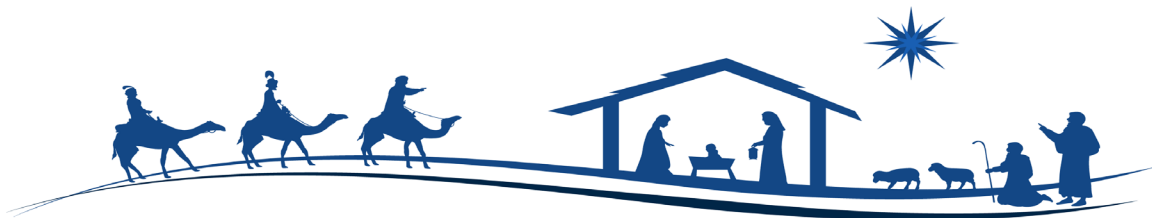


All Saints Church

The IVth Sunday of Advent

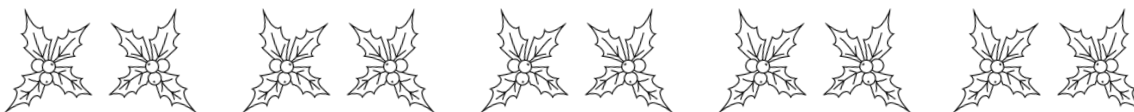
with Children's Pageant



December 22, 2024

10:00 a.m.





WELCOME!

The nursery is open on the lower level from 7:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

*The congregation is requested to observe a time of silence for prayer before the service.
Please silence all cell phones.*

*This service will be taped on livestream. Photos and videos are allowed, but please refrain
from posting photos of other children on Social Media.*

Christmas Match

Support All Saints with a special gift, using the envelope provided, the website, or this QR code. Gifts will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$50,000, through the generosity of a group of donors. No gift is too small! (Regular pledged giving does not apply to the match.) Thank you for your own generosity!



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THE 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT WITH CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

OPENING LITURGY

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Blest be the King whose coming (Hymnal 74)

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE - LOVE

(As the Advent candle is lighted, the leader will explain its significance.)

Leader God sent his only Son to earth to save us, because he loves us! "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him." We know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them.

Lord, you are the light of our world.

People **O come, O come, Emmanuel.**

Leader O God of grace and promise, we await the fulfillment of your wondrous plan. Our King and Savior now draws near: Come let us adore him.

People **O come, O come, Emmanuel.**

Leader May the light of your love always shine in our hearts.

All **Amen.**

OPENING SENTENCES

All standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant says:

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

KYRIE

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

People **Christ, have mercy.**

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says:

Purify our conscience, Almighty God, by your daily visitation, that your Son Jesus Christ, at his coming, may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.



THE NATIVITY OF JESUS CHRIST - A PAGEANT

FROM HOLY SCRIPTURE

THE PROPHET FORETELLS THE BIRTH OF THE MESSIAH

ISAIAH 9:2-7

Please join in singing the carols during the Pageant.

O come, O come, Emmanuel

*O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!*

*O come, Desire of nations, bind in one the hearts of all mankind;
Bid thou our sad divisions cease, and be thyself our King of Peace.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel!*

THE ANGEL GABRIEL APPEARS TO MARY

LUKE 1:26-38

The Angel Gabriel (Hymnal 265, vv. 1 & 2)

*The angel Gabriel from heaven came,
his wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame;
"All hail," said he, "thou lowly maiden Mary,
most highly favored lady." Gloria!*

*"For know a blessed Mother thou shalt be,
all generations laud and honor thee,
thy Son shall be Emmanuel, by seers foretold,
most highly favored lady." Gloria!*

JESUS IS BORN IN BETHLEHEM

LUKE 2:1-7

Away in a Manger

*Away in a manger, no crib for his bed,
the little Lord Jesus lay down his sweet head.
The stars in the bright sky, looked down where he lay,
the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.*

*The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,
but little Lord Jesus no crying he makes.
I love thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky,
and stay by my side until morning is nigh.*

ANGELS ANNOUNCE THE BIRTH OF CHRIST TO THE SHEPHERDS

LUKE 2:8-21

Angels We Have Heard on High

*Angles we have heard on high, singing sweetly through the night,
and the mountains in reply echoing their brave delight.
Gloria in excelsis Deo. Gloria in excelsis Deo.*

*Come to Bethlehem and see him whose birth the angels sing;
come, adore on bended knee Christ, the Lord, the newborn King.
Gloria in excelsis Deo. Gloria in excelsis Deo.*

MAGI FROM THE EAST ARRIVE IN JERUSALEM

MATTHEW 2:1-9

We Three Kings of Orient Are

*We three kings of Orient are, bearing gifts we traverse afar,
field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.
O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright;
westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light!*

*Glorious now, behold him arise, King and God and Sacrifice;
heaven sings alleluia; alleluia the earth replies.
O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright;
westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light!*

THE MAGI PRESENT GIFTS AND DEPART

MATTHEW 2:10-12

Go Tell it on the Mountain

**Refrain: Go tell it on the mountain,
over the hills, and ev'rywhere;
go, tell it on the mountain
that Jesus Christ is born.**

*While shepherds kept their watching
o'er silent flocks by night,
behold, throughout the heavens
there shone a holy light. [Refrain]*

*The shepherds feared and trembled
when lo, above the earth
rang out the angel chorus
that hailed our Savior's birth. [Refrain]*

**Down in a lowly manger
the humble Christ was born,
and God sent us salvation
that blessed Christmas morn. [Refrain]*

(*Pageant participants are dismissed during the final verse; they will return at the Peace.)



THE APOSTLES CREED

All stand

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS AND CONCLUDING COLLECT

Celebrant: *Celebrant prays, then concludes with:*

Hasten, O Father, the coming of your kingdom; and grant that we your servants, who now live by faith, may with joy behold your Son at his coming in glorious majesty; even Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

THE PEACE

All stand

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

***People* And also with you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Sung by the All Saints Choir.

A maiden most gentle - arr. Andrew Carter

PRESENTATION HYMN

Hymnal 66, v.1

(Please stand. All may join in singing.)

*Come, thou long-expected Jesus
born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us,
let us find our rest in thee.*

All standing.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

***People* And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

***People* We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***People* It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Hymnal S-130

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.***

***Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.***



Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues until...

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

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, forever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized Christians who are able to receive communion in their home church are welcome to receive at All Saints. Baptized children receive Communion at the discretion of their parent or other accompanying adult. Please follow the instructions of the ushers. If you do not wish to receive Communion at this time, please cross your arms on your chest to receive a blessing. If you have limited mobility, please contact an usher to receive Communion in your seat. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

How He Loves us

*He is jealous for me
Loves like a hurricane, I am a tree
Bending beneath the weight of his
wind and mercy.*

*When all of a sudden, I am unaware
Of these afflictions eclipsed by glory,
And I realize just how beautiful You are,
And how great Your affections are for me.*

*Oh, how he loves us so, Oh how he loves us
How he loves us so.*

*So we are his portion and He is our prize,
Drawn to redemption by the grace in his eyes
If grace is an ocean we're all sinking.
So heaven meets earth like an unforeseen kiss,
And my heart turns violently inside of my chest
I don't have time to maintain these regrets
when I think about the way...*

*He loves us, Oh, how he loves us,
Oh how he loves us How he loves us so. (2x)*

Lord I Give You My Heart

*This is my desire... to honor you
Lord with all my heart, I worship you
All I have within me, I give You praise
All that I adore is in You*

*Lord, I give you my heart.
I give you my soul. I live for You alone
Every breath that I take,
Every moment I'm awake,
Lord, have Your way in me.*

We Fall Down

*We fall down we lay our crowns at the feet of Jesus
The greatness of your Mercy and love at the feet of Jesus
And we cry holy, holy, holy
And we cry holy, holy, holy
And we cry holy, holy, holy... is the lamb (repeat)*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Celebrant Let us pray

All kneel as able

***Celebrant & People:* Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**



THE BLESSING

Celebrant:
May he whose second Coming in power and great glory we await, make you steadfast in faith, joyful in hope, and constant in love. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you now and remain with you always. **Amen.**

All stand

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord! (Hymnal 438)

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**



The Rev. Dr. James L. Pahl, Jr, Rector
The Rev. Dr. William Joseph Buracker II, Vicar
Gary Wieder, Family Pastor
Jeremy Adams, Seminarian



Join us for Christmas & Epiphany!

CHRISTMAS EVE (Tuesday, December 24)

Nursery provided 9:30 -11:15 a.m.; 4:30 – 6:45 p.m., and 8 – 10:15 p.m.

10:00 a.m. Celebration Holy Eucharist with Christmas Hymns

5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite II, with Choir & Brass*

8:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite II, with Choir & Brass

**5:00 p.m. service (only) will be live-streamed.*

CHRISTMAS DAY (Wednesday, December 25)

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite I

(in person only, no nursery)

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS (December 29)

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II Combined Service

(Nursery & livestream available; no breakfast or Christian Education)

EPIPHANY SUNDAY (January 5)

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite I Traditional Service

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite II Traditional Style, with Choir*

10:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite II, Contemporary Style

*(Nursery & *livestream available; no breakfast or Christian Education)*

Tips for PARKING Christmas Eve Services

~ **ARRIVE EARLY** – especially for the **10 a.m. and 5 p.m. services.**

~ The church ***parking lot is reserved*** for parishioners who have mobility limitations.

~ Use the drop-off space on Western Avenue if you have young children or family members who are unable to walk far.

~ Leave five feet of clearance on either side of driveways in the neighborhoods.

~ Lock your cars and do not leave valuables in plain sight.

~ Be mindful of pedestrian traffic as you drive.

~ Be mindful of vehicle traffic as you walk.

~ Please also use the streets adjacent to Oliver and Grafton.

~ **ARRIVE EARLY!** (It can't be said enough!)