

ALL SAINTS,

EPISCOPAL
CHURCH



**THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER
COMMEMORATION OF THE FINDING
OF THE HOLY CROSS
MAY 3, 2026**

¶ Visitors are warmly welcomed to All Saints' Church. Those not familiar with our service will see that we use two books, the Book of Common Prayer, 1928, and the Hymnal. Hymn numbers are preceded by the symbol # and page numbers in The Book of Common Prayer are indicated by BCP.

HOLY COMMUNION

Prelude	<i>Deck Thyself, My Soul, With Gladness</i> <i>Schmuecke Dich, O Liebe Seele</i>	Brahms
Hymn #282	<i>Praise, My Soul, The King</i>	Lauda Anima
Collect for Purity		BCP 67
Summary of the Law		BCP 69
Kyrie eleison #710 Willan		BCP 70
The Collect for the Fourth Sunday after Easter		BCP 174

ALMIGHTY God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men; Grant unto thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Collect for the Finding of the Holy Cross

O GOD, who in the glorious Finding of thy saving Cross didst renew the wonders of thy Passion: grant that by the

ransom brought us by the Tree of Life, we may obtain election unto life eternal. Who with God the Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest, world without end. *Amen.*

The Epistle

St. James i.17.

BCP 174f

EVERY good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning. Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures. Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath: for the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God. Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.

Hymn #296

For The Beauty Of The Earth
(Sung to the Tune Dix #140)

Tune DIX

The Holy Gospel

St. John xvi. 5.

BCP 174f

JESUS said unto his disciples, Now I go my way to him that sent me; and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou? But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart. Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: of sin, because they believe not on me; of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged. I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

The Lord's Prayer	BCP 82
Agnus Dei #712	Willan
Prayer of Humble Access	BCP 82

Ecce Agnus Dei

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him that taketh away the sins of the world.

Answer: Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof; but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

Communion

¶ Any person Baptized in the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and who acknowledges the Presence of our Lord in this Holy Sacrament is welcome to come to the Altar Rail to receive Holy Communion.

¶ The Altar Guild kindly asks ladies to dab lipstick before receiving communion from the chalice.

Postcommunion Prayer	BCP 83
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Gloria in Excelsis #739 Old Scottish Chant	BCP 84
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The Dismissal

Priest: The Lord be with you.

Answer: And with thy spirit.

Priest: Depart in peace.

Answer: Thanks be to God.

The Blessing	BCP 84
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Hymn #479	<i>Love Divine, All Loves Excelling</i>	Hyfrydol
	First Tune	



*The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of Victoria Wolsfelt by Gerald Wolsfelt.*



Lay Reader
Claud Davis

Usher
Vann Middleton
Clayton Penhallegon

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ORDO KALENDAR

May 3 - May 16

4th SUNDAY AFTER EASTER |

Invention of the Holy Cross, May 3

10:30 AM | Holy Communion

5:00 PM | Evening Prayer

Monday, May 4

9:00 AM | Morning Prayer

4:30 PM | Evening Prayer

Tuesday, May 5

9:00 AM | Morning Prayer

4:30 PM | Evening Prayer

Wednesday, May 6 | St. John Before the Latin Gate

7:00 AM | Morning Prayer (Men's Group)

Noon | Litany

4:30 PM | Evening Prayer

Thursday, May 7

9:00 AM | Morning Prayer

4:30 PM | Evening Prayer

Friday, May 8

Abstinence

Saturday, May 9 | St. Gregory of Nazianzus, B.C.D.

5th SUNDAY AFTER EASTER, May 10

| Rogation Sunday

10:30 AM | Holy Communion

5:00 PM | Evening Prayer

Rogation Monday, May 11

9:00 AM | Morning Prayer

4:30 PM | Evening Prayer

Rogation Tuesday, May 12

9:00 AM | Morning Prayer

4:30 PM | Evening Prayer

Rogation Wednesday, May 13

7:00 AM | Morning Prayer (Men's Group)

Noon | Litany

Thursday, May 14 | Ascension of our Lord

Friday, May 15

Abstinence

Saturday, May 16

Notes

Weekday services are in St. David's Chapel. The lessons appointed for weekday Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer during the weeks following the fourth and fifth Sundays of Eastertide may be found on pages xxii - xxv of the Book of Common Prayer. Propers for the Holy Communion of the Ascension of our Lord may be found in the BCP on p. 238. The Prayer Book calls the Rogation Days "Days of Solemn Supplication." They have since ancient times been focused on asking God's blessing on agriculture, animal husbandry, and fishing. They are days on which the praying of The Litany (BCP p. 54) is especially appropriate. The abbreviations after the names of saints signify: B, bishop; C, confessor; and D, doctor (meaning teacher). The feasts of the Invention (finding) of the Holy Cross, and St. John Before the Latin Gate, are commemorations found in the Calendar of the English Prayer Book of 1662, the basis for the American Prayer Book of 1928. Fr. Brown will be traveling from May 13 until May 22, so there will be no weekday liturgies during that time.

GOING DEEPER

Questions for Personal Reflection, Prayer, and Discussion

- ❖ The martyrs of Lyons were “weird and subversive” precisely because they lived the Gospel without compromise—welcoming the marginalized, rejecting idolatry, and steadfastly confessing their faith even under torture. Does my Christian walk feel “weird” or counter-cultural today? Should it? How so? Where am I tempted to soften or hide that difference for the sake of fitting in?
- ❖ This year the Fourth Sunday of Easter falls on the feast of the Invention of the Holy Cross, commemorating St. Helena’s discovery of the Lord’s cross at Jerusalem, some three centuries after it had been buried and forgotten. In the same empire that would torture the martyrs of Lugdunum, that buried and forgotten cross would eventually become the sign of victory and salvation. As the martyrs embraced their own crosses with their simple and forthright confession of Christ, where in my own life is the Holy Spirit now inviting me to “invent” (discover) the power of Christ’s cross afresh—perhaps in a buried place of fear, cultural pressure, or unruly desire—so that my heart may be fixed where true joys are found even when following Christ still feels costly?
- ❖ In today’s collect we pray that God would securely “fix our hearts where true joys are to be found,” even amid “sundry and manifold changes.” Where have my own “unruly wills and affections” been pulled toward passing, worldly joys lately, and what practical step can I take this week to re-anchor my heart in the lasting joy promised by the risen Christ?
- ❖ Christian meekness is not weakness, and in our own time we must actively “want” to follow Jesus because the culture no longer does the heavy lifting for us. Looking honestly at my own heart, what is one concrete way I can ask God this week to order my unruly desires so that I desire what He commands and love what He promises—especially when it costs me something?

ANNOUNCEMENTS



We are excited to invite everyone to our first-ever children and youth musical performance at Body & Soul on May 20 at 5:30 PM. The musical is short, sweet, and sure to bring smiles! Please come out to support the children of All Saints' at our final Body & Soul gathering of the season. Doors open at 5:30 PM.

Register for Bible Arts Camp

Calling all kindergarten through fifth grade. Join us for four days of art projects, music, and fun. June 15-18, 2026. Go to www.AllSaintsThomasville.org > Calendar

Graduates & Choir Recognition

Do you have a graduate this year?

Please contact the church office so they can be recognized on Mother's Day - Sunday, May 10.

Outreach & Meal Ministry at Scott Senior Center

On **Monday, May 11**, All Saints' will serve lunch at the **Scott Senior Center**.

Can you help with any of the following?

- Kitchen prep at ASEC with John 9:00 - 10:30
- Activity with Seniors 10:30-11:30
- Plate & Serve Lunch 11:30 - 12:00
- Cleanup at ASEC 12:00 - 1:30

Email the office or contact Alston & John if you can help.

PRAYER LIST

“For those in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.”

Dr. Tom Reynolds	Tina Campbell	Kit Richards
Emmy Berger	Walta Martin Warren	Fr. Paul Hancock
Dr. John B. Reynolds	Mauren & Jimmy Hone	Stuart Jackson
Claire Buffkin	Jack Frazee	Buddy Walter
Rhealynn Mills	Pat Glenn	Jimmy Singletary
Andy Vann	Anne Ireland	Priscilla Tucker
Jerry Hawkins	Jinanne Parrish	Marion Compton
Lee Chubb	John Mirocha	Connie Clineman

Rest In Peace

Norman Berkowitz	Patti Cooper
Robert Hunter Parrish, Jr.	Michael Hone
Gladys Susan Thames	Marilyn Kemper
Paul Carpenter	Frank Scoggins
Otto Sauerbrey (father of Kim Bragg)	Tina Campbell
Edward Truman “Ted” Wright, Jr. (father of Dr. Ted Wright III)	
Karen East (sister of Sandy Walter)	
W. Ross Singletary (son of Carol Singletary)	

Request Form

Your Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Today's Date: _____

Prayer Request For

Your Name: _____

Category (check one):

- Illness/Recovery Expectant mother / pregnancy Newborn
 Active military service General Prayer Other: _____
 Death notice (remains on the list for 12 months)

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The Rev'd George Willcox Brown, III Rector

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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

MORNING EVENING
10:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m.
Holy Communion or Holy Communion or
Morning Prayer Evening Prayer

Holy Days as announced

Nursery Facilities are provided from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Sunday.

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