ALL SAINTS Presbyterian Church

Fourth Sunday of Easter April 30, 2023

OUR LORD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM

Membership of The Shaw Family

† 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.

This is the day the Lord has made.

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

We confess that Jesus is the resurrection and the life.

Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains alone.

But if it dies, it produces much grain.

All those who are in Adam will die; and those who are in Christ shall be made alive.

He is risen.

He is risen, indeed!



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

From Heav'n O Praise the LORD [Psalm 148]—192

OUR LORD CLEANSES US FROM OUR SIN

A Corporate Reading of Our Lord's Instruction

Your testimonies are wonderful; therefore my soul observes them.

The unfolding of Your words gives light; it gives understanding to the simple.

I opened my mouth wide and panted, for I longed for Your commandments.

Turn to me and be gracious to me, after Your manner with those who love Your name.

Establish my footsteps in Your word, and do not let any iniquity have dominion over me.

Redeem me from the oppression of man, that I may keep Your precepts.

Make Your face shine upon Your servant, and teach me Your statutes.

My eyes shed streams of water, because they do not keep Your law.

Psalm 119:129-136



AN INVITATION TO CONFESS OUR SINS:

‡ CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

We Confess Our Sins, Together & Individually

Heavenly Father, we are in need of Your mercy and abundant pardon. We come to You through Jesus because our sins are great, and because Your mercies are sure. As Your children, we act contrary to Your Name when we are quick to anger and slow to reconcile with one another. This is contrary to the grace we have received, and this is contrary to the love we are to demonstrate. You are a jealous God, and Your Spirit is jealous as well. Grant us zeal for being right with You and with one another. Forgive us for being quick to seek our honor. Forgive us for holding grudges and refusing to forbear with others. By Your Holy Spirit, convict us of our sins and renew us in Your ways. We pause now to confess those sins which have caused strife and discord. Hear and forgive, as we confess 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: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross—267



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 38:21-31

Scripture Lesson from the Epistles

1 Thessalonians 3:1-13

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

† Gospel Lesson—Luke 12:22-34

"This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ"

"Praise be to Christ!"

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: Gloria Patri—436

Sermon Text

2 Thessalonians 2:13-17

Sermon
Christian Sanity in a World Gone Mad
Pastor Steve Jeffery

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: Crown Him with Many Crowns—293

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

† At the Lord's Table we proclaim Christ's death until He comes again.

We come to this Table as disciples of Jesus Christ, and because of the love of God.

God demonstrated His own love toward us in that while we were yet sinners, **Christ died for us.**

Our Lord made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf

That we might become the righteousness of God in Him

All the promises of God are "Yes and Amen" in Christ Jesus.

He is the One who lived, and died, and rose again.

We were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father,

Even so we also should walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death,

Certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection.

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: Rejoice, the Lord Is King—326

OUR LORD COMMISSIONS US

Prayer for & Blessing of the Children

† Benediction & Singing

Now Let the Vault of Heaven Resound, verse 4—272-273

Adoring praises now we bring
And with the heav'nly blessed sing,
"Christ hath triumphed,
Alleluia!"

Be to the Father, and our Lord, To Spirit blest, most holy God, Thine the glory never ending! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

TODAY.

New members – The Shaw Family will be presented for membership at the beginning of our service 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.

Church Growth Strategy Meeting – Fellowship Hall 1:00 to 1:30 – This will be an opportunity to hear plans for accommodating our numerical growth as a church. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Please note: All overflow seating is now in the Fellowship Hall.

THIS WEEK

Wednesday Bible Study – Fellowship Hall 7:00 p.m. – Pastor Jeffery will continue our Bible Study series titled Exploring Eschatology. 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.





If you're visiting All Saints and would like to get to know us better or receive news and updates, please fill in the online form at allsaintskirk.com/visitors, or scan code.

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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From Heav'n O Praise the LORD

Psalm 148



Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

Psalm 51:10-12

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



When I Survey the Wondrous Cross



Gloria Patri



Crown Him with Many Crowns



Rejoice, the Lord Is King

