All Saints' Episcopal Church

2 Lent

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

10:00 a.m. • Sunday, February 28, 2021

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 |

Fantasie No. 1 in B-flat Major I. Largo II. Allegro Georg Philipp Telemann (1681–1767)

Jessica Stinson, violin

Introit | Hymn 150

"O Lord, increase my faith"

Henry Loosemore (d. 1670)

The All Saints' Adult Choir
O Lord, increase my faith,
strengthen me,
and confirm me in thy true faith.
Endue me with wisdom,
charity, and patience
in all my adversity.
Sweet Jesu, say Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

"If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."



Opening Sentences

Officiant Lord have mercy.
People Christ have mercy.
Officiant Lord have mercy.

Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Confession and Absolution

Officiant If we say we have no sin,

People we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us;

Officiant but if we confess our sins,

People God who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us

from all unrighteousness.

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 Father, and to the Son,

and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.

Psalm | 22:22-30

Reader May all who fear you, O God, give praise;

People may the offspring of Israel stand in awe and all of Jacob's line give glory.

Reader For you do not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty,

neither do you hide your face from them,

People but when they cry to you, you hear them.

Reader My praise is of you in the great assembly;

People I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship you.

Reader The poor shall eat and be satisfied, and those who seek you shall praise you:

People "May your heart live for ever!"

Reader All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to you, People and all the families of the nations shall bow before you.

Reader For yours is the royal power, O God;

People you rule over the nations.

Reader To you alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship;

People all who go down to the dust fall before you.

Reader My soul shall live for you; my descendants shall serve you;

People they shall be known as yours for ever.

Reader They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn

People the saving deeds that you have done.

Reader and People

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.

The First Lesson | Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

Robert Waddell

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will

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People Thanks be to God.

make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

God said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her."

The Second Lesson | Romans 4:13-25

Robert Waddell

For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

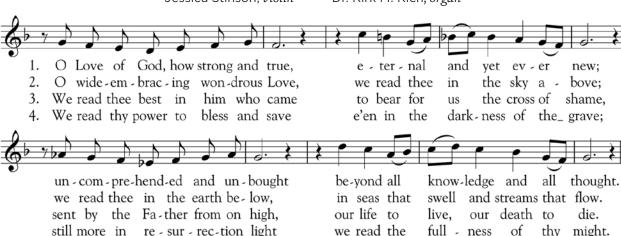
For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") —in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would

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become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

"O Love of God, how strong and true"

Jessica Stinson, *violin* Dr. Kirk M. Rich, *organ*



The Gospel | Mark 8:31-38

Reader A reading from the Gospel of Mark.

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers,

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let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

The Lord's Prayer

Emily Schunior

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

Emily Schunior

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

People For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Intercessor For this community, the nation, and the world; People For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation;

People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

In the Anglican Communion, we pray for The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem

and The Middle East, in our Diocese we pray for the people and clergy of St. Francis in Macon, and in our parish we pray O God, Lord, you bind us to one another in this goodly family of faith. Thank you for those who work to make our connections and friendships possible through the ministry of our various parish life gatherings. We ask your blessing on them and pray that

by your grace, their work may bear much fruit in us.

People For all who serve God in his Church.

Intercessor For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

(The names of those who are ill will be read aloud.) Hear us, Lord;

People For your mercy is great.

Intercessor We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

(When there is a new birth in parish the intercessor adds: 'especially for the birth of N.')

We will exalt you, O God our King;

People And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Intercessor We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal

kingdom. (The names of those who have died will be read aloud.)

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People Who put their trust in you.

Concluding Collect |

Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Intercessor Let us bless the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Sermon |

The Rev. Sarah C. Stewart

A period of silent prayer follows the sermon.

Musical Meditation

"Deep River" from Twenty-Four Spiritual Melodies, op. 59, no. 10

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor (1875–1912)

arr. Maud Powell

Jessica Stinson, violin Dr. Kirk M. Rich, organ

Blessing | Let us bow down before the Lord.

Keep this your family, Lord, with your never-failing mercy, that relying solely on the help of your heavenly grace, we may be upheld by your divine protection; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Dismissal | Officiant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

"How firm a foundation"

The All Saints' Adult Choir



Voluntary | Melody in D

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor (1875–1912)

Dr. Kirk M. Rich, organ

Worship Notes

The Worship Committee and staff welcome your feedback; please email worship@allsaintsatlanta.org.

Music for Sunday, February 28, 2021

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In Our Prayers

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and The Middle East.

In our diocese, we pray for St. Francis in Macon.

In our parish cycle of prayers, we pray for All Saints' Parish Life Ministry.

Thanksgiving and Memorials

The sanctuary candle is given to the glory of God and by Jeanne and Dave Bedell in loving memory of Brad Bedell.

The 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/news-and-publications.

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.

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Prayer List

Those who are ill

Ann Dangler, friend of Gretchen Chateau

Jim Hans, friend of Sarah Stewart

Jamie Hartzog, sister of Lynne Bryant

Harriet McAlister, godmother of Lee Pope

Jim Muhl, friend of Craig and Rene Wilson

Margaret Perrin, friend of Ann Clegg

Robert and Annette Reddick,

brother and sister-in-law of Maurice Reddick

All who are suffering from COVID-19

Those recovering from illness or surgery

Lisa Angert Morris

Bob Tick

Those who have died

Phillip Jeffrey Cherry

Elise Knight

Freiya Brown, friend of Tina Engberg

Karen Elaine Stalans Burchell, friend of Zack Nyein

Shirley Caison, mother of Tim Caison

Jim Curtis, friend of the parish

Michael Hulshof-Schmidt,

friend of Lynn, Charles and Sarah Wright

Nicholas Jones, grandfather of Tyrone Jones

Ken Leadingham, friend of Lynne Holley

John Mmahat, father of Honey Mathes

Nancy Keith McKinney, aunt of Shannon Keith

Cecil Collins Scanlan, friend of Spurgeon and Judy Hays

William Schroder, father of Susie Hare

Don Voyles, friend of David and Denni Moss

All who have died from COVID-19

New babies

Lucy Jane Langston, great-niece of Pat Kiley

Birthdays this Week

Sun | Feb 28

George Allan

Will Bryant

Jenny Lyman

Bradley Williams

Mon | Feb 29

Virginia Harrison

Pace Parsons

Anne Peden Watts

Mon | March 1

Jack Eames

Berny Gray

Harris Lowe

Tues | March 2

Jennifer Collins

Judy Elliott

Finn Engberg

Miles Furman

Emma Furr

Lydia James

Forrest Sanders

Samuel Wiley

Wed | March 3

Sarah Kennedy

John Kosar

Socrates Moura

Nancy Olsson

Alex Pumphrey

Tom Rhodes

MaryEarle Scovil

Emma Tucker

Jodi Watson

Thur | March 4

Sophary Burnet

Anne Curtis

Lily Furlough

Becky Morrison

Parker Schneidau

Dwayne Summar

Dwayne Summ

Betsy Watts

Fri | March 5

Zachary Alpert

Elizabeth Chesnut

Martin Connell

John Edge

Josue Ndengeyi-Ngoma

Jeremy Pacini

Phillip Rassel

Sat | March 6

John Allan

Stephen Borrelli

Beecher Connell

Greg Giornelli

Maya Johnson

Andrea Malik Roe

Leon Proper

Emily Tuggle

Kit Weitnauer

Vestry Notes

February 22, 2021

All Saints' vestry met on February 22 via Zoom. Following a mediation by Des Dorsey, Sheldon Taylor provided the Treasurer's Report. At the recommendation of the Finance Committee, the vestry unanimously approved designating the \$46,000 surplus from 2020 to the Maintenance Reserve. The vestry approved three budgets: (a) modifying the 2021 operating budget to account for additional pledges; (b) the 2021 Pritchett Center Budget; and (c) the 2021 Young Adults Budget. The vestry also accepted the 2019 audit, and approved transferring undesignated bequests from the Cornerstone Society to the endowment. Arjun Srinivasan gave the Senior Warden's Report, noting that the Covid-19 vaccine is rolling out slowly, which will delay a return to in-person services. Ellen Hayes gave a report on Stewardship, noting that – for the first time ever - we ended up with pledges over \$3 million. Ellen Porter gave a report from a task force on a formal

process to secure nominations for lay delegates to the Annual Diocesan Council and also to provide orientation to the delegates before they attend the Council meeting. The vestry unanimously approved the proposed process. Russ Wofford and Andy Barnett gave a report on the activities of the Sunday Evening Task Force. The Task Force is discerning what a third worship "experience" would work best, and particularly appeal to people who live and work in the immediate neighborhood of All Saints. It is likely to roll out in early 2022. The clergy and staff then provided very detailed reports concerning progress against the Strategic Plan. All Saints' has made tremendous progress toward the goals in the Plan. Finally, The vestry heard from two candidates who are applying for postulancy holy orders, Emily Avant and Katie Roll, and the vestry will sign Endorsements for Admission for each candidate. Following a prayer, the meeting was adjourned.

Pray, reflect, and mark each day in Lent with fellow saints, sharing virtual reflections that point us to the bread from heaven with which God has been nourishing us all in these pandemic times. Sign up to receive these video messages by email or explore each daily offering on our website.



All Saints' 2021

Lenten Reflections Calendar

allsaintsatlanta.org/2021-lenten-meditations



Jesus as a Radical Revolutionary: Thursday, March 4, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Virtual Brunch and Bible: Sunday, March 14, 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Saints Untapped: Thursday, March 18, 7:00-8:00 p.m.



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Invite the Holy Spirit's transformation into our lives, deepening our Christian faith for the sake of the world.

Adult Classes | Spring Session 3

Begins Sunday, March 7, 9:00 a.m., on Zoom. For more information, contact The Rev. Dr. Andrew Barnett at abarnett@allsaintsatlanta.org.

All Saints' Episcopal Church

is a parish in the Diocese of Atlanta

The Rt. Rev. Robert C. Wright, Bishop

The Rt. Rev. Don A. Wimberly, Assisting Bishop

Rector

The Rev. Dr. Simon J. Mainwaring

2020-2021 Vestry

Arjun Srinivasan, Senior Warde	en Lori Rein	iking, Junior Warde	en Charlie Henn, C	<i>llerk</i> Sheld	on Taylor, <i>Treasure</i>

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Sydney Cleland Mark McDonald Susan Virgin
Des Dorsey Mike Nadal Russ Wofford

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The Rev. Karen P. Evans, Priest Associate for Pastoral Care
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The Rev. Zachary C. Nyein, Associate Rector
The Rev. Natosha Reid Rice, Minister for Public Life
The Rev. Sarah C. Stewart, Associate Rector

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Victor Young, Sexton



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

For information on viewing our online worship services, please visit us at allsaintsatlanta.org/worship-life-events/worship-at-all-saints/.