

ALL SAINTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

JENSEN BEACH, FLORIDA

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 21, 2025

8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. The Celebration of the Holy Eucharist with Homily

Celebrant and Homilist: The Very Reverend Dr. Anthony B. Holder, *Rector*



Our Mission:

The Community of All Saints' accepts the empowerment of the Holy Spirit to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ through worship of God, service to His people and stewardship of His gifts.

Our Vision:

"Live like Jesus, love God and all people."

*The people are invited to read the parts in **bold**.*

THE ENTRANCE RITE

Prelude:

(10 a.m. only)

The people stand.

Processional

People look east

(10 a.m. only)

1

People, look east. The time is near
of the crowning of the year.
Make your house fair as you are able,
trim the hearth and set the table.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the guest, is on the way.

3

Birds, though you long have ceased to build,
guard the nest that must be filled.
Even the hour when wings are frozen
God for fledging time has chosen.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the bird, is on the way.

2

Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare,
one more seed is planted there:
Give up your strength the seed to nourish,
that in course the flower may flourish.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the rose, is on the way.

4

Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim
one more light the bowl shall brim.
Shining beyond the frosty weather,
bright as sun and moon together.
People, look east and sing today:
Love, the star, is on the way.

Angels, announce with shouts of mirth
 Christ who brings new life to earth.
 Set every peak and valley humming
 with the word, the Lord is coming.
 People, look east and sing today:
 Love, the Lord, is on the way.

The Advent Wreath Celebration

The Lighting of the Candle

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Reader: Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Those who follow Me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

Celebrant: Our Lord says: "Surely I come quickly."

People: **Even so, come, Lord Jesus, come quickly!**

Reader: 'And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His Father David, and He will reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of His Kingdom there will be no end." (Luke 1.30-33)

Celebrant: We light this candle to remind us of Mary, who was willing, first of all people, to let the light of the Lord shine through her and bring the Savior to the world. Because of her faithfulness and love, Jesus, the Messiah was born to us.

The Fourth Candle is Lit.

A Short Pause

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.
 Father, you have called Mary to be the mother of your Son, so that the world could be saved and brought to new birth. Help us also to bring the light of Christ to birth wherever there is darkness and despair, and to work for the coming of your kingdom.

People: **Amen.**

The Salutation

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: **His mercy endures for ever.**

The Collect for Purity

The Celebrant may say

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:

People: Amen.

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Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy,

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The people sit for the Liturgy of the Word. The Readings are for The Fourth Sunday of Advent (Year A) of the Lectionary.

The First Lesson: Isaiah 7:10-16

Reader: A reading from the Book of Isaiah.

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. Then Isaiah said: "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18

(Page 702 of the Book of Common Prayer or as printed in the bulletin. We will read the psalm alternatively by verse).

- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
- 2 **In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, stir up your strength and come to help us.**
- 3 Restore us, O God of hosts; show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 4 **O Lord God of hosts, how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your people?**
- 5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
- 6 **You have made us the derision of our neighbors, and our enemies laugh us to scorn.**
- 7 Restore us, O God of hosts; show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 16 **Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.**
- 17 And so will we never turn away from you; give us life, that we may call upon your Name.
- 18 **Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.**

The Second Lesson: Romans 1:1-7

Reader: A reading from the Letter to Paul to the Romans.

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The people stand for the Sequence Hymn and the Gospel.

Sequence Hymn

The angel Gabriel from heaven came (#265, 1982 Hymnal)

(10:00 a.m. only)

1

The angel Gabriel from heaven came,
his wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame;
“All hail,” said he, “thou lowly maiden Mary,
most highly favored lady,” Glo—ria!

2

“For know a blessed Mother thou shalt be,
all generations laud and honor thee,
thy Son shall be Emmanuel, by seers foretold,
most highly favored lady,” Glo—ria!

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 1:18-25

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” All this took place to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

“Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel,” which means, “God is with us.” When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sequence Hymn (Cont'd)

The angel Gabriel from heaven came (#265, 1982 Hymnal)

(10:00 a.m. only)

3

Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head,
“To me be as it pleaseth God,” she said,
“my soul shall laud and magnify his holy Name.”
Most highly favored lady, Glo—ria!

4

Of her, Emmanuel, the Christ, was born
in Bethlehem, all on a Christmas morn,
and Christian folk throughout the world will ever say—
“Most highly favored lady,” Glo—ria!

The angel Gabriel from heaven came, #265 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: Basque carol; para. Sabine Baring-Gould (1834-1924).

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The Homily

The Rector

After the invocation to the Homily, the people shall sit.

The Nicene Creed

The people stand for the Nicene Creed.

The Deacon or Celebrant shall say,

Let us reaffirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

Celebrant and People

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

Form V

(Found on Page 389 of the Book of Common Prayer)

Deacon or other leader

Leader: In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

Leader: For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury-elect; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Peter, our own Bishop; for Anthony, our Rector; Alan, our Assisting Deacon; for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For those in positions of public trust, especially Donald, our President; Ron, our Governor, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For all who live and work in this community, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For the poor, the persecuted, prisoners, and all who suffer; for refugees, the sick, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, especially Janet, Malcolm (*Priest*), Korey, Nevin, Sierra, Jack, Sally, Pauline, Nyla, Peter, Donna, Melvi, Claudia, Frank, Elise, Patty, Kimberly, Fran, Jocelyn, Bonnie, Don, Mike, Pam, Peter, Paulette, Nancy, Joy, Gabe, Hans, Pat, Krystal, Olivia, Sharen, Anne, Diane, Craige, Richard, Cindy, Jim; (*Are there others?*), we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For this church, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For our enemies and those who wish us harm; and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For those serving in the military, we remember, especially Jairus, Hannah, Jake, Ryan, Drew, Blake, Alex, Ashlyn, Jonathan, Guy, Emily, Crystal, Alliza, William, Gabe, Benjamin, Robbie; (*Are there others?*); we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For those celebrating their anniversaries of birth, especially Carol, Jamie, Edward; and for those celebrating their wedding anniversaries, especially Carolyn and Jon, Patsy and John, Dorothy and Hardin, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: For all who have died in the communion of your Church, especially John, Jack and John, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

People: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-Blessed Virgin Mary, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

People: **To you, O Lord our God.**

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect, or the following Doxology

Celebrant: Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

People: **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

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.

Celebrant: 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.

People: Amen.

The Peace

The people stand for the greeting of the Peace.

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

The Announcements

The people sit for the Announcements.

THE LITURGY OF THE ALTAR

Offertory Sentence

The Celebrant shall say

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

Psalm 96:8

Offertory Hymn: **The King shall come when morning dawns** (#73, 1982 Hymnal) (10 a.m. only)

1

The King shall come when morning dawns
and light triumphant breaks;
when beauty gilds the eastern hills
and life to joy awakes.

3

The King shall come when morning dawns
and earth's dark night is past;
O haste the rising of that morn,
the day that e'er shall last;

2

Not, as of old, a little child,
to bear, and fight, and die,
but crowned with glory like the sun
that lights the morning sky.

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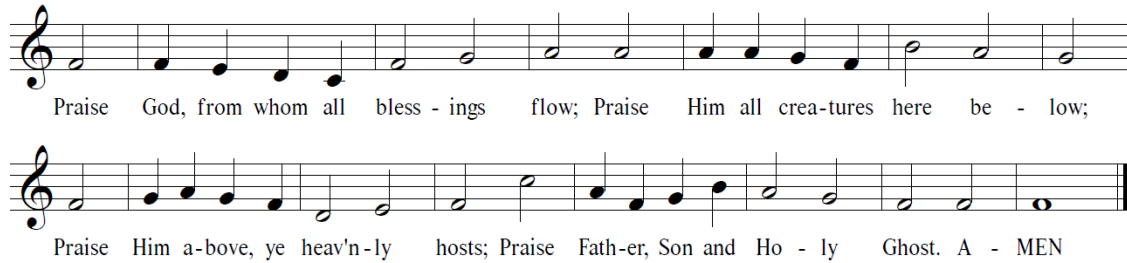
and let the endless bliss begin,
by weary saints foretold,
when right shall triumph over wrong,
and truth shall be extolled.

The King shall come when morning dawns
and light and beauty brings:
Hail, Christ the Lord! Thy people pray,
come quickly, King of kings.

The King shall come when morning dawns, #73 from *The Hymnal 1982* – Words: Greek; tr. John Brownlie (1859-1925), alt. Music: St. Stephen, William Jones (1726-1800), alt.

The people stand for the Doxology.

The Doxology

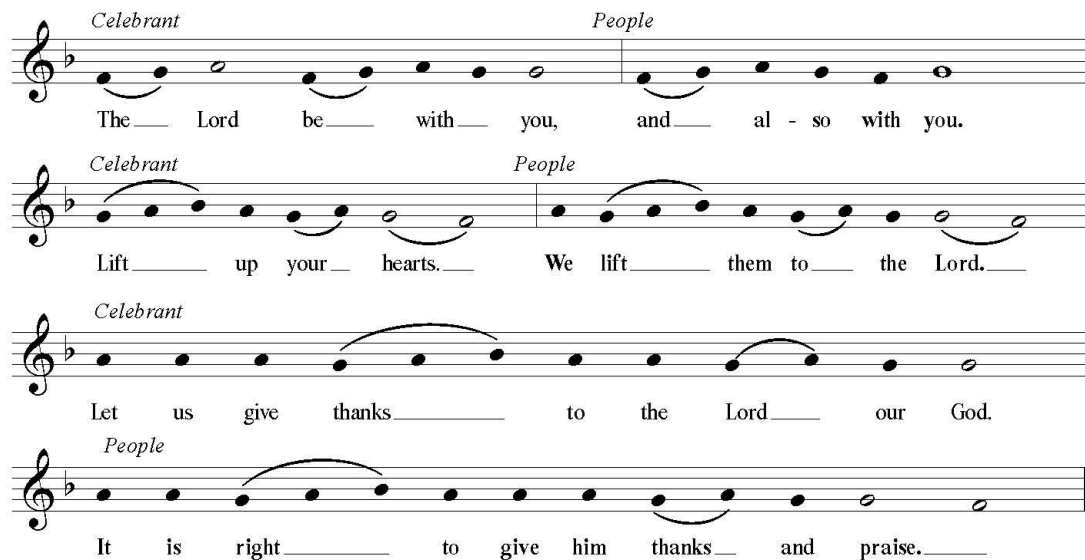


The Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and sings or says

Eucharistic Prayer B

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Then, facing the Holy Table the Celebrant proceeds

Celebrant: 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 sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

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:

The Sanctus

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Ho - ly, ho - ly ho - ly Lord, God of power and might. _____

Ho ly ho ly ho ly Lord, God of power and might, _____

hea ven and earth are full, _____ full _____ of your glo ry. Ho

san na in the high est, Ho sa na in the high est.

Bless ed is he who comes _____ in the name of the Lord. _____ Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho san - na in the high - est.

The Consecration Prayer

The people may kneel or stand, as desired, during the Eucharistic Prayer.

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.

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 [_____ 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.

People: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

Celebrant and People:

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

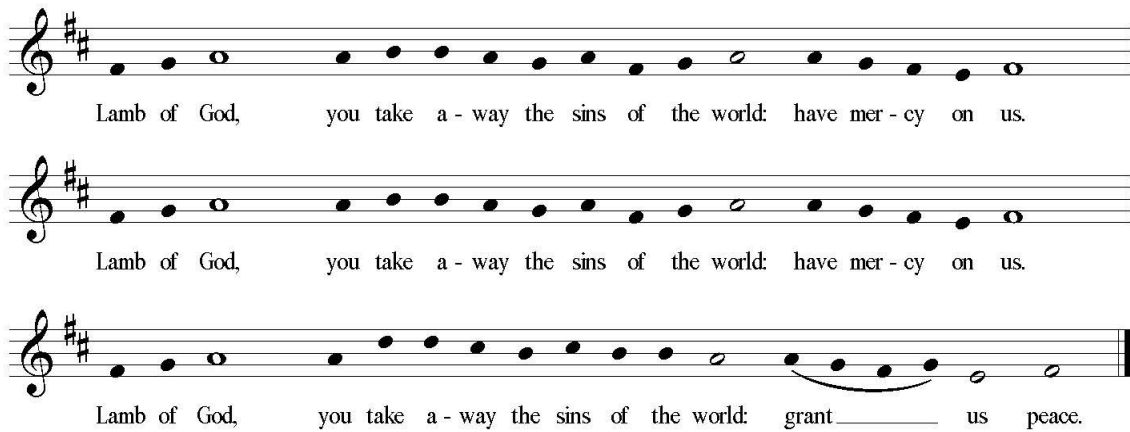
The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Agnus Dei

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Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant _____ us peace.

The Invitation

The Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All baptized Christians, irrespective of denomination, who desire to share in the Blessed Sacrament are invited to do so. You will be invited to come forward at the appropriate time by the Ushers. If you are receiving communion by intinction (dipping of bread in the wine), please indicate this preference by extending your finger in front of you. If you wish not to receive communion, you can fold your hands across your chest and receive a blessing.

Communion Music**Come, thou long-expected Jesus (#66, 1982 Hymnal)**

(10 a.m. only)

1
Come, thou long-expected Jesus,
born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us,
let us find our rest in thee.

3
Born thy people to deliver,
born a child, and yet a king,
born to reign in us for ever,
now thy gracious kingdom bring.

2
Israel's strength and consolation,
hope of all the earth thou art:
dear desire of every nation,
joy of every longing heart.

4
By thine own eternal Spirit
rule in all our hearts alone;
by thine all-sufficient merit
raise us to thy glorious throne.

Come, thou long-expected Jesus, #66 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: *Stuttgart*, melody from *Psalmodia Sacra, oder Andächtige und Schöne Gesänge*, 1715; adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870), alt.

Comfort, comfort, ye my people (#67, 1982 Hymnal)

(10 a.m. only)

1
Comfort, comfort, ye my people,
speak ye peace, thus saith our God;
comfort those who sit in darkness
mourning 'neath their sorrows' load.
Speak ye to Jerusalem
of the peace that waits for them;
tell her that her sins I cover,
and her warfare now is over.

2
Hark, the voice of one that crieth
in the desert far and near,
calling us to new repentance
since the kingdom now is here.
Oh, that warning cry obey!
Now prepare for God a way;
let the valleys rise to meet him
and the hills bow down to greet him.

3
Make ye straight what long was crooked,
make the rougher places plain;
let your hearts be true and humble,
as befits his holy reign.
For the glory of the Lord
now o'er earth is shed abroad;
and all flesh shall see the token
that the word is never broken.

Comfort, comfort ye my people, #67 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: Johann G. Olearius (1611-1684); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt. Music: *Psalm 42*, melody and bass Claude Goudimel (1514-1572); harm. *Hymnal 1982*.

Prepare the way, O Zion (#65, 1982 Hymnal)

(10 a.m. only)

1
Prepare the way, O Zion,
your Christ is drawing near!
Let every hill and valley
a level way appear.
Greet One who comes in glory,
foretold in sacred story.

2
He brings God's rule, O Zion;
he comes from heaven above.
His rule is peace and freedom,
and justice, truth, and love.
Lift high your praise resounding,
for grace and joy abounding.

Refrain

Refrain
Oh, blest is Christ that came
in God's most holy Name.

3
Fling wide your gates, O Zion;
your Savior's rule embrace.
His tidings of salvation
proclaim in every place.
All lands will bow before him,
their voices will adore him.

Refrain

Prepare the way, O Zion, #65 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: Frans Mikael Franzen (1772-1847); tr. composite; adapt. Charles P. Price (1920-1999). Copyright © 1982, Charles P Price. Music: *Bereden väg för Herran*, melody from *Then Svenska Psalmboken*, 1697; harm. *Koralbok för Svenska Kyrkan*, 1939, alt.

1

Hark! the glad sound! the Savior comes,
the Savior promised long;
let every heart prepare a throne,
and every voice a song.

3

He comes, the broken heart to bind,
the bleeding soul to cure;
and with the treasures of his grace
to enrich the humble poor.

2

He comes, the prisoners to release
in Satan's bondage held;
the gates of brass before him burst,
the iron fetters yield.

4

Our glad hosannas, Prince of Peace,
thy welcome shall proclaim;
and heaven's eternal arches ring
with thy beloved Name.

Hark! the glad sound! the Savior comes, #71 from The Hymnal 1982 – Words: Philip Doddridge (1702-1751). Music: Bristol, from The Whole Booke of Psalmes, 1621.

Commissioning of Lay Eucharistic Visitors

Lay Eucharistic Visitors come to altar rail for commissioning and to receive communion kits.

Celebrant: N. In the name of this Congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts to N., that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People: We, who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread and one cup.

The Post-Communion Prayer

After Communion, the people remain kneeling and 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.

The Advent Blessing

The Celebrant shall say,

May Almighty God, by whose providence our Savior Christ came among us in great humility, sanctify you with the light of his blessing and set you free from all sin.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: May you, who rejoice in the first Advent of our Redeemer, at his second Advent be rewarded with unending life.

People: Amen.

Celebrant: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

People: Amen.

The people stand for the Recessional.

Recessional: O come, O come, Emmanuel (56, 1982 Hymnal) vv. 1, 5-7 (10 a.m. only)

1
O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.

Refrain
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel!

5
O come, thou Key of David, come,
and open wide our heavenly home;
make safe the way that leads on high,
and close the path to misery.

Refrain

6
O come, thou Dayspring from on high,
and cheer us by thy drawing nigh;
disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
and death's dark shadow put to flight.

Refrain

7
O come, Desire of nations, bind
in one the hearts of all mankind;
bid thou our sad divisions cease,
and be thyself our King of Peace.

Refrain

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THE DISMISSAL

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses the people with these words.

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude:

Please remember to take your bulletin with you and share it with a family member or friend.

SERVING TODAY

8 A.M. CELEBRANT & HOMILIST: Father Tony

VESTRY: Jack Miller; **LEM:** Jack Miller; **LECTOR:** Sandy Miller

USHERS: Harry Kapple, Chris Scharbo; **GREETERS:** Charley and Maria Short

SOUND TECH: Russell Rothfeld; **ALTAR GUILD:** Sandy Miller

10 A.M. CELEBRANT & HOMILIST: Father Tony; **VESTRY:** Chris Jones

LEM: Bill Winsemann; **LECTOR:** Lyn Lavery; **MUSIC MINISTER:** Michael Sahlen

ACOLYLE: Dara Hart; **USHERS:** Arpi and Jan Rajki; **GREETERS:** Dorothy Bree, Joanne Lavos

SOUND TECH: Pam Hurd; **VIDEO TECH:** Brien Falloon

ALTAR GUILD: Karen and Paul Neff

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Join us for Coffee Hour this Sunday

Please join us in fellowship in Houg Hall immediately following the services.

We will see you there!

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN

Every Sunday during our 10 a.m. Service. Nursery provided.



Weekly Eucharist with Prayers for Healing

Please note that the Wednesday morning Eucharist and Healing Services are suspended until January 7, 2026.

Come and celebrate *Christmas*
at ALL SAINTS'

Wednesday, December 24: Christmas Eve
4:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist (*Communion*) with the Christmas Pageant
10:45 p.m. Carols, followed at
11:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist (*Traditional Midnight Mass*)

Thursday, December 25: Christmas Day
9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (*Communion*)



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS & POINSETTIAS

The congregation is invited to make donations toward flowers and poinsettias for Christmas to the honor and glory of God and in memory and thanksgiving of our loved ones.

Please mail checks to the Church Office specifying "Christmas Flowers," or use the envelope in your bulletin and place it in the offertory plate by **TODAY**, for the names of your loved ones to be listed in the Christmas bulletin. Thank you!

COME ONE! COME ALL!



Join in one of the oldest traditions we have at All Saints'.

The Greening of the Church for Christmas!

Today, Sunday, December 21, after the 10 a.m. service "we" will decorate the Church building for Christmas.

Sunday, January 4, after the 10 a.m. service "we" will take it down.
We really appreciate your help! Many hands makes the work light!

2025 ALL SAINTS' CHRISTMAS CARD TREE FUNDRAISER

All Saints' is holding a fundraiser until **Sunday, December 21**. Instead of spending money on Christmas cards and postage to family and friends, how about write your greetings on a card, place it on the tree and contribute the money you saved, (or any amount), to our Church. The tree will be located in the narthex or entrance of the Church building.

Volunteers will be on hand to take donations and help you prepare your cards.

If you have any questions, call George Mazsa, at 484-602-3594.



Thrift Shop's Christmas Season Hours



Holiday Hours

Tuesday, December 23 to Thursday, December 25:

Friday, December 26 to Saturday, December 27:

December 30 and 31, 2025, and January 2 and 3, 2026:

Thursday, January 1, 2026 (*New Year's Day*):

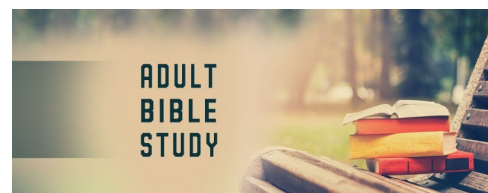
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9 a.m. — 1 p.m.

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Closed

Adult Bible Study Classes
are on recess until next year.



Birthdays:

December 21: Carol Labadie

December 22: Jamie Henderson, Edward Vitale

Anniversaries:

December 21: Carolyn and Jon Hanna

December 23: Patsy and John Westbrook, Dorothy and Hardin White

Our Condolences are extended to ...

Jim and Barbara Vitale on the death of Jim's brother, *John Vitale*...

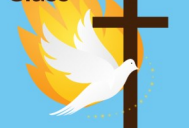
Ann Harrington on the death of her husband, *Jack Harrington*..

and Joyce Fletcher-Menard on the death of her classmate, *John Cheek*.

May God comfort them in their bereavement...
and may John, Jack, and John, rest in peace. *Amen.*



Confirmation Class



CONFIRMATION CLASS

Confirmation Class commences in **January 2026** as candidates prepare for the Sacrament of Holy Confirmation in May next year. Further details will be given as the time draws closer to commencement of classes.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

If you know of graduating seniors of **Jensen Beach, Martin County, Southfork, and Port St. Lucie High Schools**, who will be attending college or a technical school, and is interested in applying for a scholarship, they may apply on our church's website, collect an application from the Church Office (Monday to Friday: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.), or call the Office with any questions at: 772.334.0610. **The deadline for applications is January 7, 2026.**

Thank you for your interest!



Annual Report

All leaders of organizations, committees, and ministries are to submit their Annual Reports to Jenny, the Office Manager, by email at: Jennifer@allsaintsjensenbeach.org, **no later than Sunday, January 4**. You may also drop a copy off at the Office, if you need any assistance. The Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 18, 2026.

SQUARE

Please note that **Square**, a financial services platform that offers the ability to accept credit card payments and payment processing is available in the narthex/entrance hall of our church building for congregants who wish to make their offering through this process.



CONTRIBUTE TO OUR CHURCH'S MINISTRY



Our pledges are one way in which we share our finances with our church. Pledge cards and time and talent sheets are available on the table after services or at the Church Office.

Please return your pledge card either by dropping it in the offering plate or by mailing it to the Church Office. **Attention: Bill Winsemann, Treasurer**, on the envelope.

We thank you for your generosity!

ALL SAINTS' THRIFT SHOP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of volunteers at the Thrift Shop on Mondays and other times. Once we have people scheduled, we will be reopening on Mondays. Please contact Eva Capparelli, email: ecapp47@hotmail.com or you can call the Church office if interested. *Thank you!*



Weekly Food Collection for House of Hope

All donations are greatly appreciated, particularly: **Pasta, Rice, Peanut Butter**. Donations can be brought to the Church and placed in Houg Hall. For more information, please contact George Mazsa, our Coordinator, at: gtmazsa@aol.com.



ALTAR GUILD VOLUNTEERS NEEDED (10:00 a.m. Sunday service)

Anyone interested in joining the ministry of the Altar Guild at the 10:00 a.m. Sunday service... please email Joyce Menard at 19florida77@gmail.com or Sandy Miller at jackmillersandymiller@gmail.com. Thank you!

Altar Flower Donations

Donations toward flowers for Sunday morning services, except during Lent, are always appreciated. This is a wonderful way of expressing your love in remembrance of a loved one, or in thanksgiving to God for any occasion in our lives. You may call the Church Office at (772) 334-0610, and speak with Jenny, about how to contribute. *The price is \$60.00.*



“Helping our Neighbor” Ministry

Anyone interested in joining this ministry created to help members of our Church Family who need a ride for doctor's visits, or to the grocery store, and assistance of that nature, please contact the Senior Warden, James Laverty, jdlaverty3@gmail.com; or the Junior Warden, Jack Miller, jackmillersandymiller@gmail.com; if you are interested in participating in this ministry.

ALL SAINTS' THRIFT SHOP

Please drop off jewelry, clothing and household goods.
No furniture please unless you call ahead with a description
with dimensions, as space is limited.

Our hours are Tuesday — Saturday from 9 am to 1 pm, and our phone number is 772.334.0228 if you have any questions. *Thank you!!*



Sermon Notes

ALL SAINTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH 2026 CALENDAR

JANUARY	JUNE
1 NEW YEAR'S DAY: HOLY NAME OF JESUS (Thursday)	15-19 Vacation Bible School (VBS) (Monday – Friday)
1 Weight Loss Competition (Fundraising Team)	21 Father's Day
6 THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD (Tuesday)	21-26 College of Congregational Development Seminar
18 Annual Parish Meeting & Elections (Sunday)	JULY
23 Music Bingo (Fundraising Team) (Friday)	3 Congregational Potluck & Celebration to mark our Nation's 250 th Anniversary of Independence (Friday)
30 Heritage Society Reception (Friday)	AUGUST
FEBRUARY	
7 High Tea Party (Women's Fellowship) (Saturday)	SEPTEMBER
17 Shrove Tuesday: Pancake Supper (Men's Fellowship)	13 Sunday School Kick-off / Rally Day (Sunday)
18 THE FIRST DAY OF LENT: ASH WEDNESDAY: Lenten Bible Challenge begins (Ends April 4)	20 First Communion Class begins (Sunday)
19 127 th Dedication Anniversary (1899) (Thursday)	29 Rector's Priestly Ordination Anniversary (1994) (Tuesday)
21 New Members' Orientation Class (Saturday)	OCTOBER
MARCH	4 Blessing of the Animals (Sunday)
7 Lenten Quiet Morning (Daughters of the King - DOK) (Saturday)	17 Welcome Back Brunch (Women's Fellowship) (Saturday)
14 Heritage Society Banquet (Saturday)	18 Annual Giving Season (Stewardship) Kick-off (Sunday)
29 - 31 HOLY WEEK	23 Fall Musical Bingo (Friday)
29 PALM SUNDAY	23-24 57 th Diocesan Convention, South Dade Deanery
APRIL	26-31 Self-guided Cemetery Tours
1 - 4 HOLY WEEK	NOVEMBER
2 MAUNDY THURSDAY: Agape Meal (DOK)	1 ALL SAINTS' DAY: Feast of Title (Sunday) Cong. Potluck First Communion Sunday / DOK in Corporate Worship
3 GOOD FRIDAY	1-6 Self-guided Cemetery Tours
4 HOLY SATURDAY: Easter Even	2 ALL SOULS' DAY: Outdoor Eucharist (Monday)
5 EASTER SUNDAY: Easter Egg Hunt	14 Holly Fair (Women's Fellowship) (Saturday)
11 Bar-B-Q & Classic Car Show (Men's Fellowship) (Saturday)	22 Harvest Thanksgiving Festival: Ingathering Sunday/ Christ the King Sunday
18 Baby Shower for Helping People Succeed (Women's Fellowship & Daughters of the King) (Saturday)	26 THANKSGIVING DAY (Thursday)
24 Spring Musical Bingo (Fundraising Team) (Friday)	29 CHURCH YEAR BEGINS: ADVENT 1 (Sunday) Christmas Card Tree begins (Fundraising (Sundays in Advent))
MAY	DECEMBER
1 - 9 Church & Cemetery Tours – (Fridays & Saturdays only)	5 128 th Anniversary of All Saints' (1898) (Saturday)
3 Scholarship Sunday: DOK in Corporate Worship	6-20 Christmas Card Tree (Fundraising) (Sundays in Advent)
10 ROGATION SUNDAY: Outdoor Eucharist / Mother's Day	11 Progressive Dinner (Progressive Dinner Team) (Friday)
14 ASCENSION DAY (Thursday)	24 CHRISTMAS EVE (Thursday); Pageant at 4 p.m. Service
17 Last Day of Sunday School	25 CHRISTMAS DAY (Friday)
24 DAY OF PENTECOST: WHITSUNDAY/ Bishop's Visit: The Sacrament of Holy Confirmation	
31 TRINITY SUNDAY	

MEETING TIMES 2026

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Wednesdays at 11:15 a.m. & 6 p.m.
except during the summer

ALTAR GUILD

January 31 and November 7

CEMETERY BOARD

Annual Meeting

Sunday, January 18

Other Meeting dates

Mondays: January 12; March 9; May 11; July 13; September 14; November 9
Time: 11 a.m.

DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

1st Tuesdays of the month at 1:30 p.m.
(January to May, October to December)

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

1st Mondays of the month at 6 p.m.
(January to May, September to December)

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN

Sundays at 10 a.m. except during the summer

VESTRY

3rd Mondays at 6:15 p.m. (2nd Monday in January)
The Vestry takes a one-month break during the summer

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

3rd Saturdays at 9.30 a.m. except in June, July, and August

Please remember in prayers: Nancy Bednarcik, Anne Blake, Craig Cameron, Jocelyn Chase, Janet Edwards, Mike Forness, Olivia Giacone, Fr. Malcolm Girardeau, Sharen Goff, Cindy Greenspan, Diane Hendy, Korey Hogan, Nevin Hogan, Sierra Hogan, Richard Lee James, Jack Kutchins, Sally Marney, Pauline Maynard, Elise Neff, Nyla Pipes, Kimberly Rogers, Bonnie Schmidt, Paulette Spence, Peter Spence, Pat Tempio, Jim Vitale, Peter Wagner, Donna, Melvi, Claudia, Patty, Pam, Joy, Gabe, Hans, Krystal.



Please note that names will be removed after 30-days. Once removed, if you would like to have them added again, you will need to call the Church Office.

Continuing Prayers: Rick Beattie, Jayne Bembridge, Jackie Damato, Kathy Ladue, Lisa Manzione, James Smith, Jeremy Wheeler, Dorothy White, Caitlin Whitting, Charmaine, Katrina.

Parish Family members serving in the military: William Boice, Jairus Domenich, Guy Egan, Alex Ghujar, Ashlyn Mia Goff, Jonathan Holman, Alliza Hernandez, Hannah Kuegler, Gabe Oswald, Crystal Palacio, Jake Palmer, Benjamin Parcell, Ryan Satherlie, Emily McCloskey, Blake Warnock, Drew Whitting, Robbie Wilson.

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Sunday:

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with music

Wednesday:

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist & Healing Service
11:15 a.m. Bible Study (*In-person*)
6:00 p.m. Bible Study (*Via Zoom*)

OFFICE SCHEDULE

Church and Cemetery Offices Hours

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.

Thrift Shop Hours:

Tuesday to Saturday 9:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.

REMINDERS:

Thrift Store: Bring your family and friends, and remember to support the Thrift Store by donating your unwanted valuable items.

Prayer Requests—Additions or Deletions:

Please contact Jenny McDonald or speak with a Daughter of the King to be added or deleted on their prayer list.

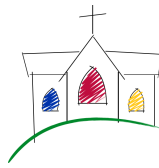
Online Giving: All Saints' provides the option of Online Giving for your convenience. You can donate to all funds, including flowers and our scholarships. For the secure donation site, visit www.allsaintsjensenbeach.org



Dorothy Bree, Joanne Lavos (Greeters); Michael Sahlen (Music Minister); Sandy Miller, Karen and Paul Neff (Altar Guild); for being our Ministry Team at the Service on Sunday, December 21, 2025.

To: Pam Hurd (Video & Sound Tech) at the service on Wednesday, December 17; Jack Miller, Chris Jones (Vestry Members); Jack Miller, Bill Winsemann (Lay Eucharistic Ministers); Sandy Miller, Lyn Laverty (Lectors); Dara Hart (Acolyte); Russell Rothfeld, Pam Hurd (Sound Techs); Brien Falloon (Video Tech.); Harry Kapple, Chris Scharbo, Arpi and Jan Rajki (Ushers); Charley and Maria Short,

Note: If anyone has inadvertently been omitted from this list, it was not intentional. Please accept our apologies and we would love to hear from you as to the wonderful ministry you are doing or have done for our church. Thank you!



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Junior Warden - Jack Miller (jackmillersandymiller@gmail.com) '25

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