

Fourth Sunday in Lent Holy Eucharist: Rite One March 10, 2024 During Lent, we focus as God's people on our need as Christians to continually renew our repentance and faith while keeping in mind the message of pardon, absolution, and the Good News of the Gospel of our Savior. In keeping with this season of repentance and examen, you will see some changes in our Sunday Worship.

We will be using Rite I for our Sunday liturgy, with its older, more penitential language, as changes in our prayers can also reawaken our senses and renew our awareness of our great need for God.

We will have more times of silence, as often it is in the silence that we can find God.

- Please help us maintain a Holy Silence within the Sanctuary before our services begin, and use this time to settle your bodies, clear your minds, and prepare your hearts for sacred worship.
- There will be purposeful silence during worship: silent processions, silence before the confession, silence after the sermon, and before some prayers. This is designed to encourage us to open ourselves to listening to the Spirit and examining our own hearts

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In the Episcopal Church, confessions of sin during the liturgy are general, made by all the people. The church also provides for confessions of sin by individual penitents, and for their absolution, pronounced by a bishop or priest. The Book of Common Prayer provides two forms of service for the Reconciliation of a Penitent (p. 447, 449). Should anyone desire a personal confession with our priest, Mother Bonnie, please contact her at rector@allsaintswr.org or by calling the church office, 478-923-1791.

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Within this Service Bulletin:

- BCP refers to the red Book of Common Prayer
- Hymnal refers to the blue Hymnal 1982.
- Hymn numbers beginning with an "S" indicate Service Music and are found in the front of the Hymnal.

The Word of God

Prelude Songs of Pilgrimage

Mary Christian

Silent Processional

Opening Acclamation

BCP 323

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.

People: His mercy endureth for ever.

The Celebrant continues:

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Holy God, Hymnal S-99

Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,

Have mercy upon us.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

The Lessons

The First Reading

Numbers 21:4-9

From Mount Hor the Israelites set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food."

Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said to Moses, "Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live." So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22

BCP 746-747

1 Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, * and his mercy endures for ever.

2 Let all those whom the LORD has redeemed proclaim * that he redeemed them from the hand of the foe.

3 He gathered them out of the lands; * from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

- 17 Some were fools and took to rebellious ways; * they were afflicted because of their sins.
- 18 They abhorred all manner of food * and drew near to death's door.
- 19 Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, * and he delivered them from their distress.
- 20 He sent forth his word and healed them * and saved them from the grave.
- 21 Let them give thanks to the LORD for his mercy * and the wonders he does for his children.
- 22 Let them offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving * and tell of his acts with shouts of joy.

The Second Lesson

Ephesians 2:1-10

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ-- by grace you have been saved-- and raised us up with him

and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God-- not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn The great creator of the worlds

Hymnal 489

The Gospel John 3:14-21

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

People: Glory be to thee, O Lord

Jesus said, "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord. *People:* Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon

Dr. Beth-Sarah Wright

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

BCP 328

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

Additional petitions and thanksgivings may be included here.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

Confession of Sin BCP 330

Deacon: Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Priest, stands and says:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto 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.*

A Minister may then say one or more of the following sentences, first saying

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him. Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 3:16

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 Timothy 1:15

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for oursins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world.

1 John 2:1-2

The Peace BCP 332

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem *We have not known thee*

Presentation Hymn Father, we thank thee who hast planted

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer I

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with thy spirit. Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Mary Christian

Hymnal 302

BCP 333

Celebrant and People Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory.

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake 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."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. AMEN.

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

People and Celebrant

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 Breaking of the Bread

BCP 337

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Fraction Hymn

Hymnal S-158

- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

The following prayer may be said. The People may join in saying this prayer 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, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

Celebrant: 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.

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

Communion Hymns Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest Amazing Grace

Hymnal 306 Hymnal 671

Sending of Eucharistic Visitor

Celebrant and People

In the name of this Congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body. We who are many are one body because we all share one bread, one cup. Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

BCP 339

The Celebrant says Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen*.

Closing Hymn Come thou fount of every blessing

Hymnal 686

The Blessing

Sending Forth

Deacon: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude Amazing Grace

Dale Wood

All Saints Prayer List

All Saints Family

Nancy Barlow, BT Burton, Wayne Buzzell, Winnie Goldston, Clauradella Jeffers, Amy McEver, Judy Reynolds, JoAnn Tarnoff, Fran Webb, Imogene Yongue

Friends and Extended Family

Shirley Bronte, Anne Dickey, Bill Felton, Margaret Miller, Lynn & Fr. Keith Oglesby, Eloise Pino, Kraig Sippell, Nancy St. John, Tony Zoumberis

Happenings at All Saints

- *TODAY*: Monthly Potluck and Real Issues Speaker Series, welcoming Dr. Beth-Sarah Wright, as our Speaker
- March 14th: Lenten Supper/Program. 5:45-7:15 pm
- March 21st: Lenten Supper/Program. 5:45-7:15 pm
- March 23rd: Palm Cross Workshop and Parish Workday, 9 am

Holy Week and Easter at All Saints

- March 24th: Palm Sunday Worship, 10:15 am
- March 28th:
 - Maundy Thursday Worship, 7 pm
 - Keep Watch with Me vigil, 9 pm 11 am
- March 29th: Good Friday
 - Stations of the Cross, Noon
 - Good Friday Worship, 7 pm
- March 30th: Holy Saturday, 10 am
- March 31st: Easter Day- Vigil, 6:30 am; Breakfast, 9 am; Egg Hunt 9:30 am; Festal Worship 10:15 am

Weekly Events

- Sunday: Worship, 10:15; Children's Choir after worship
- Monday: Book Club, 4:00 p.m.; EfM, 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday: Food Pantry, 9:30 11:00 a.m.
- Wednesday: Noonday Contemplative prayer, 12:00-12:30 p.m.
- Thursday: Adult Choir, 7:30 p.m.
- Friday: Shawl Ministry, 10:30 am; Women's Luncheon, 12:30 p.m.

Monthly

- 1st Tuesday: Episcopal Church Women (ECW), 10:30 a.m. Noon
- 4th Thursday: Men's Group, 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.

All Saints welcomes everyone to our events and activities

Lay Minister Schedule

| | This week, 03-10 | Next Week, 03-17 |
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| Acolytes | Preston Tidwell-Mial, Amelia Christie,
Clara Buttersworth, Natalie Buttersworth | Adam Parks, Noah Rice |
| Altar Guild | Linda Christie, Mary & Carl Rogers,
Linda Gerdes | Darlene Meloche, Winnie Goldston,
Sandy Lee, Marcia Fussell, Joy Norman |
| Coffee Bar | | Grayson & Emma Mullis |
| Counters | Shelley Strickland, Marsha Buzzell | Pierce Christie, Darlene Meloche |
| Digital Ministry | Linda Gerdes | Pierce Christie |
| Eucharistic Minister | Paul Davison-L Stephanie Johnson-P | Stephanie Johnson-L, Paul Davison-P |
| Eucharistic Visitor | Stephanie Johnson | Dan Bibler |
| Friends | Bronwyn Young, Joy Norman | Karen Marks, Mary Alice Holland |
| Greeters | Linda Gerdes, Shelley Strickland | Beverly Sanders, Wynette Ginn |
| Lay Readers | Mary Christian, Judy Reynolds | Bill Freeman, Ellen Strait |
| Ushers | Clifton Jeffers, Susan Wynn | Bill Peters, Clifton Jeffers |
| Food Pantry | | |
| Tuesday Distribution | Kathryn Buttersworth, Lillian Burton,
Winnie Goldston, Ashley Adams | Dawn Ray, Kathryn Buttersworth,
Mischaa McNease |
| Weekly Packing | The Turner Family | The Crow Family |
| Publix Pickup | Mike Tarnoff | Gene Soles |

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