

All Saints Episcopal Church



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The Right Rev. Sarah K. Fisher, Bishop

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The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 6th, 2026

8:30 & 10:30 AM

Rooted in compassion and enlivened by the Spirit, we are an inclusive and affirming parish of the Episcopal Diocese of East Carolina. We joyfully welcome the full diversity of all God's people—without exception—to worship, to belong, to serve, and to bear witness to love's power to heal and transform.

Whether you're a longtime member, a seasonal visitor, or here for the first time, we're glad to have you with us today. We pray that you experience the presence of the Holy Spirit in a way that feeds and sustains your soul.

Near the entry to the church, you'll find a selection of books and activity bags that children can use throughout the service. We joyfully welcome children into our services as full members of the Body of Christ. Their presence is a reminder of the vitality, curiosity, and spontaneity that enrich our faith community. Children teach us to approach God with wonder and trust, and their activity reminds us that worship is not about perfection, but about embodiment, participation, and connection. We celebrate their voices, questions, and energy as signs of life and growth, believing they bring us closer to the heart of Jesus, who welcomed children with open arms.

THE WORD OF GOD

Please enter the church in sacred silence, allowing others to pray and prepare for worship

Welcome

Prelude

***Processional Hymn** *Joyful, joyful, we adore thee* **Hymnal 376**
HYMN TO JOY

*Opening Acclamation

Celebrant † Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People *And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.*

*Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

*Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

The people sit

Collect for the search of an Organist/Director of Music

Almighty God, giver of every good gift, lead us as we seek a faithful servant to share in the ministry of music in this parish. Grant wisdom and patience to those entrusted with the search, awaken the heart of the person whom you are calling to serve among us, and prepare us to receive one another with generosity and joy; that our worship may be enriched, your people strengthened, and your Name glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

The people sit

A Reading from The Book of Exodus

Exodus 12: 1-14

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live:

when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 149

Cantate Domino

¹ Hallelujah!

Sing to the LORD a new song; *
sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.

² Let Israel rejoice in his Maker; *
let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

³ Let them praise his Name in the dance; *
let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.

⁴ For the LORD takes pleasure in his people *
and adorns the poor with victory.

⁵ Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; * let them be joyful on their beds.

⁶ Let the praises of God be in their throat *
and a two-edged sword in their hand;

⁷ To wreak vengeance on the nations * and punishment on the peoples;

⁸ To bind their kings in chains * and their nobles with links of iron;

⁹ To inflict on them the judgment decreed; *
this is glory for all his faithful people.
Hallelujah!

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans

13: 8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep.

For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

***Sequence Hymn**

Like the murmur of the dove's song
BRIDEGROOM

Hymnal 513

*Holy Gospel

Matthew 18: 15-20

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great
Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out
the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have
regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along
with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three
witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the
offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a
Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be
bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.
Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will
be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in
my name, I am there among them."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

The Reverend Thomas Drake

Silence may be kept

*Nicene Creed

Silence may be kept

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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from 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.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken 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 Prayers of the People**

The Leader and People pray responsively.

*Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.*

*Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons, for Sean, our Presiding Bishop, for Sarah, the Bishop of our Diocese, and for Tommy, our priest.

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Bless our search for an Organist and Director of Music; grant wisdom to those entrusted with this work and bring to us the person whom you are calling to serve among us.

That our common praise may draw us more deeply into your presence.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

† Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

We pray for those who are recently sick or in need of our prayers, especially *Etta, Skip, Betsy B, Faye, Jim, Linda, Nico, Elizabeth, Tom, Patty, Hannah, Kaye, Abby, and Sarah.*

We also pray for those with ongoing concerns, especially *Barb, Chris, Kim, Brian, Reese and the Meiggs family, Lita, Judi, Isabel, Nickie, Jeanne, Moira, Christy, Marcia, Joyce, Bob, and Mary Lou.*

We pray for those celebrating birthdays, including *Brewster Brown, Sarah Atkinson, Betsy Brown, Roisin McKeithan, and Jen Adams-Falconer.*

And for those we now name aloud or silently in our hearts,

The people may add their own petitions.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

***Confession**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The people stand or kneel. Silence may be kept.

Most merciful God,
*we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.*

***Absolution**

***The Peace**

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Rector's Welcome

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

***The Presentation:** *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow*

OLD 100TH

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above,
ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

***The Great Thanksgiving** Eucharistic Prayer A **BCP 361**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant,

which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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.

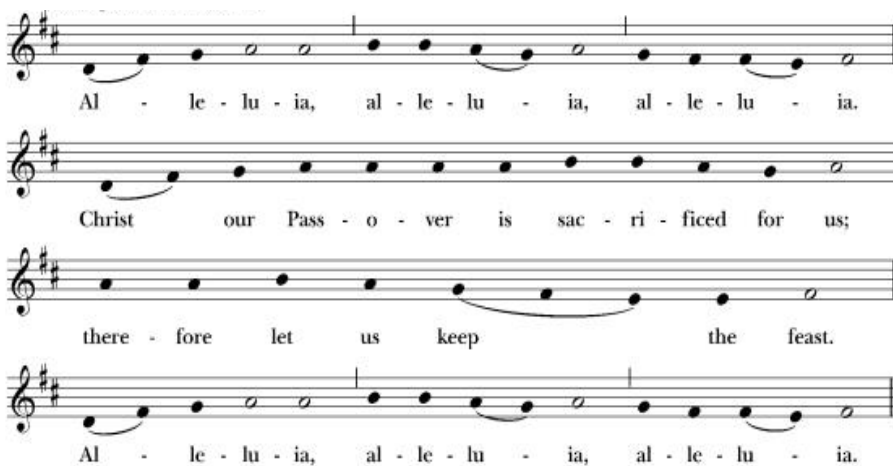
*And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.*

The Breaking of the Bread

[8:30 a.m.] Spoken

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

[10:30 a.m.] S-154



*Communion of the People

Please come forward when directed by an usher to receive a host from the celebrant. You may then drink from the common chalice or intinct using the intinction cup offered by the second eucharistic minister. If you do not wish to receive the elements, you are invited to come forward to receive a priestly blessing.

*Post Communion Prayer

The people stand or kneel.

*Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.*

*Blessing

*Proclamational Hymn

God is love
UBI CARITAS

Hymnal 577

The Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People *Thanks be to God.*

Postlude

The people sit



Today's altar flowers were given by Stephanie Baker.

Fall BBQ

September 16th, 5:00 PM – 7:30 PM

BBQ, drinks, live music, games for kids, fun and fellowship!

***RSVP by September 9th** using the invite in our weekly email, via our website, or by emailing the Church Office at allsaintsobx@gmail.com*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Ice Cream Social today after the 10:30 am service hosted by Paula Myatt, Tess Judge, and Suzanne Utley.

Holly Days meeting today at 11:45 am. All are invited. We will meet in the Meeting Room in the Education Building.

The Christian Formation Committee will meet on Wednesday, September 9th, at 6:00 pm in the Conference Room. Please contact Jackie Klamut with any questions.

Join us at OBX Pridefest! All Saints is proud to sponsor OBX Pridefest on Saturday, September 12th, from noon to 6:00 p.m. at Roanoke Island Festival Park in Manteo. Please join us at the All Saints booth to greet attendees and help extend our parish's hospitality. The festival will feature live music, performers, vendors, food, and activities throughout the day.

Blessing of the Animals- Sunday, October 4th at 1:00 pm at The Labyrinth

Book Club meets on Monday, September 21st at 2:00 pm in the Choir Room. We are reading *The Island* by Victoria Hislop. All are welcome.

Women's Bible Study resumes October 7th at 1:00 pm in the Conference Room.

Those Who Minister Today

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Thomas C. Drake IV

Vestry Person of the Day: Mary Moynahan

Welcoming Coordinator: Jack Myers

Altar Guild: Evelyne Ottavio and Laura Holmes

Flower Guild: Dawn Kiouis

Counters: Mary Moynahan and Nancy Atkinson

8:30 a.m.

Greeter: Arline Arnold

Usher: Ann Laughner

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Sylvia Wadsworth

Lector: Wayne Barry

Coffee Hour: Sue Jordan

10:30 a.m.

Greeter: Jack Myers

Ushers: Carol and Don Davis

Lay Eucharistic Minister: Betsy Robbins

Lector: Jean Loudon

Nursery: Linda Brinson & Lisa Rock

Facebook Hosts: Karen & Kenny Murrill

Coffee Hour/Ice Cream Social: Tess Judge, Paula Myatt, and Suzanne Utley