

ALL SAINTS' MEMORIAL CHURCH

November 19, 2023
Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost



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November 19, 2023, 9:30 am

Prelude *Fanfare from Thanksgiving Suite, Op. 52* **Charles Callahan**
The Processional *Come, ye thankful people, come* **Hymnal # 290**

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People: **Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen**

Collect for Purity

BCP, p. 355

Gloria in Excelsis

Hymnal # S-280

The Collect

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Reading

Zephaniah 1:7,12-18

Becky Silliman

Be silent before the Lord God!

For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice,
he has consecrated his guests.

At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, "The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm."

Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste.

Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them.

The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there.

That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements.

I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the Lord, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung.

Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 90:1-8,12

BCP, p. 717-18

The Second

1Thessalonians 5:1-11

Cora Nagle

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Gradual Hymn

We plow the fields and scatter

Hymnal # 291

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 25:14-30

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents.

But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Rev. Julie Hanavan

The Nicene Creed

BCP, p. 358

Prayers of the People

Chimmy Amaechina

May the universal church remain relevant and provide the refuge from the suffering of our world. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Dear Lord, please guide the nation and those in positions of authority. Help them reconcile their differences and help them find the love and humanity in one another. Guide them toward the realization that all life is precious, and that violence is not God's will. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Let us find the strength to do what is right. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

O Lord help us to uphold the gospel of peace and love; let the earth praise your holy name. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

We pray for all who work for peace and members of our armed forces especially Hannah Makuch. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

For those who are having difficulty within families, holding grudges against each other. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

We pray for all those are sick and in need of healing. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Our God whose glory fills the whole creation and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel this week; surround them with your loving care and bring them in safety to their journey's end. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

We thank you Lord, for all the blessings of this life. We pray for Bob and Lyndsey Wells in thanksgiving for and celebration of 35 years of marriage. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Almighty God, we remember before you today your faithful servants now at rest; and we pray that they may serve in the eternal victory of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Lord, hear our prayer.*

The Confession and Absolution

BCP, p. 360

The Peace

Stewardship

Eric Hirsch

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem *"Let All Things Now Living"* arr. **Katherine K. Davis**

Presentation (Please stand as you are able.)

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. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer D)

BCP, p. 372

Sanctus (Holy, Holy, Holy)

Hymnal # S-129

Memorial Acclamation

Hymnal # S-141

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 364

Breaking of the Bread

Agnus Dei

Hymnal # S-163

The Communion

All who seek God are invited to the Lord's Table to receive the Sacrament.

Communion Hymn

My God, thy table now is spread

Hymnal # 321

Prayer of Thanksgiving

BCP, p. 365

The Blessing

Recessional

Now thank we all our God

Hymnal # 397

Dismissal

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude Thanksgiving (*Kremser-Nun danket alle Gott*) from *Thanksgiving Suite*

Charles

Callahan

PRAYERS

We pray for our fellow parishioners Derek, Gus, Marie, Trish, Victor, Rose, Susan, Gloria, Musa, and Barry; for Dorothea Evans Gordon, Clarence Scott, Germaine, Naida Thomas, Merynn Flynn, Karen L., Stephen, Barbara K., Lusaynie Sirleaf, John Flinton, James, Rachael, Eva McBorrow, Jennifer, Carla, Sawyer L., Philletta Payne, and Elizabeth Pacek.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Healing Prayer is offered each Sunday at the side altar during Communion.

Food Collection: Each week All Saints' collects food to be distributed monthly to food pantries in our area. We welcome donations of macaroni in November. Thank you for your generosity.

Today following the Service please help Outreach fill the Thanksgiving Baskets (Rose Hall).

UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov. 20: Thanksgiving Basket Pick-up

Nov. 21: Thanksgiving Eucharist, Bannister Center, 2:30pm

Nov. 22: Noonday Prayer and Faith Inquirers/Scripture cancelled

Nov. 22: Choir Practice

Nov. 27: Vestry Meeting, 6:30 pm, Zoom

December 2: Vienna Light Orchestra Concerts, All Saints'



Offertory Anthem Text

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to God the Creator triumphantly raise,

Who fashion'd and made us, protected and stay'd us, who guideth us on to the end of our days.

His banners are o'er us, his light goes before us, a pillar of fire shining forth in the night,

'Til shadows have vanish'd and darkness is banish'd, as forward we travel from light into light!

His law He enforces, the stars in their courses, the sun in his orbit, obediently shine.

The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains, the deeps of the ocean proclaim Him divine.

We, too, should be voicing our love and rejoicing, with glad adoration a song let us raise,

'Til all things now living unite in thanksgiving to God in the highest, hosanna and praise!

May you have a blessed Thanksgiving!