ALL SAINTS Presbyterian Church

Fourth Sunday of Lent March 27, 2022

OUR LORD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM

† *Pastor*: Let us worship God! We are gathered in the name of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Let us give thanks to the Lord.

Congregation: We give thanks to the Lord.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Praise the LORD!

I will praise the LORD with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright and in the congregation.

The works of the LORD are great, studied by all who have pleasure in them.

His work is honorable and glorious, and His righteousness endures forever.

He has made His wonderful works to be remembered;

The LORD is gracious and full of compassion

Psalm 95:6-7

Lift up your hearts...

We lift them up to the Lord!

† COLLECT & LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts,
as we have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory forever,
Amen.

† Congregational Singing

O God Beyond All Praising—insert

OUR LORD CLEANSES US FROM OUR SIN

A Corporate Reading of Our Lord's Instruction

My loved ones and my friends stand aloof from my plague; and my kinsmen stand afar off.

Those who seek my life lay snares for me; and those who seek to injure me have threatened destruction, and they devise treachery all day long.

But I, like a deaf man, do not hear; and I am like a mute man who does not open his mouth.

Yes, I am like a man who does not hear; and I am like a mute man who does not open his mouth.

For I hope in You, O LORD; You will answer, O Lord my God.

For I said, "May they not rejoice over me, who, when my foot slips, would magnify themselves against me."

For I am ready to fall, and my sorrow is continually before me.

For I confess my iniquity; I am full of anxiety because of my sin.

But my enemies are vigorous and strong, and many are those who hate me wrongfully.

And those who repay evil for good, they oppose me, because I follow what is good.

Do not forsake me, O LORD; O my God, do not be far from me!

Make haste to help me, O Lord, my salvation.

Psalm 38:11-22

AN INVITATION TO CONFESS OUR SINS

‡ CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

We Confess Our Sins, Together & Individually

Heavenly Father, because we have sinned in many ways, we seek Your pardon. Forgive us for being slow to confess our sins. Forgive us our pride which readily seeks out reasons why our sins are acceptable. Forgive us for our pride which readily condemns the sins we see in others; including our family and closest neighbors. Forgive us for the pride we take in our own words, and for leaning on our own understanding; and forgive us for not relying on Your Word and seeking Your wisdom. Hear us and be merciful. According to Your great love, pardon us and grant us renewal by Your Holy Spirit. Continue in Your patience as we continue in prayer, confessing these sins...

[we pause in prayer, and then conclude together...]

O Lord, we give You thanks for Your kindness and abundant pardon; provided through Your Son who has died for us, taking the penalty which was our due, and You have received us in Him. Now grant, most merciful Lord, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, and this to the glory of Thy holy name. Amen.

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: Create In Me a Clean Heart, O God—415

† ABSOLUTION: Our Assurance of Forgiveness is declared "In the Name of God the Father, Son, & Holy Spirit" "Thanks be to God!"

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: Before Thee Let My Cry Come Near [Psalm 119:169-176]—158



THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

We join together praying for the church, one another, and the world

OUR LORD TEACHES US FROM HIS WORD

Scripture Lesson from the Old Testament

Exodus 22:1-9

Scripture Lesson from the New Testament Acts 17:22-34

"This is the Word of the Lord"

"Thanks be to God!"

† Gospel Lesson—Luke 3:1-14

"This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ"
"Praise be to Christ!"

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: Gloria Patri—436

Sermon Text

Joshua 7

Sermon

Your Desires Could Destroy You Pastor Steve Jeffery

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!—259

IN GRATEFUL RESPONSE

We Present the Lord's Tithes & Our Offerings

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: The Doxology

As the offering is brought forward, we lift our hearts, hands, and voices in thankful praise...

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication

OUR LORD INVITES US TO HIS TABLE

Let us Confess our Faith—The Love of God Displayed in Christ Jesus
1 John 3:1; Romans 5:8; Ephesians 1:3-7

† *Pastor:* Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God!

God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places,

Even as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before Him.

In love, He predestined us for adoption to Himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of His will, to the praise of His glorious grace...

In Him, we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

We commune with the Lord & with one another

The Lord's Supper should not be observed in individual homes.

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: For All the Saints—280-281

OUR LORD COMMISSIONS US

Prayers for & Blessing of the Children

† Benediction & Singing

Lead On, O King Eternal [KINGS LYNN], verse 3

Lead on, O King eternal:
We follow not with fears,
For gladness breaks like morning
Where're Thy face appears:
Thy cross is lifted o'er us;
We journey in its light;
The crown awaits the conquest;
Lead on, O God of might.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

TODAY

BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN —It is our tradition to offer a special blessing and prayer for the children of our congregation on the last Sunday of each month. Toward the end of our service, children up to the age of 12 or so are invited to come forward for this special time.

FORUM — After worship today, you are invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall for some coffee, fellowship, and Q&A. During this time, Pastors Jeffery and Niell will lead an informal Q&A time giving an opportunity for further discussion about the service and sermon. We'll finish at 1:30 p.m. with some quick clean-up.

THIS WEEK

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY – FELLOWSHIP HALL at 7:00 pm. Pursuing Maturity in Christ.

The Fellowship Hall will open at 6:30 (feel free to bring your dinner if you'd like). The study will start promptly at 7:00 pm and end around 8:15 pm with some fellowship and light clean-up. Join us!

NEXT WEEK

PARENTING DISCUSSION - MEMORIAL ROOM after worship on Sunday, April 3rd.

Participants should have received information about timings and other details. Please contact Nicole Jeffery with any questions.

PROSPECTIVE NEW MEMBERS GATHERING - PARLOR on Monday, April 4th at 7:00 pm.

All those interested in becoming members at All Saints are invited to this meeting. If you are interested in attending, please email Mrs. Lokey at kim@allsaintskirk.com.



SUMMER SANCTUS 15

JUNE 13-16 at Timberline Baptist Camp & Conference Center in Lindale, TX

Plan now to join us for this camp geared to students ages 13-18 at our new location! Online registration is now open and filling up fast! Reserve your spot today at: www.summersanctus.org

Upcoming dates of note...

- Palm Sunday April 10
- Maundy Thursday (Supper & Service) April 14
- Good Friday Service April 15
- Easter Feast April 17



The season of Lent is a forty-day period beginning with Ash Wednesday (7 Wednesdays before Easter), and concludes with Easter Sunday. Lent is commonly observed as a season of repentance and reflection, usually marked by renewed discipline and devotion to the Savior, and always anticipating the joyful celebration of the resurrection; Jesus' victory over death. The forty days of Lent do not include the Sundays because Sundays always commemorate the resurrection. During Lent, some Churches follow a tradition of reading from the so-called "seven penitential Psalms" (Psalm 6; 32; 38; 51; 102; 130; 143). The final week of Lent includes Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday. The color for Lent is purple.

If you have been attending All Saints and are in the process of becoming a member and would like to be added to our email list to receive updates and news about upcoming events, please email admin@allsaintskirk.com

The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper is observed every Lord's Day at All Saints, and we warmly invite to the Lord's Table all who are baptized disciples of the Lord Jesus, under the authority of Christ and His body, the Church, and this includes covenant children. By eating the bread and drinking the wine with us, you are acknowledging that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation. You also acknowledge to the overseers of this congregation that you are in covenant with God, being an active member of a congregation which belongs to the Triune God and is marked by the Word and sacraments. If you have any questions about your participation, please speak to one of the elders before or after the service.

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O God Beyond All Praising



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Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

Psalm 51:10-12

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Gloria Patri



Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!





