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Welcome to All Saints Church

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Please join your voices together in reading the words in the service that are printed in bold and singing those in bold and italicized.

We are grateful that we have come together in worship, to enter into God's presence, to bring our offerings of praise and thanksgiving, to hear from His word, to offer our prayers and gather in communion.

Prelude ~ 711 Seek Ye First (blue hymnal)
35 Come, Now is the Time to Worship (All Saints hymnal)

Processional Hymn ~ 83 O Come all Ye Faithful (blue hymnal)

All stand.

Officiant O Lord, open our lips;
People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**
Officiant O God, make speed to save us;
People **O Lord, make haste to help us.**
Officiant Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
People **As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**
Officiant Praise the Lord.
People **The Lord's name be praised.**

Together we say

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; come let us adore him.

The Third Song of Isaiah *Surge, illuminare*
Isaiah 60:1-3, 11a, 14c, 18-19

Arise, shine, for your light has come, *
and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.
For behold, darkness covers the land; *
deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.
But over you the Lord will rise, *
and his glory will appear upon you.

Nations will stream to your light, *
and kings to the brightness of your dawning.
Your gates will always be open; *
by day or night they will never be shut.
They will call you, The City of the Lord, *
The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.
Violence will no more be heard in your land, *
ruin or destruction within your borders.
You will call your walls, Salvation, *
and all your portals, Praise.
The sun will no more be your light by day; *
by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.
The Lord will be your everlasting light, *
and your God will be your glory.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Please stand, as you are able, for the reading of the Gospel.

The Celebrant reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People respond saying **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The Gospel of John

John 1:1-18

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. (John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

After the Gospel reading the Celebrant says The Gospel of the Lord
People respond saying **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

*Remain standing to confirm our faith with the words of the Apostles Creed,
the Celebrant first saying*
Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostles Creed

Standing, together we say

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Gradual Hymn ~ 46 You are My All in All (All Saints hymnal)

The Celebrant continues

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Together we say

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Celebrant stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Offering of Blessings, Prayers, & Petitions

**please offer your individual prayers either aloud or in the silence of your heart as noted.*

---prayers for our nation and the world (*silent*)

Hymn 25 ~ Once Again (All Saints hymnal)

---prayers for All Saints, our diocese and the Church (*silent or aloud*)

Hymn 2 ~ Jesus, All for Jesus (All Saints hymnal)

---prayers for our witness (*silent*)

Hymn 66 ~ At the Foot of the Cross (All Saints hymnal)

---prayers of praise and thanksgivings to our God (*silent*)

Hymn 36 ~ Step by Step (All Saints hymnal)

Hymn 39 ~ Lord I Lift your name on High (All Saints hymnal)

The Celebrant concludes with the following prayer

Lord you have heard the blessings, praises and petitions offered up to you, and we thank you for your goodness and mercy towards us. Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

Offertory Hymn 109 ~ The First Noel v 1-3 (blue hymnal)

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

The Lord be with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is just and right so to do.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Priest reads the Proper Preface appointed for this day.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Together we say

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Please be seated. The Celebrant continues

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, in your tender mercy, you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He offered himself and made, once for all time, a perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. He instituted this remembrance of his passion and death, which he commanded us to continue until he comes again. So now, Father, we ask you to bless and sanctify, with your Word and Holy Spirit, these gifts of bread and wine that we may partake of his most blessed Body and Blood.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the

forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Together we say

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

Lord and heavenly Father, with these holy gifts we celebrate the memorial instituted by your beloved Son, remembering his passion and death, his resurrection and ascension, and his promise to come again. Grant that by his merits and death, and through faith in his Blood, we and your whole Church may receive forgiveness of our sins and all other benefits of his passion, making us one body with him that he may dwell in us, and we in him. And here we offer to you, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a living sacrifice, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

By him and with him and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

Together we say

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 trespasses, as we forgive those
who trespass against us.**

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

The Celebrant continues

Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed,
once for all upon the cross.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Agnus Dei (All Saints hymnal S5)

***O Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world;
Have mercy upon us.***

***O Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world;
Have mercy upon us.***

***O Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world;
Grant us Thy peace.***

Together we say

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, that in sharing in this Holy Communion we also share in the life, death and resurrection of thy dear Son Jesus Christ so that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving

We invite all baptized Christians to receive Holy Communion with us.

Communion Hymn ~ 324 Let all Mortal Flesh (blue hymnal)

Post Communion Hymn ~ 62 Praise Our God (All Saints hymnal)

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Together we say

**Heavenly Father,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious body and blood of your Son our Savior
Jesus Christ: and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.**

**And now Father, send us out into the world to do the work you
have given us to do,**

to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

The Celebrant gives a blessing

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

Amen.

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with your spirit.**

The Celebrant, dismisses with these words

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

Silent Recession

Prayer List

Parish: Violando Family, Dolores Oliver & Family, Tom & Barb Harman, Jonathan Oliver, Steve Gold, Bron Rutter, Jen Gold, Carolyn Nunnally & Family, Miya & Anthony Tominello, Ellie Brannigan, Joyce & Bob Matthews, Betty Tendick, Michael Gianfrancesco, Dick & Pat Hamilton, The Rucker Family, Barb & Larry Doolittle

Expectant Mothers: Hope Nunnally Haynes

Parish extended family: Ann Geffel (Donna's mom), Dave Clapperton & family, Jerry (Jen's father), Tom Russell (Todd's dad), Rick (Bron's son), Jo Clapperton (Barb H.'s mom), Jim Clapperton & family (Barb H.'s brother), Sarah (Gary B.'s niece), Phoebe (Godline's mother) and all of the family caring for her.

Friends of the Parish: Andrea (Karen's friend), Paul & Carol Sipold (friends of Rose), Kathy Williams, Eric & Dana, Renee Reese, Marilyn, Elizabeth and Matt Kessler, Hunter & Family, Raymond & family (friend of Steve Gold), Jason Petri, Edward Shultz, Susan, MaryAnn & her husband & the ministries they serve, Deb, Kathy Swan & Family, The Remaley Family, Sandi Wallace, The ministry of Roger & Pam, Kay & Den Lowmaster, Bill & Joanne Hetrick

Clergy: Bishop Jim Hobby & family, Dr. Wendy & Bishop Grant LeMarquand, Shirley Fiero & family, Fr. Larry Diehle & wife Luann, The Rucker Family, Rev. Carolyn Nunnally, Bishop Lamido of Nigeria

Pray for the Kairos participants who have newly come to Christ.

For the safety of persecuted Christians throughout the world. For Bishop Ng in West Malaysia; for the people of Malaysia, especially Christians and their effort to reach out to the lost. For those in Malaysia: Keith and wife; Farshid and Ghazal (Iranian couple who are Christians living in Malaysia and are refugees); Jim and Ayesha (Christian small group leaders; Ayesha converted from Islam but her family is Muslim); for the political situation in West Malaysia. Khoo Boo Wah underground seminary teacher in China; Marianne and Daniel ministering to children in Malaysia and for Marianne's health.

For mission in Africa: Arlene Brown and her kids in Rwanda, especially Diescor who is starting medical school; Worth Helms of Christian East Africa Equatorial Development Trust, which is helping provide safe water and jobs in Uganda; Bob & Marylee Bilotho in Uganda (International Gospel Outreach)

Angel Tree Family Members: 1: Gregory, Donna, Arianna, Khalil, Imani
2: Wayne, Nichelle, Sariah, Harmony 3: Joseph, Tameka, Tavio, Javon
4: Keith, Lynn, Jace, Mya, 5: Syncere, Brandon, Lajaponis 6: Olivia

Armed Services: Pray for the safety of those in the armed services and the peace of mind of their families, especially those known by this congregation: Greg Ward, Joel Oliver, Jonathan Oliver, Jarod Oliver, Jeff Muir. Pray for employment for returning military personnel and veterans.

For victims of human trafficking, that they may know God's loving presence in the midst of their suffering.

