ALL SAINTS Presbyterian Church

First Sunday of Lent February 26, 2023

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.



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

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing—insert

OUR LORD CLEANSES US FROM OUR SIN

A Corporate Reading of Our Lord's Instruction

You have dealt well with Your servant, O LORD, according to Your word.

Teach me good discernment and knowledge, for I believe in Your commandments.

Before I was afflicted I went astray, but now I keep Your word.

You are good and do good; teach me Your statutes.

The arrogant have forged a lie against me; with all my heart I will observe Your precepts.

Their heart is covered with fat, but I delight in Your law.

It is good for me that I was afflicted, that I may learn Your statutes.

The law of Your mouth is better to me than thousands of gold and silver pieces.

Psalm 119:65-72

AN INVITATION TO CONFESS OUR SINS:

‡ CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

We Confess Our Sins, Together & Individually

Heavenly Father, grant us Your forgiving grace through Jesus, our only hope and Savior. We confess our sin of making unrighteous judgments; that we have been harsh with others, often quick to assume the worst, and failed to leave room for Your grace and timing. Forgive us, dear Lord, for any discord we have sown among the congregation. Forgive us for not seeking Your wisdom which is pure and peaceable, willing to yield, full of mercy, good fruits, and without hypocrisy. In Your mercy, forgive us; by Your Spirit, guide us; in Your love, restore us; in Your kindness, hear and forgive, as we now continue in prayer, confessing our 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: I Waited for the LORD [Psalm 40]—74



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 35:20-35

Scripture Lesson from the Epistles

Galatians 4:1-7

"This is the Word of the Lord"
"Thanks be to God!"

† Gospel Lesson—Luke 11:29-36

"This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ"

"Praise be to Christ!"

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: Gloria Patri—436

Sermon Text

Joshua 24:25-33

Sermon

Hope for Your Future

Pastor Steve Jeffery

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross—267

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: O God of Earth and Altar—369

OUR LORD COMMISSIONS US

Prayer for and 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're us;
We journey in its light;
The crown awaits the conquest;
Lead on, O God of might.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

TODAY

Prayer for & Blessing of the Children – Just before the end of the service today, we will invite the children (about 12 and younger) forward for a special time of prayer, encouragement, and blessing.

Forum – After worship today, you are welcome to join us in the Fellowship Hall where Pastor Jeffery will lead an informal time of fellowship and Q & A regarding our church, the service, and/or the sermon. Coffee will be available. We'll finish no later than 1:30 p.m. with some quick cleanup.

THIS WEEK

Wednesday Bible Study – Fellowship Hall 7:00 p.m. – Pastor Jeffery will continue our Bible study series in the book of Ecclesiastes. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. (bring your own food and drink if you wish); study starts promptly at 7:00 p.m. and will end around 8:15 with fellowship and clean up done by 8:30 p.m.





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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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Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Public Domain



Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

Psalm 51:10-12

From a melody by J. A. Freylinghausen, 1704 adapted, Harold W. Gilbert





Gloria Patri



When I Survey the Wondrous Cross



