

ALL SAINTS CHURCH
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Welcome to All Saints!

We are a spiritually centered, open-minded community and welcoming of others. Wherever you are in your life's journey, we invite you to consider All Saints for spiritual support and challenge.

There are several ways to experience God, to serve Christ and to explore the depths of the spiritual. We encourage you to join us in prayer, service to others, mutual support, and for fellowship.

There is a lot going on in our community and the yellow church leaflet in front of you highlights the key aspects of our activities. Please speak to our clergy or parishioners to learn more about our various events and opportunities.

Dignified worship in this beautiful sacred space has been the foundation of our life as a community since its foundation in 1872. You are welcome to participate in the ways you feel most comfortable. All are invited to experience the Real Presence of our Lord Jesus Christ by joining us at the altar.

If this is your first visit to All Saints or if you'd like to learn more about us, please fill in the Welcome Card found in the pews.

Blessings and Welcome!

After the service, all are invited to the coffee hour
in the back of the church.

Part of our worship is call and response. Please feel free to speak up loud and clearly in those moments of the liturgy that call for congregational response.

Prayer Requests

To request prayers, please see an usher at the entrance or contact Viviana at the Church office during the week: (212) 758-0447; email: info@allsaintsnyc.org.

Notes about Service Text:

BCP refers to the # in the Book of Common Prayer (the red book in the pews)

Hymnal refers to the hymn # from the Hymnal (the blue book in the pews); hymns and canticles whose number starts with "S" are in the beginning of the Hymnal

Bold italic text is for the parts of the service recite by all, such as *Amen*.



All Saints is an Accessible Church.

For assistance, please ring the doorbell or ask for our Verger Calvin (in a black robe).

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
DECEMBER 29, 2024

10:30 am

Choral Eucharist

Service begins on page 355 in the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude	Puer nobis nascitur	Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck (1562-1621)
Processional Hymn	# 96 Angels we have heard on high	Gloria
Opening Acclamation	BCP 355	
Celebrant:	Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.	
People:	<i>And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.</i>	
Collect for Purity	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.	
Gloria	S280	
Collect of the Day	The Lord be with you.	
Celebrant:	The Lord be with you.	
People:	<i>And also with you.</i>	
Celebrant:	Let us pray:	
	Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.	
People:	<i>Amen.</i>	

THE LESSONS

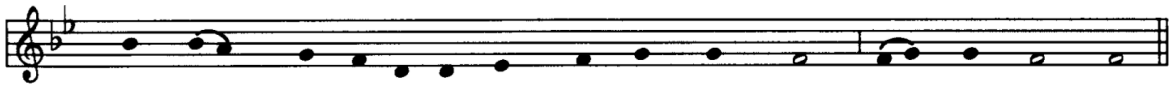
Congregation is invited to sit for the lessons.

First reading: Isaiah 61:10-62:3

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations. For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

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

Psalm 147



How pleas - ant it is to hon - or God with praise, hal - le - lu - jah.

Hallelujah!

How good it is to sing praises to our God! *
how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!

The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem; *
he gathers the exiles of Israel.

He heals the brokenhearted *
and binds up their wounds.

He counts the number of the stars *
and calls them all by their names.

Great is our Lord and mighty in power; *
there is no limit to his wisdom.

The Lord lifts up the lowly, *
but casts the wicked to the ground.

Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; *
make music to our God upon the harp.

He covers the heavens with clouds *
and prepares rain for the earth;

He makes grass to grow upon the mountains *
and green plants to serve mankind.

He provides food for flocks and herds *
and for the young ravens when they cry.

He is not impressed by the might of a horse; *
he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;

But the Lord has pleasure in those who fear him, *
in those who await his gracious favor.

Worship the Lord, O Jerusalem; *
praise your God, O Zion;

For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; *
he has blessed your children within you.

He has established peace on your borders; *
he satisfies you with the finest wheat.

He sends out his command to the earth, *
and his word runs very swiftly.

He gives snow like wool; *
he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.

He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; *
who can stand against his cold?

He sends forth his word and melts them; *
he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.

He declares his word to Jacob, *
his statutes and his judgments to Israel.

He has not done so to any other nation; *
to them he has not revealed his judgments.
Hallelujah!

Second reading: Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian. But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

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

The Gospel:**John 1:1-18**

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People: ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

Sermon*The Rev. Dr. Chris Dreisbach***The Nicene Creed**

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

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
***For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who
are alone.***

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean our Presiding Bishop, Matthew our Bishop, and all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*We ask for continued healing for Julie, Florence Arwade, Becky Slater, Gloria, Aaron Lazar, Neal, Ted,
Frances, Brandon and his family.*

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in
your eternal kingdom.

We pray in memory of Richard Murphy, Maurice, Matthew J. Creo, and Mary N. Bassiouni

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Bishop, when present, or 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.*

The Peace *(A simple nod to fellow worshippers is suggested.)*

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

People: ***And also with you.***

Announcements

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT



Please consider an offering to All Saints at this time. Donate via Zelle: donate@allsaintsnyc.org or with a credit/debit card by scanning the QR code.

Offertory Anthem Of a rose sing we 15th Century English Carol

Offertory Hymn # 94 While shepherds watched their flocks by night Winchester Old

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

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.*

Priest continues with Eucharistic Prayer

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 gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

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 **S129**

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

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.

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. *AMEN.*

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

Lord's Prayer

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.

Fraction Anthem **S163**

Communion Anthem And he shall feed his flock from *The Messiah* G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant: Let us pray.
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

Recessional Hymn **# 107 Good Christian friends, rejoice** **In dulci jubilo**

Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People: ***Thanks be to God.***

Postlude In dulci jubilo J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Serving Today

The Rev. Dr. Chris Dreisbach, Interim Priest
James Stephens, Eucharist Minister
Marian Hoffman, Reader
Maeve Stephens, Hospitality
Jim Hopkins, Organist
Calvin Garrett, Verger
Sian Ricketts, Cantor