# ALL SAINTS Presbyterian Church

Sixth Sunday of Easter May 5, 2024

# † CALL TO WORSHIP

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.

## 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.

We will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples;

## We will sing praises to you among the nations!

For your steadfast love is great to the heavens,

Your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens!

Let your glory be over all the earth!

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Allelujah!

Psalm 57:9-11



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:

At the Name of Jesus—294

#### CORPORATE READING OF GOD'S WORD

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life.

And this is the confidence that we have toward him, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us.

And if we know that he hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests that we have asked of him.

If anyone sees his brother committing a sin not leading to death, he shall ask, and God will give him life—to those who commit sins that do not lead to death.

There is sin that leads to death; I do not say that one should pray for that.

All wrongdoing is sin, but there is sin that does not lead to death.

1 John 5:13-17

#### **‡** CONFESSION OF SIN

Most holy and merciful Father, we confess before you our sinful nature and our many offenses. We are prone to do evil and slow to do good. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your way, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Lord, we are ashamed and sorry for all the ways that we have displeased you. Father, teach us to hate our rebellious acts, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of your Son. Hear us now as we continue in silent prayer, confessing our sins to you.

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

Gracious Father, help us to love you with all our heart and mind and strength, and give us the power of your Holy Spirit so that we may walk in your ways and serve you all of our days. 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: Be Not Far Off, for Grief Is Near [Psalm 22]—31



# PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

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

Scripture Lesson from the Old Testament

Genesis 25:1-18

Scripture Lesson from the Epistles

1 Corinthians 15:35-49

"This is the Word of the Lord"

"Thanks be to God!"

† Gospel Lesson—Luke 24:13-35
"This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ"
"Praise be to Christ!"

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: Gloria Patri—436

† Sermon Text Acts 8:26-40

#### Sermon

Rediscovering Evangelism
Pastor Steve Jeffery

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: My Soul, Now Bless Thy Maker [Psalm 103]—142

# In Grateful Response We Present the Lord's Tithes & Our Offerings

# † CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: The Doxology

† Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication



† CONFESSION OF FAITH: The Nicene Creed

Let us declare our faith in God.

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, was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who spoke 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 LORD'S SUPPER

We commune with the Lord & with one another

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

† CONGREGATIONAL SINGING: God of Vengeance, O Jehovah [Psalm 94]—124

† BENEDICTION AND SINGING

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.

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

## **TODAY**

New Members & Baptisms—Prior to worship the Alkhayer & Dealy families will be presented for membership. Maggie Marie, Lilly Jean, & Jude Zakaria Alkhayer, as well as Ruby Lou Dealy will be baptized.

**Baptism Reception**—Please join us in the Fellowship Hall after our service.

#### **THIS WEEK**

#### Midweek at All Saints

Join us in the Fellowship Hall Wednesday evening for a meal, a time of singing, and Bible study. Please refer to the email sign-up to RSVP for dinner. Contact Pastor Shaw with any questions.

5:30 - 6:15 p.m.—Dinner provided by the church

6:15 - 7:00 p.m.—Understanding the Psalms

7:00 - 7:45 p.m.—Hymn Sing

NOTE: We will be taking a summer break from Midweek following this week.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**May 18—Pentecost Celebration**—Please RSVP this week for this festive celebration with members of Christ Covenant Granbury!

May 26—Men's Discipleship Breakfast—8:30 to 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall—Open to all men, young and old. Come for 90 minutes of great fellowship, food, teaching, and encouragement. More details to follow via email signup. An email invitation will be forthcoming soon.

**June 10-13—Summer Sanctus XVII**—For campers ages 13-18. Held at Timberline Baptist Camp and Conference Center in Lindale, TX. **Camp is now full. Sign up for waitlist** at www.summersanctus.org. Please direct any questions to Pastor Jeff Niell: hello@summersanctus.org.

Opportunity to Serve—Set up and clean up for baptism receptions. If you would like to serve our church in this way, please contact Pastor Shaw.

# 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, this word is true: "We love Him because He first loved us."

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