

8:00 a.m. Sixth Sunday after Epiphany February 16, 2025

Collect of the Day |

Officiant The Lord be with you. People And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in thee: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because, through the weakness of our mortal nature, we can do no good thing without thee, grant us the help of thy grace, that in keeping thy commandments we may please thee both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

The First Lesson | Jeremiah 17:5-10

Thus says the Lord:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord.

They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes.

They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord.

They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream.

It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green;

in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else;

it is perverse—

who can understand it?

I the Lord test the mind

and search the heart,

to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

The Second Lesson | 1 Corinthians 15: 12-20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ--whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

The Gospel | Luke 6:17-26

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus came down with the twelve apostles and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.
"Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.
"Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets."

"But woe to you who are rich,

for you have received your consolation.

"Woe to you who are full now,

for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,

for you will mourn and weep.

"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Music for the Day | 5:00 p.m.

Song of Praise 1 "Thank You, Lord," page 9 Song of Praise 2 "Wade in the Water," page 7

Sending Song 1 "Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God," page 18

Sending Song 2 "Down By the Riverside," page 19

Assisting in Worship

Altar Guild Cissa Rassel, Kim Westbrook, Jeanie Hill, Anne Knutson

Flower Guild Lillian Huber, Cleveland Greer

Sunday Callers Jeff Strauch, Elvira Mannelly

8:00 a.m.

Preacher/Celebrant The Rev. Dr. Simon J. Mainwaring

Lector/Intercessor Jennifer Brown

Eucharistic Minister Barksdale Collins

5:00 p.m.

Preacher/Celebrant The Rev. Dr. Simon J. Mainwaring

Reader Jim Wood

Hosts Missi McMorries

Usher Russ Wofford

Worship Notes

Thanksgivings and Memorials

The altar flowers are given today to the glory of God and in celebration of the life of Edward Lee Barnett, Jr. by his family.

The altar flowers are also given today in memory of Marie Mull Greer, by her son, Cleveland Greer.

The sanctuary candle is given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for Mary Wyche and Art Lesesne.

Birthdays this Week

Sunday | February 16

Dave Armstrong
Sam Crespino
Ted French
Wyatt Kilpatrick
Fletcher Scarborough

Brent Tozzer Sarah Wright Cabell Zakas

Monday | February 17

Bill Clarkson Chris Frazer Ruth Gray Tracy Jackson Wayne Thorpe

Tuesday | February 18

Ross Barnard
Mark Connell
Marianne Lambert
Margaret Persons
Suzanne Shahnavaz
Carolann Utley
Clayton Young

Wednesday | February 19

Sally Dorn Mary Dott Richard Hill Jalee Lopez Sabrina Lutz Kathy Roberts

Thursday | February 20

Nicholas Brookswolf Violet Cole

Clay Conrad Connie Frazer Linda Hubert Terry Johnson Cameron Newton Lee Proper Larry Westbrook

David Yankey

Friday | February 21

Matthew Bailey
Evelyn Carpenter
Beth Frilingos
Sally Hansen
Emma Pattison
Liam Richeson
Josh Rogers

Margaret Smith-Waddell Winston Weinmann

Saturday | February 22

Katherine Aiken Charley Brickley Nicole Carter Earl Goodrich Jessica Lavandier William Murphy Phil Schuster Sharon Solomon Sallie Topfl

Prayer List

Those who are ill

Those who were injured in the fire in Los Angeles and especially for the communities of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, Pacific Palisades & St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Altadena

Those recovering from illness or surgery

Steve Messick, friend of Michele Rusin

Thanksgivings and prayers answered

We give thanks for the ordination to the diaconate this spring of Florian Jones Stamm

New babies

Louise Greer Bjorklund,

daughter of Kaki & Ross Bjorklund; granddaughter of Greer & Bryan Pope; great-granddaughter of Diane & David Barber

Virginia Portwood,

daughter of Carolyn & Henry Portwood; granddaughter of Hank & Linda Harris

Those who have died

Mary M. Gallagher, cousin of Jim Wood
Those who perished by fire in Los Angeles and
especially for the communities of St. Matthew's
Episcopal Church, Pacific Palisades and St.
Mark's Episcopal Church, Altadena

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, February 16, 2025 - Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

THIS SUNDAY

- 8:00 a.m. (Traditional Language, no music)
- 9:00 a.m. (Contemporary Language, choral music)
- 11:15 a.m. (Contemporary Language, choral music)
- 5:00 p.m. The Welcome Table (Contemporary Language, jazz music)

<u>ANNOUNCEMENT</u>: The live stream of our Sunday worship services is now available at allsaintsatlanta.org/live, facebook.com/AllSaintsATL and on youtube.com/@AllSaintsATL. Feel free to join us via your preferred platform and be sure to give us a follow!

<u>PARKING</u>: Overflow parking is available at the Bank of America—please enter on North Ave. Get a validation ticket upon entry. Please request an additional validation ticket from an usher in the church narrhex upon arrival or exit. Use both validation tickets upon exiting the Bank of America parking deck to park free of charge. Be aware, also, that on Sundays in Midtown Atlanta, street parking is free.

The Welcome Table: Sunday Evening Worship Service and Dinner — Sundays at 5:00 p.m., Chapel and Ellis Hall
Before your busy week begins, The Welcome Table is a place to join with others and find rest and refreshment. Come to
The Welcome Table: a service with a jazz trio, singing, communion and prayer. A community dinner for all participants
follows the service in Ellis Hall.

Jesus on the Front Page — Sundays, 10:20 a.m. - 11:05 a.m., Parish Hall 307

In this weekly Sunday morning discussion of a current news story, participants reflect on how we are called to live as faithful people. In a nonpartisan reflection, we explore how we might be called to pray differently, think differently or act differently in our private and public lives. We ask where God might be found in this story and learn to name our lament as well as our hope. Email Clark Lemons (clemons@emory.edu) if you have questions!

Sunday Morning Breakfast — Sundays, from 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m., Ellis Hall

Join us for a delicious breakfast and fellowship with the saints before Sunday services in Ellis Hall. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$8 for kids.

Sunday Forum: An Overachiever's Guide to Being Enough

Sundays, February 16 and 23,

10:20 a.m. - 11:05 a.m., Ellis Hall & Zoom

Join our rector, Simon, for this two-part forum as he tells his story of being an overachiever in a never-satisfied culture and reflect with him on ways we might learn to be enough. No advanced qualifications required to attend. For more information, contact: smainwaring@allsaintsatlanta.org.

WEEKLY CHILDREN & YOUTH FORMATION

Nursery/Little Saints; Birth - Pre-K — 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., 1st floor of the Pritchett Center

Children's Church; K-5th grade - 8:40 a.m. - 9:30 a.m., 2nd floor of the Pritchett Center

Children Formation; K-5th grade — K-5th grade, 10:20 a.m. - 11:05 a.m., 2nd floor of the Pritchett Center

Youth Formation; 6th-12th grade — 6th-12th grade, 10:20 a.m. - 11:05 a.m., The Attic (3rd floor of the Pritchett Center)

SNL (6th-8th grade) & Y'all Saints' (9th-12th grade) — 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., Offsite this week

Drive a Go-Kart, sink a hole-in-one, and hit the jackpot with us this Sunday! We'll have a tailgate in the parking lot, where we'll enjoy dinner and the raffle at 4:00 p.m. We'll be playing from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. The cost is \$12 per youth. Want to join? Send me an email at lnolfa@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Children's Choirs rehearsal times (Wednesdays)

- 4:00 p.m. 4:30 p.m. Cherub Choir (PK-K)
- 4:35 p.m. 5:10 p.m. Primary Choir (Grades 1-2)
- 5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. Junior Choir (Grades 3-6)
- 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. Junior Handbell Choir (Grades 4-6)

Youth Choir rehearsal times (Sundays)

No youth choir rehearsals today.

They will resume on February 23.

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GIVING

Consider becoming a member of All Saints' Cornerstone by making a planned gift today to All Saints'.

You can include the church in your will or as a beneficiary of an IRA or insurance policy.

If you don't have a will, it may be time to write one.

For more information, contact our *Planned Giving Committee Chair:* David Begley (david@wdbegley.com).

The Cornerstone Society recognizes parishioners who have made a planned gift to All Saints'. Join the more than 200 members who have made this important commitment.

All Saints' offers easy ways to pay your pledge or to make a gift:

Online at allsaintsatlanta.org/give

Mail a check to All Saints' Church, 634 W. Peachtree St., Atlanta, GA 30308

Put a check or cash into the offering plate during the services

Text to Give: text AllSaintsAtlanta to 73256

Gift stocks or securities

Remember to Pledge!

PLEDGE/COMMITMENT CARD
Name
Email
Cell #
For 2025 I/we commit a total of
\$
Please tear or cut this card out and put this in the
offering plate or give it to an usher or greeter. Thank you!

WORSHIP & MUSIC

Carmen Bradford Up Next in Jazz at All Saints' Concert Series Saturday, February 22, 7:00 p.m., Church

The reigning queen of jazz lovers' hearts—vocalist Carmen Bradford—will star in our third Jazz at All Saints' concert on Saturday, February 22, beginning at 7:00 p.m. The winner of a 2024 Grammy, Carmen is considered jazz royalty. You can be sure if it ain't got that swing, it ain't got Carmen or her accompanist, pianist Reginald Thomas. Come hear these storied artists for yourself and stay for the insightful Q&A hosted by our own Virginia Schenck and the reception in Ellis Hall. For tickets (\$25 adult, \$15 student), go to https://allsaintsatlanta.org/jazz.

ADULT FORMATION

School of the Spirit: Theology for All Seasons
Wednesdays, February 12, 19, 26, from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.,
P305/306 and on Zoom

Come and develop the devotional practice of reflecting theologically in the twelve-week course, (divided into four 3-week units throughout the program year). This hybrid course connects the foundational building blocks of Christian faith with the corresponding liturgical season. All are welcome; participants can enter the course at any time. In Unit 3, we look ahead to Lent and Good Friday as we discuss the meaning of Jesus's crucifixion and critically reflect on how different Christians have understood the meaning of the cross. Register at https://bit.ly/asec-theology-class-feb and contact Jenny McBride for more information (jmcbride@allsaintsatlanta.org).

Faithful Advocates Annual Visit to the Capitol Wednesday, February 19, 2025, Offsite

Join your fellow Saints this year for the Faithful Advocates annual visit to the Capitol to advocate for legislation that affects All Saints' communities and core ministries. For details, please email Suzanne Wakefield, faithfullocals@gmail.com.

Lenten Connects: Small Group Spiritual Conversation *March 3, 2025 through Palm Sunday, April 13, 2025*Groups meet by zoom once a week for an hour for the six weeks. There is a Wednesday noon group formed and the option for Tuesday or Thursday evening groups, starting at 7PM. If interested in joining email Jilli Robertson jilli.ff.robertson@gmail.com.

Adult Inquirers Class-Spring Session Wednesdays, March 12, 2025

April 9, 2025 at 6:30pm via Zoom and In-Person Dinner
Adult Inquirers Class is a five-part introduction to the life of
faith at All Saints'. Meetings are on Wednesday nights, 6:30
p.m. - 8:00 p.m. The first four meetings are on Zoom with
the final session in person over dinner at the church.
Participants are asked to commit to all five sessions.
Additional adult inquirers classes will be held later in the
fall. Upon completion of classes, confirmation and
membership will be available. For more details contact
Tracey Sage tsage@allsaintsatlanta.org.

The Journey Bible Study

Weekly on Mondays, from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., on Zoom First the history and then the prophetic response will be our format for Bible study through May. The history of the two kingdoms, Israel and Judah, will be read starting at 1 Kings, chapter 12 (which includes the stories of Elijah and Elisha). The first prophet recorded independently will be Amos. For more information or to sign up for the class, please contact The Rev. Karen Evans kevans@allsaintsatlanta.org.

PARISH LIFE

2027-2028 Vestry Nominations

We welcome nominations for 2027-2028 Vestry leadership from all eligible parish members who are confirmed and over eighteen, who regularly attend worship and who have made a financial pledge to the church. Between Friday, February 14 and Sunday, March 23, Vestry nominations may be submitted either by email or written notice to the Rector's Executive Assistant, Tracey Sage: tsage@allsaintsatlanta.org. Please include all your church involvement in your submission. Vestry members will be elected during the Annual Parish Meeting on Sunday, April 27.

SAVE THE DATE:

Refugee Ministries 'HALLELUJAH ANYHOW' Gala Saturday, March 29, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m., Ellis Hall
For 30 years, All Saints' has lived in friendship and solidarity with refugee communities. Families we have welcomed to America have had six months rent support cut to one month and are in danger of becoming homeless. In support of them, we will hold a spectacular 'Hallelujah Anyhow' gala event in Ellis Hall on Saturday, March 29 and will aim to raise funds so we can support our 6 families and others through the end of June. Tell your friends, bring your children, invite your neighbors and work colleagues to be extravagantly generous. For more information please contact Louisa Merchant louisam@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Wednesday Night Supper, Wednesdays throughout the year, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., in Ellis Hall

Join us for Wednesdays @ All Saints' (aka Wednesday Night Supper). Grab a friend to come enjoy a meal while connecting with the community. For more information, contact Marcia Mayfield, mmayfield@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Men's Dinner — Sunday, February 23, 6:30 p.m., Ellis Hall Please join us for an evening of fellowship with wine, cheese, and charcuterie, followed by a delicious Indian meal from Naan Stop. This dinner is hosted by Clay Jackson, Bob Woodward, and Neal Idnani, and you can register on Realm. The cost is \$25 per person, and financial support is available upon request. Contact: Andy Barnett: abarnett@allsaintsatlanta.org.

YOUNG ADULTS

Young Adult Fellowship Online!

Are you in your 20s or 30s and interested in fellowship, discipleship, and service? Reach out to Tasia Blair, our Young Adults Coordinator, at youngadults@allsaints atlanta.org to receive our monthly newsletter, get added to the WhatsApp group chat and find out what events we have coming up!

SERVICE

Become a Volunteer Receptionist at All Saints'
Our volunteers work on a biweekly schedule from
9 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday through Thursday. If interested,
please contact Marie-Louise Muhumuza at
mlmuhumuza@llsaintsatlanta.org or Tracey Sage at
tsage@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Threads Welcomes Families for in-store Shopping
Thursdays and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Interested in volunteering?
Contact Marcia Mayfield at threads@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Link to Amateur Photography Request: mailto:communications@allsaintsatlanta.org?subject=All Saints' Photography – Parishioner Submission

SUMMARY OF DECEMBER VESTRY MEETING The Vestry met on Wednesday, January 29, 2025, at 4:30 PM.

Following a meditation by Missi McMorries, Nancy Dodson provided the Treasurer's Report in Sheldon Taylor's absence:

The church remains financially stable, with a balanced budget and plans for continued generosity and sustainability.

Andy Barnett presented the staff spotlight, highlighting encouraging progress across multiple areas. The Welcome

Table service is gaining momentum, youth and young adult programs are thriving, and newcomer engagement activities have increased, with several new households joining us to worship in January.

Simon Mainwaring presented a progress update on the church's strategic plan, *A Wider Circle*, which focuses on worship, service, formation, and stewardship. The plan emphasizes balancing innovation with tradition.

The Vestry also discussed the church's ongoing master planning efforts, which are entering their final stages. The completed plan, expected mid-year 2025, will present a comprehensive vision for the future of the block, aligning long-term financial sustainability with the church's core values. With unanimous approval, the Vestry voted to fund Houser Walker's Phase 2B Master Plan and Feasibility Study.

Following a prayer, the meeting was adjourned.

All Saints' Episcopal Church

is a parish in the Diocese of Atlanta **Rector**

The Rt. Rev. Robert C. Wright, *Bishop*The Rt. Rev. Don A. Wimberly, *Assisting Bishop*The Rev. Dr. Simon J. Mainwaring

2024-2025 Vestry

Jack Norton, Senior Warden • Kate Stradtman, Junior Warden • Ross Nicholas, Clerk • Sheldon Taylor, Treasurer
Amelia Baker • Luke Barton • Charlie Boyd • Briley Brisendine • Jerry Byrd • Deborah Cox
Beth Frilingos • Sheffield Hale • Anne Henn • Melanie Hardin • Michael Kennedy
Elizabeth Klump • Missi McMorries • Bill Sullivan • Martie Zakas

Clergy

The Rev. Dr. Andrew K. Barnett, Senior Associate Rector for Program
The Rev. Karen P. Evans, Parish Priest Associate
The Rev. Dr. Jennifer M. McBride, Associate Rector for Formation
The Rev. Dr. Denni Moss, Priest Associate for Pastoral Care
The Rev. Natosha Reid Rice, Minister for Public Life
The Rev. Nontombi Naomi Tutu, Priest Associate

Affiliated Clergy and Staff

The Rev. Robert T. M. Book • The Rev. Bill Clarkson
The Rev. Dr. James M. Donald • The Rev. Spurgeon Hays • The Rev. Dr. David M. Moss, III
The Rev. Gary Mull • The Rev. Martha Sterne • The Rev. Paul Thim • The Rev. Richard Winters
Ray and Beth Chenault, Organists and Choirmasters Emeriti

Administrative, Facilities, and Program Staff

Tasia Blair, Young Adult Coordinator
Jeff Couch, Project & Facilities Manager
Kathy Powell, Director of Communications
Nancy Dodson, Director of Finance
Betsey Gibbs, Membership Coordinator
Emily Halbert, Director of Youth & Children's Choirs
Julie Lockhart, Director of Stewardship & Development
Reece Johnson, Head Sexton
Janelle King, Director of All Saints' Nursery
Scott Lamlein, Director of Music
Benjenia Lee, Sexton

Justin Maxey, Associate Director of Music
Marcia Mayfield, Threads Coordinator
Louisa Merchant, Director of Refugee Ministries
Randy Miller, Director of Security
Marie-Louise Muhumuza, Receptionist
Luke Nolfa, Youth Minister
Kathy Roberts, Director of Children's Ministries
Tracey Sage, Executive Assistant to the Rector
Millie Turek, Collaborative Pianist, Youth and Children's Choirs
Phil Turks, Sexton
Barbara Yankey, Seminary Intern
Victor Young, Sexton