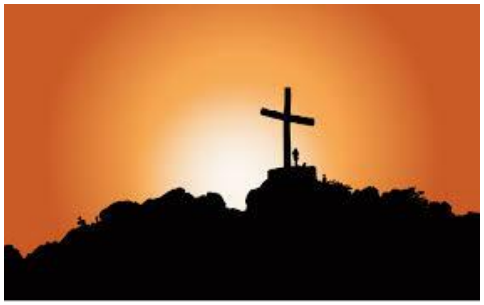

# *All Saints Episcopal Church*
# *Evening Prayer Rite I  Vespers ~ 6:30 pm*
# *November 26, 2026*

## THE COMMEMORATION OF THANKSGIVING

*Officiant* Let my prayer be set forth in thy sight as insensible, the lifting up of my hands be an evening sacrifice.

Psalm 141:2

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

Philippians 1:2

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

Psalm 96:9

Thine is the day, O God, thine also the night; thou hast established the moon and the sun. Thou hast fixed all the boundaries of the earth; thou hast made summer and winter.

Psalm 74:15,16

I will bless the Lord who giveth me counsel; my heart teacheth me, night after night. I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not fall.

Psalm 16:7,8

Seek him that made the Pleiades and Orion, that turneth deep darkness into the morning, and darkeneth the day into night; that calleth for the waters of the sea and poureth them out upon the face of the earth: The Lord is his Name.

Amos 5:8

If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, and the light around me turn to night" darkness is not dark to thee, O Lord; the night is as bright as the day; darkness and light to thee are both alike.

Psalm 139:10, 11

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world; he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness but shall have the light of life."

John 8:12

**Confession of Sin**

*Officiant* Dear friends in Christ, here in the presence of Almighty God, let us sit in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, so that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

*Officiant and People*

**Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.**

*Officiant* The Almighty and merciful Lord grant us absolution and remission of all our sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Ghost. **Amen.**

## THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

*Officiant* O God, make speed to save us.

*People* **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

*Officiant and People* **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

*Officiant and People* **O Gracious Light** *Phos hilaron*

**O gracious Light, pure brightness of the ever-living Father in heaven, O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed! Now as we come to the setting of the sun, and our eyes behold the vesper light, we sing thy praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Thou art worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices, O Son of God, O Giver of life, and to be glorified through all the worlds**

**Psalm 65** *Te decet hymnus*

**1 You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; ***
**to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.**
**2 To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come, ***
**because of their transgressions.**
**3 Our sins are stronger than we are, ***
**but you will blot them out.**
**4 Happy are they whom you choose**
**and draw to your courts to dwell there! ***
**they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house,**
**by the holiness of your temple.**
**5 Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness,**
**O God of our salvation, ***
**O Hope of all the ends of the earth**
**and of the seas that are far away.**
**6 You make fast the mountains by your power; ***
**they are girded about with might.**
**7 You still the roaring of the seas, ***
**the roaring of their waves,**
**and the clamor of the peoples.**
**8 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your**
**marvelous signs; ***
**you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.**
**9 You visit the earth and water it abundantly;**
**you make it very plenteous; ***
**the river of God is full of water.**
**10 You prepare the grain, ***
**for so you provide for the earth.**
**11 You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; ***
**with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.**
**12 You crown the year with your goodness, ***
**and your paths overflow with plenty.**

**13 May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, *
and the hills be clothed with joy.
14 May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,
and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; *
let them shout for joy and sing.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.
Amen.**

## THE LESSONS

### A Reading from Deuteronomy 8:7-18

Moses said to all Israel: For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you.

Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. Do not say to yourself, "My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth." But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.
*Reader Here endeth the Lesson.*

**The Song of Mary** **Magnificat**

**My soul doth magnify the Lord, *
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.
For he hath regarded * the lowliness of his handmaiden.
For behold from henceforth * all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me, *
and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him * throughout all generations.
He hath showed strength with his arm; *
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, *
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things, *
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, *
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed forever.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**A Reading from Paul's 2nd letter to the Corinthians 9:6-15**

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever."

He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, while they long for you and pray for you because

of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!
*Reader* *Here endeth the Lesson.*

***The Song of Simeon*** *Nunc dimittis*
**Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, *
according to thy word;
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, *
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people,
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, *
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

**A Reading from the Gospel according to Luke 17:11-19**
On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."
*Reader* *Here endeth the Lesson.*

**The Apostles' Creed**
*Officiant and People together,*
**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church,**
**the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,**
**the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**THE PRAYERS**

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.
*People* **And also with you.**
*Officiant* Let us pray.

*Officiant and People*
**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.**

**Suffrages B**

That this evening may be holy, good, and peaceful,
**We entreat thee, O Lord.**

That thy holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and goodwill,
**We entreat thee, O Lord.**

That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and offenses,
**We entreat thee, O Lord.**

That there may be peace to thy Church and to the whole world,
**We entreat thee, O Lord.**

That we may depart this life in thy faith and fear, and not be condemned before the great judgment seat of Christ,
**We entreat thee, O Lord.**

That we may be bound together by thy Holy Ghost in the communion of all thy saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ,
**We entreat thee, O Lord.**

**The Collect of the Day**
**Almighty and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. Amen**

**A Collect for those who live alone**
**Almighty God, whose Son had nowhere to lay his head: Grant that those who live alone may not be lonely in their solitude, but that, following in his steps, they may find fulfillment in loving you and their neighbors; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**A Collect for Mission**
**Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. Amen.**

**Intercessions and thanksgivings may follow. – All Saints Prayer List**

**The General Thanksgiving**
*Officiant and People*
**Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants**
**do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men.**
**We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.**

**And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

**A Prayer of St. Chrysostom**
**Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto thee; and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. Amen.**

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*Officiant* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**
*2 Corinthians 13:14*

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Ghost. **Amen.** *Romans 15:13*

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.** *Ephesians 3:20,21*

**DISMISSAL**
*Officiant* Let us go forth in peace.
*People* **Thanks be to God.**