



All Saints Parish

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

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22 March 2020, 10:30 am

A Service of the Word + Rite II

WE GATHER IN THE NAME OF GOD

Please stand as you are able for

ENTRANCE HYMN: My Shepherd will supply my need

Hymnal 664

1 My Shep - herd will sup - ply my need, Je - ho - vah
2 When I walk through the shades of death, thy pres - ence
3 The sure pro - vi - sions of my God at - tend me

is his Name; _____ in pas - tures fresh he
is my stay; _____ one word of thy sup -
all my days; _____ oh, may thy house be

makes me feed be - side the liv - ing stream.____
port - ing breath drives all my fears a - way.____
mine a - bode and all my work be praise.____

He brings my wan - dering spi - rit back when I for -
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my
There would I find a sett - led rest, while o - thers

sake his ways, _____ and leads me, for his
ta - ble spread; _____ my cup with bless - ings
go and come; _____ no more a stran - ger

mer - cy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.____
o - ver - flows, thy oil a - noints my head.____
or a guest, but like a child at home.____

Welcome to All Saints! We are a caring community of faith in the Episcopal tradition focused on common worship, a commitment to spiritual growth, and being part of "the Jesus Movement." Your presence here is a blessing! This leaflet provides a guide for the service. Hymnals and copies of the *Book of Common Prayer* are available in the pews in the church. Please feel free to use them.

PENITENTIAL ORDER

Presider Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

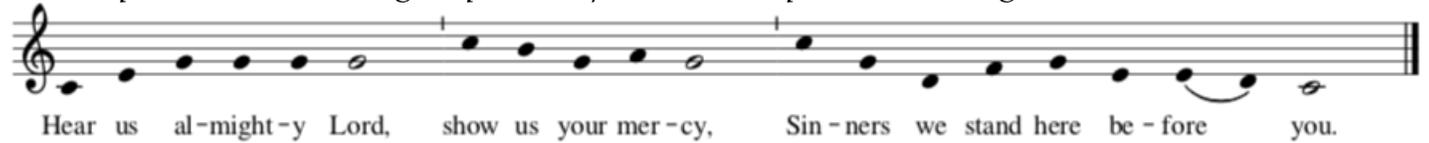
People **God's mercy endures for ever.**

Priest Jesus said, If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:8,9

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The People remain standing. A period of silence is kept, then all sing Attende Domine.



A Cantor chants the verse.

God of compassion, Lord of might and splendor, graciously listen, hear our cries of anguish. Touch us and heal us where our sins have wounded.

The People chant the Refrain.

A period of silence is kept.

Presider We confess that,

People **We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

Presider The Lord enrich you with God's grace, and nourish you with God's blessing; the Lord defend you in trouble and keep you from all evil; the Lord accept your prayers, and absolve you from your offenses, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray. Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

WE PROCLAIM AND RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING

1 Samuel 16:1-13

The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSE
Psalm 23

Sung by all



- 1 The Lord is my / shepherd;*
I shall / not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green / pastures*
and leads me beside / still waters.
- 3 He revives my / soul*
and guides me along right pathways for / his Name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no / evil;*
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, / they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence
of those who / trouble me;*
you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is run/ning over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my / life,*
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD / for ever.

THE SECOND READING
Ephesians 5:8-14

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light—for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

“Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.”

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Please stand as you are able for the

TRACT

Psalm 122:1-9

Sung by the Cantor.

I was glad when they said to me, *
"Let us go to the house of the LORD."

Now our feet are standing *
within your gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem is built as a city *
that is at unity with itself;

To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, *
the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the LORD.

For there are the thrones of judgment, *
the thrones of the house of David.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: *
"May they prosper who love you.

Peace be within your walls *
and quietness within your towers.

For my brethren and companions' sake, *
I pray for your prosperity.

Because of the house of the LORD our God, *
I will seek to do you good."

THE HOLY GOSPEL + John 9:1-41

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to

ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet."

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out.

Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may

believe in him.” Jesus said to him, “You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he.” He said, “Lord, I believe.” And he worshiped him. Jesus said, “I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind.” Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, “Surely we are not blind, are we?” Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, ‘We see,’ your sin remains.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

HOMILY

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Richard Burden

Following the homily, a period of silence is observed.

At the Presider’s invitation, please stand as you are able for

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: 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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

WE PRAY FOR THE WORLD AND THE CHURCH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor Almighty God, our shepherd and our guide, be our light in the darkness, that we may follow you as children of the light. Fill us with your presence and your peace and help us to pray saying: Lord, meet us in the silence; give us strength and hear our prayer.

All We pray for all those who have died and those who mourn them, especially those who have died from the pandemic sweeping across the globe. Please add your prayers for those who have died. Lord, meet us in the silence,
Give us strength and hear our prayer.

Intercessor We pray for all those who are suffering from illness, for those who suffer from fear of illness, and for those who suffer economic loss, or distress of isolation, due to illness. We pray for healthcare workers and caretakers. Please add your prayers for those who suffer and those who care for them. Lord, meet us in the silence,
All **Give us strength and hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We pray for this nation and all in authority, that all decision-makers and leaders may be guided by your wisdom, working always for your glory and the welfare of your people. Please add your prayers for all who hold authority in the world. Lord, meet us in the silence,
All **Give us strength and hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We pray for the church, for our bishops and priests, musician, and all lay leaders, and for all those who shine with the light of Christ. Please add your prayers. Lord, meet us in the silence,
All **Give us strength and hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We thank you for the abundant goodness of the earth, and we recommit ourselves to take seriously our role as caretakers of your creation. Please add your prayers. Lord, meet us in the silence,
All **Give us strength and hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We thank you for an ever-deepening sense of your presence in all our lives, and pray that we may live more fully by your light. Please add your prayers of thanksgiving. Lord, meet us in the silence,
All **Give us strength and hear our prayer.**

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Members, family, friends: Alice, Frank, Jasmine, Katherine, Lucy, John and Paul, Rebecca, Anne, Vinny, Pat, Audrey, Jimmy, Aldo, Lois, Todd, Ingeborg, Erika, Angela, Brendan, Sarah, Laurie and family, John, Marion, Rebekah, Al, Marigene, Karen, Bernard, Angela, Sonya, Jon, Douglas, Rachel, Mark, Susan, Malcolm, Melissa, Angela, Diane, Julia, Carol, Jean, Pam, Phillip, Missy

The departed: The Rt. Rev. Barbara Harris

Those who share our building: Korean Evergreen Church, Boston Camera Club, Boston Cecilia, Cantata Singers, The Corner Co-Op, Metropolitan Chorale, nine separate recovery groups

Those in the Diocesan Cycle: Parishes of the Charles River Deanery: All Saints Parish, Brookline; Church of Our Saviour, Brookline; St. Paul's Church, Brookline; Episcopal Chaplaincy at Boston University, Brookline; The Church Home Society

Countries in the Ecumenical Prayer Cycle: Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia

Those persons in their daily work in the food and beverage production and grocery businesses including farmers, ranchers, fishermen, processors and transporters, store managers, cashiers, and support personnel.

If you would like someone added to the parish prayer list, please fill out a request form online; or fill out a prayer card and put it in the offering plate; or let the clergy or one of the Daughters of the King know.

The Presider concludes by saying the collect.

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy in this time of uncertainty and distress. Sustain and support the anxious and fearful, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may rejoice in your comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

Church of England

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

In Lent, a solemn prayer over the People is used in place of a blessing. Please stand for

SOLEMN PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who kneel before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and Sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN: Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

Hymnal 690

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun-tain, whence the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might - y;
 stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar
 fears sub - side; death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion,

hold me with thy power - ful hand; bread of hea - ven,
 lead me all my jour - ney through; strong de - liv - erer,
 land me safe on Ca - naan's side; songs of prais - es,

bread of hea - ven, feed me now and ev - er -
 strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and
 songs of prais - es, I will ev - er give to

more, feed me now and ev - er - more.
 shield, be thou still my strength and shield.
 thee, I will ev - er give to thee.

THE DISMISSAL

<i>Presider</i>	Let us bless the Lord
<i>People</i>	Thanks be to God

ANTHEM: My eyes for beauty pine

My eyes for beauty pine,
 My soul for Goddes grace :
 No other care nor hope is mine,
 To heaven I turn my face.

Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

One splendour thence is shed
 From all the stars above :
 'Tis named when God's name is said,
 'Tis Love, 'tis heavenly Love.

And every gentle heart,
 That burns with true desire,
 Is lit from eyes that mirror part
 Of that celestial fire.

