

# Welcome to All Saints!

We are a spiritually centered, open-minded community and welcoming of others. Wherever you are in your life's journey, we invite you to consider All Saints for spiritual support and challenge.

There are several ways to experience God, to serve Christ and to explore the depths of the spiritual. We encourage you to join us in prayer, service to others, mutual support, and for fellowship.

There is a lot going on in our community and the yellow church leaflet in front of you highlights the key aspects of our activities. Please speak to our clergy or parishioners to learn more about our various events and opportunities.

Dignified worship in this beautiful sacred space has been the foundation of our life as a community since its foundation in 1872. You are welcome to participate in the ways you feel most comfortable. All are invited to experience the Real Presence of our Lord Jesus Christ by joining us at the altar.

If this is your first visit to All Saints or if you'd like to learn more about us, please fill in the Welcome Card found in the pews.

Blessings and Welcome!

After the service, all are invited to the coffee hour in the back of the church.

Part of our worship is call and response. Please feel free to speak up loud and clearly in those moments of the liturgy that call for congregational response.

# **Prayer Requests**

To request prayers, please see an usher at the entrance or contact Viviana at the Church office during the week: (212) 758-0447; email: info@allsaintsnyc.org.

# Notes about Service Text:

BCP refers to the # in the Book of Common Prayer (the red book in the pews)

Hymnal refers to the hymn # from the Hymnal (the blue book in the pews); hymns and canticles

whose number starts with "S" are in the beginning of the Hymnal

**Bold italic text** is for the parts of the service recite by all, such as **Amen**.



All Saints is an Accessible Church. For assistance, please ring the doorbell or ask for our Verger Calvin (in a black robe).

# THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 18, 2025

10:30 am Choral Eucharist

Service begins on page 355 in the Book of Common Prayer (BCP)

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Prelude Movement 2 from Pastorale J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

**Processional Hymn** # 657 Love divine, all loves excelling Hyfrydol

**Opening Acclamation BCP 355** 

> Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

**Collect for Purity** 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 S280

Collect of the Day

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

Celebrant: Let us pray:

> Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns

with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People: Amen.

### THE LESSONS

Congregation is invited to sit for the lessons.

#### First reading: Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were.

The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

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

### **Psalm 148**

Hallelujah!

Praise the Lord from the heavens; \* praise him in the heights.

Praise him, all you angels of his; \* praise him, all his host.

Praise him, sun and moon; \* praise him, all you shining stars.

Praise him, heaven of heavens, \* and you waters above the heavens.

Let them praise the Name of the Lord; \* for he commanded, and they were created.

He made them stand fast for ever and ever; \* he gave them a law which shall not pass away.

Praise the Lord from the earth, \* you sea-monsters and all deeps;

Fire and hail, snow and fog, \* tempestuous wind, doing his will;

Mountains and all hills, \* fruit trees and all cedars;

Wild beasts and all cattle, \* creeping things and winged birds;

Kings of the earth and all peoples, \* princes and all rulers of the world;

Young men and maidens, \* old and young together.

Let them praise the Name of the Lord, \* for his Name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven.

He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, \* the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!

# Second reading: Revelation 21:1-6

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn # 379 God is Love, let heaven adore him

Abbot's Leigh

The Gospel: John 13:31-35

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

### The Nicene Creed

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

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 Sean our Presiding Bishop, Matthew our Bishop, and all bishops and other ministers; *For all who serve God in his Church.* 

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

We ask for continued healing for Liam, Julie, Florence Arwade, Becky Slater, Gloria, Aaron Lazar, Neal, Ted, Frances, Brandon and his family.

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.

We pray in memory of Richard Semeraro, Sarah Burke, Richard Murphy, Maurice, Matthew J. Creo, and Mary N. Bassiouni

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.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

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** (A simple nod to fellow worshippers is suggested.)

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

People: And also with you.

#### **Announcements**

# THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT



Please consider an offering to All Saints at this time. Donate via Zelle: donate@allsaintsnyc.org or with a credit/debit card by scanning the QR code.

**Offertory Anthem** Ego sum resurrectio Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612) I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord: whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.

Offertory Hymn # 488 Be thou my vision Slane

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

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 God thanks and praise.

Priest continues with Eucharistic Prayer

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 you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

Sanctus S129

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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,

# Lord's Prayer

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.

Fraction Anthem S163

**Communion Anthem** A new commandment Thomas Tallis (c.1505-1585)

**Postcommunion Prayer** 

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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.

**Blessing** 

**Recessional Hymn** #213 Come away to the skies Middlebury

**Dismissal** 

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

Thanks be to God. People:

**Postlude** Piece D'orgue J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

**Serving Today** The Rev. Dr. Chris Dreisbach, Interim Priest James Stephens, Eucharist Minister
Marian Hoffman, Reader
Jim Hopkins, Organist
Calvin Garrett, Verger
Choir: [TBD] (Soprano), Sian Ricketts (Alto),

Seamus Ricci (Tenor), Kevin Mann (Bass)