



All Are Welcome

HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, November 9, 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. 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

Thank you to Mr. Alex Johnson for playing the trumpet with the choir anthem and our hymns and adding to our worship today.

Altar flowers are from Justin Richard dedicated to Ann Blackwood.

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST, Rite II

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude: *"My Lord, What a Morning"*

arr. Charles Callahan

Opening Hymn: *"The God of Abraham Praise"*

#401 Hymnal 1982

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

BCP 355

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.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make
us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as
he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his
eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for
ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE FIRST READING

Job 19:23-27a

A reading from the Book of Job.

Job said,

"O that my words were written down!
 O that they were inscribed in a book!
 O that with an iron pen and with lead
 they were engraved on a rock forever!
 For I know that my Redeemer lives,
 and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;
 and after my skin has been thus destroyed,
 then in my flesh I shall see God,
 whom I shall see on my side,
 and my eyes shall behold, and not another."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Robert Knox Kennedy
 (b. 1945)



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THE PSALM:

Psalm 17:1-9

- ¹ Hear my plea of innocence, O LORD;
 give heed to my **cry**; *
 listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying **lips**.
- ² Let my vindication come forth from your **presence**; *
 let your eyes be fixed on **justice**.
- ³ Weigh my heart, summon me by **night**, *
 melt me down; you will find no impurity in **me**.
- ⁴ I give no offense with my mouth as others **do**; *
 I have heeded the words of your **lips**.
- ⁵ My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your **law**; *
 in your paths my feet shall not **stumble**.
- ⁶ I call upon you, O God, for you will answer **me**; *
 incline your ear to me and hear my **words**.
- ⁷ Show me your marvelous loving-**kindness**, *
 O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand
 from those who rise up against **them**.
- ⁸ Keep me as the apple of your **eye**; *
 hide me under the shadow of your **wings**,

⁹ From the wicked who assault **me**, *
from my deadly enemies who surround **me**.

THE SECOND READING

2 Thessalonians 2:1-5,13-17

A reading from the second letter to the Thessalonians.

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn: *"Before Thy Throne, O God, We Kneel"*

#574 Hymnal 1982

THE GOSPEL (*standing*)

Luke 20:27-38

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

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

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither

marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

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, Linda, Jim, The Rev. Dr. Alicia Alexis, Denise Whittaker, Dr. John Still, Linda Pellerin, Ronald Graham, Steve and Linda Stanford, Ann and Doug Blackwood.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Diocese of Western North Carolina Convention and all Delegates.

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: Lord, hear the prayers of thy people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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: *"Come and Worship"*

by Patti Drennan

All Saints Singers with Mr. Alex Johnson, trumpet

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

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. A - men.

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: *"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"*

#366 Hymnal 1982 vs. 1-4

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: *"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"*

#680 Hymnal 1982

THE DISMISSAL

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: "*Sarabande*"

by Francois Couperin

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

Narcotics Anonymous:		Worship: Sunday, November 16th	
Tues-November 11th	5-7:15pm	Holy Eucharist	8:00 am
Thurs-November 13th	5-7:15pm	Choir Rehearsal	9:15 am
Sat- November 15th	5-7:15pm	Adult Formation	9:15 am
		Children's Church	9:15 am
		Holy Eucharist	10:30 am
		Handbell Rehearsal	11:45 am
		New Life MCC	7:00 pm
Men's Fellowship:		Chair Yoga:	
Fri-November 14th	8:00 am	Fri-November 14th	9:45 am

	November 9, 2025 21st Sunday after Pentecost	November 16, 2025 22nd Sunday after Pentecost	November 23, 2025 Christ the King
Celebrant	Rev. Tara Bartal	Rev. Tara Bartal	Rev. Tara Bartal
Lay Eucharistic Minister		Brad Frazier	Kelly Morris
Chalice Bearer	Brad Frazier	Kelly Morris	Kelly Halley
Reader	Rev. Tara Bartal	Kelly Morris	Judith Hilton
Prayers of the People	Brad Frazier	Peter Mijumbi	Ken Harvey
Usher	Ken Harvey	Judith Hilton	Kelly Halley
	10:30AM	10:30AM	10:30AM
Lay Eucharistic Minister	Bonnie McPherson	Bonnie McPherson	Phill Wertz
Chalice Bearer	Allison Wells	Josie Polhemus	Jim McPherson
Reader	Allison Wells	Josie Polhemus	Inga Kish
Prayers of the People	Kathy McKenna	Allison Wells	Josie Polhemus
Usher	Gay Lindsey Lindsey Wells	Carol Wertz Jane Renas	William Graham Priscilla Graham
Video	Phill Wertz	Joshua Scott	Terry Eckard
Fellowship Hour Host	Justin Richard	Alice Kisubika Joel Kisubika	Bonnie McPherson Jim McPherson
Altar Guild	Allison Wells	Terry Eckert	Gay Lindsey
Altar Flowers	Justin Richard	Kelly Morris	Larry & Inga Kish
Sunday School	Children's Church	Children's Church	Children's Church