



All Saints Episcopal Church

Sunday 8:00 & 10:30 AM

ALL ARE WELCOME

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

**The Second Sunday After Pentecost
June 11th, 2023**

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://youtube.com/live/0H1i1MxEy7Q>

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

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Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Prelude: "My Hope Is Built" arr. Larry Dalton

Processional Hymn: "The God of Abraham Praise"

401 Hymnal 1982

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed are you, Holy and Living One.

People You come to set your people free.

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/Sung at 10:30)

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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

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; 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 Genesis

12:1-9

Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the LORD appeared to Abram, and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the LORD and invoked the name of the LORD. And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

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

Psalm 410

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Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)



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Psalm 33:1-12

- 1 Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous; *
it is good for the just to sing praises.
- 2 Praise the LORD with the harp; *
play to him upon the psaltery and lyre.
- 3 Sing for him a new song; *
sound a fanfare with all your skill upon the trumpet.
- 4 For the word of the LORD is right, *
and all his works are sure.
- 5 He loves righteousness and justice; *
the loving-kindness of the LORD fills the whole earth.
- 6 By the word of the LORD were the heavens made, *
by the breath of his mouth all the heavenly hosts.
- 7 He gathers up the waters of the ocean as in a water-skin *
and stores up the depths of the sea.
- 8 Let all the earth fear the LORD; *
let all who dwell in the world stand in awe of him.
- 9 For he spoke, and it came to pass; *
he commanded, and it stood fast.
- 10 The LORD brings the will of the nations to naught; *
he thwarts the designs of the peoples.
- 11 But the LORD's will stands fast for ever, *
and the designs of his heart from age to age.
- 12 Happy is the nation whose God is the LORD! *
happy the people he has chosen to be his own!

The Epistle

A reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans

4:13-25

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the

promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") — in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn "God Himself is With Us"

#475 Hymnal 1982

The Gospel

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me."

And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard this, he said,

“Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.”

While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, “My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.” And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, “If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.” Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, “Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. John Simpson

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

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, José, our Bishop and Lynn, our Priest.

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.

We pray for Courtney, BF, Eleanor, Kirby, Harold, Nancy, Wayne, Kristy, Michael, Elynnane, Brad, Ashley, Jimmy, George, Kathleen, Todd, Michelle, Vera, Ryan, Jim, Chris, Dwight, Kay, Kim, Larry, Russell, Glenda, Lynn, and the Bolick Family.

I ask your thanksgiving for Claudette Forbes who is celebrating her birthday and Jocelyn & Frank King who are celebrating their anniversary.

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**

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.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

**God of all mercy,
We confess that we have sinned against you,
Opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your 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

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

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 "This Is My Father's World" arr. Robert D. Vandall
Allison Wells and Becky Beatty, piano duet

Presentation (All stand)

All things come of thee, O Lord and of thine own we have given thee. (Spoken at 8:00)

Doxology (sung at 10:30) #56 LEVAS II

The Liturgy of the Table

Eucharistic Prayer 2 from Enriching Our Worship

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.

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

The Sanctus (spoken at 8:00, 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

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, 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. Again, he gave thanks to you, 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."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. (Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.) In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. 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.

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

**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.**

May the peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and your 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 Spirit, among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Welcome and Announcements

Closing Hymn: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" #686 Hymnal 1982

The Dismissal

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia

Postlude: "Sing, My Tongue, the Song of Triumph" arr. Albert Zabel

Welcome to Father John Simpson, our priest this morning. It is good to have you with us.

Sunday Morning Adult Forum

Please join us for "Understanding the New Testament" by David Brakke at 9:15 beginning on May 28th. **Episcopal 201 will resume on September 10th, 2023.**

Contact Lynn+ with any questions

Birthdays

June 17 – Claudette Forbes

Anniversaries

June 13 – Jocelyn & Frank King

Altar Flower Dedication

Our Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God.

Coffee Hour

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

Sign-up sheets are in the Parish Life Center



Wednesday Morning Book Study

The Book Study has started a new book, **Braiding Sweetgrass**, by Robin Wall Kimmerer. For June 14th we will read pp. 63-97 (in the paperback edition). We would love for you to join the group, which meets for one hour on Wednesday morning via Zoom at 10:00 am (Zoom link below).

link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84733608194?pwd=T01acUZvRXdqYnZZR3ZyMURwbS85dz09>

SATS - Serving at the Shelter

Beginning with August 5, we have opportunities available for All Saints to fix 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).

It's baby time at the Shelter!

Items Needed for the Shelter:

Diapers (especially sizes 3 & 6), Wipes, Bottles (not dollar store – break easily), Teething Biscuits, Baby Towels & wash-rags, Pack & Plays

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.

Crisis Assistance Ministry

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!



Chair Yoga

Chair Yoga is continuing at All Saints on Friday mornings at 9:45 am in the Family Life Center. Certified Instructor Judy Blankenship will be offering these classes at \$5 per session or \$40 for the 8 week program. Hope to see you there.

Pacesetters

The Pacesetters will visit St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Lincolnton on Tuesday June 20th. We will tour this beautiful old church and see the cemetery where Blackbeard the Pirate is supposedly buried. Following the tour, we will lunch at Court Street Grille. We will plan to leave All Saints at 9:30. A sign-up sheet is posted in the Family Life Center.

NEW MINISTRY!

We are pleased to announce the formation of a new ministry - the *Traveling Table*. The *Traveling Table* is a "mid-reach" fellowship ministry serving parishioners who may not otherwise be able to share in fellowship activities, by bringing fellowship to them in their homes. The approach is "zero footprint" - all food, dishes, flatware, serve ware, linens, etc. (including table and chairs, if needed) are brought to the parishioner's home; and everything is "packed-out" at the end, leaving nothing behind (except love and leftovers). Based on the number of guests the parishioner feels comfortable having, the ministry lead will coordinate 2 – 5 individuals to prepare and share in a meal. Anyone wishing to participate in *Traveling Table*, either as a visitor or to receive a visit, should contact Bonnie McPherson, the ministry lead.



VPOD Schedule

June 11	William Graham
June 18	Jim McPherson
June 25	Allison Wells
July 2	William Graham
July 9	Claudette Forbes
July 16	Carol Wertz
July 23	Allison Wells
July 30	Jim McPherson
August 6	Claudette Forbes
August 13	William Graham
August 20	Jim McPherson
August 27	Claudette Forbes
Sept 3	William Graham
Sept 10	Carol Wertz
Sept 17	Allison Wells
Sept 24	William Graham

Sunday School for our children will resume on September 10th.

All Saint's Music Ministry **Calling All Women!**

We will be having a Women's Chorus sing in worship on Sunday, June 18th. We will be singing, "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee." Rehearsals will be Sunday, June 11 at 9:30 a.m. and Sunday, June 18th at 9:30 a.m. in the choir room. Please let Becky know if you plan to sing. Hope to see you there!



This Week @ All Saints

Sunday	8:00 am 9:15 am 9:45 am 10:30 am 7:00 pm	Holy Eucharist Adult Forum All Saints Singers Practice Holy Eucharist New Life MCC
Monday		
Tuesday	5-7:15 pm 7:00 pm	Narcotics Anonymous Vestry Meeting
Wednesday	10:00 am 6:30 pm	Book Study – Zoom Choir Practice
Thursday	5-7:15 pm 7:00 pm	Narcotics Anonymous Book Study @ Orville's & via zoom
Friday	--- 8:00 am 9:45 am	Office Closed Men's Fellowship – Union Diner Chair Yoga
Saturday	5-7:15 pm	Narcotics Anonymous



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Please call the office if there is a need to change the Ministry Schedule.

Date	June 11	June 18	June 25
8:00 AM EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	Kelly Morris	Kelly Morris	Kelly Morris
LESSONS	Judith Hilton	Martha Monico	Peter Mijumbi
PRAYERS OF PEOPLE	Peter Mijumbi	Judith Hilton	Doug Orville
USHER	Peter Mijumbi	Judith Hilton	Doug Orville
VPOD	William Graham	Carol Wertz	Allison Wells
10:30 AM EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	Bonnie McPherson	Phill Wertz	Lee Wells
READER	Allison Wells	Claudette Forbes	Doug Orville
PRAYERS OF PEOPLE	John Still	Josie Polhemus	William Graham
ACOLYTES			
USHERS 10:30 A.M.	Gay Lindsey	Claudette Forbes Glenda Carpenter	Priscilla & William Graham
VIDEO TECH 10:30 AM	Marc Dudley	Marc Dudley	Marc Dudley
ALTAR GUILD	Glenda Carpenter	Marc Dudley	Gay Lindsey
Altar Flowers		The Monico's	
VPOD	William Graham	Carol Wertz	Allison Wells
Coffee Hour		Joel & Alice K	
Sunday School Staff			

Sunday School Staff

Date	Staff/Teacher
September 10	Mickie & Elizabeth
Sept 17	Allison & Phill
Sept 24	Gay & Lindsey
Oct 1	Jerry & Doug
Oct 8	Mickie & Elizabeth
Oct 15	Allison & Phill
Oct 22	Gay & Lindsey
Oct 29	Jerry & Doug
Nov 5	Mickie & Elizabeth
Nov 12	Allison & Phill
Nov 19	Gay & Lindsey
Nov 26	Jerry & Doug
Dec 3	Mickie & Elizabeth
Dec 10	Allison & Phill
Dec 17	Gay & Lindsey

