



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 31

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

No Sunday School

No Evening Worship

January 3

6:30PM at The Martin Center
ASPC Prayer Meeting

January 7

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

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: Matt & Leslie Bradley, Xavier

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 Series: Beginning January 14th, All Saints will offer a high school Sunday school series 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!

Youth Nights – 2024: Beginning January 13th, youth fellowship nights will be held at the Hollis' home on the 2nd Saturday of the month, every month, from 5-7pm. As always, dinner will be provided. Reach out to Matt Bonner with questions.

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!

Mark Your Calendars:

- Youth Night! – January 13, 5-7pm
- Serve with Nashville Rescue Mission – February 10, 4-7pm
- Discipleship Now Youth Retreat – February 23-25

THE ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday Morning, December 31, 2023

9:00 a.m.



Welcome and Announcements

Preparation for Worship

Prelude

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

*Call to Worship. Psalm 47:1–7

Clap your hands, all peoples!
Shout to God with loud songs of joy!
**For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared,
a great king over all the earth.**
He subdued peoples under us,
and nations under our feet.
**He chose our heritage for us,
the pride of Jacob whom he loves.**
God has gone up with a shout,
the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.
Sing praises to God, sing praises!
Sing praises to our King, sing praises!
**For God is the King of all the earth;
sing praises with a psalm!**

Psalm Reading. Psalm 56

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

*Hymn of Praise. Trinity Hymnal, 302

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

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

1. Come, Chris - tians, join to sing Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 2. Come, lift your hearts on high, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 3. Praise yet our Christ a - gain, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

loud praise to Christ our King; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 let prais - es fill the sky; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 life shall not end the strain; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

let all, with heart and voice, be - fore his throne re - jice;
 he is our Guide and Friend; to us he'll con - de - scend;
 on heav - en's bliss - ful shore, his good - ness we'll a - dore,

praise is his gra - cious choice. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 his love shall nev - er end. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 sing - ing for - ev - er - more, "Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!"

*Prayer of Invocation

GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESS

First Scripture Lesson Mark 9:14–29
(See page 10)

Elder: This is the Word of the LORD;

People: Thanks be to God!

Confession of Sin adapted from Daniel 9

O Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, we have sinned and done wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from your commandments and rules. To you, O Lord, belongs righteousness, but to us open shame because we have sinned against you. To the Lord our God belong mercy and forgiveness, for we have rebelled against him and have not obeyed the voice of the LORD our God by walking in his laws, which he set before us by his servants the prophets. We have all transgressed your law and turned aside, refusing to obey your voice. Now therefore, O our God, listen to the prayer of your servants and to our pleas for mercy. O our God, incline your ear and hear. For we do not present our pleas before you because of our righteousness, but because of your great mercy. O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive. O Lord, pay attention and act. Delay not, for your own sake, O our God, because your city and your people are called by your name. Amen.

Meditation

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

Assurance of Pardon Isaiah 40:1–2

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the LORD’s hand double for all her sins.

*Hymn of Christ’s Beauty Trinity Hymnal, 170

Fairest Lord Jesus

1. Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Rul - er of all na - ture,
 2. Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
 3. Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
 4. Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior! Lord of the na - tions!

Son of God and Son of Man! Thee will I cher - ish,
 robed in the bloom - ing garb of spring: Je - sus is fair - er,
 and all the twink - ling, star - ry host: Je - sus shines bright - er,
 Son of God and Son of Man! Glo - ry and hon - or,

thee will I hon - or, thou, my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.
 Je - sus is pur - er, who makes the woe - ful heart to sing.
 Je - sus shines pur - er than all the an - gels heav'n can boast.
 praise, ad - o - ra - tion, now and for - ev - er - more be thine.

Münster Gesangbuch, 1677
 Tr. 1850, 1873

CRUSADER'S HYMN 5.6.8.5.5.8.
 Silesian folk song
 Schlesische Volkslieder, Leipzig, 1842

GOD TAKES HIS PEOPLE TO THE CROSS

Prayer for Illumination

Second Scripture Lesson Hebrews 13:20–21
(See page 11)

Preaching of the Word Rev. Nathan McCall

God of Peace

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 The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church*, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Lord's Supper

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

*Doxology Trinity Hymnal, 731

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise him all creatures here below.
Praise him above ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

**The term "catholic" means "universal" and refers to the Church throughout the world and throughout history.*

GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT WITH HIS BLESSING

*Hymn of Our Savior's Love Trinity Hymnal, 508

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

1. Je - sus, lov - er of my soul, let me to thy bo - som fly,
2. Oth - er ref - uge have I none, hangs my help - less soul on thee;
3. Thou, O Christ, art all I want; more than all in thee I find:
4. Plen - teous grace with thee is found, grace to cov - er all my sin;

while the near - er wa - ters roll, while the tem - pest still is high:
leave, ah! leave me not a - lone, still sup - port and com - fort me!
raise the fall - en, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.
let the heal - ing streams a - bound; make and keep me pure with - in:

hide me, O my Sav - ior, hide, till the storm of life is past;
All my trust on thee is stayed, all my help from thee I bring;
Just and ho - ly is thy name; I am all un - righ - teous - ness;
thou of life the foun - tain art, free - ly let me take of thee;

safe in - to the ha - ven guide, O re - ceive my soul at last!
 cov - er my de - fense - less head with the shad - ow of thy wing.
 false and full of sin I am, thou art full of truth and grace.
 spring thou up with - in my heart, rise to all e - ter - ni - ty.

Charles Wesley, 1740

ABERYSTWYTH 7.7.7.7.D.
 Joseph Parry, 1879

*Benediction 2 Timothy 4:22

The Lord be with your spirit. Grace be with you. *Amen.*

Postlude



First Scripture Lesson

¹⁴ And when they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. ¹⁵ And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to him and greeted him. ¹⁶ And he asked them, “What are you arguing about with them?” ¹⁷ And someone from the crowd answered him, “Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. ¹⁸ And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able.” ¹⁹ And he answered them, “O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me.” ²⁰ And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. ²¹ And Jesus asked his father, “How long has this been happening to him?” And he said, “From childhood. ²² And

it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us.” ²³ And Jesus said to him, “‘If you can!’ All things are possible for one who believes.” ²⁴ Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, “I believe; help my unbelief!” ²⁵ And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, “You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again.” ²⁶ And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, “He is dead.” ²⁷ But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. ²⁸ And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, “Why could we not cast it out?” ²⁹ And he said to them, “This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer.”

Mark 9:14–29, ESV

Second Scripture Lesson

²⁰ Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, ²¹ equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us

that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Hebrews 13:20–21, 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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