

ALL SAINTS Presbyterian Church

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
August 13, 2023

OUR LORD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM

Membership of the Bradford family
Baptisms of Charlotte Leigh and Otto William Bradford

† *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.

Make a joyful shout to the LORD, all you lands! Serve the LORD with gladness; come before His presence with singing. Know that the LORD, He is God;

It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; we are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His name.

For the LORD is good; His mercy is everlasting, and His truth endures to all generations.

Psalm 100

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**

All Creatures of Our God and King—288-289

OUR LORD CLEANSSES US FROM OUR SIN

A Corporate Reading of Our Lord's Instruction

"Many times they have persecuted me from my youth up," let Israel now say,

"Many times they have persecuted me from my youth up; yet they have not prevailed against me. The plowers plowed upon my back; they lengthened their furrows."

The LORD is righteous; He has cut in two the cords of the wicked.

May all who hate Zion be put to shame and turned backward; let them be like grass upon the housetops, which withers before it grows up;

With which the reaper does not fill his hand, or the binder of sheaves his bosom; nor do those who pass by say, the blessing of the LORD be upon you; we bless you in the name of the LORD.

Psalm 129

AN INVITATION TO CONFESS
OUR SINS:

† The congregation is invited to stand

‡ CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER
We Confess Our Sins, Together & Individually

Heavenly Father, we are in need of Your mercy and 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—the Name we bear—when we are quick to anger and slow to reconcile with one another. You are jealous for Your Name, 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 own 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. 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: *My Soul, Now Bless Thy Maker* [Psalm 103]—142-143



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
Esther 4

Scripture Lesson from
the Epistles
1 Corinthians 1:26-31

“This is the Word of the Lord”
“Thanks be to God!”

† Gospel Lesson—Luke 16:10-18

“This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ”
“Praise be to Christ!”

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: *Gloria Patri*—436

Sermon Text
Acts 1:6-11

Sermon
King of All Nations
Pastor Steve Jeffery

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word*—368

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

2 Timothy 2:19; 1 Corinthians 5:7-8

† *Pastor*: Christians, we confess this as true,

“The solid foundation of God stands, having this seal:

“**The Lord knows those who are His,**” and,

“**Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity.**”

For Christ our Passover was sacrificed for us.

**Let us keep the feast, not with the leaven of malice and wickedness,
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.**

The gifts of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God!

Lift up your hearts,

We lift them up to the Lord!

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

† Benediction & Singing

Bind unto Myself Today (St. Patrick's Breastplate)— 351-352 (verses 8 & 9)

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 hath creation;
Eternal Father, Spirit, Word:
Praise to the Lord of my salvation,
Salvation is of Christ the Lord

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

TODAY

New members—The Bradford family will be presented for membership just prior to our service.

Baptism—Charlotte Leigh and Otto William Bradford will be baptized at the beginning of our service.

Baptism Reception—A reception will be held in the Fellowship Hall after our service. All are welcome.

Please note: Overflow seating is in the Fellowship Hall. The Parlor has been converted to our nursery with many comfortable rockers available for nursing mothers and is reserved for ladies only.

THIS WEEK

Wednesday Night Bible Study—There will be no Wednesday Night Bible Study this week, as Pastor Jeffery is away. We'll resume our regular Bible Study schedule next week on Wednesday, August 23rd.

NEXT SUNDAY

Baptism and Reception—Calvin Phineas Douglas will be baptized at the beginning of our service next week. A reception will be held in the Fellowship Hall after our service

PLEASE NOTE:

Deacon Nominations—Sunday, August 6th through Sunday, September 10th—As you prayerfully consider nominating someone, please meditate on the biblical qualifications found in 1 Timothy 3. Please also consider Pastor Jeffery's recent teaching on diaconal ministry found on our website. Once you have gained the consent of someone you wish to nominate, you may email the Session at session@allsaintskirk.com

Ladies Fellowship Brunch—Saturday, August 26, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.—If you haven't received details by email and would like to come, please contact Nicole Jeffery at nicole.jeffery@gmail.com

The Congregation Stands and Speaks to the Children

"Little children, for you, Jesus Christ has come, He has fought, He has suffered. For you He entered into the shadows of Gethsemane and the terror of Calvary; for you He uttered the cry, 'It is finished.' For you He rose from the dead and ascended into heaven, and there for you He intercedes. For you, little children, even though you do not yet know it, this is one way the Word of the Gospel is made true for you and each of us: 'We love Him because He first loved us.'"

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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All Creatures of Our God and King

LASST UNS ERFREUEN (8 8. 4 4. 8 8. 3 3 and Alleluias)
Geistliche Kirchengesänge, Köln, 1623
 harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

St. Francis of Assisi, c. 1225
 tr. William H. Draper, 1926

Unison

1. All crea - tures of our God and King, Lift
 2. Thou rush - ing wind that art so strong, Ye
 3. *Thou flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, Make*
 4. And all ye men of ten - der heart, For -
 5. Let all things their Cre - a - tor bless, And

Harmony

up your voice and with us sing Al - le - lu - ia,
 clouds that sail in heaven a - long, O - - - - - praise Him,
mu - sic for thy Lord to bear, Al - le - lu - ia,
 giv - ing oth - ers, take your part, O - - - - - sing ye,
 wor - ship Him in hum - ble - ness, O - - - - - praise Him,

Unison

al - le - lu - ia! Thou burn - ing sun with gold - en
 al - le - lu - ia! Thou ris - ing morn, in praise re -
al - le - lu - ia! Thou fire so mas - ter - ful and
 al - le - lu - ia! Ye who long pain and sor - row
 al - le - lu - ia! Praise, praise the Fa - ther, praise the

ADORATION

beam, Thou sil - ver moon with soft - er gleam:
 joice, Ye lights of eve - ning, find a voice:
bright, That giv - est man both warmth and light:
 bear, Praise God and on Him cast your care:
 Son, And praise the Spir - it, Three in One:

Harmony

O praise Him, O praise Him, Al - le -

Unison

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

Psalm 51:10-12

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

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of five systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God: and re - new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Thy pres - ence: and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion: and up - hold me with Thy free Spir - it."

Gloria Patri

GLORIA PATRI (Irreg.)
Charles Meineke, 1844

2nd century

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the

The first system of musical notation for 'Gloria Patri' consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. It contains a melody of eighth and quarter notes. The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature, providing a harmonic accompaniment of chords and single notes.

Ho - ly Ghost; As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er

The second system of musical notation continues the piece. It features two staves in the same key signature and time signature. The melody in the upper staff includes a dotted quarter note and eighth notes. The bass staff continues the accompaniment with chords and moving lines.

shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

The third and final system of musical notation concludes the piece. It consists of two staves in the same key signature and time signature. The melody in the upper staff ends with a final cadence. The bass staff provides the final accompaniment.

SUPPLICATION

Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word

ERHALT UNS, HERR (L.M.)
Joseph Klug's *Geistliche Lieder*, Wittenberg, 1543

Martin Luther, 1541
tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1863

1. Lord, keep us stead - fast in Thy Word; Curb those who fain by
2. Lord Je - sus Christ, Thy pow'r make known, For Thou art Lord of
3. O Com - fort - er of price - less worth, Send peace and u - ni -

craft and sword Would wrest the king - dom from Thy
lords a - lone; De - fend Thy Chris - ten - dom that
ty on earth. Sup - port us in our fi - nal

Son And set at naught all He hath done.
we May ev - er - more sing praise to Thee.
strife And lead us out of death to life.

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE (10 10. 10 4)
Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

William Walsham How, 1864

Unison

1. For all the saints who from their labors rest, Who
 2. Thou wast their Rock, their For - tress, and their Might; _____
 3. O may Thy sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold, _____
 7. But lo! there breaks a yet more glo - rious day; The
 8. From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, Through

Thou _____ by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, Thy
 Thou, Lord, their Cap - tain in the well - fought fight; _____
Fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old, And
 saints _____ tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray: The
 gates _____ of pearl streams in the count - less host, _____

(small notes st. 2 & 8)

Name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blessed.
 Thou, in the dark - ness drear, their one true Light.
win with them the vic - tor's crown of gold.
 King of glo - ry pass - es on His way.
 Sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:

ALL SAINTS

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

Harmony

4. O blest com-mun-ion! fel - low-ship di-vine! We fee - bly strug-gle,
 5. And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long, Steals on the ear the
 6. The gold - en eve - ning bright - ens in the west; Soon, soon to faith - ful

(small notes st. 6)

they in glo - ry shine; Yet all are one in Thee, for all are
 dis - tant tri - umph song, And hearts are brave a - gain, and arms are
 war - riors comes their rest:— Sweet is the calm of Par - a - dise the

Thine.
 strong.
 blessed.

Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!