



All Saints Episcopal Church

Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 AM

ALL ARE WELCOME

**Called to Worship, Learn, Minister,
Proclaim!**

**Second Sunday of Advent
Sunday, December 4th, 2022
A Service of Holy Eucharist**

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*Before worship, speak to God. During worship, let God speak to you.
After worship, speak to one another.*

We are thankful you've come today. We are a group of seekers, exploring how to continue to be the Body of Christ in this world today. All Saints is an open and affirming congregation and we welcome everyone on this glorious day that the Lord has made. Please fill out a visitor card in the pew and place in the offering plate or hand it to an usher. Please join us for coffee hour after the 10:30 service.

New Communion Instructions: The Bishop's directions are that intinction be done by the ministers at communion rather than having everyone dip their own bread. The Eucharistic minister will be holding the Chalice. If someone has received Communion in one kind (bread or cup), they have received the benefit of both.

1. We will continue to have a single communion station.
2. When I administer the bread, simply nod and I will know you would like the wafer dipped in the chalice. I will then hand you the wafer.
3. If you do not want to receive the wine, simply shake your head, and I will place the bread in your hand.
4. No one will be able to dip the bread for themselves, there will be no exceptions, per the Bishop's policy.

Thank you so much,
Lynn+

YouTube Link to see Live Streaming of Service

10:30AM [_https://youtu.be/yiqB_eMDCXc](https://youtu.be/yiqB_eMDCXc)

The Rt. Rev. José Antonio McLoughlin, Bishop of Western North Carolina

The Rev. Lynn Orville, Rector

The Rev. Deacon Martha Richard

Rebecca Beatty, Director of Music Ministries

Kelly Halley, Senior Warden

William Graham, Junior Warden

The Holy Eucharist Rite II
Book of Common Prayer 355

Prelude: "Episode on 'Veni, Emmanuel'" Lani Smith

Opening Hymn: "Hark! A Thrilling Voice is Sounding"

#59 Hymnal 1982

Opening Acclamation

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

People ***And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.***

Celebrant

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

Trisagion: (spoken at 8:00, sung at 10:30)

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Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***



The Lessons *(seated)*

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

11:1-10

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him,
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see,
or decide by what his ears hear;

but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;

he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

The wolf shall live with the lamb,
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,

the calf and the lion and the fatling together,
and a little child shall lead them.

The cow and the bear shall graze,
their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the
ox.

The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.

They will not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain;

for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD
as the waters cover the sea.

On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations
shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious

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

The Psalm

Deus, iudicium

72:1-7, 18-19

- 1 Give the King your justice, O God, *
and your righteousness to the King's Son;
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously *
and the poor with justice;
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, *
and the little hills bring righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; *
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, *
from one generation to another.
- 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, *
like showers that water the earth.
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; *
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
- 18 Blessed be the Lord GOD, the God of Israel, *
who alone does wondrous deeds!
- 19 And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! *
and may all the earth be filled with his glory.
Amen. Amen.

The Epistle

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans

15:4-13

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

"I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

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

Children's Word & The Sermon

The Rev. Lynn Orville

The Nicene Creed (All Standing)

BCP 358

**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

BCP 383:84-85

Leader

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying
Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of
our souls, let us pray to the Lord.
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.
Lord, have mercy.

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

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

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

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

For those who worship with us online.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Linda, Jane, Courtney, BF, Eleanor, Luciell, Kirby, Harold, Nancy, Mike, Wayne, Carol, Deloris, Kristy, Carol, Elynnane, Kate, Lisa, Michael, Sally, Carroll, Michelle, Brad, Ashley, Walter, Dorothy, Isaac, Lynn, Kim, Buster, and Olivia., let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

And for those having a Birthday, Tony Fugate, Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

Lord, have mercy.

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

To thee, O Lord our God.

Silence.

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart and especially the hearts of the people of this land, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen. BCP 823*

O God, you have bound us together in a common life. Help us, in the midst of our struggles for justice and truth, to confront one another without hatred or bitterness, and to work together with mutual forbearance and respect; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen. BCP 824*

Celebrant offers a concluding collect.

Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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.***

The Absolution

BCP 360

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

BCP 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People *And also with you.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory Sentence

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Ephesians 5:2

Offertory

"Dona Nobis Pacem" arr. Barbara Wallace
All Saints Singers

Presentation

(All stand)

Doxology

"In the Bleak Midwinter" #112 Verse 4
What can I give him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;
If I were a wise man, I would do my part;
Yet what I can I give him, give my heart.

The Great Thanksgiving - *Eucharistic Prayer A*

BCP 361

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People *We lift them to the Lord.*

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus (*Said in unison at 8:00 and sung at 10:30*)

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For 8:00 a.m. service

***Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

For 10:30 a.m. service

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Prayer for Spiritual Communion for those watching by Live Stream

Celebrant Let us pray.

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is being celebrated this day, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I offer you my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. **Amen.**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion Music: 2 verses of each, or sung two times

"Take Our Bread" #98 FSB

"Lord, Be Glorified" #66 FSB

The Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365

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 Blessing

May the peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the
blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you,
and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Welcome and Announcements

Closing Hymn: "Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

#616 Hymnal 1982

The Dismissal

Deacon

People *Thanks be to God.*

Postlude: "Postlude on an Ancient Carol" Henry Kihlken

**ALL ARE INVITED TO COFFEE HOUR IN THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER
AFTER THE 10:30 SERVICE.**

Birthdays

December 10 – Tony Fugate

Anniversaries

The Wednesday Morning Book Study

The Book Study is reading Holy Disruption. We would love for you to join the group which meets on Wednesday morning via Zoom at 10:00 am. Please read the introduction and the first two chapters.

Children's Christmas Program Practice

Practices for the children's Christmas program will begin soon! We are already learning two songs for the program during our music time before Sunday School. All children are welcome to be in it. Please plan to be at these rehearsals listed below:

Sunday, Dec. 4 following the 10:30 am worship service

Sunday, Dec. 11 following the 10:30 am worship service

Saturday, Dec. 17 - dress rehearsal with pizza party 10:00-12:00 noon.

Sunday, Dec. 18 - presentation during 10:30 am worship service

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mask Policy

According to the Centers for Disease Control website: In Gaston County, North Carolina, community infection level is low. We recommend the continuation of masks for individuals who desire to wear them. The CDC recommends:

- Wear a mask indoors in public
- Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines
- Get tested if you have symptoms

All Saints Men's Fellowship

All Saints has started a Men's Fellowship! The intent is to provide opportunities for the men of the parish to gather and build stronger relationships. Our weekly get together is every Friday morning at 8:00 AM at the Union Diner (1101 Union Rd, Gastonia). Have a cup of coffee or tea, order breakfast, or simply come and enjoy some interesting conversations. Please contact **Doug Orville at 207-801-8059** if you have any questions.

Coffee Hour

Please sign up for the next available Sunday! Let's all plan to come to coffee hour and socialize with our newcomers and each other.

All Saint's Angel Tree Helping SOCKS

When you bring your items to church, please be sure to indicate on the sheet you have brought the items. Items must be returned by **December 4th**.

NOTE: Please pack food items in manageable containers that are not too heavy. Mark all containers and gifts with the child's name and number.

Thursday Evening Book Study @ 7:00 p.m.

The first book we will be reading is *The Psychology of Christian Nationalism: Why people are drawn in and how to talk across the divide*, by Pamela Cooper-White. The study will be a hybrid study, meeting at the Orville's, and over Zoom, as well. Please read chapter 2 for December 8th. If you have questions or concerns, please speak to Lynn+. The Zoom link can be found in the Messenger.

Crisis Assistance Ministry

The cupboards are nearly bare! There are many in Gaston County who are food insecure and hungry! You can help; please be generous in your gift of food to fill CAM's shelves. It is being collected in the Parish Hall. Thank you!

CHRISTMAS COOKIE/CANDY SALE
\$20/BOX
PLACE ORDERS IN FAMILY LIFE CENTER

SATS - Serving at the Shelter

DECEMBER PROJECT:

Shower Caddies

Food Lion Gift Cards

Walmart Gift Cards (can use for gas as well)

New Christmas Decorations such as door room decorations and decorations for
their rooms/personal space

Thanks for your generosity!!!!

Any questions, please ask Lynn+.

Bring to the Family Parish Center and we will take them to the Shelter.

All Saint's Music Ministry

All Saints Singers

We meet on Wednesday nights at 6:30 p.m. in the choir room on the second floor of the education building. We welcome anyone and everyone to come join us as we sing and worship together!

All Saints Ringers

We practice right after worship for 30 minutes every Sunday in the choir room. Even if you have never rung before, please come and check us out. There are still spots available at the bell table!

All Saints Children's Choir

All Saints Children's Choir meets at 9:15 a.m. every Sunday morning before Sunday School. Come join the fun as we sing and play instruments together!

Sunday School Staff

| Date | Teachers |
|-------------|--------------------|
| 12/04/2022 | Mickie & Elizabeth |
| 12/11/2022 | Allison & Phill |
| 12/18/2022 | Jerry & Doug |
| 12/25/2022 | No Sunday School |

This Week @ All Saints

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| Sunday | 8:00 am 9:15 am 9:30 am 9:45 am 10:30 am 11:45 am 7:00 pm | Holy Eucharist Children’s Choir & Adult Forum Children’s Sunday School All Saints Singers Practice Holy Eucharist Children’s Christmas Program Practice New Life MCC |
| Monday | 7:00 pm | EFM |
| Tuesday | 5-7:15 pm 7:00 pm | Narcotics Anonymous Finance Meeting |
| Wednesday | 10:00 am 5:30 pm 6:30 pm | Book Study – Zoom Holy Eucharist & Healing Choir Rehearsal |
| Thursday | 7:00 pm | Book Study @ Orville’s or by Zoom |
| Friday | 8:00 am 1-3 pm | Office Closed Men’s Fellowship – Union Diner Gaston Residential |
| Saturday | 9:00 am 5-7:15 pm | Advent Quiet Day Narcotics Anonymous |



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

| Date | December 4 | December 11 | December 18 |
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| 8:00 AM EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER | Marc Dudley | Kelly Morris | Marc Dudley |
| LESSONS | Doug Orville | Kelly Morris | Jerry Wertz |
| PRAYERS OF PEOPLE | Ken Harvey | Bruce Kiser | Peter Mijumbi |
| USHER | Ken Harvey | Jerry Wertz | Doug Orville |
| VPOD | Lynn+ | Lynn+ | Lynn+ |
| 10:30 AM EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER | Phill Wertz | Jordan Avery | Phill Wertz |
| READER | John Still | Lee Wells | Claudette Forbes |
| PRAYERS OF PEOPLE | Claudette Forbes | William Graham | Carol Wertz |
| ACOLYTES | Connor Kish | Bonnie McPherson | Lindsay Wells |
| USHERS 10:30 A.M. | Nikki & Jordan Avery | Gay Lindsey Lindsey Wells | Linda Duffy Kathy McKenna |
| VIDEO TECH 10:30 AM | Doug Orville | Doug Orville | Marc Dudley |
| ALTAR GUILD | Glenda Carpenter | Allison Wells | Altar Guild |
| Altar Flowers | Advent Greens | Advent Greens | Advent Greens |
| VPOD | Claudette Forbes | William Graham | |
| Coffee Hour | P. Graham | Kish | McKenna |
| Sunday School Staff | Mickie & Elizabeth | Allison & Phill | Jerry & Doug |



