

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 15 - TODAY

9AM at Lipscomb Sunday School

10AM at Lipscomb Corporate Worship

December 22

No Sunday School

10AM at Lipscomb Corporate Worship No Childcare

December 29

9AM at Lipscomb Sunday School

10AM at Lipscomb Corporate Worship

January 5

9AM at Lipscomb Update from Nate Bonham

10AM at Lipscomb Corporate Worship

January 8

7PM at the Broads' home Men's Bible Study

Announcements

December Missions Prayer: Please be in prayer for Nate Bonham and his family as he transitions from his work in Peru with Cross Collaboration to a new expansive role as Regional Director over South America for MTW. The Bonhams are moving to a more central location and continuing oversight of church planting in South America. Also be in prayer for the continued growth of Seminario Bíblico Reformado and the training of over 150 students.

Members of the Week: Sean and Charlotte Davis; Bella and Elijah

Hebrews Study: Our midweek bible studies will not meet during the holidays. Our men's study will resume on January 8 and our women's study on January 15.

Sunday School and Childcare: Our adult and children's Sunday School classes will not meet next Sunday, December 22, and we will not have childcare during worship. We look forward to having all of our covenant children in worship with us next week!

Bonham Visit: The Bonhams, MTW missionaries to South America, will be at All Saints on Sunday, January 5. Nate will give an update on their ministry during the Sunday School hour. Please make plans to attend!

Childcare: All children are welcome to attend worship at any age. However, we provide childcare during worship for birth through 4 years old. Childcare is near the front entrance in the cafeteria.

Nursing Mothers: A private space has been set up behind the curtain on the stage in the back. Please enter through the open door to the left of the stage.

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. Thank you!

THE ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday Morning, December 15, 2019 10:00 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements (Please silence all mobile devices.) Preparation for Worship Prelude GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP *Call to Worship......from Psalm 95 Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods. Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker! For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. Minster: Salvation belongs to the LORD; People: Your blessing be on your people! *Hymn of Christ's Advent......Trinity Hymnal, 195 Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come



Based on Psalm 98 Isaac Watts, 1719 ANTIOCH C.M.rep. George Frederick Handel, 1742 Arr. by Lowell Mason. 1836

*Prayer of Invocation

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESS

First Scripture Lesson
Minster: This is the Word of the LORD People: Thanks be to God!
Confession of Sin
Almighty, eternal God and Father, we confess and acknowledge to you that we were conceived in unrighteousness and are full of sin and transgression all our lives. We do not fully believe your Word nor follow your holy commandments. Remember your goodness, we beg you, and for your Name's sake be gracious unto us, and forgive us our iniquity which, alas, is great. <i>Amen</i> .
Meditation
Here we pause in silence to meditate upon our sin and need for forgiveness.
Assurance of Pardon
Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.
*Hymn of Christ's IncarnationTrinity Hymnal, 214
Angels We Have Heard on High



Traditional French carol

GLORIA 7.7.7.7.ref. Traditional French melody Arr. by Edward S. Barnes, 1937

GOD TAKES HIS PEOPLE TO THE CROSS

Prayer for Illumination

A Promised Savior

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

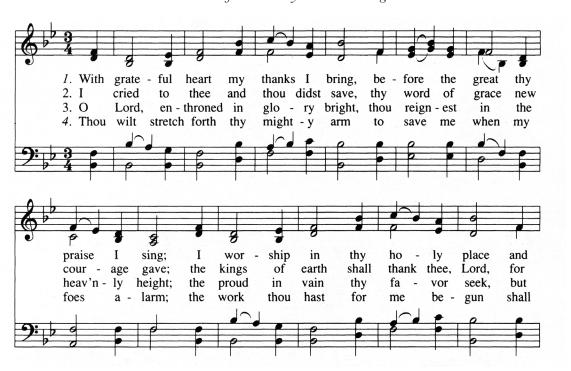
We use wine in the observance of the Lord's Supper as well as gluten-free unleavened bread.

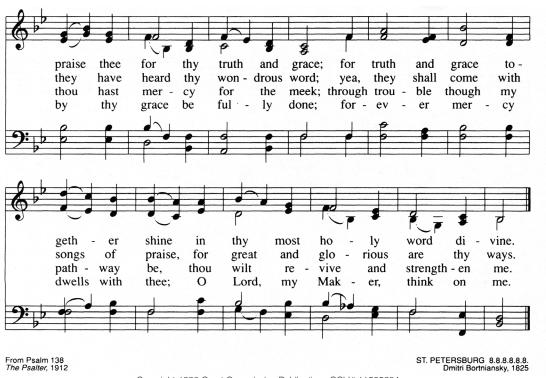
*Doxology Trinity Hymnal, 193, 3rd stanza

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





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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

"When you allot the land as an inheritance, you shall set apart for the LORD a portion of the land as a holy district, 25,000 cubits long and 20,000 cubits broad. It shall be holy throughout its whole extent. 2 Of this a square plot of 500 by 500 cubits shall be for the sanctuary, with fifty cubits for an open space around it. 3 And from this measured district you shall measure off a section 25,000 cubits long and 10,000 broad, in which shall be the sanctuary, the Most Holy Place. ⁴ It shall be the holy portion of the land. It shall be for the priests, who minister in the sanctuary and approach the LORD to minister to him, and it shall be a place for their houses and a holy place for the sanctuary. 5 Another section, 25,000 cubits long and 10,000 cubits broad, shall be for the Levites who minister at the temple, as their possession for cities to live in.

⁶ "Alongside the portion set apart as the holy district you shall assign for the property of the city an area 5,000 cubits broad and 25,000 cubits long. It shall belong to the whole house of Israel.

⁷ "And to the prince shall belong the land on both sides of the holy district and the property of the city, alongside the holy district and the property of the city, on the west and on the east, corresponding in length to one of the tribal portions, and extending from the western to the eastern boundary ⁸ of the land. It is to be his property in Israel. And my princes shall no more oppress my people, but they shall let the house of Israel have the land according to their tribes.

⁹ "Thus says the Lord GoD: Enough, O princes of Israel! Put away violence and oppression, and execute justice and righteousness. Cease your evictions of my people, declares the Lord GoD.

¹⁰ "You shall have just balances, a just ephah, and a just bath. ¹¹ The ephah and the bath shall be of the same measure, the bath containing one tenth of a homer, and the ephah one tenth of a homer; the homer shall be the standard measure. ¹² The shekel shall be twenty gerahs; twenty shekels plus twenty-five shekels plus fifteen shekels shall be your mina.

¹³ "This is the offering that you shall make: one sixth of an ephah from each homer of wheat, and one sixth of an ephah from each homer of barley, 14 and as the fixed portion of oil, measured in baths, one tenth of a bath from each cor (the cor, like the homer, contains ten baths). 15 And one sheep from every flock of two hundred, from the watering places of Israel for grain offering, burnt offering, and peace offerings, to make atonement for them, declares the Lord God. ¹⁶ All the people of the land shall be obliged to give this offering to the prince in Israel. 17 It shall be the prince's duty to furnish the burnt offerings, grain offerings, and drink offerings, at the feasts, the new moons, and the Sabbaths, all the appointed feasts of the house of Israel: he shall provide the sin offerings, grain offerings, burnt offerings, and peace offerings, to make atonement on behalf of the house of Israel.

¹⁸ "Thus says the Lord GoD: In the first month, on the first day of the month, you shall take a bull from the herd without blemish, and purify the sanctuary. ¹⁹ The priest shall take some of the blood of the sin offering and put it on the doorposts of the temple, the four corners of the ledge of the altar, and the posts of the gate of the inner court. ²⁰ You shall do the same on the seventh day of the month for anyone who has sinned through error or ignorance; so you shall make atonement for the temple.

First Scripture Lesson (continued)

of the month, you shall celebrate the Feast of the Passover, and for seven days unleavened bread shall be eaten. ²² On that day the prince shall provide for himself and all the people of the land a young bull for a sin offering. ²³ And on the seven days of the festival he shall provide as a burnt offering to the LORD seven young bulls and seven rams without blemish, on each of the

seven days; and a male goat daily for a sin offering. ²⁴ And he shall provide as a grain offering an ephah for each bull, an ephah for each ram, and a hin of oil to each ephah. ²⁵ In the seventh month, on the fifteenth day of the month and for the seven days of the feast, he shall make the same provision for sin offerings, burnt offerings, and grain offerings, and for the oil.

Ezekiel 45 (ESV)

Second Scripture Lesson

But there will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

- The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone.
- You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil.
- For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

- For every boot of the tramping warrior in battle tumult and every garment rolled in blood will be burned as fuel for the fire.
- For to us a child is born,
 to us a son is given;
 and the government shall be upon
 his shoulder,
 and his name shall be called
 Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
 Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
 - Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore.

 The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

 Isaiah 9:1-7 (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.

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