

# All Saints Episcopal Church

Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 AM

All Are Welcome



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

**The Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024**

**A Service of Holy Eucharist**

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## Holy Eucharist, Rite II

**Prelude:** "My Shepherd Will Supply My Need" arr. Cindy Berry

**Opening Hymn:** "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation" #518 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 am, sung at 10:30 am)

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, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**The Lessons** (seated)

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

Acts 4:5-12

The rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is

'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders;  
it has become the cornerstone.'

There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

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

**Psalm 23** Spoken at 8:00 am

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; \*  
I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures \*  
and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He revives my soul \*  
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I shall fear no evil; \*  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; \*  
you have anointed my head with oil,  
and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, \*  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

**“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”** (10:30 am)

#645 Hymnal 1982

**A reading from the first letter of John**

1 John 3:16-24

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us-- and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

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

**Sequence Hymn**        "Alleluia" #4 Family Song Book  
                         Alleluia....  
                         He is worthy....

**The Gospel**

John 10:11-18

Celebrant        The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.  
People        **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep.

I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.”

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, especially Jonathan Myers and Linda Robinson  
**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, Isabella, Wade, George, Linda, Marc, Raecine, Liz, Tommy, Kate, Don, Ruth, Le, Brett, Geneve,  
Judith, Lynn and Sam.

I ask your thanksgiving for Steve Stanford and Allison Wells who are celebrating their birthdays.  
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:** "Lead Me, Guide Me" Doris Akers

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:** "Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless"  
"I Come with Joy"

#343 Hymnal 1982  
#304 Hymnal 1982

### **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.**

May Christ, the Son of God, be manifest in you, that your lives may be light to the world; 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:** "Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing"

#334 Hymnal 1982

**The Dismissal**

**People** Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia

**Postlude:** "Ground" Alan Ridout

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

**Birthdays**

April 25 – Steve Stanford  
April 26 – Allison Wells

**Anniversaries**

**Episcopal 201**

Episcopal 201 will resume on April 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 in the library in preparation for confirmation and reception by Bishop José on June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**SATS - Serving at the Shelter**

We have opportunities available for All Saints to prepare Saturday supper at the Shelter. Please sign up in the Parish Life Center.  
(Sign-up 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 April 24<sup>th</sup>, please read up to page 41.

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**

The Pacesetters enjoyed an excellent tour of Reed's Gold Mine given by the head of the site this past Tuesday. 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 18<sup>th</sup> from 8 - 12 for an indoor/outdoor workday. For more information, please contact Jim McPherson at 980.355.2135.



**Week @ All Saints**

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

**\*\*\* 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**

<b>Date</b>	<b>April 21</b>	<b>April 28</b>	<b>May 5</b>
<b>EUCH. MINISTER 8:00 AM</b>	Brad Frazier	Brad Frazier	Brad Frazier
<b>READER</b>	Brad Frazier	Doug Orville	Kelly Halley
<b>PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 8:00AM</b>	Doug Orville	Judith Hilton	Ken Harvey
<b>USHERS 8:00 AM</b>	Doug Orville	Judith Hilton	Ken Harvey
<b>VPOD</b>	Jim McPherson	Judith Hilton	Allison Wells
<b>EUCH. MINISTER 10:30 AM</b>	Lee Wells	Bonnie McPherson	Phill Wertz
<b>READER</b>	Jim McPherson	Magie DeShon	William Graham
<b>PRAYERS OF PEOPLE</b>	Josie Polhemus	Claudette Forbes	Allison Wells
<b>ACOLYTES</b>			
<b>USHERS 10:30 A.M.</b>	Gay Lindsey & Lindsey Wells	Alice & Joel Kisubikas	Carol Wertz Jane Renas
<b>SOUND TECH</b>	Doug Orville	Joshua Scott	Phill Wertz
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>	Gay Lindsey	Allison Wells	G. Carpenter
<b>ALTAR FLOWERS</b>			
<b>VPOD</b>	Jim McPherson	Judith Hilton	Allison Wells
<b>COFFEE HOUR</b>	Kish	McPherson's	
<b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b>	Gay & Lindsey	Doug & Judith	Priscilla & Gay



**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/tzjZdE1CjG8?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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