



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 17

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

10:30 at The Martin Center
Sunday School

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

December 20

6:30PM at The Martin Center
ASPC Prayer Meeting

December 24

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

Sunday School – CANCELED

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

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: Aaron & Jen Broad; Joseph, Coralyn

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

Christianity Explored: Join us at the Martin Center on Wednesdays at 6:30pm beginning January 24th through March 6th as we walk through the Gospel of Mark together. The structure of each session is simple: a short Bible study, a video talk, and a discussion based on the talk. Join us!

High School Sunday School Class: Beginning January 14th, All Saints will offer a high school Sunday school class for the first time. If your children are in 9th-12th grade, be on the look out for more details to come on the topic and location – Thank you!

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!

2023 ASPC Holiday Schedule:

December 24: Morning & Evening Services (No nursery/No SS)

December 27: No Prayer Meeting

December 31: Morning Worship Service w/ nursery
(No SS/No Evening Service)

January 3: Prayer Meeting

THE ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday Morning, December 17, 2023

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.

Psalm Reading Psalm 54

Minister: Salvation belongs to the LORD;

People: Your blessing be on your people!

*Hymn of Adoration. Trinity Hymnal, 208

O Come, All Ye Faithful

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

1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri - um - phant,
 2. God of God, Light of Light;
 3. Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul - ta - tion,
 4. Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this hap - py morn - ing:

O come ye, O come ye to Beth - le - hem; come and be - hold him
 lo, he ab - hors not the Vir - gin's womb: ver - y God, be -
 sing, all ye cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove; glo - ry to God
 Je - sus, to thee be all glo - ry giv'n; Word of the Fa - ther,

REFRAIN

born the King of an - gels;
 got - ten, not cre - a - ted;
 in the high - est; O come, let us a - dore him, O come, let
 late in flesh ap - pear - ing;

us a - dore him, O come, let us a - dore him, Christ the Lord.

Latin hymn
 Attr. to John Francis Wade, 1751
 Tr. by Frederick Oakeley, 1841; alt.

ADESTE FIDELES 6.6.10.5.6.ref.
 John Francis Wade's *Cantus Diversi*, 1751

*Prayer of Invocation

Reception of New Members

Ian and Megan Bradley

Sacrament of Baptism

Megan Bradley

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESS

First Scripture Lesson Isaiah 50:4–11
(See page 10)

Elder: This is the Word of the LORD;

People: Thanks be to God!

Confession of Sin adapted from Psalm 6

O LORD rebuke us not in your anger, nor discipline us in your wrath. Be gracious to us, O LORD, for we are languishing; heal us, O LORD, for our bones are troubled. Our souls are also greatly troubled. But you, O LORD—how long? Turn, O LORD, deliver our lives; save us for the sake of your steadfast love. For in death there is no remembrance of you; in Sheol who will give you praise? Amen.

Meditation

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

Assurance of Pardon Psalm 103:1–5

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

*Hymn of Joy Trinity Hymnal, 207

Good Christian Men, Rejoice

1. Good Chris - tian men, re - joice, with heart and soul and voice;
 2. Good Chris - tian men, re - joice, with heart and soul and voice;
 3. Good Chris - tian men, re - joice, with heart and soul and voice;

give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to - day;
 now ye hear of end - less bliss: Je - sus Christ was born for this!
 now ye need not fear the grave: Je - sus Christ was born to save!

earth and heav'n be - fore him bow, and he is in the man - ger now.
 He hath o - pened heav - en's door, and man is bless - ed ev - er - more.
 Calls you one and calls you all to gain his ev - er - last - ing hall.

Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!
 Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!
 Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

GOD TAKES HIS PEOPLE TO THE CROSS

Prayer for Illumination

Second Scripture Lesson Luke 2:22–38
(See page 11)

Preaching of the Word Rev. Matthew Bradley

The Song of Simeon

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.

*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

*Hymn of Christ's Deity Trinity Hymnal, 230

Thou Who Wast Rich Beyond all Splendor

1. Thou who wast rich be - yond all splen - dor, all for love's sake be -
2. Thou who art God be - yond all prais - ing, all for love's sake be -
3. Thou who art love be - yond all tell - ing, Sav - ior and King, we

cam - est poor; thrones for a man - ger didst sur - ren - der,
cam - est man; stoop - ing so low, but sin - ners rais - ing,
wor - ship thee. Em - man - u - el, with - in us dwell - ing,

sap - phire - paved courts for sta - ble floor. Thou who wast rich be -
heav'n - ward by thine e - ter - nal plan. Thou who art God be -
make us what thou wouldst have us be. Thou who art love be -

yond all splen - dor, all for love's sake be - cam - est poor.
 yond all prais - ing, all for love's sake be - cam - est man.
 yond all tell - ing, Sav - ior and King, we wor - ship thee.

Frank Houghton, 1894–1972

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 French carol melody
 Arr. by Charles H. Kitson, 1930

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*Benediction Psalm 29:11

May the LORD give strength to his people! May the LORD bless his people with peace!

Amen.

Postlude



First Scripture Lesson

⁴ The Lord GOD has given me
the tongue of those who are taught,
that I may know how to sustain with a word
him who is weary.

Morning by morning he awakens;
he awakens my ear
to hear as those who are taught.

⁵ The Lord GOD has opened my ear,
and I was not rebellious;
I turned not backward.

⁶ I gave my back to those who strike,
and my cheeks to those who pull out the
beard;
I hid not my face
from disgrace and spitting.

⁷ But the Lord GOD helps me;
therefore I have not been disgraced;
therefore I have set my face like a flint,
and I know that I shall not be put to
shame.

⁸ He who vindicates me is near.
Who will contend with me?
Let us stand up together.
Who is my adversary?
Let him come near to me.

⁹ Behold, the Lord GOD helps me;
who will declare me guilty?
Behold, all of them will wear out like a
garment;
the moth will eat them up.

¹⁰ Who among you fears the LORD
and obeys the voice of his servant?
Let him who walks in darkness
and has no light
trust in the name of the LORD
and rely on his God.

¹¹ Behold, all you who kindle a fire,
who equip yourselves with burning
torches!
Walk by the light of your fire,
and by the torches that you have kindled!
This you have from my hand:
you shall lie down in torment.

Isaiah 50:4-11, ESV

Second Scripture Lesson

²² And when the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³(as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord”) ²⁴and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons.” ²⁵ Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. ²⁶ And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Christ. ²⁷ And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, ²⁸he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said,

²⁹ “Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace,

according to your word;

³⁰ for my eyes have seen your salvation

³¹ that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel.”

³³ And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him. ³⁴ And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, “Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed ³⁵(and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed.”

³⁶ And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin, ³⁷ and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day. ³⁸ And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem.

Luke 2:22–38, 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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