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DECEMBER 3, 2023 10:30 AM THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

The Rev. Leslie J. Hague is the celebrant and preacher today.

CHORAL PRELUDE We the Lord's People Jeffrey Rickard (b. 1944) (Steve Grupe and Holbrook Platts, Handbells)

We the Lord's people, heart and voice uniting. Praise Him who called us out of darkness, light and truth revealing. Bring we now before Him all our gladness and joy. O God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Trinity blessed heavenly light, the source of our salvation. Shine forth is our living now and ever. Amen.

LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Celebrant Dear people of God, as we begin this season of Advent, let us pray: God of all glory, on this first day you began creation, bringing light out of darkness. On this first day you began your new creation, raising Jesus Christ out of the darkness of death. On this Lord's Day grant that we, the people you create by water and the Spirit, may be joined with all your works in praising you for your great glory. Through Jesus Christ, in union with the Holy Spirit, we praise you now and forever. **Amen.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 57 Lo! He comes with clouds descending Helmsley

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.**

TRISAGION (sung three times) S-102

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECT

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

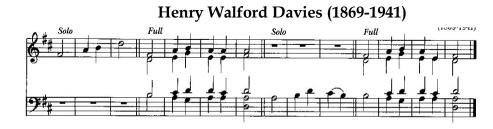
A READING FROM ISAIAH 64:1-9

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence--as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil--to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

Reader The word of the Lord People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 80:1-7,16-18

Cantor sings the versicle – congregation sings the response



- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; * shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
- 2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Malnasseh, * stir up your strength and come to help us.

- †3 Restore us, O'God of hosts; *
 show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 4 O LORD God of hosts, *

 how long will you be angered

 de spite the prayers of your people?
- 5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; * you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
- 6 You have made us the de^lrision of our neighbors, * and our enemies laugh us to scorn.
- 7 Restore us, O'God of hosts; *
 show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
 the son of man you have made so strong for your self.
- 17 And so will we never turn a way from you; *
 give us life, that we may call up on your Name.
- 18 Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; *
 show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS 1:3-9

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN 454

Jesus came, adored by angels

Lowry

THE GOSPEL

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark 13:24-37.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

"From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

THE REV. LESLIE J. HAGUE

A quiet time for reflection follows the sermon.

THE 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Celebrant Gather us together, O God, that we might share the prayers, intentions, and thanksgivings of our community. We are generous with our gifts

People Because we are Rooted in Abundance

Intercessor I ask your prayers for the Church, for all who worship God this day. For our clergy, our diocesan leaders, and for our congregation. We pray especially for this season at All Saints in which we celebrate our stories of leadership and our support for mission. We are generous with our gifts of leadership,

People Because we are Rooted in Abundance

Intercessor I ask your prayers for our Nation and all nations; for refugees fleeing climate change and war, especially the people of the Holy Land and Ukraine; for conflicts of resources and land; for lawmakers, peacekeepers, and informed citizens. We pray for a distribution of wealth that helps the poor and the marginalized. We are generous with our gifts of peace,

People Because we are Rooted in Abundance

Intercessor I ask your prayers for the sick, the lonely, the lost, and those who grieve. We remember those on our All Saints prayer list, and those we name now, in silence or aloud.

Silence

We are generous with our gifts of healing,

People Because we are Rooted in Abundance

Intercessor I ask for your remembrances of thanksgivings and blessings, for we are given time, talent, and treasure to share with the world. We pray especially for those celebrating birthdays or anniversaries this week, and for those we name now in silence or aloud. Silence

We are generous with our gratitude,

People Because we are Rooted in Abundance

Intercessor I ask your prayers for those who have died, those who are dying, and those who mourn. For those on our parish prayer list, and for those we name now in silence or aloud.

Silence

We are generous with our gifts of support,

People Because we are Rooted in Abundance

Celebrant Hear the prayers of your people, Creator God. May we who are blessed by so much wealth and wisdom, share our works with a world in need. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Officiant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and People

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.

A Priest, 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 PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION THE HOLY EUCHARIST, PRAYER A

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Thou Shalt Know Him When He Comes

Mark G. Sirett (b.1952)

Thou shalt know him when he comes, not by any din of drums, nor his manners, not his airs, not by anything he wears. Thou shalt know him when he comes, not by his crown or by his gown, but his coming known shall be, by the holy harmony which his coming makes in thee. Thou shalt know him when he comes. Amen.

OFFERTORY HYMN 56 O come, O come, Emmanuel Veni, veni, Emmanuel (Verses 1 & 2 only)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.

Celebrant

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing. 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:

Celebrant and People sing

Sanctus

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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.

Then the Celebrant continues

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.

The Celebrant continues

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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, *People and Celebrant*

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

FRACTION ANTHEM

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Celebrant and People

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The Celebrant says the following Invitation

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.

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION SAID BY THOSE NOT PRESENT AT HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant

In union, O Lord, with the faithful of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. We present to you our souls and bodies with the earnest wish that we may always be united to you. And since we cannot now receive you sacramentally, we beseech you to come spiritually into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with all the love of our souls. Let nothing ever separate you from us. May we live in you, and may you live in us, both in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray. Celebrant and People

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 68 Rejoice! rejoice, believers

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DISMISSAL

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Comfort, Comfort Ye My People Paul Manz (1919-2009)

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The Altar Greens this week are given to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for the beauty and peace of Advent by the people of All Saints Episcopal Church.

The Sanctuary Candle this week is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my father, Enrico Bruno, who entered life eternal on December 2, 2010 by Julia Bruno and Sandra Delzotti



BLESSINGS TO ALL CELEBRATING THIS WEEK OF DEC. 3-9

Birthdays Adele Baille, Debbie Banks, Tony Catka, Earl Congdon,

Nina Gant, Gregg Geenty-Prudhomme, Skip Schlafer

Anniversaries Damian and Amy Eker

Please join us online or in person each Wednesday at 12:05 p.m. for our WEDNESDAY HEALING AND PRAYER SERVICE WITH THE HOLY EUCHARIST WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6

THE COMMEMORATION OF NICHOLAS OF MYRA

Please join us in person or online each Thursday evening at 6:30 p.m. for our VESPERS ~ EVENING PRAYER RITE I

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2023

THE COMMEMORATION OF AMBROSE OF MILAN

Please join us online each evening, except Thursday, at 8:30 p.m. for our SERVICE OF COMPLINE.

ALL SAINTS ADVENT LESSONS & CAROLS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10th AT 10:30 AM

Welcome to All Saints! We invite you to join us in active participation in the worship of God. The service of worship begins with the music of the organ and continues with prayers and passages from the Bible.

Through its power and brilliance, may you feel God's majesty and glory—in its quietness, God's peace. It is the blessing of the birth of our Lord to share with all of your friends and families in this season of joy and giving.



Do you want to deepen your Christian faith, learn how to articulate that faith, and perhaps let that faith inspire you into action?

Operating under the auspices of The University of the South (Sewanee) EfM enables each of us to discover and exercise our own God-given gifts for ministry in everyday life. Through study, prayer and theological reflection EfM provides a framework for us to examine and deepen our Christian faith. It is not preparation for the priesthood.

Sometimes we see no alternative to a version of Christian faith that we now find difficult to accept. We have been told that rejecting anything we have been taught means ceasing to be a Christian. What we have been told is wrong. On your own, it may be difficult to imagine any form of faith different from what you have been taught. EfM can help. It can be a guide for those who see the need to let go of some of what they have been taught, but don't know how to replace it with something better. Questioning some aspects of our Faith leading to greater understanding is encouraged and being able to do that in a non-judgmental and supportive environment is very rewarding. In addition, many friendships made in an EfM seminar remain in place long afterward.

An EfM seminar with six to twelve members and a trained mentor meets weekly for three hours over the course of a nine-month academic year. The All Saints group meets on Monday evenings from 6:30 PM to 9:30 PM. A new class will begin on January 9th, 2023. The seminar will meet in person at the Parish House on the All Saints campus. While the full curriculum takes four years to complete, participants are asked only to commit to one year at a time. Year One focuses on the Old Testament, Year Two on the New Testament, Year Three on the history of Christianity and Year Four on theology. Upon completion participants will receive a diploma from The University of the South. There is a tuition fee and some financial aid may be available.

If you are interested in learning more about EfM please speak to Frank Asterita either in person on most Sundays or by phone or email. You can reach Frank at 516-225-6344 or frankdon724@att.net. You may also visit the Sewanee EfM website at http://efm.sewanee.edu for more information.



2023 All Saints Boat Parade Festival

Join us for the best viewing in town!





The 52nd Annual Fort Lauderdale
Winterfest Boat Parade
Saturday, December 16, 2023

\$20/Person in advance; \$25 at the gate Children 9 & under free

Parkin⊕g (limited) \$10 First-come, first served.

Parking opens at 4:30 pm

Gates open at 5:00 pm Parade starts at 6:30 pm Excellent food and beverage options for purchase Bring your own chairs, blankets, & umbrellas!

No outside alcoholic beverages may be brought onto the property. Pets are welcome but must be leashed. No Refunds/No Rain-Out Date



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Memo: Christmas Flowers

CHRISTMAS FLOWER CONTRIBUTIONS MEMORIALS & THANKSGIVINGS

Help to beautify All Saints nave and sanctuary and provide for special flowers during the Christmas services by making a thanksgiving or memorial financial contribution.

Deadline is 12:00 pm

Wednesday, December 20, 2023

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TREASURER'S REPORT FROM RICH CLARKE

Below is a snapshot of the financial situation for All Saints' operating accounts as of the end of October 2023, and the budget and our projection to the end of the year. As indicated by the bracketed numbers, we lost more than \$78,000 during the first 10 months of this year. Although we budgeted a loss, the size of our projected deficit is more than twice as much. We have reserves to tide us until next year, however those are limited.

All Saints Episcopal Church	Actual	2023	2023	Proj/Actual
-	YTD Oct	Projected	Budget	Variance
Actual and Projected Income	\$526,069	\$679,686	\$692,716	(\$13,030)
Actual and Projected Expenses	\$604,535	\$724,294	\$713,656	(\$10,638)
Actual and Projected Net Loss	(\$78,466)	(\$44,608)	(\$20,940)	(\$23,668)



Those who participated in or viewed the November 8th Parish Town Hall, heard Senior Warden Alyson Hardin Rooted and Rich Clarke discuss the many blessings and challenges **Dundance** we face. As we embark on our 2024 pledge campaign, Rooted in Abundance, three suggestions were made during the Town Hall: (1) All members who pledged for 2023, please check your recently emailed pledge statement,

and bring your gifts up the pledged level. (2) As you prayerfully consider making a pledge for 2024, we ask that you strive to increase your 2023 pledge by 10% (some said they will do more than that!). (3) If you have not previously pledged, we hope you will prayerfuly consider making a Rooted in Abundance pledge for 2024.

We are so grateful that our gifts together create vital ministry at All Saints and in our community!

RECTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

The Rector's Discretionary Fund is funded by dedicating the loose plate offering of the first Sunday of the month. They will be placed in Mother Leslie's Discretionary Fund so that she may help others on behalf of all of us. You may also make a donation anytime by marking "Rector's Discretionary Fund" on the memo of a check, on an offering envelope in the pews, or by choosing "Rector's Discretionary Fund" on our online donation page.

Nazareth to Jerusalem: The Prince of Peace in the Holy Land

An Advent series at All Saints Episcopal Church Reflections from Mother Leslie on her pilgrimage to the Holy Land

This advent, our four-part series will visit places where the Prince of Peace was born, lived, taught, suffered, died, and rose again. The reflections will include pictures taken by Mother Leslie during her pilgrimage to the Holy Land in April. We will also pray and reflect on the current war in Israel and Palestine.

Three sessions are on Zoom. One will be in person after the 10:30am service. Please note the days and times of the sessions. All sessions will be recorded, including the in-person session.

Wednesday, December 9, 6:30pm, ON ZOOM*

Nazareth, Bethlehem, Jerusalem: *The early years of Jesus' life.*

Monday, December 11, 6:30pm, ON ZOOM*

The Jordan River, the Judean Wilderness, the Sea of Galilee:

The geography of Jesus' ministry

Sunday, December 17, following the 10:30am service, IN PERSON

The Transfiguration and the journey to Jerusalem:

Healing, teaching, and taking up our cross

Reflections on the Palestine of Jesus and the Palestine of Today

Wednesday, December 20, 6:30pm, ON ZOOM*

"Hosanna" to "Crucify him!"

The Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Emmanuel, the Prince of Peace

*Zoom invitation for all Zoom sessions:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86171123456?pwd=MHJKdDhVYjhCZ3ZUcTZqK09Hd3Qydz09 Meeting ID: 861 7112 3456; Passcode: 813793

