

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:

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).

CHRISTMAS DAY DECEMBER 25, 2024

10:30 am Holy Eucharist

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

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude Toccata in E Major (part 1) J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Processional Hymn #83 O come, all ye faithful Adeste Fideles

Opening Acclamation BCP 355

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

People: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

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

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray:

Almighty God, you have given your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and to be born this day of a pure virgin: Grant that we, who have been born again and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit; through our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom with you and the same

Spirit be honor and glory, now and for ever.

People: Amen.

THE LESSONS

Congregation is invited to sit for the lessons.

First reading: Isaiah 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns." Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the Lord to Zion. Break forth together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the Lord has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



Shout with joy be - fore the King, the LORD.

Sing to the LORD a new song, * for he has done marvelous things.

With his right hand and his holy arm * has he won for himself the victory.

The LORD has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, * and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; * lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

Sing to the LORD with the harp, * with the harp and the voice of song.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn * shout with joy before the King, the LORD.

Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, * the lands and those who dwell therein.

Let the rivers clap their hands, * and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD, when he comes to judge the earth.

In righteousness shall he judge the world * and the peoples with equity. (Ant.)

Second reading: Hebrews 1:1-12

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. For to which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you"? Or again, "I will be his Father, and he will be my Son"? And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, "Let all God's angels worship him." Of the angels he says, "He makes his angels winds, and his servants flames of fire." But of the Son he says, "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, and the righteous scepter is the scepter of your kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions." And, "In the beginning, Lord, you founded the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands; they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like clothing; like a cloak you will roll them up, and like clothing they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will never end."

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn # 106 Christians, awake, salute the happy morn Yorkshire

The Gospel: John 1:1-14

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.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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 Holy Infant's Lullaby Norman Dello Joio (1913-2008)

Offertory Hymn # 101 Away in a manger" Cradle Song

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 Cantique de Noël Adolphe Adam (1803-1856)

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.

Christmas Blessing

Celebrant: May Christ, who by his Incarnation gathered into one things earthly and

heavenly, fill you with his joy and peace; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and

remain with you always.

People: Amen

Recessional Hymn # 100 Joy to the world! Antioch

Dismissal

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

Postlude Toccata in E Major (part 2) J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Serving Today

The Rev. Dr. Chris Dreisbach, Interim Priest Marian Hoffman, Reader James Hopkins, Music Director Alyssa Weathersby, Cantor

The Christmas flowers and greens throughout the Church are offered in loving memory of

Mary Stuart Auman
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Bessie M. Bostick
Florence Wilder Foster
Dr. & Mrs. James C. Melrose
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