did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

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

The Gradual *Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18 (read responsively by whole verse)*
Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
***In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, ***
stir up your strength and come to help us.
Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
***O Lord God of hosts, ***
how long will you be angered
despite the prayers of your people?
You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
***You have made us the derision of our neighbors, ***
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.
Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
***Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, ***
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.
And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.
Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

The Second Lesson *1 Corinthians 1:3-9*
Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Sequence Hymn 73 *The King shall come when morning dawns* *St. Stephen*

The Holy Gospel *Mark 13:24-37*
The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Mark.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.
Jesus said, "In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. "From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. "But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

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
Brothers and sisters, what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake. Let us appeal to God, saying, "Show the light of your countenance, *and we shall be saved."*

Restore your holy catholic Church, O God of hosts. Give us eyes to see that together we are not lacking any spiritual gift. Strengthen us that we may be blameless on the day of our Savior Jesus Christ.
Silence
Show the light of your countenance,
And we shall be saved.
Restore justice throughout the world, O God of hosts. You work for those who wait for you. Come to the help of the oppressed and the needy.
Silence
Show the light of your countenance,
And we shall be saved.
Restore your creation, O God of hosts. Awesome are your deeds and wonderful are the works of your hands.
You are invited to add your own thanksgivings.
Silence
Show the light of your countenance,
And we shall be saved.
Restore peace in the city, O God of hosts. Make us mindful of our interdependence. Help us to respect the dignity of our neighbors.
Silence
Show the light of your countenance,
And we shall be saved.
Restore the weak to strength, O God of hosts. Come quickly with healing in your wings.
You are invited to add your own petitions.
Silence
Show the light of your countenance,
And we shall be saved.
Restore our hope, O God of hosts. Though we all fade like a leaf, still you are faithful. Your have called your people into the fellowship of your Son forever.
Silence
Show the light of your countenance,
And we shall be saved.

Concluding Collect
O God, your mercy endures forever. Hear the prayers of your people. And grant us the strength and the courage to walk in your ways, all the days of our lives. In the name of Jesus, we pray. ***Amen.***

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; 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-130 *Franz Peter Schubert*

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:
Celebrant 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.
Celebrant and People
Blessed are you now and for ever. 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-164 *Franz Peter Schubert*

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Post-Communion Prayer
Let us pray.
Eternal God, we thank you that in Christ you give yourself into our hands: may we who have tasted life proclaim the coming feast when many will come from east and west, from north and south to greet the Savior of all; we ask this in his name. Amen.

The Blessing

May the God who brings heaven close to earth give truth to our judgment and flame to our longing, that our hearts might be ready to be born again in love; and the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. ***Amen.***

The Dismissal
Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
Thanks be to God!

For the Procession *Gottes Sohn ist kommen* *J. S. Bach*

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:	Pete Mackey
Intercessor:	Pete Mackey
Chalice:	Bob Allen
Usher:	Orrin Davis
Altar Guild:	Barbara Caddell, Lucy Cope, Patricia Donalson
Bread Baker:	Lillian Carsten
Breakfast:	Alison & Nic Wood, Curt Doyle, Don Mosley
Storyteller:	Pier Hardin
Doorkeeper:	Baldwin Sanders
Flowers:	Rick Stembridge
LEV:	Molly Allison (Dillard)

Upcoming schedule:

Sun, Nov 29	7:45a Nursery open
	8a Holy Eucharist, church
	9a Breakfast, Stirling Hall
	9:15a Adult choir rehearsal, Choir Rm
	9:15a-10:15a Godly Play, upstairs in Parish House
	9:30a Adult Sunday School, Smith Rm
	10:30a Holy Eucharist, church
	Reception follows, Parish House
Mon, Nov 30	6p AA, Smith Rm
Wed, Dec 2	8a Food Share distribution, Stirling Hall
	1p First Light, Stirling Hall
	5:30p Adult choir rehearsal, Choir Rm
	6p AA, Smith Rm
Thu, Dec 3	6p Prism, Stirling Hall
Sat, Dec 5	2p Prism, Youth Rm

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

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Please keep in your prayers . . .
For healing for: Anita Worch, Georgia Dominick, Lee Fleming, Ursella Gultett, Tina Maddox & Maddox family, Joncee Kohls, Kyle Metcalf, Brad Smith, Jessie, Lakeisha Rivers, Uriah Pollock, Gail Bramer, Daniel Galbraith, Missy Foose, Mona Ganoe, Rose Yurcisin, Lacey Bowcock, Terry, Sheridan Hinton, Byron Cruthirds, Amy & Clay Carmichael, Penelope, Kevin, Donna Bowcock, Evi Valera, Curran Foose, Michael Laird, Joan, Ben Wilson, Mary Robert, Carolyn Thornton, Stephen Rollins, Peggy Barnett, the Simpson family, the Landrum family, James Lee Quinn, Monica Thompson, Dana Pollock, Cora Lou Robinson, Karen Bullock, Buck Baker, Lequita Adkins, Phyllis Smith, Bryan LaPorte, Will Strickland, Sue Elledge, Lister Thomas, Jan Cade, Serena Willcox, Claudia McClure, Caden Gray, Mary, Hannah Pullins, Cora Cade Lemmon, Becky Wilson, Rose Ellen Stanbery, Marcia Wyatt, Jacky Bell, John Heronime, Eve Morrison, Colleen, Ann Wesley, Staci Smith, Andi & Bruce Barrett, Ken Buford, Dottie Dunnam, Gwyn Brantley, Mark Kidd, Lynn Koors, Mary Rose, Preston Griffith, Jan Irving, Hoagy, Tom Root, Shannon, Regina, Brian Davidson, Debra Guyton, John Gibson Baylor, Jr., Rita Foust, Haley, Jill, Jennifer Smith, Shannon Cook, the Hodges family, Pat Guyton, Laura Price, Jareth Lancaster
For those who serve in the armed forces, especially Bernie Waters, David Palmer, David L. Ritter II, Ethan Roberts, Thomas Roberts, 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.*

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All Saints Episcopal Church

The First Sunday of Advent
8:00 AM
November 29, 2026

Welcome to All Saints! 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.*

Voluntary

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 still of night is broken by a baby's wordless cry; the gods of power are shaken by the nakedness of love; for in his flesh, he makes peace and ends the war of all against all.
The peace of Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

The Confession and Absolution
Let us confess our sins to God.
God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

Trisagion BCP 356

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sings through our Savior Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. ***Amen.***

The Collect of the Day
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.
God of unveiled truth, faithful flame in times of darkened sun and waning moon: lift up our knowing hearts, and waken our sleeping love to announce the coming dawn of unexpected peace; through Jesus Christ, the one who is to come. ***Amen.***

The First Lesson *Isaiah 64:1-9*
O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence—as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we