

All Saints' Episcopal Church

1 Christmas

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

10:00 a.m. + Sunday, December 27, 2020

Welcome to worship at All Saints'.

We invite you to write prayer requests in the Facebook comments, we welcome you to sing and pray the liturgy with us, and we look forward to gathering in person, when it is safe to do so. May God's love bless us all.



The Word of God

Prelude Music |

"Still, Still, Still"

trad. Austrian carol
arr. Daniel Burton

Jessica Stinson, *violin*

Erica Pirtle, *flute*

Cain-Oscar Bergeron, *flute*

Chorale Prelude on "In dulci jubilo"

Marcel Dupré (1886–1971)

Dr. Kirk M. Rich, *organ*

Introit | "Good Christian friends, rejoice"

In dulci jubilo

The All Saints' Chamber Choir

1. Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;
2. Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;
3. Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and voice;

give ye heed to what we say: Je - sus Christ is born to - day;
now ye hear of end - less bliss; Je - sus Christ was born for this!
now ye need not fear the grave: Je - sus Christ was born to save!

ox and ass be - fore him bow, and he is in the man - ger now.
He hath o - pened hea - ven's door, and we are blest for e - ver - more.
Calls you one and calls you all to gain his e - ver - las - ting hall.

Christ is born to - day! Christ is born to - day!
Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!



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Welcome and Announcements |

Opening Sentences |

Officiant Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Confession and Absolution |

Officiant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Officiant and People

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.

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

The Invitatory and Psalm |

Reader Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise. Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.

Psalm | 148: 1–7, 10–13

Reader Alleluia! Praise God from the heavens;

People sing praise in the heights.

Reader Praise God, all you angels;

People sing praise, all the heavenly host.

Reader Praise God, sun and moon;

People sing praise, all you shining stars.

Reader Praise God, heaven of heavens

People and you waters above the heavens.

Reader Let them praise the Name of God,

People by whose command they were created.

Reader God made them stand fast for ever and ever,

People and gave them a law which shall not pass away.

Reader Praise God from the earth,

People you sea-monsters and all deeps;

Reader Wild beasts and all cattle,

People creeping things and winged birds;

Reader Sovereigns of the earth and all peoples,
People leaders and all rulers of the world;
Reader Let them praise your Name, O God,
People for your Name only is exalted; your splendor is over earth and heaven.
Reader and People
 Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning,
 is now and will be forever. Amen.

The First Lesson | Isaiah 60:1–6

Ivy Moultrie

Arise, shine; for your light has come,
 and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
 For darkness shall cover the earth,
 and thick darkness the peoples;
 but the Lord will arise upon you,
 and his glory will appear over you.
 Nations shall come to your light,
 and kings to the brightness of your dawn.
 Lift up your eyes and look around;
 they all gather together, they come to you;
 your sons shall come from far away,
 and your daughters shall be carried
 on their nurses' arms.

Reader The word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Then you shall see and be radiant;
 your heart shall thrill and rejoice,
 because the abundance of the sea shall
 be brought to you,
 the wealth of the nations shall come to you.
 A multitude of camels shall cover you,
 the young camels of Midian and Ephah;
 all those from Sheba shall come.
 They shall bring gold and frankincense,
 and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

The Second Lesson | Galatians 3:23–25; 4:4–7

Ivy Moultrie

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned
 and guarded under the law until faith would
 be revealed. Therefore the law was our discipli-
 narian until Christ came, so that we might be
 justified by faith. But now that faith has come,
 we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian.
 But when the fullness of time had come, God
 sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the

Reader The word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

law, in order to redeem those who were under
 the law, so that we might receive adoption
 as children. And because you are children,
 God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our
 hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no
 longer a slave but a child, and if a child then
 also an heir, through God.

“Lo, how a Rose e’er blooming”

*Es ist ein Ros**The All Saints’ Chamber Choir*

1. Lo, how a Rose e'er bloom - ing from ten - der stem hath sprung!
 2. I - sai - ah 'twas for - told it, the Rose I have in mind,
 Of Jes - se's lin - eage com - ing as seers of old have sung.
 with Ma - ry we be - hold it, the Vir - gin Mo - ther kind.
 It came, a blos - som bright, a - mid the
 To show God's love a - right, she bore to
 cold of win - ter, when half spent was the night.
 us a Sav - ior, when half spent was the night.

The Gospel | Luke 2:22–40*Reader* A reading from the Gospel of Luke.

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, “Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord”), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons.”

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, “Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation

to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.” And the child’s father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, “This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed – and a sword will pierce your own soul too.” There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

People Thanks be to God.

Intercessor The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

Intercessor Let us pray.

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.

Prayers of the People |

Steve Hines

Intercessor Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

People Lord in your mercy,
 hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and all of the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

People Lord in your mercy,
 hear our prayer.

Intercessor Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

People Lord in your mercy,
 hear our prayer.

Intercessor Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. I ask your prayers for the All Saints' community.

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for The Anglican Church in Central America. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for St. Christopher's at the Crossroads in Perry. In the All Saints' cycle of prayer, we pray, O God, whose Son Jesus enjoins his disciples to let the little ones come unto him, we give thanks for those who make your love incarnate in the lives of children. This day we most especially ask your blessing on those who teach and nurture our Little Saints and those who make their families welcome. Bless them in their life and in their labor.

People Lord in your mercy,
 hear our prayer.

<i>Intercessor</i>	Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. I ask your prayers for those in need of healing.
People	Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.
<i>Intercessor</i>	We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all of your saints in your eternal kingdom. I ask your prayers for those who have died.
People	Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Concluding Collect |

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

<i>Intercessor</i>	Let us bless the Lord.
People	Thanks be to God.

Sermon |

The Rev. Natosha Reid Rice

A period of silent prayer follows the sermon.

Musical Meditation |

“Silent night, holy night”

Stille Nacht

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Silent night, holy night,
all is calm, all is bright
round yon virgin mother and child.
Holy infant, so tender and mild,
sleep in heavenly peace.
Sleep in heavenly peace. 2. Silent night, holy night,
shepherds quake at the sight,
glories stream from heaven afar,
heavenly hosts sing alleluia;
Christ, the Savior, is born!
Christ, the Savior, is born! | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Silent night, holy night,
Son of God, love's pure light
radiant beams from thy holy face,
with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth.
Jesus, Lord, at thy birth. |
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Words: Joseph Mohr (1792–1848); tr. John Freeman Young (1820–1885)

Dania Lane, *harp* Dr. Kirk M. Rich, *organ* *The All Saints' Chamber Choir*

Blessing | Christ the son of God, born of Mary, fill you with grace to trust his promises and obey his will; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you this day and forever more. **Amen.**

Dismissal | *Officiant* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Closing Hymn | 100

"Joy to the world"

Antioch

The All Saints' Pageant Singers and Chamber Orchestra

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come: let
2. Joy to the world! the Sa - vior reigns; let
3. (verse sung by the choir)
4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and
earth re - ceive her King; let ev - ery heart pre -
us our songs em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks,
makes the na - tions prove the glo - ries of his
pare him room, and heaven and na - ture sing, and heaven and na - ture
hills and plains, re - peat the soun - ding joy, re - peat the soun - ding
right - eous - ness, and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his
sing, and heaven, and heaven and na - ture sing.
joy re - peat, re - peat the soun - ding joy.
love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

Voluntary |

Chorale Prelude on "In dulci jubilo" BWV 729

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

Dr. Kirk M. Rich, *organ*



Worship Notes

The Worship Committee and staff welcome your feedback; please email
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Music for Sunday, December 27, 2020

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In Our Prayers

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Anglican Church in Central America.

In our diocese, we pray for St. Christopher's at the Crossroads in Perry.

In our parish cycle of prayers, we pray for All Saints' Little Saints ministry.

Thanksgiving and Memorials

The sanctuary candle and altar flowers are given to the glory of God.

Announcements

We want you to have the Most Up-to-Date Information

Things are changing quickly during this pandemic. For the most current announcements on upcoming events, service opportunities, and worship services, please visit
allsaintsatlanta.org/sunday-announcements.

Please continue to monitor our website for the latest news and answers to frequently asked questions regarding our COVID-19 policies and protocols:
allsaintsatlanta.org/covid-19.



Birthdays this Week

Sun | Dec 27

Elena Brisendine
Sarah Drechsel
Lewis Jones
Chris Knox
John R. Seydel
Natalie Williams

Mon | Dec 28

Travis Bryenton
Tim Dodson
Scott Hayes
Camille Rice

Tues | Dec 29

James Gibson
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Christy Pottle
Ryan Turner
Stephanie White

Wed | Dec 30

Trippe Davis
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Bob Persons
Jenny Russ
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Paul Thim
Bob Woodward
Martie Zakas

Thur | Dec 31

Olivia Brantley
Stephen Putnam

Fri | Jan 1

Todd Campbell
Chip Conrad, Jr.
Dana McKenzie
Bosho Sale
Jeana Salminen
Joel Smith
Drew Ulsh, Jr.
Thomas Wingfield

Sat | Jan 2

Joe Cronk, III
Mary Helen Miller
Brooke Reeve, III
Daniel Starr
Laura Trott



A Prayer for the New Year

Almighty and eternal God,
whose years never fail
and whose mercies are new each returning day:
let the radiance of your Spirit renew our lives,
warming our hearts and giving light to our minds;
that we may pass the coming year
in joyful obedience and firm faith;
through him who is the beginning and the end,
your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Times and Season, Common Worship, Church of England, adapted

Bring gifts of canned goods and non-perishables to our Epiphany drive-through event and help the Atlanta Food Bank restock after helping families during the holidays. We are blessed to have what we have and blessed to give to those that do not have during this time.

Epiphany Drive-Through and Canned Goods Collection

Sunday, January 10, 1:30–3:00 p.m., Lower Parking Deck

**For more information, contact Kathy Roberts
at kroberts@allsaintsatlanta.org.**



Sacred Ground will Begin in January 2021

Join an All Saints' dialogue circle and be among the over 1200 dialogue circles nationwide using this 10-session curriculum from the national Episcopal Church. Entitled "Sacred Ground: A Film-Based Dialogue Series on Race and Faith," the curriculum consists of videos, articles, discussion, and two core books, *Jesus and the Disinherited* by Howard Thurman and *Waking Up White* by Debby Irving. Join fellow parishioners committed to six months to learn, listen, and share stories in a brave space. Send an e-mail to: sacredground@allsaintsatlanta.org.



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Our Weekly Worship Schedule

SUNDAYS

10:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word

MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY

12:05 p.m. Noonday Prayer

THURSDAYS

8:00 p.m. Compline Prayer

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