERIM RECTOR

The Reverend John Johanssen  
[jjohanssen@allsaintsconcord.org](mailto:jjohanssen@allsaintsconcord.org)

### PRIEST ASSOCIATE

The Reverend Dr. James (Jim) B. Bernacki  
[jbernacki@windstream.net](mailto:jbernacki@windstream.net)

### PRIEST ASSOCIATE

The Reverend Mary Elizabeth Reese  
[revmaryreese@gmail.com](mailto:revmaryreese@gmail.com)

### DEACON

The Reverend Vern Cahoon  
[vernjcahoon@gmail.com](mailto:vernjcahoon@gmail.com)

---

## STAFF

---

### PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

Erin Vanasse  
[admin@allsaintsconcord.org](mailto:admin@allsaintsconcord.org)

### DIRECTOR OF YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRIES

Tiffany Fulton  
[tfulton@allsaintsconcord.org](mailto:tfulton@allsaintsconcord.org)

### DIRECTOR OF MUSIC & COORDINATOR OF COMMUNICATIONS

Brian Sapp-Moore  
[bsapp@allsaintsconcord.org](mailto:bsapp@allsaintsconcord.org)

### COMMUNICATIONS ASSISTANT

Ruth Brown  
[announcements@allsaintsconcord.org](mailto:announcements@allsaintsconcord.org)

---

## VESTRY & LIASION AREAS

---

Chuck Collier, *Sr. Warden, Finance*  
Andrea Holdren, *Jr. Warden, Stewardship*  
Guy Antonides, *LCDC, Parish Life*  
Rebecca Bahn, *Pastoral Care*  
Randy Brantley, *Worship*  
Kaleb Davis, *Outreach*  
Melissa Goodwin, *Newcomers*  
Ragan Kearns, *Communications*  
Gary Kovar, *Building & Grounds*  
Kathy Thompson, *Parish Life*  
Mary Beth Ward-Bowman,  
*Adult Christian Formation*  
Julie Wagner, *Youth Christian Formation*

---

## REPORTING TO THE VESTRY

---

Victor Clark, *Treasurer*  
Kim Gordick, *Vestry Clerk*

**For announcements and information,  
scan the QR code to view  
All Saints' Weekly Word.**



### All Saints' Episcopal Church

525 Lake Concord Road NE  
Concord, NC 28025

[www.allsaintsconcord.org](http://www.allsaintsconcord.org) | 704-782-2024  
All Saints' WiFi password: JesusLovesYou