

ALL SAINTS'

EPISCOPAL
CHURCH





THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY SEPTEMBER 13, 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.

MORNING PRAYER

Prelude	<i>Praise be to you, Lord of all</i> (Cantabile Sacra Seventy-One)	Paul F . Page
Hymn #366	<i>All praise to thee</i>	ENGELBERG
Opening Sentences		BCP 3
Confession & Absolution		BCP 6-7
The Lord's Prayer		BCP 7
Versicles & Responses		BCP 7-8
The Venite Hymn #610		BCP 9
Psalm 49		BCP 400 <i>f</i>

YE see how large a letter I have written unto you with mine own hand. As many as desire to make a fair shew in the flesh, they constrain you to be circumcised; only lest they should suffer persecution for the cross of Christ. For neither they themselves who are circumcised keep the law; but desire to have you circumcised, that they may glory in your flesh. But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature. And as many as walk according to this rule, peace be on them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. From henceforth let no man trouble me: for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus. Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. *Amen.*

Benedictus es Hymn #626 Randall

BCP 11

The Second Lesson

St. Matthew 6.24

BCP 211

NO man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon. Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment? Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they? Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature? And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin: and yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to day is, and tomorrow is cast

into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? There fore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (for after all these things do the Gentiles seek;) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

Jubilate Deo Hymn #645 W. Russell BCP 15

The Apostles' Creed BCP 15

Suffrages BCP 16

The Collects BCP 210

KEEP, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy Church with thy perpetual mercy; and, because the frailty of man without thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Collects for Peace and Grace BCP 17

Intercessions

adapted from "The Priest's Companion" (1946) by G.A.C. Whatton.

SANCTIFY thy Church, O most loving Father, and take from her every offence and division, that there may be but one flock and one shepherd.

Pour out thy mercy upon the nations that know thee not, and enlighten their hearts to know and love thee. Bring to nought the counsels of the wicked, that they hinder not the coming of thy kingdom and the setting forward of thy glory.

Give to Frank our Bishop, to all bishops and ecclesiastical and religious orders, the love of thee, that so they may rightly carry out their various ministries.

Give to Donald our president, and to all kings, rulers, and magistrates wisdom faithfully to administer justice and to follow after truth.

To thy people give thy blessing; to the dying true contrition and love of thee; to all sinners pardon and amendment of life; to our enemies charity and love towards one another; to our friends, benefactors and relations, happiness; to this congregation all their spiritual and temporal wants.

Direct us and ours in such wise that thy worship may be set forward and maintained in this place.

And to the souls of the faithful departed, especially those most in need of prayers or for whom we are bound to pray, give rest eternal and the enjoyment of bliss.

Grant these our prayers, most merciful Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.
Amen.

General Thanksgiving	BCP 19
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The Grace	BCP 20
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Hymn #535	<i>Rise up, O men of God!</i>	FESTAL SONG
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The Sermon	Fr. Brown
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Offertory	<i>Seek first God's kingdom</i>
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*Seek first God's kingdom and his righteousness,
And all these things shall be given to you as well.*

Presentation of Alms:	<i>Old Hundredth</i>	Hymn #139
	<i>America (vs. 4)</i>	Hymn #141

The Blessing

Hymn #551

A mighty fortress is our God

EIN' FESTE BURG

Postlude

Triumphant Finale

THOMAS BLISS

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of
Mary Alice Victoria Chubb Wolsfelt
by Gerald Wolsfelt*



Lay Reader

Mary Lou Mirocha

Altar Guild

Kim Bragg

Lisa Penhallegon

Barbara Runyan

Tammy Wright

Usher

Vann Middleton

Raleigh Rollins

ORDO KALENDAR

September 13 - September 26

15th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Sept. 13

10:30 AM | Morning Prayer

5:00 PM | Holy Communion

Monday, Sept. 14

Exaltation of the Holy Cross

9:00 AM | Morning Prayer

4:30 PM | Evening Prayer

Tuesday, Sept. 15

9:00 AM | Morning Prayer

4:30 PM | Evening Prayer

Ember Wednesday, Sept. 16

St. Ninnian C.B.

Fast & Abstinence

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

Noon | The Litany

4:30 PM | Evening Prayer

Thursday, Sept. 17

St. Lambert M.B.

9:00 AM | Morning Prayer

4:30 PM | Evening Prayer

Ember Friday, Sept. 18

Fast & Abstinence

Ember Saturday, Sept. 19

St. Theodore C.B.

Fast & Abstinence

16th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Sept. 20

10:30 AM | Holy Communion

5:00 PM | Evening Prayer

Monday, Sept. 21

ST. MATTHEW, AP. EV.

9:00 AM | Morning Prayer

Noon | Holy Communion

4:30 PM | Evening Prayer

Tuesday, Sept. 22

9:00 AM | Morning Prayer

4:30 PM | Evening Prayer

Wednesday, Sept. 23

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

Noon | The Litany

4:30 PM | Evening Prayer

Thursday, Sept. 24

Our Lady of Walsingham

9:00 AM | Morning Prayer

4:30 PM | Evening Prayer

Friday, Sept. 25

Abstinence

Saturday, Sept. 26

St. Cyprian of Carthage M.B.

NOTES

- ✠ *Weekday services are in St. David's Chapel. ✠ The lessons appointed for weekday Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer for the weeks following the 15th and 16th Sundays after Trinity may be found on pages xxxiv - xxxv of the Book of Common Prayer. ✠ Office propers for St. Matthew are on (or near) p. xlv, and Holy Communion propers for St. Matthew are on p. 250f.*
- ✠ *The Ember Days, at the changing of the seasons, are days of fasting (meaning lowering of the quantity of one's food) and abstinence (meaning lowering of the quality of one's food, traditionally by not eating meat). ✠ The feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross commemorates the exhibition of the true cross at Jerusalem in 326 AD, after the dedication of the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. ✠ The initials after the names of saints signify: Ap., Apostle; Ev., evangelist; M, martyr; C, confessor; and B, bishop.*

GOING DEEPER

Questions for Personal Reflection & Prayer

Perpetual Mercy

The Collect asks God to keep his Church with his perpetual mercy, because the frailty of man without him cannot but fall. It's not a request for better habits dressed as grace. It's an admission that even a respectable Christian life, left to itself, tends to drift. Where have you placed efforts to manage your own security—career, calendar, competence—contrary to the Collect's simple plea for mercy we can't manufacture? Don't hurry to justify the gap with how busy your weeks tend to be. Pray the Collect slowly and attentively. Name one hurtful attachment that needs renouncing, and one profitable grace you need God to lead you toward.

A Fair Show in the Flesh

In the 1st Lesson, St. Paul calls out those who “desire to make a fair show in the flesh,” constraining others “lest they should suffer persecution for the cross of Christ,” that they may “glory in your flesh.” St. John Chrysostom and the Oxford Fathers understood this as any act that seeks credit while avoiding the Cross. It can be so easy to try to mould ourselves and our families into something that looks good, and at the same time to shrink from any discipleship that puts our comfort or our reputation at risk. What “fair show” are you most susceptible to? Where have you preferred polish or respectability over the crucifixion St. Paul commends as necessary? Name one place where a concern over your image has displaced a desire for communion with God through the Cross. Pray that God would forbid you from glorying in anything but the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Glory in the Cross

“God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.” The “world” here is not the soil under our feet; it's reputation, social position, security, wealth, influence. But St. Paul claims a double death: those things are dead to him, and he is dead to them. What still captures your heart that your baptism consigned to death—your title, net worth, social role, future? What would it mean for you to walk this week as one over whom God's mercy and peace truly rests in sovereignty? In prayer, thank God for your baptism. Ask Him for the grace to bear some small mark of Christ crucified, rather than another mark of your own success.

Two Masters

In the 2nd Lesson Jesus says, “No man can serve two masters.... Ye cannot serve God and Mammon.” For us Mammon is rarely an actual sack of money. It’s more like a well-managed life—the portfolio, the address, the school affiliation—it’s the unexamined presumption that such things will keep you, and that God’s mercy will not. St. Augustine warns of the tendency of our hearts to become thus divided: while professing to love and trust God, we remain entangled by our need for security. “Holding to the one, and despising the other” becomes practically inevitable. What master actually determines your hopes and fears this season? Where has “responsible provision” tempted you to despise God’s kingdom? Name that “second master” before the Lord as honestly as you can. Without dressing-up your divided loyalties as “just being prudent,” pray for singleness of heart and for the courage to loosen one unwholesome allegiance this week.

Consider the Lilies

Christ forbids anxious concern for our life and body. He points to the birds and the lilies, and commands, “Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness.” In a poem on this passage, John Keble saw in the lilies a secret that few find: “Live for to-day! to-morrow’s light / To-morrow’s cares shall bring to sight, / Go sleep like closing flowers at night, / And Heaven thy morn will bless.” Our anxieties can disguise themselves as virtues—planning, maximizing, not falling behind—until tomorrow’s tuition, or diagnosis, or market performance becomes the real liturgy of our heart. What anxiety for the “morrow” has usurped the place of God’s kingdom in your seeking? What would seeking the Kingdom look like at the altar, at the dinner table, in your family budget, in your rest or recreation? Spend one half hour this week really looking at the flowers or the birds. Ask the Father who clothes the grass and feeds his creatures to receive your worry, and resolve to surrender yourself to his sovereignty.

These reflection questions were produced with assistance from artificial intelligence; and insights from St. John Chrysostom’s Commentary on Galatians; St. Augustine’s Commentary on the Sermon on the Mount; and John Keble’s poem on Trinity XV in The Christian Year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lemonade & Cookies for a Cause

After worship on September 13 and 20, our children and youth will host a Lemonade & Cookies for a Cause fundraiser. Donations will benefit a charity chosen by the children and youth. Bring cash!

Candidates for Vestry

If you know someone who might make a good member of the vestry, please let a member of the nominating committee (Fr. Brown, Stuart Brunson, Roz Davis, Brad Jackson, Emeline Loughlin, or Kim Bragg) know. The vestry election will take place at the annual parish meeting, Sunday, November 8.

Body & Soul is Back

Each Wednesday at 5:30 PM, a presentation, talk, or activity occurs in the Parish Hall that nourishes our mind, spirit, and physical being.

Art & Soul for children/youth: Children will explore Scripture while expressing themselves through art. Some projects will be completed in a single evening, while others will unfold over several weeks. Our hope is that children learn to see creativity as a gift from God and a way to respond to the Creator.

If your child is in St. David's Choir:

Choir members are dropped off at the church before parents head to the Parish Hall for the evening's program. When rehearsal concludes at 6, ministry leaders escort choir members to the Kid's Corner of the Parish Hall to join Art & Soul.

Dinner is served at **6:30 p.m.** Stay and enjoy fellowship around the table, or grab a plate to go if your evening schedule is full.

9/16 | Tammie Murphy - Thomas County CARES -
intergenerational parish service outreach activity: packing
hygiene bags.

9/23 | Dr. Ellis presents: *A Healthy Heart: Cardiovascular Disease Prevention.*
Kid's Corner Art & Soul: Leaf Painting (John 3:16)

9/30 | Fr. Brown, The Suffering and Death of Jesus, Part 1.
Kid's Corner Art & Soul: Messy Paint with templates (Prov 3:5)

WELCOME TO ALL SAINTS'

We are delighted that you are with us today.

Whether you are visiting for the first time or worshipping with us regularly, we extend to you a warm and heartfelt welcome. If you have any questions or need assistance during your time with us, please do not hesitate to speak with one of our ushers, or with the priest after the service.

Restrooms are located through the door to the left of the pulpit. They may also be accessed by exiting through the church's front doors and entering through the garden-side entrance.

For Families with Children

Children are a valued part of our worshipping community and welcome in the church alongside their parents as they see, hear, and absorb the rhythms and teachings of the liturgy. Age-appropriate bulletins and Quiet Bags are available in the Narthex.

Nursery care and Children's Church are offered in the Parish Hall during 9:00-10:15 a.m. and 10:30-11:45 a.m., with activities, games, and crafts related to the day's lesson. Children may attend one or both sessions, join their parents in worship at 10:30 a.m., or remain in Children's Church throughout the morning.

Parents should pick up children from the Parish Hall following the service.

Fellowship Following the Service

Please join us on the bricks after worship for lemonade, cookies, conversation, and a children's art activity. We cherish these opportunities for fellowship and would be pleased to become better acquainted with you.

Stay Connected

To receive parish news, upcoming event information, and messages from the Rector, we invite you to subscribe to our weekly newsletter. Simply scan the QR code with your mobile device to stay informed about the life and ministry of All Saints'.

We are grateful that you have chosen to worship with us today and pray that you find a sense of belonging, peace, and hospitality within the All Saints' family.



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The Rt. Rev'd Frank Logue Bishop of Georgia
The Rev'd George Willcox Brown, III Rector

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SUNDAY SCHEDULE

MORNING

10:30 a.m.

Holy Communion or
Morning Prayer

EVENING

5:00 p.m.

Holy Communion or
Evening Prayer

Holy Days as announced

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

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