



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2025, 10:30 A.M.
ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

THE PRELUDE

Elegy
Sinfonia (Funeral Cantata)

George Thalben-Ball
JS Bach

THE OPENING HYMN 623 *O what their joy and their glory must be*

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION (BCP p. 355)

All stand.

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

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Celebrant 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.**

1. Glo - ry to you, Lord

God of our fa - thers; you are wor - thy of praise;

glo - ry to you. 2. Glo - ry to you

for the ra - di - ance of your ho - ly Name; we will

praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

3. Glo - ry to you in the splen - dor of your

tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to

you. 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -

ween the Cher - u - bim; we will praise you and

high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

Descant

5. Glo - ry to you, be -

5. Glo - ry to you, be - hold - ing the

hold - ing the depths; in the high vault of

depths; in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to

hea - ven, 6. Glo - ry to you,

you. 6. Glo - ry to you, Fa - ther,

Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will

Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will praise you and

high - ly ex - alt you Glo - ry to you!

high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

THE LESSONS

All sit.

THE FIRST LESSON: DANIEL 7:1-3, 15-18

A Reading from the Book of Daniel.

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: “As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 149

Sung by the choir.

¹Hallelujah!

Sing to the Lord a new song; *

sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.

²Let Israel rejoice in his Maker; *

let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

³Let them praise his Name in the dance; *

let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.

⁴For the Lord takes pleasure in his people *

and adorns the poor with victory.

⁵Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; *

let them be joyful on their beds.

⁶Let the praises of God be in their throat *

and a two-edged sword in their hand;

⁷To wreak vengeance on the nations *

and punishment on the peoples;

⁸To bind their kings in chains *

and their nobles with links of iron;

⁹To inflict on them the judgment decreed; *

this is glory for all his faithful people.

Hallelujah!

THE EPISTLE: EPHESIANS 1:11-23

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians.

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come.

And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN 620 *Jerusalem, my happy home*

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 6:20-31

Remain standing.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glorify to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus looked up at his disciples and said:

“Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

“Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

“Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

“But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

“Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

“Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

“Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

“But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rev. Mark E. Waldo, Jr.

All sit.

THE NICENE CREED (BCP p. 326)

All stand.

The Celebrant and people say together

**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.**

Celebrant In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work, and for those who serve in our local hospitals, care facilities, schools, colleges, and correctional facilities; for those who serve in law enforcement and in the legal system; and for members of the military and those serving overseas, especially Ben and Eric.

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world; for our President Donald, our Governor Kay, and our Mayor Steven; for members of our state legislature, and our national representatives and senators, that there may be respectful and wise governance for the welfare of our nation and of the world; and for victims of violence and conflict, especially in Eastern Europe and in the Middle East.

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation, and an awareness and sense of gratitude for the beauty of the world around us;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, Glenda and Brian our Bishops, Duncan and Mark our priests, for Stewart our seminarian, and for all bishops and other ministers.

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom, especially those for whom the altar flowers have been given:

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

The people stand to greet one another.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The celebrant will say an offertory sentence. The people sit.

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM	<i>Pie Jesu (Requiem)</i>	Maurice Durufle
<i>Gentle Lord Jesus, grant them eternal rest. ~sung in Latin</i>		

All stand to sing the offertory verse when the offertory is brought up to the altar.

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.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (PRAYER A, (BCP p. 361)

All stand.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him 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, for you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



All kneel as able.

Celebrant 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.**

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us we are bold to say,

Celebrant 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,
forever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

The Celebrant presents the holy gifts to the congregation saying

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.

The priest receives the Sacrament, and then serves the people with these words:

The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **Amen.**

*You are very welcome to receive Holy Communion if you have been baptized in any
Christian church. Those who wish not to receive Holy Communion may come to the altar
rail, fold their arms across their chests, and receive a blessing from the priest.*

*Communion is offered in both kinds at the communion rail or station on the floor.
Communicants may receive the wine by intinction or by drinking directly from the cup.*

THE AGNUS DEI

*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 POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP p. 365) *All kneel as able.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

**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

Celebrant

Go now with your faith in the Lord Jesus
and your love open to all God's people.

Bless those who curse you,

love those who hate you,

and treat others as you would wish them to treat you.

And may God give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation;

May Christ Jesus count you among his saints for eternity;

And may the Holy Spirit mark you out

for fullness of redemption.

THE CLOSING HYMN 287 *For all the saints*

All stand.

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

THE POSTLUDE

For All the Saints

Arthur Hutchings

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Your prayers are requested for the following parishioners:

Youth Happening event in November, Noah Armstrong, Rick Durden, Dave Funk, Emily Crump Johannes, Josie Lee, Ann Longshore, Bill Marks, Carma Marks, Richard McCrory, Pat McDonald, Eddie McDowell, Martha Collier Mosely, Cameron Napier, Bud Nason, Elizabeth Potter, Shirley Price, Hawthorne Ramsey, Caroline Serrato, Debbie Steindorff, Barbara Wallace

Prayers are also requested for these friends: Emma Allshouse, Gail Alsobrook, Mac Burton, Willie "Bill" Carden, John Ferguson, Bob Geddie, Stephanie Holmes, Charles Lewis, Leslie Little, Margaret Moore, Karen Pacheco, Pam Slate, Ron Skoneki, Madera Spenser, Chandler Taylor, Connie Thomas, Katherine Weidner, Frank Winkler, Sharon Carney Wright

Please notify us when you are sick or hospitalized so that we might provide pastoral care. The prayer list will be updated monthly, please notify us if names need to remain longer.

Pastoral Care Team for November: Debbie Schremser, Jean Chapman, Christy Anderson, Dorothy Arrington, Theda Ocheltree, Laura Knapp

Annual Bazaar Coming Soon

Please join the Episcopal Church Women (ECW) of St. John's Episcopal Church at its annual bazaar and luncheon on Wednesday, November 19, 2025 from 10-2 p.m. Sunday School classrooms will be turned into shops for handmade arts and crafts, a pantry of homemade casseroles, soups and breads, a treasure attic full of gently used household goods including kitchen ware, china, silver, holiday and home decor as well as a silent auction. For more information, contact Christine Kline at firefamily1991@gmail.com.

New Sunday School Class Starts Today

Part of Spiritual Expression is taking time to encourage ourselves to see more of who we are, what we believe God to be, and how God loves and guides us in our daily lives. You do not have to be an artist or even artistic in any way to participate in this brief introductory class. Each week will be a different example of one of the many ways to help engage your understanding of your creative expression and possibly help you connect on a deeper level to yourself and your relationship to God. Class will meet from 9:15 until 10:15 in the small dining room off the Parish Hall.

Lord, Have Mercy Prayer Service

We are all shocked by the violence that occurred 500 yards from St John's in early October, and we are grieving the loss of life. Our city is no stranger to violence, of course, and we need to keep the current painful events in historic perspective. And yet, the words of God through the prophet Jeremiah challenge us to pray for the city of Montgomery – our mission field and our home. Please come to "Lord, Have Mercy," a special service of prayer at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 2. We'll pray for Montgomery. That's all – both in silence and with written liturgy. There will be no sermon, no time of sharing, and no political messages disguised as liturgy. God has placed us here with a purpose, and it includes lifting up our city to God's mercy and grace.

Upcoming Concerts

Organ Concert November 16 at 4 p.m. by Dr. Joshua Coble of Christ Church Episcopal Cathedral, Mobile with a reception to follow. Works by Bach, Widor, George Shearing and Alain.

Then on November 30, Bishop Glenda Curry will host a program at St. John's at 5 p.m. to celebrate Rosa Parks Weekend and to honor the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd. The program will feature Dr. Alcee Chriss III as organist performing music by black composers. Everyone is welcome.

Bookstore Seasonal Re-Opening

The St. John's Bookstore is getting a facelift! Our seasonal re-opening is happening now. Come visit and browse for inspirational gifts, books, and more! The St. John's Bookstore is open Monday-Thursday from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. and on Sundays before, during, and after worship. Be on the lookout for products online as well.

Youth Happening

St. John's is honored to host Happening November 7-9. We need help hosting participants at parishioners' homes Saturday and Sunday mornings as well as feeding the group throughout the weekend. If you can donate to help with meals, please send checks made out to St. John's with Happening in the comment line. Thanks to all those who have already signed up to help! Please email JR at jr@stjohnsmontgomery.org if you are able to volunteer in any way for the Happening Weekend.

Remembrance Sunday

St. John's is continuing its tradition of Remembrance Sunday where hundreds of ceramic poppies from the Alabama Poppy Project will be installed in the Labyrinth Garden for a healing and remembrance event at 10:15 a.m. on Sunday, Nov. 9. Attendees of the event are encouraged to wear an emblem of their military service or to bring a picture of family members who served. We are calling for five volunteers to come to the church at 9:15 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 8 to install the poppies and another five volunteers at 2mp.m. on Monday, Nov. 10 to remove the poppies. Installation and removal each take about one hour. Coffee and baked treats will be provided. Please join us for remembrance and healing.

Online Giving



If you wish to make a gift to St. John's, our online giving portal makes it easier than ever. Your generosity supports our ministries in Montgomery and beyond.

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