

All Saints Episcopal Church

Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 AM

All Are Welcome



Called to Worship, Learn, Minister, Proclaim!

The Day of Pentecost

Whitsunday

Sunday, May 19th, 2024

A Service of Holy Eucharist

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Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Prelude: Breathe on Me, Breath of God" arr. Jonathan W. Lee

Opening Hymn: "Now Holy Spirit, Ever One with God"

#20 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: "Praise to God"

#421 Hymnal 1982

All glory be to god on high, and peace on earth from heaven, and God's good will unfailingly be to all people given. We bless, we worship you, we raise for your great glory thanks and praise, O God, Almighty Father. O Lamb of God, Lord Jesus Christ, whom God the Father gave us, who for the world was sacrificed up on the cross to save us; and, as you sit at God's right hand and we for judgement there must stand, have mercy, Lord, up on us. You only are the Holy One, who came for our salvation and only you are God's true Son, who was before creation. You only, Christ as Lord we own and, with the Spirit, you alone share in the Father's glory.

The Liturgy of the Word

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons (seated)

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs-- in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your young men shall see visions,
and your old men shall dream dreams.
Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.
And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.
The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' "

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

Psalm 104:25-35, 37

- 25 O LORD, how manifold are your works! *
in wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.
- 26 Yonder is the great and wide sea
with its living things too many to number, *
creatures both small and great.
- 27 There move the ships,
and there is that Leviathan, *
which you have made for the sport of it.
- 28 All of them look to you *
to give them their food in due season.
- 29 You give it to them; they gather it; *
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- 30 You hide your face, and they are terrified; *
you take away their breath,
and they die and return to their dust.
- 31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; *
and so you renew the face of the earth.
- 32 May the glory of the LORD endure for ever; *
may the LORD rejoice in all his works.
- 33 He looks at the earth and it trembles; *
he touches the mountains and they smoke.
- 34 I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; *
I will praise my God while I have my being.

35 May these words of mine please him; *

I will rejoice in the LORD.

37 Bless the LORD, O my soul. *

Hallelujah!

A reading from Paul's letter to the Romans

Romans 8:22-27

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

#508 Hymnal 1982

The Gospel

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Lynn Orville

Silence will be kept for reflection

**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

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
**For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who
are alone.**

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and José our Bishop(s); and
for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

**Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.**

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, Lynn, and Debbie.

I ask your thanksgiving for Joshua Jager who is celebrating his birthday.
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

Confession of Sin
Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

**God of all mercy,
We confess that we have sinned against you,**

**Opposing your will in our lives
We have denied you goodness in each other
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
Through our Savior Jesus Christ,
That we may abide in your love and serve only your will. 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 Anthem: "Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me" arr. K. Lee Scott

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

Enriching Our Worship 1 - Eucharistic Prayer I

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 our thanks and praise.**
Celebrant It is truly right, and good and joyful,
to give you thanks, all-holy God,
Source of life and fountain of mercy.
You have filled us and all creation with your blessing
and fed us with your constant love;
you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ
and knit us into one body.
through your Spirit you replenish us

and call us to fullness of life.
Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels
and with the faithful of every generation,
we lift our voices with all creation as we sing (say):

The Sanctus (spoken at 8:00 and sung at 10:30)

#256 LEVAS II

**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

Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of the universe and giver of life.
You formed us in your own image
and called us to dwell in your infinite love.
You gave the world into our care
that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves;
we would not see your goodness in the world around us;
and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.
Yet you never ceased to care for us,
and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah
you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery,
sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets
to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time,
you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the
human family, and dwelling among us,
he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross,
he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when
he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take,
eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all 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

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine.

By your Holy Spirit may they be for us

the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons,

that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and 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: "Spirit of the Living God"

#115 LEVAS II

"Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"

#119 LEVAS II

The Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365

Celebrant and People

God of Abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Now send us forth

in the power of your Spirit,

that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Blessings

May the love of God ever draw you near,

May the abundant joy of the Lord Jesus fill your souls;

May the power of the Holy Spirit embolden you to be God's witnesses in the world.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

Closing Hymn: "Holy Spirit, Ever Living" #511 Hymnal 1982
The Dismissal
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia**
Postlude: "In Peace and Joy I Go My Way" arr. John Scriveyner

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

Birthdays

May 21 – Joshua Jager

Anniversaries

Altar Flower Dedication

The Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God, by Kathy McKenna in honor of their anniversary.

Episcopal 201

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

Coming in June in the Music Ministry

June 9th: Men's Ensemble singing, "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot."
June 16th for Father's Day: Ladies' Ensemble singing, "Simple Gifts."
June 23d: "Church Choir" singing, "On Christ the Solid Rock"

These ensembles are open to **everyone**, and I hope you will join us!



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 luncheon. 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 22nd, please read through 103.

We would love for you to join our discussion on Wednesdays
at 10 am for one hour on Zoom, led by Rev. Lynn.

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 19	May 26	June 2
EUCH. MINISTER 8:00 AM	Kelly Morris	Kelly Morris	Kelly Morris
READER	Judith Hilton	Kelly Morris	Kelly Morris
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 8:00AM	Doug Orville	Judith Hilton	Ken Harvey
USHERS 8:00 AM	Doug Orville	Judith Hilton	Ken Harvey
VPOD	William Graham	Judith Hilton	William Graham
EUCH. MINISTER 10:30 AM	Jordan Avery	Bonnie McPherson	Phill Wertz
READER	Kathy McKenna	Josie Polhemus	William Graham
PRAYERS OF PEOPLE	Inga Kish	Jordan Avery	Magie DeShon
ACOLYTES			
USHERS 10:30 A.M.	Priscilla & William Graham	Jordan & Nikki Avery	Alice & Joel Kisubikas
SOUND TECH	Phill Wertz	Doug Orville	Joshua Scott
ALTAR GUILD	Nikki Avery	Gay Lindsey	Allison Wells
ALTAR FLOWERS	K. McKenna		Kelly Morris
VPOD	William Graham	William Graham	William Graham
COFFEE HOUR		Taylor and Joshua Scott	
SUNDAY SCHOOL	Gay & Lindsey	Doug & Judith	Priscilla & Gay





THE BISHOP'S VISIT

June 2nd, please join us!



**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/KwIQHpu_iBc?feature=share

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

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