



*All Are Welcome*

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HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

*The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

**Sunday, October 19, 2025 – 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.**

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**Before worship, speak to God. During worship, let God speak to you.  
After worship, speak to one another.**

Welcome to All Saints Episcopal Church. We are grateful for your presence with us 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.

**Our Mission:** Worship Jesus Christ. Learn and teach God's word. Minister in Christ's name. Proclaim and share the blessings of God's love. Seek and serve Christ in all persons. Strive for Justice and peace among all people.

**We update our prayer list each week.** If you would like to have someone's name added, please send an email to [office@allsaintsgastonia.org](mailto:office@allsaintsgastonia.org). The name(s) will be included during the Prayers of the People the following Sunday. Please note that the deadline for submissions is Wednesday of each week for inclusion in the upcoming Sunday's prayers.

Please fill out a visitor card in the pew and place it on the offering plate or hand it to an usher. Please join us for the fellowship hour after the 10:30 service.

**Communion Instructions:** If someone has received Communion in one kind (bread or cup), they have received the benefit of both.

1. We will be receiving communion at the altar rail (either kneeling or standing).
2. You will be served bread by the priest.
3. There are two Lay Eucharistic Ministers.
  - a. The first will have the chalice that you can directly sip from after consuming the bread.
  - b. The second will have the small cup if you would rather intinct (dip the bread into the wine).
4. After you have received the bread and the wine, you may pause for a moment of prayer, if you desire, before returning to your seat in the congregation.

**The Rt. Rev. José Antonio McLoughlin, Bishop of Western North Carolina**

**The Rev. Tara Bartal, Priest in Charge**

**Brad Frazier, Senior Warden**

**Jim McPherson, Junior Warden**

**Rebecca Beatty, Director of Music Ministries**

**Many thanks to Allison Wells for providing the music this Sunday in Becky's absence, and to Marsha Ellison for beautifully singing our anthem and leading the communion hymn.**

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# THE HOLY EUCHARIST, Rite II

## THE WORD OF GOD

**Prelude:** *"Make Us Holy, Make Us Whole"*

by Mark Friedman

**Opening Hymn:** *"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"*

#657 Hymnal 1982

*Celebrant:* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People:* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

### The Collect for Purity

*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.**

### The Gloria (*Spoken at 8:00*)

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.

**Gloria:** "Glory to God" (*sung at 10:30 am*)

#S 280 Hymnal 1982

### The Collect

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

### THE FIRST READING

*Genesis 32:22-31*

A reading from the Book of Genesis.

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the

man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

### THE PSALM:

*Psalm 121:1-8*

(Read responsively by half-verse)

<sup>1</sup> I lift up my eyes to the hills; \*

**from where is my help to come?**

<sup>2</sup> My help comes from the LORD, \*

**the maker of heaven and earth.**

<sup>3</sup> He will not let your foot be moved \*

**and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.**

<sup>4</sup> Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel \*

**shall neither slumber nor sleep;**

<sup>5</sup> The LORD himself watches over you; \*

**the LORD is your shade at your right hand,**

<sup>6</sup> So that the sun shall not strike you by day, \*

**nor the moon by night.**

<sup>7</sup> The LORD shall preserve you from all evil; \*

**it is he who shall keep you safe.**

<sup>8</sup> The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in, \*

**from this time forth for evermore.**

### THE SECOND READING

*2 Timothy 3:14-4:5*

A reading from the second letter to Timothy.

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn:** "*Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God*"

#711 Hymnal 1982

**THE GOSPEL** (*standing*)

*Luke 18:1-8*

*Priest:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

*Priest:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**THE SERMON**

The Rev. Tara Bartal

*(Silence will be kept for reflection)*

**THE NICENE CREED** (*Please stand as you are able*)

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 worshipped 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 IV**

*(The Leader and People pray responsively)*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

We pray for those who worship with us online and for all those in our All Saints community: BF, Eleanor, David, Don, Deb, Steve, Sam, The Rev. Dr. Alicia Alexis, Denise Whittaker, Dr. John Still, Linda, Steve and Linda Stanford, Ann and Doug Blackwood, and Linda Pellerin.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Luke's in Asheville, St. Luke's in Boone, and St. Luke's in Lincolnton.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy

*Hear our prayer.*

*Celebrant:* Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### **Confession and Absolution**

BCP 360

*Celebrant:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People:*

**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:* 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

*La paz del Señor sea siempre con ustedes.*

*Pueblo:* ***Y con tu espíritu.***

*Celebrant:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE HOLY COMMUNION

#### THE OFFERTORY

**Offertory:** *"Thy Word"*

by Grant/Smith

Marsha Ellison, soloist

**Presentation** (*All stand*) (*spoken at 8:00 am*)

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

**Doxology** (*sung at 10:30 am*)

#380 vs. 3 Hymnal 1982

## THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - *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.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**THE SANCTUS** (*spoken at 8:00, refer to BCP 362*)  
(*sung at 10:30 S 130 Hymnal 1982*)

*The people stand or kneel.*

*Then 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;

*The Celebrant continues*

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.*

And now, as our Savior  
Christ has taught us,  
we are bold to say,

## 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 Breaking of the Bread

*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. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

**Communion Hymn: "Be Glorified"**

#8 Family Song Book

## After Communion – Post Communion Prayer

BCP 365

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

*(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.**

## THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and 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, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

**Recessional Hymn: "I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"**

#812 Wonder, Love and Praise

## THE DISMISSAL

*Celebrant:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: "I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"

#812 Wonder, Love and Praise

Upcoming Schedule at All Saints Episcopal Church: see Ministry Schedule below

<p><b>Narcotics Anonymous:</b>          Tues-October 21st                      5-7:15pm          Thurs-October 23rd                    5-7:15pm          Sat- October 25th                        5-7:15pm</p>	<p><b>Worship: Sunday, October 26th</b>          Holy Eucharist                            8:00 am          Handbell Rehearsal                      9:15 am          Adult Formation                         9:15 am          Children's Church                        9:15 am          Choir Rehearsal                         10:00 am          Holy Eucharist                            10:30 am          Extra Choir Rehearsal                 12:00-1:30 pm          New Life MCC                            7:00 pm</p>
<p><b>Men's Fellowship:</b>          Fri-October 24th                         8:00 am</p>	<p><b>Chair Yoga:</b>          Fri-October 24th                         9:45 am</p>
<p><b>Fall Festival:</b>          Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup>                4:00-6:00 pm</p>	

	October 19, 2025 19th Sunday after Pentecost	October 26, 2025 20th Sunday after Pentecost	November 2, 2025 All Saints Day
Celebrant	Rev. Tara Bartal	Rev. Tara Bartal	Rev. Tara Bartal
Lay Eucharistic Minister	Brad Frazier	Kelly Morris	Brad Frazier
Chalice Bearer	Kelly Halley	Kelly Halley	Kelly Halley
Reader	Kelly Morris	Brad Frazier	Peter Mijumbi
Prayers of the People	Kelly Halley	Judith Hilton	Kelly Morris
Usher	Ken Harvey	Kelly Halley	Judith Hilton
Vestry Person of the Day	Judith Hilton	Brad Frazier	Jim McPherson
	10:30AM	10:30AM	10:30AM
Lay Eucharistic Minister	Bonnie McPherson	Phill Wertz	Phill Wertz
Chalice Bearer	Josie Polhemus	Jim McPherson	Kathy McKenna
Reader	Jim McPherson	Jim McPherson	
Prayers of the People	William Graham	William Graham	Jim McPherson
Usher	Alice Kisubika Joel Kisubika	Alessandra Sanders Bonnie McPherson	Claudette Forbes Glenda Carpenter
Video	Phill Wertz	Joshua Scott	Terry Eckard
Fellowship Hour Host	Kathy McKenna	Bonnie McPherson Jim McPherson	Alice Kisubika Joel Kisubki
Altar Guild	Allison Wells	Magie DeShon	Gay Lindsey
Altar Flowers			