

All Saints Episcopal Church

Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 AM

All Are Welcome



Called to Worship, Learn, Minister, Proclaim!

**The Sixth Sunday of Easter
Sunday, May 5th, 2024
A Service of Holy Eucharist**

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Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Prelude: "For the Beauty of the Earth" arr. James and Stan Pethel
Piano/organ duet

Opening Hymn: "All Creatures of Our God and King" Verses 1, 4, 5, 7 #400 Hymnal 1982

Celebrant Alleluia Christ is risen!
People **The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia.**

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.**

Gloria: (Spoken at 8:00 a.m., sung at 10:30 a.m.) S 280

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons (seated)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles Acts 10:44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

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



Psalm 98

- 1 Sing to the LORD a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.
- 3 The LORD has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the LORD with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the LORD.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD,
when he comes to judge the earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.

A reading from the first letter of John

1 John 5:1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn "Where Charity and Love Prevail"
 verses 1, 3, and 6

#581 Hymnal 1982

The Gospel

John 15:9-17

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Lynn Orville

Silence will be kept for reflection

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

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and
humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
**That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and
Sacraments.**

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations
of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest,
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.
Silence

We pray for Courtney, BF, Eleanor, Wayne, Elynnane, Brad, Kathleen, Hamilton, Ashley, Bert, Kay, Jack,
James, Dick, Wade, Linda, Marc, Raecine, Liz, Tommy, Kate, Don, Ruth, Le, Brett, Geneve, Lynn, Sam, Bill,
Callae, and Lynn.

I ask your thanksgiving for Dawn & Pam Flynn and Joshua & Taylor Scott who are celebrating their
anniversaries.
Silence

We pray for those worshipping with us online. 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.
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.**

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.

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 Anthem: "Fount of Every Blessing" arr. Lloyd Larson
All Saints Singers

Presentation (All stand)

(spoken at 8:00 am)

All things come of thee, O Lord
And of thine own have we given thee.

Doxology

#380 vs. 3 Hymnal 1982

The Liturgy of the Table

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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 (sung at 10:30)

S 129

**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.**

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;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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.**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Congregational Communion Hymns: "All Who Hunger Gather Gladly" #761 Wonder, Love and Praise
"Taste and See" #764 Wonder, Love and Praise



**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.**

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

Welcome and Announcements

Closing Hymn: "We Plow the Fields, and Scatter"

#291 Hymnal 1982

The Dismissal

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia

Postlude: "O God of Earth and Altar" English Folk Tune, arr. Wayne L. Wold

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

Birthdays

Anniversaries

May 8 – Dawn & Pam Flynn
May 11 – Joshua and Taylor Scott

Altar Flower Dedication

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God by Kelly Morris in honor of the Pacesetters.

Episcopal 201

Episcopal 201 has resumed at 9:15 in the library in preparation for Confirmation and Reception by Bishop José on June 2nd.

Save the Date!

The Bishop is coming for his visitation on June 2nd! We'll be having Confirmation and Reception; he'll be blessing Grace Pavilion and we'll celebrate Eucharist together. All this will be followed by a pot-luck. Sign-up sheets are in the foyer of the Parish Life Center. Please plan to come to this celebration.



SATS - Serving at the Shelter

We have opportunities available for All Saints to prepare Saturday supper at the Shelter.
(Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Parish Life Center).

Crisis Assistance Ministry

You may drop your donations for CAM off in the Parish Life Center. Thank you in advance for your donations.

CAM is especially in need of the following items:

Chicken Noodle Soup Instant Potatoes
Canned Stew or Chili Hearty Soup
Macaroni & Cheese Peanut Butter & Jelly
Pancake Mix, Syrup, and Hot Cereal
Prepackaged/grab and go snacks for Seniors – Chips, Crackers, Candy, Granola Bars

Wednesday Morning Book Study

Our new book is **Vintage Saints and Sinners**, by Karen Wright Marsh.

For May 8th , please read up through page 67.

We would love for you to join our discussion on Wednesdays at 10 am for one hour on Zoom.

Click below for the book study group link.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81363217638?pwd=V2lNSnNra2FlbEtBSjd1dHF1MFZaQT09>

All Saints Men’s Fellowship

Group meets every Friday at 8:00 AM at the **Eggs Up Grill** at the far end of the Food Lion shopping center at the intersection of Redbud and S New Hope Road (2609 S New Hope Road). All men of All Saints are welcome! Join us and let's get to know each other better over food, coffee, and conversation! If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact Doug Orville at 207-801-8059.

Pacesetters

Our next outing will be a Potluck Luncheon on Tuesday May 21 at the Grace Pavilion. There is a sheet posted at church to sign up for what you plan to bring. There might even be some ‘games’ to entertain.

Guests are welcome!

Chair Yoga

Chair Yoga meets in the Parish Life Center on Friday at 9:45am-10:45am. The class is led by Judy Blankenship and is open to both men and women. The cost is only \$5/class. Please join us in this exercise to improve your mind and body as a pathway to good health.



Indoor/Outdoor Workday Reschedule

Please plan to join us on Saturday, May 18th from 8 - 12 for an indoor/outdoor workday. For more information, please contact Jim McPherson at 980.355.2135.

This Week @ All Saints

Sunday	9:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 9:30 am 10:15 am 11:45 am 7:00 pm	Holy Eucharist Children's Music Sunday School Adult Forum Choir Rehearsal All Saints Singers Practice Handbells New Life MCC
Monday		
Tuesday	5-7:15 pm	Narcotics Anonymous
Wednesday	10:00 am 6:30 pm	Wednesday Book Study Choir Practice
Thursday	5-7:15 pm	Narcotics Anonymous
Friday	8:00 am 9:45 am	Office Closed Men's Fellowship Chair Yoga
Saturday	5-7:15 pm	Narcotics Anonymous

***** Sign-ups are available for the following in the Parish Life Center*****

Coffee Hour

Altar Flowers

Serving at the Shelter

The Crisis Assistance Ministry (CAM) - food donations.

The Cathy Mabry Cloninger Center – Domestic Violence Shelter

All donations may be left in the Parish Life Center entryway.



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Date	May 5	May 12	May 19
EUCH. MINISTER 8:00 AM	Brad Frazier	Kelly Morris	Brad Frazier
READER	Kelly Halley	Peter Mijumbi	Judith Hilton
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 8:00AM	Ken Harvey	Kelly Halley	Doug Orville
USHERS 8:00 AM	Ken Harvey	Peter Mijumbi	Doug Orville
VPOD	Allison Wells	Glenda Carpenter	William Graham
EUCH. MINISTER 10:30 AM	Lee Wells	Phill Wertz	Jordan Avery
READER	William Graham	Claudette Forbes	Kathy McKenna
PRAYERS OF PEOPLE	Allison Wells	John Still	Inga Kish
ACOLYTES			
USHERS 10:30 A.M.	Carol Wertz Jane Renas	Claudette Forbes Glenda Carpenter	Nikki & Jordan Avery
SOUND TECH	Doug Orville	Joshua Scott	Phill Wertz
ALTAR GUILD	G. Carpenter	Linda Duffy	Nikki Avery
ALTAR FLOWERS	Kelly Morris	Jackie Sullens	K. McKenna
VPOD	Allison Wells	Glenda Carpenter	William Graham
COFFEE HOUR	Joshua & Taylor Scott	Joel & Alice Kisubika	
SUNDAY SCHOOL	Priscilla & Doug	Allison & Phill	Gay & Lindsey



**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
10:30 AM https://youtube.com/live/j_3vACmm0IA?feature=share

The Rt. Rev. José Antonio McLoughlin, Bishop of Western North Carolina
The Rev. Lynn Orville, Rector
Rebecca Beatty, Director of Music Ministries
William Graham, Senior Warden
Jim McPherson, Junior Warden

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