



ALL SAINTS

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

February 22, 2026 | 10:00 a.m.

First Sunday in Lent

Worship lies at the heart of the Christian life. It is in worship that we express our theology and define our identity, being formed and transformed as the people of God. One of the hallmarks of the Episcopal Church is its liturgical worship. Liturgy literally is “the work of the people,” and refers to the patterns, forms, words, and actions through which public worship is conducted.

*All hymn numbers correspond to the blue **Hymnal 1982** in your pew rack.*

*The people’s responses are in **bold**.*

PRELUDE

THE WELCOME



THE ENTRANCE RITE



CHORAL INTROIT

Healey Willan

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Forty Days and Forty Nights

No. 150

OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP, p. 355

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **His mercy endures for ever.**

Celebrant Jesus said, “The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.”

CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION

Confessing our sins, receiving forgiveness (absolution), and showing signs of peace to one another prepare us to receive Christ in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

Lector Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

All **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.**

Presider 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 KYRIE

Priest/Deacon/Cantor; All Repeat

(Invocation) *Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son.*

Priest/Deacon/Cantor; All Repeat

(Invocation) *Chri - ste, e - lé - i - son.*

Priest/Deacon/Cantor; All Repeat

(Invocation) *Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son.*

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The collect is the prayer appointed for each Sunday that “collects” or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray: Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

The people are seated.



LITURGY OF THE WORD



THE FIRST LESSON

Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

This reading is typically from the Old Testament (Hebrew Scriptures) which Jesus knew and from which he often referred or quoted.

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, “You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.” Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, “Did God say, ‘You shall not eat from any tree in the garden?’” The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.’” But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves

together and made loincloths for themselves.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM OF THE DAY

32 (*entire*)

Beati quorum

The psalms are prayers that Jesus used and cover every mood of humanity's relationship with God and one another.

Chanted by the Parish Choir

¹ Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,
and whose sin is put away!

² Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt,
and in whose spirit there is no guile!

³ While I held my tongue, my bones withered away,
because of my groaning all day long.

⁴ For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.

⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you,
and did not conceal my guilt.

⁶ I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD."
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.

⁷ Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to
you in time of trouble;

when the great waters overflow, they shall not
reach them.

⁸ You are my hiding-place;
you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

⁹ "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you
should go; I will guide you with my eye.

¹⁰ Do not be like horse or mule, which have no
understanding; who must be fitted with bit and
bridle, or else they will not stay near you."

¹¹ Great are the tribulations of the wicked;
but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.

¹² Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD;
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 5:12-19

This reading, taken from the New Testament, is typically from a letter (epistle) to the early Church, the Acts of the Apostles, or the Revelation to John

Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned— sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come. But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand as able at the introduction to the hymn.

The sequence hymn moves us toward the summit of the Liturgy of the Word—the reading of the Holy Gospel. Gospel means “good news”—specifically the “good news of Jesus.”

Verses 1-3 before the Gospel. Verses 4-5 after the Gospel.

THE GOSPEL LESSON**Matthew 4:1-11**

This reading is taken from one of the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John), which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. We stand for the Gospel reading to show the particular importance placed on Jesus’ words and actions.

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

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

After Jesus was baptized, he was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” But he answered, “It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’” Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, ‘He will command his angels concerning you,’ and ‘On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’” Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’” Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! for it is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’” Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The people are seated at the invitation of the Preacher.

THE SERMON*The Rev. Catherine M. Thompson*

The homily directly follows the Gospel because it is to be grounded in the scriptures. It illuminates the scriptural readings and relates them to daily life.

The people stand as able at the invitation of the Celebrant

THE NICENE CREED

The word “creed” comes from the Latin “credo” for “I believe.” First formulated at the Council of Nicaea in 325 AD and confirmed in 381 AD, the Nicene Creed is said at the Holy Eucharist and reflects what Christians believe regarding the relationship between the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit: The Holy Trinity.

All **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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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Prayer is offered with intercession for the following. We are reminded in prayer that we are part of a larger fellowship, the Church—the Body of Christ.

The Leader and People pray responsively

Lector With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying “Lord, have mercy.”
For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples,
let us pray to the Lord

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For our Bishop, Carrie, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For this city of Frederick, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and suffering, especially Adeline, Arlene, Audley, Bonnie B., Caroline, Christiana L., David B., Dottie, Doug S., Elaine+, Greg, Ida, Ike R., Jacques, Jane, Jeff, Jenny, John & Sudha, John & Darlene, John M., Laurence, Lynne, Mary, Matt

S., Matthew N., Mineko, Owen, Pam R., Sandy, Sarah, Sheila H. Sheila P., Sherriz, Stark family, Sylvia, Tyler F., Walter, Zach, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For our Military and First Responders: D., Bruce, Erin, Jake, Tavis, Chris, Jasmine, Ryan, Tyler and Vincent; and for our Seminarians: Daniel and Santana, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for the prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Lector In the communion of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

People **To thee, O Lord our God.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Celebrant Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear what we ask in the Name of your Son: Accept and fulfill our petitions, we pray, not as we ask in our ignorance, nor as we deserve in our sinfulness, but as you know and love us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and then are seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY PRAYER

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All **Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

✠ LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST ✠

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Having listened to the Word of God, affirmed our faith, and shared in the peace, we are prepared for the mystery and miracle of the Holy Eucharist. An offering is received to support All Saints ministry of sharing God's love. All are invited to make a gift as the plate is passed, by scanning the QR code or online at allsaintsmd.org/give.



The Altar is now prepared for Holy Communion

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Create in Me, a Clean Heart”

Paul Christiansen

Send forth thy light and thy love, O Lord,
fill my heart with thy Holy Spirit.
Lead me, lead me into thy presence
and teach me to love thy ways, O Jesus.
Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation,
and uphold me with thy free spirit.

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from thy presence
and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation,
and uphold me with thy free spirit.

The people stand at the invitation of the Celebrant

HYMN AT THE PRESENTATION

Sung by All



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us to do: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. The Great Thanksgiving, or Eucharistic Prayer, is a long prayer with four parts. Each of these four parts corresponds to a different action of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread and wine as sacraments of his body and blood. We begin the Great Thanksgiving with the Sursum corda, meaning “Lift up your hearts.”

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| <i>Celebrant</i> | The Lord be with you. |
| <i>People</i> | And also with you. |
| <i>Celebrant</i> | Lift up your hearts. |
| <i>People</i> | We lift them to the Lord. |
| <i>Celebrant</i> | Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. |
| <i>People</i> | It is right to give our thanks and praise. |

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.

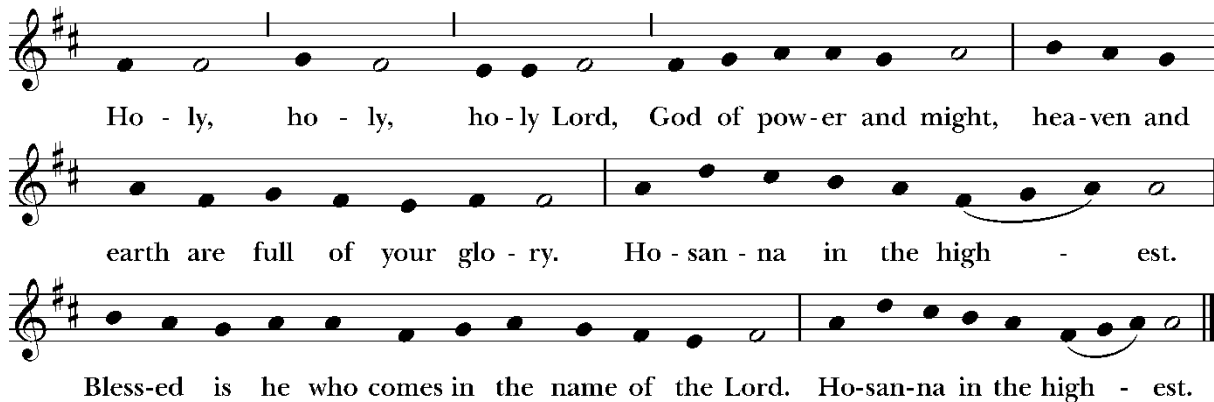
Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again.

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 & BENEDICTUS

David Hurd

The Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy) is the hymn of praise that never ceases before God and is based on Isaiah 6:3.



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We recall God's acts of salvation history. The Celebrant says the "Words of Institution" that Jesus said at the Last Supper. At the Memorial Acclamation we remember Christ's death, resurrection, and promise to return at the end of the age. During the prayer, the Holy Spirit is invoked to bless and sanctify the gifts of bread and wine.

Celebrant

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."

Celebrant

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

People

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

Celebrant 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.

The Great Amen is when the congregation with a unified great voice concurs with all that the presider has prayed. It is the only "Amen" in all capitals found in the Book of Common Prayer, signifying the greatness of the congregation's response.

Celebrant 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

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We pray together the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray. The link between our daily bread and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist is an ancient connection.

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

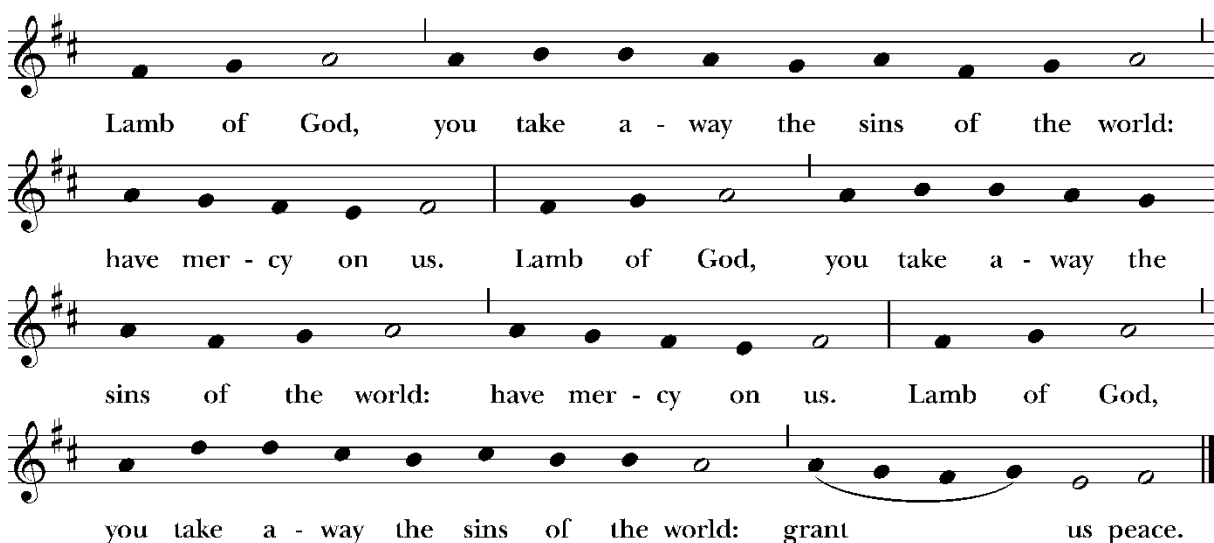
People **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, 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. Then all sing the following.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

David Hurd



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.

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THE INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant 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.

The people are seated.

*All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please move at the direction of the ushers. You may receive the wafer in your outstretched hands and respond to receiving Communion by saying, "Amen." If you require a **gluten-free** wafer, please place one arm over your chest to make your need known. Receiving the wafer alone is full participation in the Eucharist. For those who wish to consume wine, please assist in guiding the chalice to your lips. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead of receiving Communion, you may indicate your choice by crossing your arms across your chest. If you are unable to come forward to receive Communion, please notify an usher and it will be brought to you.*

EUCCHARISTIC HYMN

Eternal Lord of Love, Behold Your Church

No. 149

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **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 CONCLUDING RITE



THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us

No. 559

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

ARE YOU NEW?

We are so glad you are with us today. Whether in person or online for a short time or a lifetime, sure in faith or full of doubt, you belong here. If this is your first time at All Saints, we'd love to learn more about you. Please scan this QR code to fill out our welcome form and a member of our Newcomer's Committee will be in touch with you shortly. We look forward to getting to know you better.



This Week at All Saints: February 23 – March 1

Monday:

- 7:30 AM Morning Prayer (Historic Church & Zoom)
- 7:00 PM Weekly Bible Study (Zoom)

Tuesday:

- 7:30 AM Morning Prayer (St. Paul's Chapel & Zoom)
- 4:00 PM Education for Ministry (Conference Room)

Wednesday:

- 7:30 AM Morning Prayer (St. Paul's Chapel & Zoom)
- 5:30 PM Healing Service with Eucharist (St. Paul's Chapel)

Thursday:

- 7:30 AM Morning Prayer (St. Paul's Chapel & Zoom)
- 4:30 PM Youth Choir (Choir Room)
- 6:30 PM Hand Bells (Choir Room)
- 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room, Historic Church)

Friday:

- 7:30 AM Morning Prayer (Zoom)
- 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross (Historic Church)

Saturday:

- 8:30 AM Centering Prayer Group (Zoom)

Sunday:

- 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist (Historic Church)
- 9:00 AM Children's Formation (Court St. Classrooms)
- 9:00 AM Adult Formation (Great Hall)
- 9:00 AM Fellowship (Parish Hall)
- 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist (Historic Church)
- 10:00 AM Children's Chapel (St. Paul's Chapel)
- 11:15 AM Fellowship (Parish Hall)
- 11:15 AM Youth Group (Youth Group Room)
- 12:30 PM Youth Group D&D (Youth Group Room)

Outreach 2026 Lenten Rice Bowl

Our Lenten Rice Bowl Outreach for 2026 is ECLN: Empowering Community Leaders Network and its mentoring program, SWAG (Sisters Wholesome Aspiring towards Greatness). This program provides educational and cultural enhancement opportunities that foster leadership development in Middle School girls throughout Frederick County. SWAG meets weekly at Governor Thomas Johnson Middle School. ECLN contracts two part time bus drivers to transport girls from the various schools throughout the county. The structured curriculum is designed and planned each year with the end in mind to support the goals of the program, which include public speaking, career explorations, health and fitness, volunteering, community involvement, cultural exposure and academic excellence. The 20-25 girls who participate in the program are a diverse group of girls. The girls learn from each other and will be each other's network as they grow up. Some go on to be mentors in High School.



As members of All Saints we hope to raise awareness of our theme “Tending to God’s Children” by supporting ECLN’s mission. Each of the five Sundays of Lent during Adult Formation we will have the opportunity to enhance our knowledge and our commitment to God’s children. The following is a brief overview of our speakers.

February 22: “When Girls Lead, Frederick Wins: The ECLN/SWAG Story” by Phyllis York, retired educator/administrator, founder and executive director of Empowering Community Leaders Network

March 1: “Answering the Call: Understanding God’s presence in Leadership” by Ronald J. Mitchell Jr., M.S., NCSP, School Psychologist, York, PA

March 8: “Guidance for Growing Our Children into Confident, Independent and Well-Rounded Young Adults” by Deb Korth, LCSW, social worker, Adult Services, Montgomery County, MD

March 15: “Positive Childhood Experiences” by Travis Walter, clinical social worker and Director of Crisis Services for the Mental Health Association of Frederick County, MD

March 22: “Nurturing Faith in the Home” by Rev. Catherine Thompson, Rector of All Saints Episcopal Church in Frederick, MD

Attention All Saints Newcomers!

If you are new to All Saints and have not received an invitation to the Newcomers Orientation **today at 11:15AM**, please contact Sally Baer at sallybaer1942@gmail.com. We want to be sure all newcomers are included!

Weekly Bible Study on the Appointed Gospel (Zoom)

All are welcome to join the Gospel Bible Study Zoom held every Monday evening at 7:00 P.M. Eastern Time. Our next Bible study will be on **Monday, February 23**, when we will study the Gospel for the coming Sunday which is **John 3:1-17**. Anyone wishing to study this Gospel reading for next Sunday may gather on Zoom.

Meeting ID: 881 8405 9606 Passcode: 272102

Stations of the Cross

Enrich your Lenten Journey by participating in Stations of the Cross, which will be in the Historic Church, every Friday evening starting at 7 p.m. through Lent. The service allows the faithful to commemorate Jesus' life, passion, death and resurrection. At each station there are readings followed by quiet reflections and meditations. The devotion known as Stations of the Cross is an adaptation of a custom widely observed by pilgrims to Jerusalem: the offering of prayer at a series of places traditionally associated with our Lord's passion and death. Daughters of the King will host this spiritual event and is open to everyone! Come join us for one or all of the **Fridays: February 27, March 6, 13, 20 and 27.**

Lenten Retreat

Saturday, March 7 9AM - 4PM at The Claggett Center. **RSVP by February 25th** to either Vickie Burgee at vburgee@allsaintsmd.org or Rev. Kristofer at pastor@livinggraceurbana.org. We will explore lenten themes of lamentation, grief, mercy and compassion. More details will be posted in future bulletins and e-blasts.

EOH Scholarship Application

Attention High School Seniors and Undergraduate Students! In the 1820's, a group of All Saints Episcopal Church members donated funds to establish an orphanage to support and educate needy children. In the 1940's, the community's need for the orphan house declined, so the orphanage was closed, and the sale proceeds were used to establish an educational fund. This scholarship program is for Frederick County residents based on need and promise. Historically, 10-15 awards, ranging from \$500 to \$2,500, have been given each year to one immediate family member at a time. Available only at the undergraduate level, these awards may be renewed by students reapplying each year while still an undergraduate student. To apply students need to complete the online application, available by scanning this QR code:



Saint Mary's March Meeting

Saint Mary's will meet **Monday, March 2** for the monthly lunch meeting in the Parish Hall. Our speakers will include two members who will share experiences unique to themselves within the group. Marty Young was scheduled to share in February but the weather was not conducive to a large attendance so she will present her experience and knowledge in the area of developmental disabilities at this March meeting. Marty will share ways to communicate and relate by better understanding individual points of view, depending on the area of disability. Betty Hedges has had an interesting journey in finding out that she has a half sister who was able to locate her through genealogical research. Betty will share what has transpired through this process. Both prove to be very interesting, especially coming through our members' experiences. Please join us to get to know each others' stories. Guests and new members are always welcome. St. Mary's will not meet in April since the first Monday is Easter Monday and the church office is closed.

Baptismal Preparation Class

Are you interested in being baptized into the Episcopal Church? Do you know of someone who is interested? Please join Rev. Catherine for this required class on **Sunday, March 15th, at 11:30 AM** in the Memorial Lounge. All ages are welcome, and godparents of candidates are encouraged to attend. If you have any questions, please contact **Rev. Catherine** or churchoffice@allsaintsmd.org.

Church Spring Clean-Up

March 22nd after the 10AM service, we are in need of parishioners to help with a deep cleaning of the Historic Church and other areas as needed, now that winter is behind us. Please feel free to bring your favorite cleaning products, etc. A clean and well-maintained church will be welcoming and comfortable for visitors and worshipers. Feel free to come to church that morning in clothes to clean. *There will be light refreshments available.*

Communion Discovery Class

While the Episcopal Church does not have a required “First Communion” class, we do offer our Communion Discovery Class for all children ages 4 and up, led by Alexandra Harrington and Rev. Catherine. This is an opportunity to learn more about what it means to receive Holy Communion and its spiritual significance, including a hands-on demonstration of the chalice, paten, and other items we use during the celebration of Holy Eucharist. If you or your child would like to participate, please join us on **Sunday, March 22nd, in the Court Street Classroom at 11:15 a.m.**

Expanding our Environmental Ministry

As we approach Earth Day on April 22, we are prayerfully discerning how God may be calling us to expand our environmental ministry to include greater awareness and education around sustainable practices. This season invites us to reflect on our shared responsibility to care for God’s creation and to consider how our faith calls us to faithful stewardship. In the weeks surrounding Earth Day, we would like to explore the practical steps we can take together, to support the well-being of our church and the wider community. We invite your prayers, ideas, and participation as we listen for the Holy Spirit’s guidance in this important work. To join us in these efforts please contact Randy Query: r_query@yahoo.com, Rev. Deacon Kelly: gearhart.kelly@gmail.com, or Rev. Jen Mariano: associate@allsaintsmd.org and share your ideas.

Crafting Group

Do you like to have fellowship? Do you like to learn new crafts? Gather and Create is a new women’s fellowship group just for you. We plan to meet once a month to explore new craft ideas and share stories and laugh along the way. At first each month we will do a new project using a variety of materials; over time we may work on projects that need more meetings. In March we will be making collage necklaces—if you have any beads or items that could be added to a necklace bring those along to share. We will also discuss how to pay for materials and brainstorm ideas of future projects. Meetings are at my home—620 Blandwood Road Frederick 21701---**the 2nd Tuesday of the month from 5:00PM—7:30PM**. If you are interested in attending or have any questions contact Lynda Kusuma at 321-368-5073.

Community Foundation Volunteer Opportunity

Recruitment for this year’s Community Foundation Scholarship Committee is in full swing. Last year’s scholarship program awarded over \$2.4 million in scholarships to over 400 students from Frederick and Carroll Counties! This year, we are hoping to recruit over 120 volunteers for this meaningful and impactful work, and we need YOU! Volunteers will: Review scholarship applications from mid April through early May, devote a minimum of 10 – 20 hours reviewing post-secondary scholarship applications, use their personal computer or tablet with internet access to complete online reviews. Training and ongoing support will be provided If you would like to participate, please submit the FY26 Volunteer Application We look forward to hearing from you! For more information, please reach out to Mandy Strawn, Volunteer Coordinator at m.strawn@frederickcountygives.org or visit www.frederickcountygives.org/volunteer-application.

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