

Called to Worship, Learn, Minister, Proclaim!

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany Sunday, January 28th, 2024
A Service of Holy Eucharist

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The Holy Eucharist Rite II Book of Common Prayer355

Prelude: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" arr. Melody Bober

Opening Hymn: "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" #493 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.**

Gloria: S 278

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 Collect of the Day

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

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; 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 Book of Deuteronomy

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Moses said: The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: "If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die." Then the Lord replied to me: "They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command. Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable. But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Psalm 111

- 1 Hallelujah!
 - I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, * in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.
 - 2 Great are the deeds of the LORD! * they are studied by all who delight in them.
 - 3 His work is full of majesty and splendor, * and his righteousness endures for ever.
 - 4 He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; * the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.
 - 5 He gives food to those who fear him; * he is ever mindful of his covenant.
 - 6 He has shown his people the power of his works * in giving them the lands of the nations.
 - 7 The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; * all his commandments are sure.
 - 8 They stand fast for ever and ever, * because they are done in truth and equity.
 - 9 He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; * holy and awesome is his Name.

10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; * those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures for ever.

The Epistle A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him.

Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "no idol in the world really exists," and that "there is no God but one." Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords— yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. "Food will not bring us close to God." We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn "Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord" #437 Hymnal 1982

The Gospel Mark 1:21-28

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

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 Form VI

BCP 392

The Leader and People pray responsively

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; and Lynn our Priest and Mike our Guest Priest all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them; **Who put their trust in you.**

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

We pray for Courtney, BF, Eleanor, Wayne, Elynanne, Brad, Harold, Kathleen, Vera, Hamilton, Ashley, Bert, Kay, Jack, James, Dick, Isabella, Wade, George, Linda, Raecine, Marc, Michelle, Liz, Jane, Tommy, and Kate.

I ask your thanksgiving for all the blessings of this life especially for John Cheek who is celebrating his birthday.

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. 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**.

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**.

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.

Celebrant

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 "Let Us Build a House (All Are Welcome)" Marty Haugen

All Saints Singers

Congregation is invited to join us on the refrain:

"All are welcome; all are welcome; all are welcome in this place."

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Presentation (All stand)

Doxology #380 vs. 3

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

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

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 in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you caused light to shine the have а new in our hearts. to give knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 S 128

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.

Communion Music: Quiet Music

The Post Communion Prayer

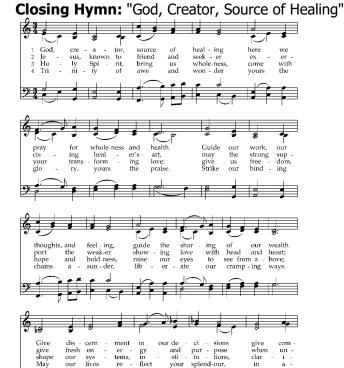
BCP 365

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 Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen**.

Welcome and Announcements







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The Dismissal

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "O Christ, the Great Foundation" arr. Charles Callahan

ALL ARE INVITED TO COFFEE HOUR IN THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER AFTER THE SERVICE.

	Birthday	<u>/S</u>
February	2 – John	Cheek

Anniversaries

Altar Flowers

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God in thanksgiving for Doug Orville, for his birthday

Wednesday Morning Book Study

Book Study will resume again on Wednesday January 31, 2024, at 10:00 AM. This is a good time to join this group as they begin a new book "Julian of Norwich" by Matthew Fox.



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.

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.

Pacesetters Meeting

Thursday Evening book Study

February 1st Chapter 4? Amy Jill Levine is at 7:00 pm at The Orville's or on Zoom.

Click Below for Zoom Link.

Zoom Link

New Ministry- Dinner in a Hat. We are pleased to announce the formation of a new fellowship ministry - Dinner in a Hat. Dinner in a Hat is a ministry that fosters deepening our relationships with one another through small group gatherings. Parishioners who wish to participate put their names into the hat, and six people (couples and singles) are drawn to form a group. A different member of the group "hosts" the group for lunch or dinner each month, either at a restaurant ("Dutch treat" style) or their home (potluck style). The "host" may also invite one or two other people (other parishioners, friends, neighbors, etc.), to join them for that lunch/dinner. At the end of the four-month rotation, the groups conclude, and new groups are drawn. Stay tuned for more information! The first groups will be drawn in January. For more information or to put your name in the hat, please contact Vera Huntsinger.

<u>Please Note:</u> Through January 28th there is no children's Sunday School.

All Sunday's in January (14th, 21st, 28th), 9:00 am Holy Eucharist.

Annual Meeting is 10:00 am January 28th following service.

This Week @ All Saints

Sunday	9:00 am 10:15 am 7:00 pm	Holy Eucharist All Saints Singers Practice New Life MCC
Monday		
Tuesday	5-7:15 pm	Narcotics Anonymous
Wednesday	10:00 am	Book Study
Thursday	5-7:15 pm 7:00 pm	Narcotics Anonymous Book Study @Orvilles or via Zoom
Friday	8:00 am 9:45 am	Office Closed Men's Fellowship Chair Yoga
Saturday	5-7:15 pm	Narcotics Anonymous

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Date	January 28 Annual Meeting	
9:00 AM EUCHARISTIC MINISTER	Lee Wells	
READER	Jim McPherson	
PRAYERS OF PEOPLE	John Still	
USHER	Nikki & Jordan Avery	
VIDEO TECH 9:00AM	Phill Wertz	
ALTAR GUILD	G. Carpenter	
ALTAR FLOWERS	Orville	
Coffee Hour	Scotts	

Date	February 4	February 11	February 18
EUCH. MINISTER 8:00 AM	Kelly Morris	Brad Frazier	Kelly Morris
READER	Peter Mijumbi	Brad Frazier	Martha Monico
PRAYERS OF PEOPLE 8:00AM	Doug Orvillo		Judith Hilton
USHERS 8:00 AM	Judith Hilton	Doug Orville	Judith Hilton
VPOD			
EUCH. MINISTER 10:30 AM	Bonnie McPherson	Phill Wertz	Jordan Avery
READER	Lee Wells	Claudette Forbes	Allison Wells
PRAYERS OF PEOPLE	Josie Polhemus	Jim McPherson	William Graham
ACOLYTES	Connor Kish		
USHERS 10:30 A.M.	G. Carpenter & C. Forbes	Jerry & Carol Wertz	Priscilla & William Graham
SOUND TECH	Phill	Doug	
ALTAR GUILD	Gay Lindsey	Allison Wells	G. Carpenter
ALTAR FLOWERS		Wanda Adams/J. Wertz	
VPOD			
COFFEE HOUR		McPhersons	Kisubikas

Sunday School Schedule

02-04	Priscilla and Gay
02-11	Allison and Phill
02-18	Gay and Lindsey
02-25	Doug and Judy

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

9:00AM https://youtube.com/live/ZBlekxHjC0c?feature=share

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

