

ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

An Open-hearted, Open-minded Parish of the Diocese of East Carolina

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The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 16th, 2025

Worship: 8:30 am and 10:30 am

Whether you're a long-time member, a seasonal visitor, or here for the first time, we're glad to have you with us today. We pray that you experience the presence of the Holy Spirit in a way that feeds and sustains your soul.

*We use three primary resources for our weekly worship: the service leaflet that you are holding, the Book of Common Prayer, and the Hymnal. Your parts are highlighted in **bold italic** throughout the service. At the parts of the service indicated by an asterisk, everyone is invited to stand as they are able. You will see people make the sign of the cross, sit, stand, and kneel at different parts of the service. You are welcome to do all or none.*

Near the entry to the church, you'll find a selection of books and activity bags that children can use throughout the service. We joyfully welcome children into our services as full members of the Body of Christ. Their presence is a reminder of the vitality, curiosity, and spontaneity that enrich our faith community. Children teach us to approach God with wonder and trust, and their activity reminds us that worship is not about perfection, but about embodiment, participating, and connection. We celebrate their voices, questions, and energy as signs of life and growth, believing they bring us closer to the heart of Jesus, who welcomed children with open arms.

Hymnal = *The Hymnal 1982*

BCP = *The Book of Common Prayer*

Welcome

Prelude

THE WORD OF GOD

***Processional Hymn**

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Hymnal, 493

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***Opening Acclamation**

BCP, p. 355

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

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

***Collect for Purity**

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.*

***Gloria:**

Glory to God in the Highest

[8:30 a.m.] **BCP, p. 356**

[10:30 a.m.] **S-280**

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

† in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

***Collect of the Day**

BCP, p. 215

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Reading

Jeremiah 17:5-10

Thus says the Lord:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals
and make mere flesh their strength,
whose hearts turn away from the Lord.

They shall be like a shrub in the desert,
and shall not see when relief comes.

They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness,
in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord,
whose trust is the Lord.

They shall be like a tree planted by water,
sending out its roots by the stream.

It shall not fear when heat comes,
and its leaves shall stay green;
in the year of drought it is not anxious,
and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else;
it is perverse—
who can understand it?

I the Lord test the mind
and search the heart,
to give to all according to their ways,
according to the fruit of their doings.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



- ¹ Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- ² Their delight is in the law of the LORD, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.
- ³ They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.
- ⁴ It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- ⁵ Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- ⁶ For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ--whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*Holy Gospel

Luke 6:17-26

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus came down with the twelve apostles and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

“Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

“Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.”

“But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

“Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

“Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

“Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

***Nicene Creed**

BCP, p. 358

*We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, † and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

***The Prayers of the People**

Form IV

BCP, p. 389

The Leader and People pray responsively

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.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

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

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

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.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, especially for those who celebrate birthdays, including Sandy Briggman and Jim Conners, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

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. We pray especially for ***Moira, Don, John, Sue, Al, Hilary K, Kevin and Mike; Audrey, Hilary***, and for those who we now name aloud or silently in our hearts.

We also pray for those with ongoing concerns, especially for ***Vip, Judy, Diane, Ellen, Matt, Nickie, Dick, Kaye & Perry, Fred***, and any who cannot be with us today.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially for the repose of the soul of The Reverend Fran Peel, † that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

***Confession**

BCP, p. 360

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

Silence may be kept.

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.

Absolution

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 Peace**

Celebrant The Peace of The Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

Blessed
Paul D. Weber

***The Presentation**

All things come of thee, O Lord; ***and of thine own have we given thee.***

***The Great Thanksgiving**

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP, p. 367

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 God thanks and praise.*

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 in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

Sanctus: *Holy, Holy, Holy Lord* **Hymnal, S-129**
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you.

In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant.

Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being † sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with John the Baptist and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. 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,

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 364

*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.*

Fraction Anthem

[8:30 a.m.] **BCP, p. 364** [10:30 a.m.] **S-155**

Celebrant These are the gifts of God, for you, the beloved People Of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

***Communion of the People**

ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE LORD'S TABLE!

Please come forward and receive a host from the celebrant. Then drink from the chalice or dip (intinct) your wafer into the intinction cup offered by the second eucharistic minister. If you do not wish to receive communion you are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing.

Hymn

If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee

Hymnal, 635

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***Post Communion Prayer**

BCP, p. 365

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.

***Blessing**

***Closing Hymn**

Christ for the World We Sing!

Hymnal, 537

MOSCOW

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Today's Altar Flowers are given by Keith Corey.

THOSE WHO SERVE – FEBRUARY 16TH, 2025

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Thomas Drake

Director of Music & Organist: Steve Blackstock

Asst. Director of Music and Organist: Keith Dey

8:30 a.m.

Greeter: Hilary Klein

LEM: Bob Riche

Coffee Hour: Hospitality Committee

Usher: Etta Lanuti

Lector: Wayne Barry

10:30 a.m.

Greeter: Marcia Brooks

LEM: Steve Hotchkiss

Nursery: Arline Arnold and Jackie Klamut

Coffee Hour: Hospitality Committee

Ushers: Tess Judge and Matt Witter

Lector: Kathi Neal

Godly Play: Jean Loudon

Facebook Hosts: Karen and Kenny Murrill

Vestry Person of the Day: Susan Smith
Flower Guild: Mary Moynahan
Counters: Susan Smith and Suzanne Utley

Welcoming Coordinator: Bob Baldwin
Altar Guild: Evelyne Ottavio and Sally Myers

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADULT BIBLE STUDY meets today after at 9:30 a.m.

GODLY PLAY meets today during the 10:30 a.m. service. Children join the service at the passing of the peace.

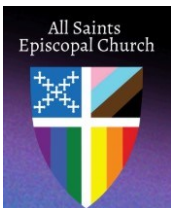
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR AFTER DARK CLASSES! It's time to sign up as an After Dark evening volunteer! A signup sheet is available in the Narthex.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: Is asking for volunteers for the following dates: 3/6 and 3/20. A sign-up booklet is provided in the Narthex.

ALL SAINTS BOOK CLUB: Next Meeting: **February 17th, 2025: 2pm in the Choir Room.** We will be reading *The God of the Woods* by Liz Moore. All are welcome! Please contact Colleen Sargent or Mary Moynahan for any questions.

Bulletin deadline is **Tuesday at noon.**

You belong here.



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