

ALL SAINTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

An Open-hearted, Open-minded Parish of the Diocese of East Carolina

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The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 1st, 2024

Worship: 8:30 am and 10:30 am

*We welcome all who are worshipping with us today and those who are here for the first time. We pray that all encounter the Holy Spirit in this sacred gathering. Throughout this service, the people's parts are indicated in **bold italic font**. All are invited to stand, as are comfortably able, at the elements of the service marked by an asterisk. Children may choose a book and/or activity bag near the sanctuary entrance to enjoy during worship.*

Hymnal = *The Hymnal 1982*

BCP = *The Book of Common Prayer*

Welcome

Prelude

THE WORD OF GOD

***Processional Hymn**

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

Hymnal, 556: 1-5

MARION

***Opening Rite & Collect**

BCP, p. 355

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

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.*

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

People Christ, have mercy.

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

Collect of the Day

BCP, p. 357

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

First Reading

Song of Solomon 2:8-13

The voice of my beloved!

Look, he comes,

leaping upon the mountains,

bounding over the hills.

My beloved is like a gazelle

or a young stag.

Look, there he stands

behind our wall,

gazing in at the windows,

looking through the lattice.

My beloved speaks and says to me:

“Arise, my love, my fair one,

and come away;

for now the winter is past,

the rain is over and gone.

The flowers appear on the earth;

the time of singing has come,

and the voice of the turtledove

is heard in our land.

The fig tree puts forth its figs,

and the vines are in blossom;

they give forth fragrance.

Arise, my love, my fair one,
and come away.”

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 45: 1-2, 7-10

BCP, p. 647

- ¹ My heart is stirring with a noble song;
let me recite what I have fashioned for the king; *
my tongue shall be the pen of a skilled writer.
- ² You are the fairest of men; *
grace flows from your lips, because God has blessed you for ever.
- ⁷ Your throne, O God, endures for ever and ever, *
a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of your kingdom;
you love righteousness and hate iniquity.
- ⁸ Therefore God, your God, has anointed you *
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.
- ⁹ All your garments are fragrant with myrrh, aloes, and cassia, *
and the music of strings from ivory palaces makes you glad.
- ¹⁰ Kings’ daughters stand among the ladies of the court; *
on your right hand is the queen, adorned with the gold of Ophir.

Second Reading

James 1:17-27

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God’s righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts,

religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

***Hymn**

Lord Jesus, Think On Me
SOUTHWELL

Hymnal, 641

***Holy Gospel**

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” He said to them, “Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

‘This people honors me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me;
in vain do they worship me,
teaching human precepts as doctrines.’

You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.”

Then he called the crowd again and said to them, “Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.” For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

***Nicene Creed**

BCP, p. 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 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 Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For our partners in ministry: Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Sean, our Presiding Bishop-Elect, Rob, our Bishop; Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Pope Francis in Rome; Bartholomew I, the Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople; St. Paul's Clinton: Trinity Deanery; 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, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, 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 those who travel on land, on water, or in the air or through outer space, 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, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For those sick or in need of our prayers: Kaye and Perry, Arline and Fred, and any who cannot be with us today, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For those with ongoing concerns: Kiki, Fran & Craig, Carol & Norman, Nancy, Moira, Marcia, Glen, and Dick, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For those celebrating another year of life: Jane Williams, Stephanie Baker, Fred Arnold, and Suzanne Blackstock; 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 the repose of the soul of Johanna Elder, mother-in-law of Rev. Martin Bagay, 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 saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God. *To thee, O Lord our God.*

Silence.

Collect for the Search

Dear Lord,

Who lovingly leads us to reach for the stars,

*Guide our hearts and minds to discern wisely in our search for a new rector,
So that, together, we may create miracles of love and light in our parish
community and in the world.*

In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

***Confession of Sin**

BCP, p. 360

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.*

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, p. 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

***The Presentation**

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

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 by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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:

[8:30 a.m.]

[10:30 a.m.] **Hymnal, S-125**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

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.

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 pray,

The Lord's Prayer

BCP, p. 364

Our Fa-ther in hea-ven
hal-low-ed be your Name, your king-dom come, your will be done, on
earth as in hea-ven. Give us to-day our dai-ly
bread. For-give us our sins as we for-give those who sin a-
gainst us. Save us from the time of trial, and de-liv-er us from
e-vil. For the king-dom, the pow-er, and the glo-ry are yours, now and for
ev-er. A-men. A-men.

Breaking of the Bread [8:30 a.m.] **BCP, p. 364** [10:30 a.m.] **Hymnal, S-154**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

***Post Communion Prayer**

BCP, p. 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.

***Blessing**

***Closing Hymn**

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee
MARYTON

Hymnal, 660

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Today's altar flowers are given by Pat Kinney in loving memory of
Walter Kinney and Ruth and Howard Williams.

The Rev. Margaret Pollock (Mother Pollock) has been a priest for 25 years, having started as a second career. She served as a priest while continuing her work as an international development economist, which took her to 30 countries. She is the author of "Polar Peril," an environmental fantasy adventure written for middle schoolers, in which two Mohawk kids go to the Arctic to help save the polar bears in the face of global warming. Her newest book is "Personal Finance for Teens, Make Financially-Literate Choices, Save For What You Want, and Invest in Your Future." Both of these can be found on Amazon, under Margaret Pollock. Margaret's husband, David, now deceased, was also an Episcopal priest, and she assisted him in church when not traveling. The pair are blessed to have six grown daughters between them, and twelve grandchildren. She lives in New Bern with her newly-rescued Wheaten Terrier "Maverick" for companionship.

THOSE WHO SERVE – SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2024

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Margaret Pollock

Director of Music & Organist: Steve Blackstock Asst. Director of Music: Keith Dey

8:30 a.m.

Greeter: Etta Lanuti Usher: Sylvia Wadsworth LEM: Bob Riche

Lector: Etta Lanuti Coffee Hour: Susan Lang

10:30 a.m.

Greeter: Carol Cowell Ushers: Linnea and Larry Morrow

LEM: Nancy Atkinson Lector: Linda Brinson

Nursery: Jackie Klamut and Deborah Beddingfield Coffee Hour: Jenn Adams-Falconer

Facebook Hosts: Karen and Kenny Murrill

Welcoming Coordinator: Bob Baldwin Altar Guild: Etta Lanuti

Flower Guild: Jenn Adams-Falconer Vestry Person of the Day: Stuart Windley

Counters: Stuart Windley and Jenn Adams-Falconer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE LORD'S TABLE! *As you come forward, the priest will place a wafer in your hand. (Gluten-free wafers are available from the celebrant.) You may drink wine from the chalice or drink from (or intinct/dip your wafer into) an individual glass. If you need communion brought to you, please alert an usher. Those who do not wish to receive communion may come forward to receive a blessing.*

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY will not be held today and will resume September 8th after the 9:30 am service.

THANK YOU NOTE FROM THE LIFEGUARDS! All Saints Episcopal Church, We just wanted to say a big thank you for hosting the monthly dinners for our lifeguards. We truly appreciate your generosity and the chance to connect over a great meal! Your support means a lot to us and we're grateful to have you in our community. Looking forward to the next dinner. Thanks again! The DSR lifeguards.

HOLLY DAYS MEETING: There is a Holly Days meeting TODAY after the 10:30 am service in the Gathering Space

SAVE THE DATE: Wednesday, September 11th, The Rev. Dr. Jason Poling of The Ecumenical Institute in Baltimore will kick off our Adult Education year with a talk on “Christ and Culture: Then and Now, Right and Left.” Please join us at 7 pm.

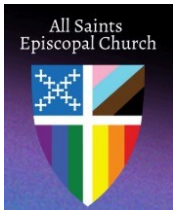
ALL SAINTS’ MEN’S FELLOWSHIP will be meeting on *Saturday*, September 14 at 9:00 a.m. in the Choir Room.

HOLLY DAYS: The All Saints Festival Crafts Bazaar in Southern Shores will be Friday and Saturday on November 22 and 23, 2024. Vendors, please email Vip at hollydaysfestivity@gmail.com to request an application to reserve a location at the church. Vendor selections are conducted in the first week of September.

HOLLY DAYS LUNCH CAFÉ IN THE CHOIR ROOM: Susan Smith will be the Café Lunch Committee Chair, and we will need several volunteers to prepare, serve, and clean up before, during and after the show. We are going to try and make it as simple as possible: i.e., salads, drinks and brownie or cookie.

HOLLY DAYS JEWELRY AND TOY BOOTHS: You may leave your donations for jewelry on the table in the Admin building. Please call Sally Myers if you have any questions 252-207-1074. For the Toy Booth we can use puzzles, games, dolls, action figures, trucks, etc. Please drop the toys in the Admin building and contact BJ Betz 484-883-5082 with any questions.

All Are Welcome!



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