

Order of Service March 17, 2024, 10 AM Fifth Sunday in Lent

Prelude - Chant de Paix

Jean Langlais (1907-1991)

The Welcome

The Processional Hymn - Lift High the Cross

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Opening Acclamation

BCP p. 351

The people stand

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins; **People His mercy endures for ever. Amen.**

The Celebrant may read one of the following sentences

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." Mark 12:29-31

Confession and Absolution

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Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

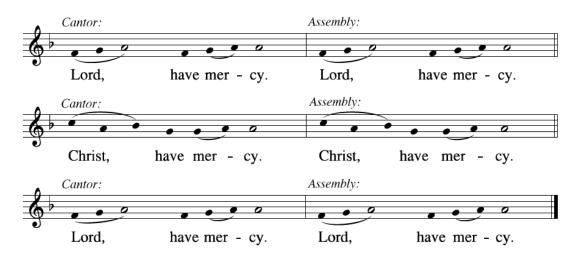
Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son 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.

The Celebrant stands and says

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 Kyrie

from Corpus Christi Mass - Richard Proulx (1937-2010)



Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

The First Lesson Jeremiah 31:31-34

"The days are surely coming," says the Lord, "when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband," says the Lord. "But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days," says the Lord: "I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the Lord,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest," says the Lord; "for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sung by the Parish Choir

Psalm 51:1-13 Tone II.1

- 1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; *in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- 2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness * and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I know my transgressions, * and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 Against you only have I sinned $\ensuremath{^*}$ and done what is evil in your sight.
- 5 And so you are justified when you speak * and upright in your judgment.
- 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, * a sinner from my mother's womb.
- 7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me, * and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
- 8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; * wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
- 9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, * that the body you have broken may rejoice.
- 10 Hide your face from my sins * and blot out all my iniquities.
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, * and renew a right spirit within me.
- 12 Cast me not away from your presence * and take not your holy Spirit from me.
- 13 Give me the joy of your saving help again * and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.

The Second Lesson Hebrews 5:5-10

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn - Here I Am, Lord

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I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry
 All who dwell in dark and sin My hand will save.
 I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright
 Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain: Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night I will go, Lord, if you lead me I will hold your people in my heart

- I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain
 I have wept for love of them They turn away.
 I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone
 I will speak my words to them. Whom shall I send? Refrain
- I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.I will set a feast for them, My hand will save.Finest bread I will provide 'Til their hearts be satisfied.I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? Refrain

The Gospel John 12:20-33

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon The Rev. Angela Furlong

Standing, said by all

Nicene Creed

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 I, BCP p 383

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For our Bishops Eugene and Carrie, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For this city and every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, remembering especially Alain, Angie, April Lane, Arch O'Brien, Ben, Bill Lindeman, Bob Vandervort, Bonnie B., Caroline, Chris Caro, Columba, David, Dave, Doris Huff, Dottie, Eric Potts, Ella, Erin H, Frederick, Ike Rhoderick, Izzy Cregger, Jackie Dunbar, Joan, John & Sudha, Jon DeOcampo, Judy Ziegler, Kat, Kevin R, Liz Tyeryar-Nagle, Lynne, Mark, Meg Williams, Nate, Pam, Patti Norton, Peter Edwards, Philip Gallagher, Reina, Shawn, Sheila, Shelly N, Steve, Sue, Susan, Tony Kitchen, Virgil Erlandson, Waymon W. and for our Military and First Responders: Bruce, Erin, Jake, Tavis, Roanan, Chris, Jasmine and Ryan, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God. **To thee, O Lord our God.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And with thy spirit.

Announcements

BCP p. 830

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Offertory Sentence

We invite you to give generously to the mission and ministry of All Saints'.

To provide financial support of the church, scan our QR code, or visit allsaintsmd.org and click donate.



Offertory Anthem - Lead Me Lord

Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)

Lead me, Lord, lead me in Thy righteousness, make Thy way plain before my face.

For it is Thou, Lord, Thou, Lord, only, That makest me dwell in safety.

Hymn At The Presentation - The Glory of These Forty Days (verse 1) ど Doxology

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- 1. The Glory of these forty days we celebrate with songs of praise; for Christ through whom all things were made, himself has fasted and has prayed.
- 2. Praise God, from whom all blessing flow; praise him, all creature here below; Praise him above ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B, BCP p. 367

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our 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.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

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:



We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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.**

The Lord's Prayer

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

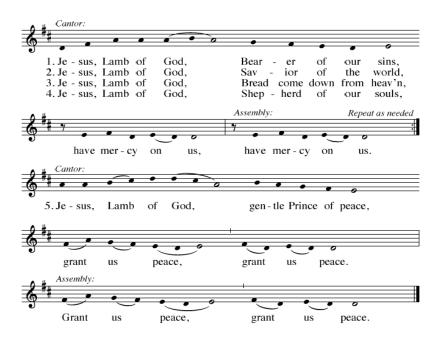
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Fraction

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Agnus Dei

from Corpus Christi Mass



The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Voluntary

Communion Hymn - In the Cross of Christ I Glory

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The Post Communion Prayer

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.

Sending Forth Our Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant: In the name of this congregation we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go

may share with us in the Communion of Christ's body and blood.

People: We, who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread and one cup.

The Blessing

The Celebrant offers a blessing, and the people respond Amen.

Recessional Hymn - Hail Thou Once Despised Jesus

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The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude - Erhalt uns Herr bei deinem Wort

J.C. Bach (1735-1782)

ARE YOU NEW?

If this is your first time at All Saints, we'd love to learn more about you. Please scan our QR code to fill out our welcome form and a member of our "Connect Team" will be in touch with you shortly.



Today at All Saints':

8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite I
9:00 AM	Fellowship (Parish Hall)
9:00 AM	Adult Formation (Great Hall)
9:00 AM	Children's Formation (Classrooms)
10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite II
10:00 AM	Children's Chapel (St. Paul's Chapel)
11:00 AM	Children & Youth Formation Leader Fellowship (Memorial Lounge)
11:00 AM	Choir, Bell & Trumpet Rehearsal (Great Hall)
11:30 AM	CPR Training (Nursery)
11:30 AM	Youth Group (6th-12th grades) (Jr/Sr Room)

This Week at All Saints': March 18 - March 24:

Monday:

6:30 PM Yoga with Cindy (Parish Hall)

7:00 PM Bible Study (Zoom)

7:00 PM Men's Ministry (Conference Room)

Wednesday:

5:30 PM Healing Service with Eucharist (St. Paul Chapel)

Thursday:

6:30 PM Hand Bells Practice (Large Court Street Classroom)

7:30 PM Choir Practice (Choir Room)

Friday:

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday:

8:30 AM Centering Prayer Group (Zoom)

9:00 AM Environmental Ministry - Hike at Catoctin Furnace

Sunday:

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I
9:00 AM Fellowship (Parish Hall)
9:00 AM Adult Formation (Great Hall)
9:00 AM Children's Formation (Classrooms)

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II with Palm Procession

10:00 AM Children's Chapel (St. Paul's Chapel)

11:30 AM Youth Group (6th-12th grades) (Jr/Sr Room)

Holy Week and Easter Worship Services:

Maundy Thursday, March 28th:

7 PM Worship Service (live-streaming) Night Watch - 9 PM (St. Paul Chapel)

Good Friday, March 29th:

7:30 AM Worship Service 12:00 Noon Worship Service 7 PM Worship Service (live-streaming)

Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil - March 30th:

7 PM Worship Service with Baptisms (live-streaming)

Easter Sunday, March 31st:

8 AM Worship Service

9 AM Children's Easter Egg Hunt (Memorial Garden)

10 AM Worship Service (live-streaming)



Lenten Outreach and Adult Christian Formation Series - During Lent, Outreach and the Truth and Reconciliation Committee are working together. Not only will we hold our annual Lenten Rice Bowl Collection, benefitting the "Heritage at Work" program at the Catoctin Furnace Historical Society, but we will also educate ourselves about our past, in relation to slavery here in Frederick and attempt to remedy the economic hardship caused by systemic slavery. We are offering a Christian formation series called, "Repairing the Breach: Confronting the Sin of Racism" over the five Sundays of Lent from 9:00 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. in the Great Hall.

Catoctin Furnace Historical Society preserves, commemorates, and studies the history of the industrial village (between the 1770s and the 1840s), and has been instrumental in bringing the truth of the early enslaved laborers into the open. It is the mission of CFHS to highlight the enslaved workers' long-neglected contributions and repair the economic damage caused by the institution of race-based slavery in the US.

To that end, the "Heritage at Work" program provides internships in the historical building trades to at-risk students of the Victor Cullen Center in Sabillasville, in cooperation with the State of Maryland Department of Juvenile Services. Three days a week, the students receive training and mentorship as they work to restore and renovate the historic structures at CFHS. These skills not only prepare them for careers in the building trades, but also give them experiences of accomplishment, self-confidence, and hope for their future. Our Rice Bowl funds will be used for the Trades Instructor salary, stipends for the student apprentices, transportation costs for the students and the purchase of building supplies.

Today: Amanda Venable, museum manager at Rose Hill Manor Parks and Museums, will discuss the connections between Rose Hill and All Saints Church. Her presentation will highlight the history of the Johnson and Grahame families that lived at Rose Hill and were parishioners of All Saints Church. Based on new and ongoing research, the majority of the presentation will focus on the experiences of enslavement of dozens of African Americans at Rose Hill. Discussion will include what research is still needed in order to understand slavery at Rose Hill and the various connections the slaves may have had with All Saints Church and other religious institutions in Frederick.

We hope you will join us for these enlightening presentations and be generous in your support of our Rice Bowl campaign this year!

Weekly Bible Study on the Appointed Gospel (Zoom) - All are welcome to join the Gospel Bible Study Zoom held every Monday evening. Our Study is guided by the Rev. Elaine Prince revprince1986@gmail.com on Mondays from 7-8:30 PM. Our next meeting will be Monday, March 18th, we will study the Gospel for the coming Sunday, Mark 11: 1-11. Anyone wishing to study the Gospel reading may gather on Zoom, hosted by Lynn Gebrowsky at LGNMI@comcast.net. We will briefly reflect on the previous Sunday's sermon before we look at the upcoming Gospel. For more information, please contact Elaine+ via email or (301) 797-0132 Meeting ID: 881 8405 9606 Passcode: 272102

ASEC Church Directory - We are happy to announce that we are ready to roll out our online Church Directory! If you are a member of All Saints', you will be included. That means that your name, address, phone and email will be available to anyone who is part of our Church family. If you wish to be excluded, please let the church office know before we provide access to the members. We respect that some members prefer not to share their personal information. Please note that if you wish to be part of the directory, only those who are IN the directory will have access to the information. We are excited to be able to allow our parish family to be able to easily be in touch with one another. In addition, this is a great avenue to submit a picture of you and family as well as birth months and days, so that we can easily place names to faces when we greet each other in peace and thanksgiving to our Lord God.

Thanks be to God that we will now have this information available. The deadline to notify the church office to be EXCLUDED is Wednesday, March 20th. We plan to send out the link for everyone by the end of March. Please contact the church office if you have questions or wish to be excluded. churchoffice@allsaintsmd.org or 301-663-5625

<u>Stations of the Cross</u> - The devotion known as the Way of the Cross is an adaptation of a custom widely observed by pilgrims to Jerusalem: the offering of prayer at a series of places in that city traditionally associated with our Lord's passion and death. The number of stations, which at first varied widely, finally became fixed at fourteen. Of these,

eight are based directly on events recorded in the Gospels. The remaining six (numbers 3, 4, 6, 7, 9 and 13) are based on inferences from the Gospel account or from pious legend.

Enrich your Lenten Journey by participating in Stations of the Cross, on <u>Friday, March 22nd at 7:00 PM</u> in the Historic Church, led by our Daughters of the King. The service allows the faithful to commemorate Jesus' life, passion, death and resurrection. It is appropriate to "walk" the Stations of the Cross as a form of private devotion, particularly on the Fridays of Lent.

<u>Environmental Ministry</u> - Please join the Environmental Ministry as we explore Catoctin Furnace and surrounding areas <u>Saturday, March 23</u>. We will begin at 9AM at Harriet Chapel for a brief tour of this historic church that is part of our Episcopal family. Following the Harriet Chapel tour, we will visit the Museum of the Ironworker for another brief tour. After the tours, we can hike the Iron Trail and the Cemetery Trails. There is no charge for visitors to both Harriet Chapel or the Museum of the Ironworker-but donations are always welcome! If you have any questions, please email **Randy** at <u>r_querry@yahoo.com</u>. Feel free to browse the following links for more information: <u>Home - Harriet Chapel</u>, and <u>Museum of the Ironworker - Catoctin Furnace Historical Society</u>

<u>A Story of Two Churches</u> "Moving from the Past-Building a Better Future" - If you missed this documentary last year, or want to see it again (and you are 55 or better), signup for Frederick Community College's ILR class on Wednesday, March 27th. To register: <u>A Story of Two Churches: Moving from the Past, Building a Better Future - Frederick Community College (augusoft.net)</u>

AARCH Society's 30-minute documentary covers the historical connection between Asbury United Methodist and All Saints' Episcopal Churches in Frederick before Emancipation up to the present day. Discover how the two churches reconnected to have conversations about race and work toward truth, healing, and repair. After viewing the film there will be discussion and Q&A with Joan Thomas and Sarah Heald, church members who are in the documentary.

<u>Join the Choir</u> - <u>March 28, & 30, April 21, and May 5</u>. For those interested, please contact **Jesse Ratcliffe** at <u>jratcliffe@allsaintsmd.org</u> for more information as well as access to recordings and sheet music.

Maundy Thursday Night Watch - Stay With Me, Pray With Me! We will start on Thursday, March 28th. Be part of the annual Night Watch by signing up to watch and pray for one hour in St. Paul's Chapel. Beginning at 8:30 PM after the Liturgy of the Lord's Supper & Foot Washing Service, one hour prayer shifts will be available overnight through the next morning, Good Friday, and ending at 7:30 AM before the Friday Chapel service. Sign up on boards available at Church or via the Sign Up Genius. More than one person may sign up for the same slot. Please mark if you will be participating either I=In Person in St. Paul's Chapel in the undercroft or at H=Home. Parking spaces will be blocked off on the street and the door to the undercroft by the Chapel will be unlocked. For further information, please contact June Miller, BP to the InSpired Daughter of the King. Please use the following link to sign-up. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A084EACA92DA6F58-47607715-maundy

<u>Centering Prayer Group</u> - The Centering Prayer Group is looking at trying out live/hybrid sessions on the first Saturdays of the month. 8:00-10:00 on <u>April 6th</u>, and <u>May 4th</u> in the Lower Level Conference Room. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact <u>centeringprayerfrederickmd@gmail.com</u>.

Readings and Conversations - The Truth and Reconciliation committee will host its next Readings and Conversations gathering on the autobiography Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass. The meeting will be held on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>April 14th</u>, <u>after the 10:00 service</u> at All Saints'. A light lunch will be provided.

The T & R committee finds it interesting that several of us on the committee who went to public schools in Maryland had not read the autobiography of Frederick Douglass, a slave born in Maryland. Please join us as we continue to learn the full history of our own backyard.

To obtain a Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, please contact Tracy Boyd at tlboyd23@gmail.com.

- Order the book from Curious Iguana.
- Or consider supporting Black-owned businesses. Here is a link: <u>Black Owned Bookstores To Support Right Now By State (refinery29.com)</u>
- If you would like to participate in this book conversation on April 14th, please RSVP to **Rixey Hoult** at rixeyann@comcast.net.

<u>VBS 2024 Registration</u> - Hello, families! Vacation Bible School (June 24-28 from 8:45 AM - 12:00 Noon) is right around the corner and it is time to begin registration! This year's theme is Creation Care. If your child is interested in participating in this wonder-filled week of camp, please fill out a registration form, located on the weekly EBlast and return it to **Rev. Angela** no later than <u>April 15th</u>.

<u>VBS seeking Volunteers</u> - We are looking for volunteers who love to work with children and don't mind spending time outdoors. (We do have some indoor opportunities, as well.) Contact **Rev. Angela** if you would like to be part of the fun! (301) 663-5625 or <u>afurlong@allsaintsmd.org</u>. *Our needs include*:

- 2 Materials Coordinators (purchasing & organizing)
- 2 Feast Coordinators (Snack purchase, set-up, management, & clean-up)
- 3 Station Leaders (teach station lesson and stay in place for each group of kids)
- **3-6 Group Leaders** (1-2 per group) to travel with kids from activity to activity all week.

Maryland Cursillo Weekend 117 - will be held April 18-21 at the Claggett Center. WHAT IS CURSILLO?

- An opportunity to grow in faith and in spirituality
- A deeper understanding of the teachings of Jesus and how we can serve Him
- An experience of living and sharing with others in a loving and caring Christian community and realizing that this can be extended into our own environment
- A continuing community that gives support and encouragement empowering the renewed Christians to persevere in carrying out their Baptismal vows
- Cursillo includes a three-day weekend which begins on Thursday evening and concludes on Sunday. During these three days, talks are given by lay persons and clergy who have spent time working together carefully planning and preparing for the Weekend.

The Cursillo weekend is not a retreat. There is no fasting. The weekend is an opportunity to meet clergy and laity who are seeking to strengthen their faith. It provides an opportunity through shared prayer, worship, study, fellowship, laughter, tears, and love to experience the reality of the gift of God's love freely and unconditionally given. If interested or just want to know more, contact Susan Whitehead at swhitehead84@gmail.com, or visit the Maryland Episcopal Cursillo website at https://www.mdepiscopalcursillo.com/.

<u>34th Annual Children's Festival</u> - On <u>Saturday, April 27th from 10am-3pm</u>, All Saints' will have a booth at the Children's Festival in Baker Park again this year. We will offer a craft and a large community coloring poster. We are in need of a few volunteers to help with this event. We need help with set-up/clean-up, leading the craft activity, inviting families to color the community poster, and serving as a loving presence in the community. All materials will be provided. Please Contact **Rev. Angela** if you are able to help with this event. 301-663-5625 or <u>afurlong@allsaintsmd.org</u>.

<u>Yoga in the Parish Hall</u> - There's still time to join Monday Night Yoga in the Parish Hall at 6:30 PM. Free to All Saints' Parishioners. Join instructor Cindy and her neighborhood yoga group for beginners yoga. All levels are welcome. Contact **Tracy Boyd** at <u>tlboyd23@gmail.com</u>, if interested or just show up.

The Getting Ahead Program - The latest session of the Getting Ahead Program has been completed! Many thanks to all of the Ministries, individuals, and families who participated in providing meals, serving, and packing up leftovers for the Getting Ahead Program Investigators (participants), volunteers and children. We received fantastic feedback from the organizers who said that All Saint's provided the most delicious, home cooked meals and all of the time spent (and great food!) was truly appreciated by everyone. If you are interested in participating in future sessions, or would like to assist with managing this Program, please contact Katy Ackland at kackland921@aol.com. Thank you all for helping with this wonderful Program.

Name Tags Welcome! - We are continuing our quest to be sure we all know one another at All Saints'. We want everyone to know each other by name and we believe this helps us to connect and build relationships with one another, with Jesus at the helm. Feel free to bring your own special tag/button or use one of ours. We will continue to have the paper "HELLO" handwritten name tags ready for your use. So, it's your choice, but please DO use a name tag so that we can all know your name! *Thank you!*

Interested in Donating towards Easter Flowers/Easter Lilies?



Every Easter, the church buildings and worship spaces are beautifully decorated with Easter lilies and flowers. These decorations are made possible by the donations of the congregation through special tributes to loved ones. Please remember, there are no flowers on the altar during Lent, which runs through Palm Sunday. Flowers may be given in memory of a person, or in thanksgiving for a person or an event.

Please complete this form before Friday, March 22, 2024 to allow adequate time for **Vickie B**. to process. Please print off the form or obtain a form from the church office, or pick up a form during Sunday worship services. You may email her at vburgee@allsaintsmd.org or place in the offering plate with your donation.

You may use this link:

https://docs.google.com/file/d/14uxH0VyBNw_CPv_8N3yugH3ZUzuV3SGi/edit?usp=docslist_api&filetype=msword.

Easter Egg Hunt & Photo Booth





Sunday, March 31st 9am Memorial Garden

Bags will be provided.

The only edibles will be Smarties. Everything else will be non-edible. A separate area will be arranged for our youngest egg-hunters, age 0-3.

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