



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

TODAY – December 5

9AM at The Martin Center
and via live stream
Corporate Worship

10:30 at The Martin Center
and via live stream
Sunday School

December 8

6:30PM at The Martin Center
ASPC Prayer Meeting

December 11

6PM-8PM at The Martin Center
ASPC Adult Christmas Party

December 12

9AM at The Martin Center
and via live stream
Corporate Worship

10:30 at The Martin Center
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Sunday School

Announcements

December Missions Prayer: Please remember to be in prayer for Equipping Leaders International (ELI). ELI exists to equip church leaders around the world and works especially in Africa and India. To learn more about this work and how you can pray for and support them, please visit their website, equippingleadersinternational.org.

Members of the Week: Todd and Pam Bradley

Midweek Prayer: We will be meeting for prayer at 6:30pm on Wednesday evenings at the Martin Center. We hope you will join us

Mr. Jay's Sunday School Class Christmas Party: Mr. Jay's Sunday school class is invited to a Christmas party at the Broad's home on December 17th from 5:30-8PM. Let's get in the Christmas spirit together with dinner, games, Christmas cookie decorating, and a Christmas lesson by Pastor Nathan. Come as you are or wear your favorite fun Christmas attire. Please RSVP to Jen by Tuesday, December 14th.

All Saints Ladies' and Kids' Christmas Gathering: Please join us on December 18th at the Broad's home from 9:30-11:30AM. Come and enjoy a relaxed morning together. We'll have nut-free breakfast foods, coffee, and cocoa. We will pause around 10:30 to give thanks to God in prayer, sing a hymn, and read a short article. Please RSVP to Jen by Wednesday, December 15th.

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

Second Sunday of Advent, December 5, 2021

9:00 a.m.



Welcome and Announcements

Preparation for Worship

Prelude

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

*Call to Worship. from Isaiah 12:4–6

Give thanks to the LORD, call upon his name,

make known his deeds among the peoples,

proclaim that his name is exalted.

Sing praises to the LORD,

for he has done gloriously;

let this be made known in all the earth.

Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,

for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

Advent Scripture Reading. Isaiah 9:1–7

Minister: Salvation belongs to the LORD;

People: Your blessing be on your people!

*Hymn of Christ's Advent. Trinity Hymnal, 194

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive
 2. O come, O come, thou Lord of might, who to thy tribes, on
 3. O come, thou Rod of Jes - se, free thine own from Sa - tan's
 4. O come, thou Day - spring from on high, and cheer us by thy
 5. O come, thou Key of Da - vid, come and o - pen wide our

Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here,
 Si - nai's height, in an - cient times didst give the law
 • tyr - an - ny; from depths of hell thy peo - ple save,
 draw - ing nigh; dis - perse the gloom - y clouds of night,
 heav'n - ly home; make safe the way that leads on high,

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un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 in cloud and maj - es - ty and awe.
 • and give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave. Re - joice! Re - joice! Em -
 and death's dark shad - ows put to flight.
 and close the path to mis - er - y.

man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.

*Prayer of Invocation

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESS

First Scripture Lesson John 1:19–28
(see page 10)

Minister: This is the Word of the LORD;

People: Thanks be to God!

Confession of Sin from the Book of Common Prayer

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against your holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare those who confess their faults, restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of your holy name. *Amen.*

Meditation

Here we pause in silence to meditate upon our sin and need for forgiveness.

Assurance of Pardon Acts 10:42–43

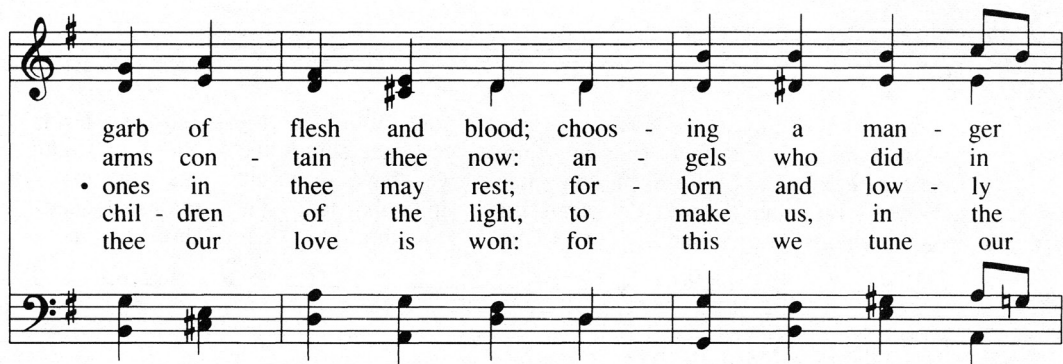
And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

*Hymn of Christ's Incarnation. Trinity Hymnal, 219

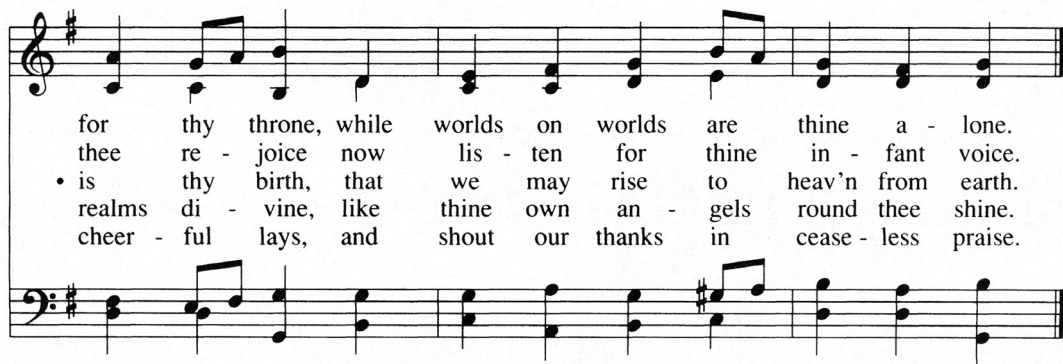
All Praise to Thee, Eternal Lord



1. All praise to thee, e - ter - nal Lord, clothed in a
 2. Once did the skies be - fore thee bow; a vir - gin's
 3. A lit - tle child, thou art our guest, that wea - ry
 4. Thou com - est in the dark - some night to make us
 5. All this for us thy love hath done; by this to



garb of flesh and blood; choos - ing a man - ger
 arms con - tain thee now: an - gels who did in
 • ones in thee may rest; for - lorn and low - ly
 chil - dren of the light, to make us, in the
 thee our love is won: for this we tune our



for thy throne, while worlds on worlds are thine a - lone.
 thee re - joice now lis - ten for thine in - fant voice.
 • is thy birth, that we may rise to heav'n from earth.
 realms di - vine, like thine own an - gels round thee shine.
 cheer - ful lays, and shout our thanks in cease - less praise.

Martin Luther, 1524
 Tr. in *Sabbath Hymn Book*, 1858

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 Robert Schumann, 1839; arr.

GOD TAKES HIS PEOPLE TO THE CROSS

Prayer for Illumination

Second Scripture Lesson 1 Peter 1:1–9
(see page 11)

Preaching of the Word Rev. Matthew Bradley
Our Living Hope

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 Imago Dei (Colossians 1:15–20)

We confess that Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities — all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross. *Amen.*

The Lord's Supper

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

*Doxology Trinity Hymnal, 193, 2nd stanza

King of kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture,
in the body and the blood,
he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heav'nly food.

GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT WITH HIS BLESSING

*Hymn of God's Grace. Trinity Hymnal, 465

Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord

1. Mar - vel - ous grace of our lov - ing Lord, grace that ex - ceeds our
2. Sin and de - spair like the sea waves cold, threa - ten the soul with
3. Dark is the stain that we can - not hide, what can a - vail to

sin and our guilt, yon - der on Cal - va - ry's mount out - poured,
in - fi - nite loss; grace that is great - er, yes, grace un - told,
wash it a - way? Look! there is flow - ing a crim - son tide;

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there where the blood of the Lamb was spilt. Grace, grace,
points to the Ref - uge, the might - y cross. Mar - vel - ous grace,
whit - er than snow you may be to - day.

God's in - fi - nite grace, grace, grace that will par - don and cleanse with - in; grace, mar - vel - ous

grace, God's grace, grace that is great - er than all our sin. grace, in - fi - nite grace,

Julia H. Johnston, 1910

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Daniel B. Towner, 1910

*Benediction Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope. *Amen.*

Postlude



First Scripture Lesson

¹⁹ And this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, “Who are you?” ²⁰ He confessed, and did not deny, but confessed, “I am not the Christ.” ²¹ And they asked him, “What then? Are you Elijah?” He said, “I am not.” “Are you the Prophet?” And he answered, “No.” ²² So they said to him, “Who are you? We need to give an answer to those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?” ²³ He said, “I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, ‘Make straight the way of the Lord,’ as the prophet Isaiah said.”

²⁴ (Now they had been sent from the Pharisees.) ²⁵ They asked him, “Then why are you baptizing, if you are neither the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?” ²⁶ John answered them, “I baptize with water, but among you stands one you do not know, ²⁷ even he who comes after me, the strap of whose sandal I am not worthy to untie.” ²⁸ These things took place in Bethany across the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

John 1:19–28, ESV

Second Scripture Lesson

¹Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ,

To those who are elect exiles of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, ² according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in the sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience to Jesus Christ and for sprinkling with his blood:

May grace and peace be multiplied to you.

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵ who by God's power are

being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶ In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, ⁷ so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. ⁸ Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, ⁹ obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

1 Peter 1:1–9, 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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