

Welcome to All Saints Lutheran Church

Our mission is...

"to bring people the good news of God's love in Jesus Christ."

5th Sunday in Lent

March 17th, 2024

9:00am † 11:00am



The nursery is open for care of children 6 months to 3 years old during the 9am service.
Busy Bags are available in the sanctuary for children attending service.

* (Denotes when congregation is invited to stand.)

(BOLD PRINT: ALL will respond.)

GATHERING

PRELUDE

SANCTUARY CHOIR (11AM)

CHRIST BE WITH ME

TEXT: FROM ST. PATRICK'S BREASTPLATE; MUSIC: P. KEVEREN, T. COTTRELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSION MINUTE

TEAM WORLD VISION

* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, (+) one God, who journeys with us these forty days, and sustains us with the gift of grace. **Amen.**

Let us make confession to God and one another.

Holy God, we confess to you our faults and failings.

Too often we neglect and do not trust your holy Word;

we take for ourselves instead of giving to others;

we spoil rather than steward your creation;

we cause hurt, though you call us to heal;

we choose fear over compassion.

Forgive us, renew us, and lead us,

as we seek to follow in your way of life. Amen.

Hear the good news: God so loved the world that God gave the only Son, so that all may receive life. This promise is for you! God embraces you with divine mercy, (+) forgives you in Christ's name, and revives you in the Spirit's power. **Amen.**

* ENTRANCE HYMN # 793

BE THOU MY VISION

**Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
naught be all else to me, save that thou art:
Thou my best thought by day and by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.**

**Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord.
Thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower,
raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.**

**Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and thou only, the first in my heart,
great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.**

**Light of my soul, after victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.**

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* PRAYER OF THE DAY
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray together.

O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THE WORD

LESSON
Word of God. Word of Life.
Thanks be to God!

JEREMIAH 31:31-34

* GOSPEL VERSE: HYMN # 177

LENTEN ACCLAMATION

REFRAIN: ALL, VERSE: CHOIR OR CANTOR

Glory to you, O Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

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* HOLY GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to John the 12th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel is read

JOHN 12:20-33

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON "YOUR LIFE AS A GRAIN OF WHEAT"

PASTOR DAN HOEGER

* HYMN OF THE DAY # 450

I BIND UNTO MYSELF TODAY

Vs. 1: CANTOR, Vs. 2, 3: ALL

Vs. 4: CANTOR, Vs. 5: ALL

*I bind unto myself today the strong name of the Trinity
by invocation of the same, the Three in One and One in Three.*

**I bind this day to me forever, by pow'r of faith, Christ's incarnation,
his baptism in the Jordan River, his cross of death for my salvation,
his bursting from the spiced tomb, his riding up the heav'nly way,
his coming at the day of doom, I bind unto myself today.**

**I bind unto myself today the virtues of the starlit heaven,
the glorious sun's life-giving ray, the whiteness of the moon at even,
the flashing of the lightning free, the whirling wind's tempestuous shocks,
the stable earth, the deep salt sea around the old eternal rocks.**

*Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me, Christ to comfort and restore me.
Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.*

**I bind unto myself the name, the strong name of the Trinity,
by invocation of the same, the Three in One and One in Three,
of whom all nature has creation, eternal Father, Spirit, Word.
Praise to the Lord of my salvation; salvation is of Christ the Lord.**

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RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (9AM)

FRONT OF HYMNAL, P. 234

* THE APOSTLES' CREED (11AM)

People of God, what do you believe?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Hear us, O God . . . (*sing*) **Your mercy is great.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

THE MEAL

OFFERING

SANCTUARY CHOIR (11AM)

CHRIST BE WITH ME

TEXT: FROM ST. PATRICK'S BREASTPLATE; MUSIC: P. KEVEREN, T. COTTRELL

* RESPONSE HYMN # 334

TREE OF LIFE

VERSES 1 & 2 & LENT 5

**Tree of Life and awesome mystery, in your death we are reborn,
Though you die in all of history, still you rise with every morn,
still you rise with every morn.**

**We remember truth once spoken, love passed on through act and word,
Every person lost and broken wears the body of our Lord,
wears the body of our Lord.**

**God of all our fear and sorrow, God who lives beyond our death,
Hold us close through each tomorrow, love as near as ev'ry breath,
love as near as ev'ry breath.**

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* OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, you are the bread of life and the host of this meal. Bless these gifts that we have gathered, that all people may know your goodness. Feed us not only with this holy food, but with hunger for compassion and peace. We pray this in your name. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread,
and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and eat; this is my body,
given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Again, after supper, he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: "This
cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

(sing) **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.**

Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth

as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread,

forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil,

for the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,

now and forever.

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SHARING BREAD AND WINE

LAMB OF GOD

FRONT OF HYMNAL, P. 135

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

HYMN # 502

THE KING OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS

The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never;

I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine forever.

**Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth
and, where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.**

**Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me,
and on his shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.**

**In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear Lord, beside me,
thy rod and staff my comfort still; thy cross before to guide me.**

**Thou spreadst a table in my sight; thine unction grace bestoweth;
and, oh, what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!**

And so, through all the length of days, thy goodness faileth never.

Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house forever.

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* TABLE BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

Generous God, at this table we have tasted your immeasurable grace. As grains of wheat are gathered into one bread, now make us one loaf to feed the world; in the name of Jesus Christ, the Bread of life. **Amen.**

THE SENDING

* BENEDICTION

Beloved, we are God's own people, holy, washed, renewed. God bless and keep you, shower you with mercy, fill you with courage, and (+) give you peace. **Amen.**

* SENDING HYMN: # 545

LORD, DISMISS US WITH YOUR BLESSING

**Lord, dismiss us with your blessing, fill our hearts with joy and peace;
let us each, your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.
Oh, refresh us; oh, refresh us, trav'ling through this wilderness.**

**Thanks we give and adoration for your gospel's joyful sound.
May the fruits of your salvation in our hearts and lives abound.
Ever faithful, ever faithful to your truth may we be found.**

**Savior, when your love shall call us from our struggling pilgrim way,
let no fear of death appall us, glad your summons to obey.
May we ever, may we ever reign with you in endless day .**

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* DISMISSAL

Go in peace, serve in love.
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

**ALTAR FLOWERS: BILL & EDDIE CHESTER
IN MEMORY OF MARILYN CHESTER, WIFE AND MOTHER**

**ETERNAL LIGHT: DON & NANCY EKSTROM
IN MEMORY OF RUSSELL EKSTROM**

**REMINDER-MARCH 31st
DEADLINE TO DIRECT
THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS**

**Thrivent Choice Dollars
can help All Saints**

Eligible Thrivent Financial members who have available Choice Dollars have until **March 31, 2024** to direct any remaining 2023 Choice Dollars.

Go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice to learn more or call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice."

**Mission Support
Relief Offering**

Sunday, March 24th

Benefits: I-HELP

**All Saints Budget
Through
February 29, 2024**

Income:	\$	157,576
Expenses:	\$	193,197
Deficit	\$	35,621



Order Your Easter Lily Today

Order forms are available in the church office.
The last day to order is Sunday March 24th.

Good Grief

Whether you are recently bereaved or experiencing the pain of long-standing grief, the Good Grief Support Group at All Saints is provided to give you the encouragement needed to help you move forward with your changed lives in a **safe place** where you can share your story, your struggles, your concerns and begin to heal at your own pace.

Our Fall session is scheduled as follows:

8 important weeks - Thursdays
April 4th through May 23rd, 2024

To register contact the church office...602.866.9191 and leave your name and telephone number

THERE IS NO COST TO PARTICIPANTS.



Holy Week Schedule

**Maundy Thursday: March 28th
6:30pm**

**Good Friday: March 29th
12:00pm and 6:30pm**

Easter Sunday: March 31st

Easter Blessing at the Columbarium at 6:45am
Worship at 7:00am, 9:00am, and 11:00am
Easter Egg Hunt at 10:30am



Lenten Services

**Wednesday
March 20**

Dinner at 6:00pm in
Fellowship Hall

Worship at 7:00pm
in the Sanctuary

All ages are welcome!

Members, Friends & Guests please sign the burgundy welcome pad and pass it to those sitting next to you. When all have signed please pass it back and welcome guests after worship.
First time guests please fill out a Welcome Card and place in the offering plate.

Online Giving Has A New Look!



Our online giving platform (Vanco) now has a new look! For questions call the office or email Shari Clark at sharic@allsaintsphoenix.org.

Sunday School, Confirmation, High School Hangout, & Adult Sunday School will not be meeting on March 24th or 31st.

Classes will resume on April 7th

MEET THE CALL COMMITTEE



A committee has been established to begin the process of calling a new pastor for intergenerational ministry. The members are:

Carrie Cumming-Roberts, Brandon Elholz, Dennis Haugan, Dan Hoeger, Karen McLaughlin, Katie Thatcher, and Bobbie Tomasek (Chair).

All Saints members will have opportunities in the next few weeks to talk with the call committee about what you are looking for in a new pastor.

Holy Communion Milestone Gathering

Monday, March 18th 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Conference Room Above The Church Office

Kids and their parents / caring adults attend together.

This class will discuss the history and meaning of the sacrament and prepare your children to receive Holy Communion.

Then on Thursday, March 28th at the 6:30pm Maundy Thursday Worship Service, all Communion Milestone class participants and their families are invited to receive Holy Communion together.

Please contact Donald Wade (dwade@allsaintsphoenix.org) if you are planning to attend.



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