

ALL  
SAINTS  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;  
To all who mourn and long for comfort;  
To all who struggle and desire hope;  
To all who feel worthless and wonder if God cares;  
To all who sin and need a Savior;  
To all who are strangers and yearn for fellowship;  
To all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;  
To whomever will come—*

*All Saints Presbyterian Church opens wide her doors  
and offers welcome in the name of the risen Lord Jesus Christ.*

## Looking Ahead

### December 14

9AM at The Martin Center  
and via live stream  
*Morning Worship*

10:30AM at The Martin Center  
*Sunday School*

6PM at The Martin Center  
and via live stream  
*Evening Worship*

### December 17

6:30PM at The Martin Center  
*ASPC Prayer Meeting*

### December 21

9AM at The Martin Center  
and via live stream  
*Morning Worship*

10:30AM at The Martin Center  
*Sunday School*

6PM at The Martin Center  
and via live stream  
*Evening Worship*

## Announcements

**December Missions Prayer:** Please be in prayer for our missionaries, the Bonham family, and their work. The Bonhams are our missionaries in Colombia. Nate is the MTW Regional Director over South America. They are also involved in church planting in Medellín as well as Seminario Bíblico Reformado, which trains over 150 students for ministry in the Church.

**Members of the Week:** James & Isabel Derryberry

**Wednesday Prayer Meeting:** The church meets for prayer at 6:30pm on Wednesday evenings at the Martin Center. We hope you will join us!

**Nashville Rescue Mission Christmas Wish List:** For this Advent season, we are supporting the Nashville Rescue Mission with purchases off their Amazon wish list. Today is the deadline for gift collection.

**Support:** All Saints is a registered 501(c)3 and all donations are tax deductible. Please consider giving to support the work we're doing to bring the gospel to Brentwood! There is a collection box on the table at the door for those who are able to give. You can also give on our website at [allsaintspres.net](http://allsaintspres.net). Thank you!

### 2025 ASPC Holiday Schedule:

December 24: No Prayer Meeting

December 28: Morning Worship Service (No Nursery/No SS/  
No Evening Service)

December 31: No Prayer Meeting

# THE ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday Morning, December 14, 2025

9:00 a.m.



Welcome and Announcements

Preparation for Worship

Prelude

## GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

\*Call to Worship. . . . . Isaiah 40:3–5

A voice cries:

“In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD;  
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.  
Every valley shall be lifted up,  
and every mountain and hill be made low;  
the uneven ground shall become level,  
and the rough places a plain.  
And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,  
and all flesh shall see it together,  
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.”

\*Ascription of Praise . . . . . 1 Chronicles 16:35–36

**Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather and deliver us from among the nations, that we may give thanks to your holy name and glory in your praise. Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting!**

Psalm Reading . . . . . Psalm 147

Minister: Salvation belongs to the LORD;  
People: Your blessing be on your people!

\*Hymn of Invitation . . . . . Hymns of Grace, 184

*Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery*

*\*Please stand during these portions of the service.*

1. Come, be-hold the won-drous mys - tery, in the dawn-ing of the King.  
 2. Come, be-hold the won-drous mys - tery, He the per - fect Son of Man.  
 3. Come, be-hold the won-drous mys - tery, Christ the Lord up - on the tree.  
 4. Come, be-hold the won-drous mys - tery, slain by death the God of life.

He, the theme of heav-en's prais - es, robed in frail hu - man - i - ty.  
 In His liv - ing, in His suf - fering, nev - er trace nor stain of sin.  
 In the stead of ru - ined sin - ners hangs the Lamb in vic - tor - y.  
 But no grave could e'er re - strain Him; praise the Lord; He is a - live!

In our long - ing, in our dark - ness, now the light of life has come!  
 See the true and bet - ter Ad - am, come to save the hell-bound man.  
 See the price of our re - demp - tion, see the Fa - ther's plan un - fold.  
 What a fore - taste of de - liv - 'rance, how un - wav - er - ing our hope.

Look to Christ who con-de-scend - ed, took on flesh to ran - som us.  
 Christ, the great and sure ful - fill - ment of the law; in Him we stand.  
 Bring - ing man - y sons to glo - ry, grace un-meas - ured, love un - told.  
 Christ in pow - er res - ur - rect - ed as we will be when He comes.

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\*Prayer of Invocation

## GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESS

First Scripture Lesson . . . . . Isaiah 37:1–20  
(See page 10)

Elder: This is the Word of the LORD;  
People: Thanks be to God!

Confession of Sin . . . . . adapted from Psalm 143

Hear our prayer, O LORD; give ear to our pleas for mercy! In your faithfulness answer us, in your righteousness! Enter not into judgment with your servants, for no one living is righteous before you. Answer us quickly, O LORD! Our spirits fail! Hide not your face from us, lest we be like those who go down to the pit. Let us hear in the morning of your steadfast love, for in you we trust. Make us know the way we should go, for to you we lift up our souls. Teach us to do your will, for you are our God! Let your good Spirit lead us on level ground! Amen.

Meditation

Here we pause in silence to confess our sins and meditate upon the forgiveness that is ours in Christ.

Assurance of Pardon . . . . . 1 Peter 2:24–25

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

\*Hymn of Christ's Incarnation . . . . . Trinity Hymnal, 211

*God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen*

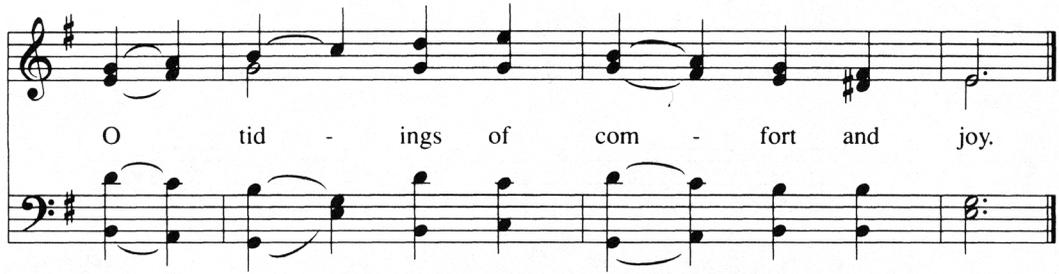
1. God rest you mer - ry, gen - tle - men, let noth - ing you dis - may,  
 2. From God our heav'n - ly Fa - ther, a bless - ed an - gel came;  
 3. "Fear not, then," said the an - gel, "let noth - ing you af - fright;  
 4. The shep - herds at those tid - ings re - joic - ed much in mind,

re - mem - ber Christ our Sav - ior was born on Christ - mas day,  
 and un - to cer - tain shep - herds brought tid - ings of the same:  
 this day is born a Sav - ior of a pure vir - gin bright,  
 and left their flocks a - feed - ing, in tem - pest, storm, and wind:

to save us all from Sa - tan's pow'r when we were gone a - stray;  
 how that in Beth - le - hem was born the Son of God by name.  
 to free all those who trust in him from Sa - tan's pow'r and might."  
 and went to Beth - le - hem straight - way, the Son of God to find.

REFRAIN

O tid - ings of com - fort and joy, com - fort and joy,



English carol, 18th cent.

GOD REST YOU MERRY 8.6.8.6.8.6.ref.  
English melody, 18th cent.

## GOD TAKES HIS PEOPLE TO THE CROSS

Prayer for Illumination

Second Scripture Lesson . . . . . 1 Thessalonians 4:13–5:11  
(See page 11)

Preaching of the Word . . . . . Rev. Matthew Bradley  
*The Appointed Day*

Prayer of Intercession

The 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

\*Affirmation of Faith . . . . . Imperium Christi (from Hebrews 1 and 2)

We believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, whom God appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs... Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. Amen.

## The Lord's Supper

We use wine and gluten-free bread in the observance of the Lord's Supper. Smaller portions of wine are available in the center of the tray.

\*Doxology . . . . . Trinity Hymnal, 193, 3<sup>rd</sup> stanza

Rank on rank the host of heaven  
spreads its vanguard on the way,  
as the Light of light descendeth  
from the realms of endless day,  
that the pow'rs of hell may vanish,  
as the darkness clears away.

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

## GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT WITH HIS BLESSING

\*Hymn of the Christ's Advent . . . . . Trinity Hymnal, 216

*Infant Holy, Infant Lowly*

1. In - fant ho - ly, in - fant low - ly, for his bed a cat - tle stall;  
2. Flocks were sleep - ing: shep - herds keep - ing vig - il till the morn - ing new

ox - en low - ing, lit - tle know - ing Christ, the babe, is Lord of all.  
saw the glo - ry, heard the sto - ry, tid - ings of a gos - pel true.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly". It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and the time signature is 3/4. The first system contains the first two lines of the hymn. The second system contains the next two lines. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line.

Swift are wing - ing an - gels sing - ing, no - els ring - ing, tid - ings bring - ing:  
 Thus re - joic - ing, free from sor - row, prais - es voic - ing, greet the mor - row:

Christ the babe is Lord of all. Christ the babe is Lord of all.  
 Christ the babe was born for you. Christ the babe was born for you.

Polish carol  
 Paraphrased by Edith M. G. Reed, ca. 1925

W ZLOBIE LEZY 8.7.8.7.8.8.7.  
 Traditional Polish melody  
 Arr. in *The Kingsway Carol Book*

\*Benediction . . . . . 2 Corinthians 13:14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. *Amen.*

Postlude



# First Scripture Lesson

<sup>1</sup>As soon as King Hezekiah heard it, he tore his clothes and covered himself with sackcloth and went into the house of the LORD. <sup>2</sup>And he sent Eliakim, who was over the household, and Shebna the secretary, and the senior priests, covered with sackcloth, to the prophet Isaiah the son of Amoz. <sup>3</sup>They said to him, “Thus says Hezekiah, ‘This day is a day of distress, of rebuke, and of disgrace; children have come to the point of birth, and there is no strength to bring them forth. <sup>4</sup>It may be that the LORD your God will hear the words of the Rabshakeh, whom his master the king of Assyria has sent to mock the living God, and will rebuke the words that the LORD your God has heard; therefore lift up your prayer for the remnant that is left.’”

<sup>5</sup>When the servants of King Hezekiah came to Isaiah, <sup>6</sup>Isaiah said to them, “Say to your master, ‘Thus says the LORD: Do not be afraid because of the words that you have heard, with which the young men of the king of Assyria have reviled me. <sup>7</sup>Behold, I will put a spirit in him, so that he shall hear a rumor and return to his own land, and I will make him fall by the sword in his own land.’”

<sup>8</sup>The Rabshakeh returned, and found the king of Assyria fighting against Libnah, for he had heard that the king had left Lachish. <sup>9</sup>Now the king heard concerning Tirhakah king of Cush, “He has set out to fight against you.” And when he heard it, he sent messengers to Hezekiah, saying, <sup>10</sup>“Thus shall you speak to Hezekiah king of Judah: ‘Do not let your God in whom you trust deceive you by promising

that Jerusalem will not be given into the hand of the king of Assyria. <sup>11</sup>Behold, you have heard what the kings of Assyria have done to all lands, devoting them to destruction. And shall you be delivered? <sup>12</sup>Have the gods of the nations delivered them, the nations that my fathers destroyed, Gozan, Haran, Rezeph, and the people of Eden who were in Telassar? <sup>13</sup>Where is the king of Hamath, the king of Arpad, the king of the city of Sepharvaim, the king of Hena, or the king of Ivvah?’”

<sup>14</sup>Hezekiah received the letter from the hand of the messengers, and read it; and Hezekiah went up to the house of the LORD, and spread it before the LORD. <sup>15</sup>And Hezekiah prayed to the LORD: <sup>16</sup>“O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, enthroned above the cherubim, you are the God, you alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth; you have made the heavens and the earth. <sup>17</sup>Incline your ear, O LORD, and hear; open your eyes, O LORD, and see; and hear all the words of Sennacherib, which he has sent to mock the living God. <sup>18</sup>Truly, O LORD, the kings of Assyria have laid waste all the nations and their lands, <sup>19</sup>and have cast their gods into the fire. For they were no gods, but the work of men’s hands, wood and stone. Therefore they were destroyed. <sup>20</sup>So now, O LORD our God, save us from his hand, that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that you alone are the LORD.”

*Isaiah 37:1–20, ESV*

## Second Scripture Lesson

<sup>13</sup>But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. <sup>14</sup>For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. <sup>15</sup>For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. <sup>16</sup>For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. <sup>17</sup>Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. <sup>18</sup>Therefore encourage one another with these words.

<sup>1</sup>Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. <sup>2</sup>For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like

a thief in the night. <sup>3</sup>While people are saying, “There is peace and security,” then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. <sup>4</sup>But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. <sup>5</sup>For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. <sup>6</sup>So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. <sup>7</sup>For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night. <sup>8</sup>But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. <sup>9</sup>For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>10</sup>who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. <sup>11</sup>Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

*1 Thessalonians 4:13–5:11, ESV*

# Welcome to All Saints Presbyterian Church!

The mission of All Saints is to glorify God according to his Word by preaching the gospel to all people, equipping the saints for the work of ministry, and building up the body of Christ until the day of Christ's return.

*Please send prayer requests to [prayer@allsaintspres.net](mailto:prayer@allsaintspres.net) to have them included in the weekly prayer email.*

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