



ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 9, 2026

10:15 AM

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

Welcome to All Saints Episcopal Church. Everything you need to participate in the service is in this bulletin. The page numbers marked BCP refer to *The Book of Common Prayer*. Hymns, including *The Gloria*, S-280 and the *Sanctus*, S-130, are in *The Hymnal 1982*, unless the hymn is labeled “LEVAS”—those hymns are in *Lift Every Voice and Sing*. All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Gluten free wafers are available. Please inform the usher if you need one. Thank you for joining us in worship.

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Please stand.

Processional Hymn

Hymnal 1982 #636 How Firm a Foundation

Foundation

The Opening Acclamation and Collect for Purity

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Celebrant 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.*

People **Amen.**

Gloria

S-280

Celebrant The Lord be with you

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

BCP 232

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Lessons

The First Lesson

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him. Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron. He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him" —that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it. Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b

BCP 738

¹ Give thanks to the LORD and call upon his Name; *

make known his deeds among the peoples.

² Sing to him, sing praises to him, *

and speak of all his marvelous works.

³ Glory in his holy Name; *

let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

⁴ Search for the LORD and his strength; *

continually seek his face.

⁵ Remember the marvels he has done, *

his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,

⁶ O offspring of Abraham his servant, *
O children of Jacob his chosen.
¹⁶ Then he called for a famine in the land *
and destroyed the supply of bread.
¹⁷ He sent a man before them, *
Joseph, who was sold as a slave.
¹⁸ They bruised his feet in fetters; *
his neck they put in an iron collar.
¹⁹ Until his prediction came to pass, *
the word of the LORD tested him.
²⁰ The king sent and released him; *
the ruler of the peoples set him free.
²¹ He set him as a master over his household,*
as a ruler over all his possessions,
²² To instruct his princes according to his will*
and to teach his elders wisdom.
⁴⁵ **Hallelujah!**

The New Testament

Romans 10:5-15

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? “The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.” But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn

Hymnal 1982 #608 Eternal Father, Strong to Save (1,2 & 3,4)

Melita

The Gospel

Matthew 14:22-33

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, “It is a ghost!”

And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. E.R. Haire, Jr.

Please stand.

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

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: Form VI

BCP 392

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble. We pray for the Church and people of Venezuela, Ukraine, & Cuba; we pray for the innocent people who are in Iran, Lebanon, Israel, Palestine, & Sudan and Christians in the Middle East, as well as an end to all violence and conflict; and for our enemies & those who wish us harm;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for The Episcopal Church, and in the Diocesan Cycle of prayer, we pray for La Capilla de Santa Maria, Hendersonville; St. Mary of the Hills, Blowing Rock; and St. Mary's, Asheville.

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Fr. E.R.; discernment for the Standing Committee in the process of electing the next bishop; and for all bishops, priests, deacons, and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray for those who are sick, especially **Frank Calhoun, Ivan Gibby, Jada Bryson, Angelina Carpenter, Susie Seeds, Susannah Koppers, Fr. Photios, Ruth Binnington, Lashay Dixon, Hope Perez, Carolyn Pratt, Doug Barch, Delilah Grace Mercer, Tammi Holland, Janice Cummings, & Carl Moyer.**

Silence is kept. The people may add their own prayers, offered either silently or aloud.

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We give thanks for those celebrating birthdays this week, especially Dennis German and Mary Essex. We give thanks for those celebrating anniversaries this week, especially Dave & Jean Hall.

Silence is kept. The people may add their own thanksgivings.

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, especially Bill Rouse, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence is kept. The people may add their own petitions.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence is kept. The Celebrant & People pray together the following confession of sin:

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant concludes with the absolution.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

BCP 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Welcome & Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

Please stand.

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**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.**

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord,
People **and of thine own have we given thee.**

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

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 him thanks and praise.**

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

The Celebrant says the proper preface and finishes by saying,

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:

Sanctus

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The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic prayers. After the Celebrant says

"Therefore, according to his command, O Father" the Celebrant and People then say together:

We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory.

*At the end of the Eucharistic Prayer, we are invited to say the Lord's Prayer
as our Savior Christ has taught us:*

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

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

BCP 364

Celebrant Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

If you wish to receive bread and wine, please kneel at the altar rail.

To receive the bread only, cross one arm over your chest.

To receive a blessing, cross your arms in an "x" over your chest.

To receive the wine by intinction, hand your bread to the chalice.

Communion *Please come forward to receive communion as the communion hymn(s) is (are) sung.*

Communion Hymns *(The second hymn is optional, as needed.)*

LEVAS #106 Precious Lord, Take My Hand

LEVAS #699 Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Post-Communion Prayer

BCP 365

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn *LEVAS #198 Love Lifted Me*

Celebrant Alleluia, alleluia, let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Postlude

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ladies' Social – The Ladies' Social is temporarily suspended due to the busyness of the season and will reconvene sometime this fall. In the meantime, we encourage all of the ladies to stay connected, enjoy fellowship with one another, and share your ideas for future gatherings.

Men's Breakfast– The men's breakfast meets **every Wednesday morning** at 8:30 am at Normandie Restaurant. All men are welcome to join us.

Eucharist & Healing Service– Come join us for a Eucharist & Healing Service on **Wednesday, August 12, at 11:30 am** at St. Agnes. Everyone is welcome!

Bible Studies– Please join us for our weekly Men's & Women's Bible Studies. The women's next meeting will be **Monday, August 10, at 10:00 am**. The men's next meeting will be **Thursday, August 13, at 10:30 am**. Please note, we are now gathering in St. Agnes Parish Hall. We are studying the gospel of John. Bring any translation of the Bible. All are welcome!

Yoga- All Saints is offering yoga, with an insured, certified instructor, for **\$10/class!** The next class is scheduled for **Saturday, August 22** at 10:00 am, at St. Cyprian's Parish Hall. We do have a few mats available for those who don't have their own to bring.

Annual Summer Picnic- Mark your calendars! Our Annual Summer Picnic will be held **Saturday, August 29**, at 5:00 pm, at St. Cyprian. Come out for an evening of food, fellowship, and fun. The church provides hamburgers, hotdogs, and corn. Bring a lawn chair, a dish to share, and your appetite for community and connection. Sign up sheets are available in the narthex at St. Cyprian and the back of the chapel at St. Agnes. All are welcome!

School Supply Drive- Summer has flown by... it's time, once again, for our annual school supply drive! Collection boxes have been placed in each church parish hall with a supply list from East Franklin School attached. If you would prefer to donate monetarily, please make your check out to All Saints with "School Supplies" on the memo line.

Meet with Fr. ER-Father E.R. would love the opportunity to meet each parishioner. If you have not had the chance to sit down with him and share your story, call the office to set up a meeting. If you need to reach out to Fr. E.R. directly, his email is revdr.erhairejr@allsaintsfranklin.org and his phone number is (828) 347-0112.

Updated Website- If you haven't had a chance yet, we invite you to explore our new website! Whether you're looking for worship times, upcoming events, or parish news, you'll find it all in one convenient place. Check it out at www.allsaintsfranklin.org.

Fifth Sunday Combined Service & Potluck – Beginning this month, whenever there is a fifth Sunday, we will gather for one combined worship service at **9:00 am**. We will continue our usual rotation between our churches for these Fifth Sunday services, and will rotate between a Rite I & Rite II service, beginning this month with Rite I. Following worship, everyone is invited to the Parish Hall for a finger food potluck and a special time of fellowship as we gather together as one church family. Join us **Sunday, August 30**, for this meaningful event.

The Altar Flowers were dedicated by Matt & Jane Jones in honor of their parents.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER...

Frank Calhoun, Ivan Gibby, Jada Bryson, Angelina Carpenter, Susie Seeds, Susannah Koppers, Fr. Photios, Ruth Binnington, Lashay Dixon, Hope Perez, Carolyn Pratt, Doug Barch, Delilah Grace Mercer, Tammi Holland, Janice Cummings, & Carl Moyer. We pray for the members of the Vestry: Laine, Marty, Jean, Gerald, David, Dan, and Debra, as well as our Treasurer, Rose, our Vestry Clerk, Lee, and our service men and women, especially Kobe Manning.

ALL SAINTS' ALTAR GUILD

Tammi Holland, Mary Chavis, Shirley Parks, Charlotte Childers, Daisy Manning, Linda Raiford, Janice Cummings, Rose Braddock, & Jane Jones.

ALL SAINTS' FLOWER GUILD

Tanya Hunt, Debra Siler, Martha Harris, Carol Kitzner, Henrietta Haithcock, & Kathryn Cartwright.

ALL SAINTS' DOORKEEPERS WELCOME TEAM

Janice Cummings, Joe Chavis, Tammi Holland, Jane Jones, Lori Evancho, Carol Kitzner, Barbara Gagliardo, & Henrietta Haithcock.

Sunday Readings for August 16

Genesis 45:1-15

Psalm 133

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

Matthew 15: 10-28

The Rev. Dr. E.R. Haire, Jr.

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