



THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 23, 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

LEVAS #99 My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

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, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; 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

Exodus 1:8-2:10

Now a new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, "Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land." Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labor. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labor. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them. The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, "When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live." But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, "Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?" The midwives said to Pharaoh, "Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them." So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, "Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live." Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him. The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, "This must be one of the Hebrews' children," she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?" Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Yes." So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages." So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, "because," she said, "I drew him out of the water."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 124

BCP 781

¹ If the LORD had not been on our side, *

let Israel now say;

² If the LORD had not been on our side, *

when enemies rose up against us;

³ Then would they have swallowed us up alive *

in their fierce anger toward us;

- ⁴ Then would the waters have overwhelmed us *
and the torrent gone over us;
⁵ Then would the raging waters *
have gone right over us.
⁶ Blessed be the LORD! *
he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
⁷ We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; *
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
⁸ Our help is in the Name of the LORD, *
the maker of heaven and earth.

The New Testament

Romans 12:1-8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God-- what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn

Hymnal 1982 #525 The Church's One Foundation (1,2,3 & 4,5)

Aurelia

The Gospel

Matthew 16:13-20

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

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

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

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, and for all victims of earthquakes throughout the world. 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; 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 Church of the Province of West Africa, and in the Diocesan Cycle of prayer, we pray for Christ Church, Sparta, and Church of the Savior, Newland.

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, Delilah Grace Mercer, & 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 Hayden Marshall. We give thanks for those celebrating anniversaries this week, especially Dennis & Susan German and John Chmielewski & Lori Evancho.

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, 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.

DOXOLOGY

Hymnal 1982 #380 vs 3

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.**

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

Insert

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.)*

Hymnal 1982 #649 O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts

Dickenson College

Hymnal 1982 #581 Where Charity and Love Prevail

Cheshire

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

Hymnal 1982 #522 Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken

Austria

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



The Altar Flowers were dedicated by Fred Hinson in memory of Gloria B. Hinson.

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 26, 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 24, at 10:00 am**. The men's next meeting scheduled for **Thursday, August 27, is cancelled**, but will resume its normal schedule on Thursday, September 3, 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!

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.

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.

Yoga- All Saints is offering yoga, with an insured, certified instructor, for **\$10/class!** The next class is scheduled for **Saturday, September 12**, 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.

Furry Frights- Join AARC (Appalachian Animal Rescue Center) for an unforgettable evening of community, live music, delicious refreshments, silent auction, and fundraising to support homeless, neglected, and rescued animals in our region. The event is scheduled for **Saturday, October 3**, from 5:00-7:00 pm, at Renee's Event Location on Main Street. Tickets are \$60 per person or \$100 for a couple and available for purchase through the church office, AARC Thrift Store, or contact Gary Smith & Rick Gooch.

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, Delilah Grace Mercer, & 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 30

Exodus 3:1-15

Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c

Romans 12:9-21

Matthew 16:21-28

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

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