

Voluntary Prière à Notre Dame, from Suite Gothique Léon Boëllmann (1862-1897)

Hear the words of Jesus: You shall love God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first Law of God, and the second is like it:
You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two laws hang the whole of scripture.

The Peace
The God of heaven has made a home on earth.
Christ dwells among us and is one with us.
The peace of Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

The Gloria BCP p. 356

The Collect of the Day
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.
God of glory, whose Beloved took the shadow road and found life in the darkness: may his love be our law, undimmed by the fear that condemns what it does not understand; slipping through the hands of those who cling to sacred power; making us witness to the power of new birth; through Jesus Christ, the Firstborn. *Amen.*

The First Lesson Acts 11:1-18
Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, “Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?” Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, “I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, ‘Get up, Peter; kill and eat.’ But I replied, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ But a second time the voice answered from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, you must not call profane.’ This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, ‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.’ And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?” When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, “Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.”

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Psalm 148 (read responsively by whole verse)
Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens; *
praise him in the heights.
*Praise him, all you angels of his; *
praise him, all his host.*
Praise him, sun and moon; *
praise him, all you shining stars.
*Praise him, heaven of heavens, **

and you waters above the heavens.
Let them praise the Name of the Lord; *
for he commanded, and they were created.
*He made them stand fast for ever and ever; *
he gave them a law which shall not pass away.*
Praise the Lord from the earth, *
you sea-monsters and all deeps;
*Fire and hail, snow and fog, *
tempestuous wind, doing his will;*
Mountains and all hills, *
fruit trees and all cedars;
*Wild beasts and all cattle, *
creeping things and winged birds;*
Kings of the earth and all peoples, *
princes and all rulers of the world;
*Young men and maidens, *
old and young together.*
Let them praise the Name of the Lord, *
for his Name only is exalted, his splendor is over earth and heaven.
*He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, *
the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!*

The Second Lesson Revelation 21:1-6
I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.” And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.”
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Sequence Hymn 457 Thou art the Way, to thee alone St. James

The Holy Gospel John 13:31-35
The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.
At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, “Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, ‘Where I am going, you cannot come.’ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”
The Gospel of Christ.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. James B. Flowers

The Nicene Creed BCP, p. 358

The Prayers of the People
Sisters and brothers, let us praise the name of God! The promises of God are trustworthy and true, so let us pray, “Loving God, *make all things new.*”

Heavenly Father, your Son Jesus commands us to love one another as he loves us. Help us to do as he commands. Give your Church the will to seek and serve Christ in all persons.

Silence
Loving God,
Make all things new.
Gracious God, you blessed the world in your incarnation. Come and make your home with us. Establish your reign of peace on earth as in heaven.
You are invited to add your own thanksgivings.

Silence
Loving God,
Make all things new.
Glorious God, you created the heavens and earth and all that is therein. At your command all things came into being. Give us ears to hear the praise coming forth from the worlds. May our voices join the song of creation.
Silence
Loving God,
Make all things new.
Grant, O God, that our city might become more like your heavenly city. Banish from our borders the pain of violence and addiction, abuse and hatred.

Silence
Loving God,
Make all things new.
Mighty God, wipe every tear from the eyes of your children. Come with healing. Come with strength. Come to your people.
You are invited to add your own petitions.
Silence
Loving God,
Make all things new.
Alpha and Omega, we long for the day when you will make all things new. We long for the day when death will be no more, when mourning and crying and pain will be no more. We trust in the power of your love. Lead us in the way of everlasting life.
Silence
Loving God,
Make all things new.

Concluding Collect
Gracious God: Grant that your people may have in them the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, and guide us into harmony of relationship through loving-kindness and the wise use of all that you have given; for you are drawing all things into communion with you and with each other by the power of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Walk in love as Christ loved us, and gave himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God.

All are welcome to receive the bread and wine at the altar. You may stand or kneel at the altar rail. The bread is received in the open palm. The wine is taken by drinking from the chalice (please help guide it to your mouth by holding the base of the chalice). Gluten-free wafers are available by request, by placing one hand across your chest. If you do not wish to receive the sacrament, you are invited to come forward and receive a blessing. Please cross your arms across your chest to receive it.

The Offertory

The Great Thanksgiving
Eucharistic Prayer 3 from *Enriching our Worship*
Sursum Corda and Proper Preface
The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things. You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; you brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind. Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; and so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

Sanctus S-128 William Mathias (1934-1992)

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations, you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise. Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us. We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: “Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.” After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: “Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.” And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ’s coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Presider and People

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ. Grant that we, burning with your Spirit’s power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with [blessed _____, and] all your people into the joy of our true eternal home. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Blessed are you, now and forever. Amen.

The Lord’s Prayer

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Fraction Anthem S-155 Gerald Near (b.1942)

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

Risen Christ, whom we have seen with our eyes and touched with our

hands; the word of life in whom our joy is complete: send us out to declare your truth, your unshakable faith in the world you love. Amen.

The Blessing

May the living God remove the suffocating shroud that lies upon our world; may the risen Savior draw the sting of death, bringing all to life in him; may the flowing Spirit set us and all creation free and seal our hearts with faith; and the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

The Dismissal

Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ!

Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

For the Procession Menuet gothique, from Suite Gothique Léon Boëllmann

Please remain in place until the procession is completed.

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God.

Breakfast will follow in Stirling Hall.

Serving today:

Lector: Lillian Carsten
Intercessor: Woody Hannum
Chalice: Henry Callaway
Usher: Woody Hannum
Altar Guild: Paula Reeves, Gabby Posadas, LaVada Raouf
Bread Baker: Martha Durant
Doorkeeper: Baldwin Sanders
Breakfast: Elva Goldman, Maggie Prestridge, Michael Johnson, Brian Allison
Flowers: Jimmy Johnson
LEV: Matt McDonald (Thomas)

Upcoming schedule:

Sun, May 18 7:45a Nursery opens
8a Holy Eucharist, church
9a Breakfast, Stirling Hall
9a Adult choir rehearsal, Choir Rm
9:15a-10:15a Godly Play classes, Parish House (upstairs)
9:30a Adult Sunday School, Smith Rm
10:30a Holy Eucharist, church
Reception follows, Parish House
Mon, May 19 6p Vestry, Saad Rm
6p Wade in the Water, Bethel AME (714 Savannah St., 36603)
7p AA, Smith Rm
Wed, May 21 8a Food Share distribution, Stirling Hall
6p AA, Smith Rm
Sat, May 24 2p Prism, Youth Rm

The Concluding Collect and preface to the Peace come from newcreationliturgies.org.

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Arletha Clemons, Nursery Staff
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THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN EASTER
8:00 AM
May 18, 2025

Welcome to All Saints!

We are a community of faith who seek to continue in the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers; who seek to serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbor as ourselves; who strive for justice and peace among all people; and respect the dignity of every human being.

Baptismal Covenant, BCP, p.304

If you are visiting please make yourself known to us either face to face, via the information cards in the pew racks, or via email: office@allsaintsmobile.org
Sign up for our parish newsletter! <https://www.allsaintsmobile.net/the-herald/>

New to The Episcopal Church? Here are a few websites that can help explain our style of worship and any unfamiliar terminology (watch any videos later!):
<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/dfms/what-to-expect-when-you-visit/>
<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/who-we-are/lgbtq/>
<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/ministries/racial-reconciliation/>
<https://www.episcopalchurch.org/glossary/>

We begin worship in holy silence.

Please silence all cell phones. In the tradition of the church, prayer posture is standing or kneeling. Our preference at All Saints is standing, but kneeling is acceptable. The red Book of Common Prayer (BCP) & the blue Hymnal 1982 are in the book rack in front of you. Hymn numbers preceded by “S” are found in the front section of the hymnal. Words written in **Bold Italics** are said by the congregation.

Please keep in your prayers . . .

For healing for: Sherrick Sandy, Alison Page Carver, Ron Feuerlein, Cynthia Donnell, Barbara South, Mary Robert, Carolyn Thornton, Stephen Rollins, Peggy Barnett, the Simpson family, the Carr family, the Landrum family, James Lee Quinn, Monica Thompson, Mary Hunter Slaton, Dana Pollock, Cora Lou Robinson, Paul and Tracy, Geneva Piloto, Karen Bullock, Buck Baker, Albert Corte, Robin Steele, Lequita Adkins, Phyllis Smith, Ruth LaMonte, Bryan LaPorte, Emily Callaway, Will Strickland, Sue Elledge, Bruce Barrett, Lister Thomas, David Powers, Sue Aiken Zundel, Nick Nichols, Meg Stojanik, Jan Cade, Chuck Salmon, Serena Willcox, Claudia McClure, Caden Gray, Mary, Richard Cade, Jr., Hannah Pullins, Cora Cade Lemmon, Becky Wilson, Rose Ellen Stanbery, Adele Smith, Marcia Wyatt, Jacky Bell, Eve Morrison, Colleen, Ann Wesley, Staci Smith, Andi Barrett, Ken Buford, Dottie Dunnam, Gwyn Brantley, Mark Kidd, Lynn Koors, Mary Rose, Preston Griffith, Jan Irving, Frieda Kennedy, Hoagy, Tom Root, Shannon, Regina, Brian Davidson, Debra Guyton, John Gibson Baylor, Jr., Donna Bowcock, Rita Foust, Haley, Jill, Jennifer Smith, Garn Menell, Shannon Cook

For those who serve in the armed forces: especially Bernie Waters, David Palmer, David L. Ritter II, Ethan Roberts, Thomas Roberts, Nyirou Kuot, Matt Abbot, Trevor Thiel

For those who have died.

*Please notify the church office by the last Wednesday of the month if you wish your prayer concern to continue to be listed.