THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1st 2023 AT 10:30am



HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II All Saints Episcopal Church 6301 Parkman Place Cincinnati If you are joining us for the first time, we are so glad you are with us today! Know that wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here.

We invite you to sign our guest book as you exit or fill out a visitor's card in the pew rack in front of you and return it to the offering plate. We'd love to stay connected with you and tell you about all of the wonderful offerings we have at All Saints Episcopal Church.

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ARTIST'S NOTE

"Thirsty we wander the desert, our exodus seems like a dream. In anguish we cry, as the rivers run dry, yet even from rock your water will stream. Hosanna." – David Bjorlin.

We hear these words from our first hymn, a text written by David Bjorlin, Assistant Professor of Worship at North Park Seminary in Chicago. This text is inspired by our reading today of Moses bringing forth water from the rock quenching the thirst of the Hebrews once enslaved in Egypt. This water is an essential resource for survival, the most basic of needs required for the Israelites to continue on their journey of God's work. The Hebrews were in a collective place of despair and stagnancy. Their anxiety and fear of scarcity dulled their once sharp faith. When we think about our spiritual journey, has our faith been dulled by the burdens of the world? What "water" do we need to quench our spiritual thirst? How can we lay down our anxieties and trust that God will provide? We often walk throughout life carrying the burden of "what may be" and create a culture of anxiety and stress to hold onto the systems and things that make us feel safe turning our eyes away from God's grace, presence, and abundance. Take faith in knowing God will provide.

Hebrews 11 defines faith as, "...the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible." We may not see the inner workings of God, but we can have faith that they are there. Let us now walk by faith and not by sight. Even as we traverse through hardship, God provides the resources necessary to do God's work our water from the rock. We only need trust in this and to know that we have come this far by our faith alone and God has not failed us yet.

"And now here is my secret, a very simple secret: It is only with the heart that one can see rightly; what is essential is invisible to the eye." — Antoine de Saint-Exupéry, The Little Prince The text of this morning's anthem was adapted from a poem written by a Jewish prisoner on a cellar wall in a WWII concentration camp.

> I believe in the sun even when it is not shining And I believe in love. even when there's no one there. And I believe in God. even when he is silent. I believe through any trial, there is always a way But sometimes in this suffering and hopeless despair My heart cries for shelter, to know someone's there But a voice rises within me, saying hold on my child, I'll give you strength, I'll give you hope. Just stay a little while. I believe in the sun even when it is not shining And I believe in love even when there's no one there But I believe in God even when he is silent I believe through any trial there is always a way. May there someday be sunshine May there someday be happiness May there someday be love May there someday be peace...." - Author Unknown

Trust in God and simply be. Then, all will be well.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Improvisation on ANN JACOB

OPENING HYMN



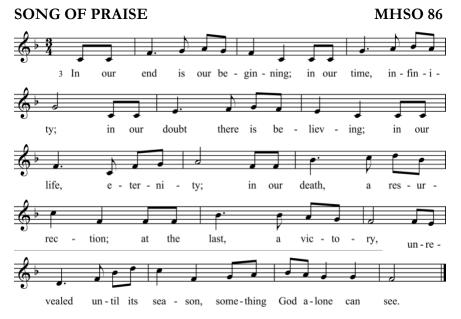
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OPENING ACCLAMATION

CelebrantBlessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.PeopleAnd blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.Amen.

THE 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.*



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

| Celebrant | The Lord be with you. |
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| People | And also with you. |
| Celebrant | Let us pray. |

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON

Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The LORD said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saving, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

| Reader | The Word of the Lord. |
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| People | Thanks be to God. |

THE PSALM

Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16

Pray responsively by whole verse

1 Hear my teaching, O my people; * incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
2 I will open my mouth in a parable; * I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.

3 That which we have heard and known, and what our forefathers have told us, * we will not hide from their children. 4 We will recount to generations to come the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the LORD, * and the wonderful works he has done.
12 He worked marvels in the sight of their forefathers, * in the land of Egypt, in the field of Zoan.
13 He split open the sea and let them pass through; * he made the waters stand up like walls.
14 He led them with a cloud by day, * and all the night through with a glow of fire.
15 He split the hard rocks in the wilderness * and gave them drink as from the great deep.
16 He brought streams out of the cliff, * and the waters gushed out like rivers.

THE SECOND LESSON

Philippians 2:1-13

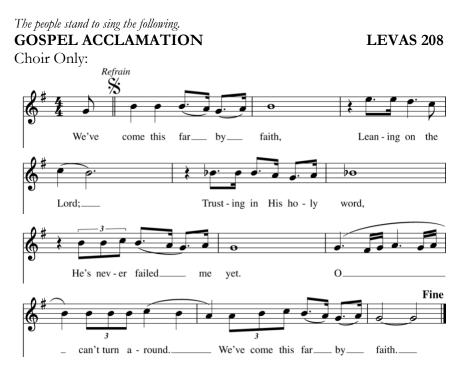
If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

> who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,
> but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.
> And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death-even death on a cross.
> Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name,

so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.



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GospellerThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according
to Matthew.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 21:23-32

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

| Gospeller | The Gospel of the Lord. |
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| <i>People</i> | <i>Praise to you, Lord Christ.</i> |
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THE SERMON

The Rev. Meredith Day Hearn

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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

Celebrant: Gracious God, you exercise your authority chiefly in showing love through your Son Jesus Christ: Enable us both to will and to work for your good pleasure, that we may serve and pray faithfully, as we say: We will recount to generations to come your praiseworthy deeds and your power, O God. Litanist: You have called the members of Christ's body to work out our own salvation with reverence and trembling: Encourage us in Christ with the consolation of your love, that we may share your Spirit of compassion. We will recount to generations to come *your praiseworthy deeds and your power, O God.*

Inspire our leaders and all who hold authority in the world to do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but to serve humanity with humility and grace. We will recount to generations to come *your praiseworthy deeds and your power, O God.*

Fill the world with your Spirit, that all people may serve one another with humble faithfulness. We will recount to generations to come *your praiseworthy deeds and your power, O God.* Be with our community that our actions and words may be consistent as we look generously to the interests of our neighbors and the health of our planet. We will recount to generations to come *your praiseworthy deeds and your power, O God.*

Make our joy complete by bringing your healing love to all for whom we pray, especially ____.

Accept our gratitude and thanksgiving for all that we enjoy, especially for ____.

Hear our prayers for those who have followed our savior Jesus through death into exaltation, especially ____.

We will recount to generations to come *your praiseworthy deeds* and your power, O God.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the people of Holy Trinity Oxford, St. Andrew's Pickerington, St. Jame's Piqua, Grace Pomeroy, All Saints Portsmouth, and Priests and Deacons Licensed to Officiate.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Nippon Sei Ko Kai.

Celebrant: Through the death and triumphant resurrection of your Son Jesus you have raised all humanity into your divine presence, O Holy One: Be at work in us that we may do your will on earth with joyful and obedient hearts, and share in the consolation of your Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Savior. *Amen.*

THE CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

THE PEACE

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

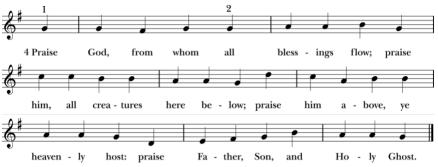
MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

Mark Miller

I Believe

Morgan Small, Rachel Feldman, Jackson Hearn, & Cole Stephenson

AT THE PRESENTATION



This hymn may be sung unaccompanied as a four-part canon at the distance of one measure.

Words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711). Music: The Eighth Tune, Thomas Tallis (1505?-1585); adapt. Hymnal 1982.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Eucharistic Prayer B

| Celebrant | The Lord be with you. |
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| 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. |

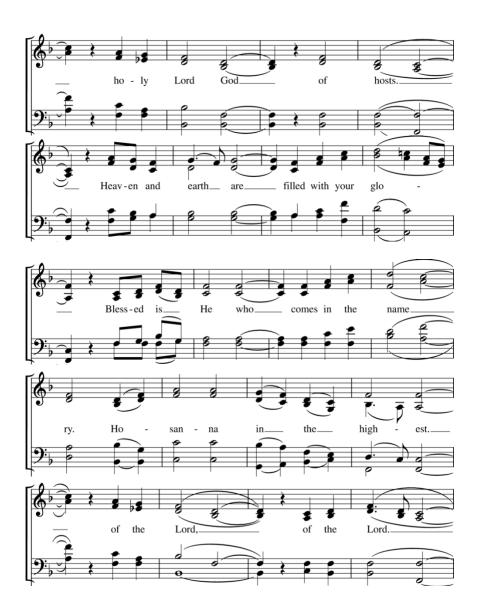
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore we praise you, joining our 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:

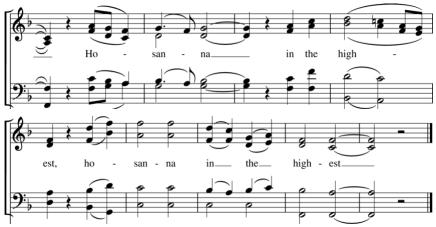
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We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in 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 the ever Blessed Virgin Mary 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,

People and Celebrant

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 HYMN



Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

A Note About Communion: All are Welcome.

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Eucharist. Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the priest. If you do not wish to receive the Sacrament, simply come forward and cross your arms over your chest so that the priest may give you a blessing.

COMMUNION HYMN

H 209 v.1, 3, & 4

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER Standing; said by all.

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

Life is short and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those we make the journey with. So be swift to love and make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. *Amen.*

HYMN AT THE CLOSE



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THE DISMISSAL

CelebrantGo in peace to love and serve the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God

Serving Today 10/1

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Meredith Day Hearn Musicians: Ethan Neal and All Saints Choir Readers: Ethan Neal and Dorothy Powell Server: Jackson Hearn Usher: Amanda Almaguer Altar Guild: Bonnie Spain and Sherrie O'Rear Communion Bread: Mary Taflinger Coffee Hour: Ron and Karen Murphy

Serving Next Week 10/8

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Mary Taflinger Musicians: Ethan Neal and All Saints Choir Readers: Jan Kennedy and Kathy Doane Server: Johnny Arguedas Usher: Tom Carter Altar Guild: Helen Prather Communion Bread: Kate Butler Coffee Hour: Erica and Cooper Bowen

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, OCT. 1ST

Rhythm in the Ridge Benefit Concert for Transform Cincy

Join us on **TODAY**, October 1st in the Parish Hall at All Saints for our first ever Rhythm in the Ridge Benefit Concert for Transform Cincy from 3-5pm. Transform is an amazing program that provides clothing for trans and gender nonconforming youth, as well as ongoing support groups and programming for youth and their families. JazzHappens will be there playing covers of your favorite jazz, swing, pop, broadway and blues tunes. Tickets are available for a \$10 suggested donation online and at the door. Bring your friends and your boogie shoes!

Stewardship 2024: We've Come This Far by Faith

One of the ways we show our gratitude each year to All Saints is by committing a portion of our financial resources to support this place and community that is so central to our lives. This week we launch our 2024 Stewardship Campaign: We've Come This Far by Faith. Be on the lookout in the coming days for your letter and pledge card in the mail. In the next month, each of us must decide how much of our resources we are being called to give to All Saints in the coming year. Lean into God for guidance as you make this decision. Each pledge, whatever the amount, makes a huge difference in the life of our church. We've come this far by faith— God's never failed us yet!

Save the Date: Community Dinner on 10/12 at 6pm

For many years, All Saints served our community with a free meal for the neighborhood once a month. In conjunction with Community Happens Here, we are exploring starting this ministry again on a quarterly basis. We will have our first dinner on Oct. 12th at 6pm in the Parish Hall. At 6:30pm, childcare will be available downstairs after the children eat so that parents can enjoy conversation with one another. Our program will conclude at 7:30pm.

Save the Date: Blessing of the Pets on 10/15 at 5:00pm

All are welcome Sunday, October 15th at 5:00pm for our Annual Blessing of the Pets in celebration of the Feast of St. Francis (the patron saint of animals). Come by the front lawn of the church and bring your furry friend for treats and a blessing by the priest. Dogs, cats, rabbits, iguanas, goldfish-- all are welcome! Treats from Argos Pet Supply will be provided. Be sure to invite a neighbor or a friend to this event!

Coffee Hour Help

We are in need of support for our Coffee Hour hospitality this fall. Please sign up on the parish's Sign Up genius page or email Meredith+ to get involved!

Ways to Give

All Saints has several ways to give in addition to cash or checks in the offering plate. You can donate via text by texting GIVE to 513-540-4633 or you can give by credit card by scanning the QR code below.



Parish Prayer List

Join us in praying for Danny Brown, Gary Slater, L.B., Marek Wojtasinski, Mary Kay Nagygyor, Allison Rosenberg, and Makayla Conder. If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please call the parish office or add the name to the list at the back of the church. Names remain on the list for 30 days unless requested otherwise.



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