# Celebration of the Holy Eucharist **All Saints Sunday**

The Episcopal Church of the Advent Kennett Square, PA November 2, 2025 11:00 a.m.



Elementary Sunday School at 9:45, starts in the Children's Chapel.

Jr/Sr High Sunday School at 9:45, in the St. Jude Room.

**Adult Formation 9:45** – A six-week book discussion of Adam Hamilton's *The Message of Jesus* meets in the **St. Nicholas Room**.

A six-week lectionary discussion group meets in the **St. Ann Room** to reflect on and discuss the Sunday's appointed Bible readings. No sign- up or preparation required.

#### WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

(Our liturgy is taken from *The Book of Common Prayer*.)

PRELUDE God Bless America I.Berlin (arr. C. Robinson)

Advent Bell Choir

**OPENING HYMN** #287, v. 1,2,5-8 in the **Hymnal 1982** (blue hymnal)

For All the Saints

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

People And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;

People There is one hope in God's call to us;

Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism; People One God and Father of all.

**SONG OF PRAISE** #S-236 in the **Hymnal 1982** (blue hymnal)

Glory to you

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Celebrant The Lord be with you. People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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*.

#### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

# Old Testament - Daniel 7:1-3,15-18

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 for ever—for Do not spurn us, for your name's sake; do not dishonor your glorious throne; remember and do not break your covenant with us.

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

# Psalm 149

1 Hallelujah!

Sing to the LORD a new song; \* sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.

2 Let Israel rejoice in his Maker; \*

let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

3 Let them praise his Name in the dance; \*

let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.

4 For the LORD takes pleasure in his people \* and adorns the poor with victory.

- 5 Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; \* let them be joyful on their beds.
- 6 Let the praises of God be in their throat \* and a two-edged sword in their hand;
- 7 To wreak vengeance on the nations \* and punishment on the peoples;
- 8 To bind their kings in chains \* and their nobles with links of iron;
- 9 To inflict on them the judgment decreed; \* this is glory for all his faithful people. Hallelujah!

# THE EPISTLE - Ephesians 1:11-23

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.

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

(Please stand for the Alleluia and the reading of the Gospel.)

# **GOSPEL ALLELUIA** (sing 3 times)



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# THE GOSPEL - Luke 6:20-31

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

People Glory 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.

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

# GOSPEL ALLELUIA (sing 1 time)



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#### HOMILY

#### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

#### 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

(Please kneel or remain seated for the prayers and confession.)

Response to each intercession – God, our refuge and strength, ... hear us, we pray.

#### THE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

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.

**THE PEACE** (Please stand as you are able for the Peace.)

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

#### WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION

**OFFERTORY** America the Beautiful Lloyd Larson

Advent Bell Choir

**DOXOLOGY** (Please stand as you are able for the Doxology.)

Hymn tune from # 380, v. 3 in the **Hymnal 1982** – blue hymnal

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below! Praise him above you heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

(Eucharistic Prayer C from The Book of Common Prayer)

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.

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise. **Glory to you for ever and ever.** 

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

# By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

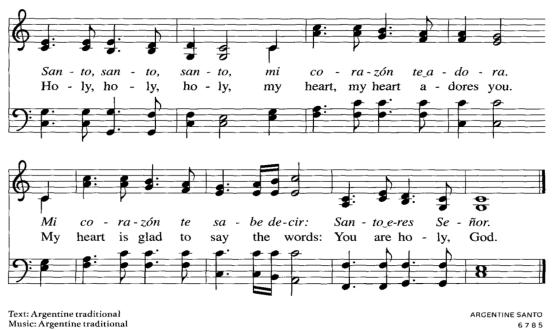
# Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, and to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

# By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Sing 3 times in English.



(You may remain standing, kneel, or be seated for the remainder of the prayer.)

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our mothers and fathers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Sarah, Leah, Rebecca, and Mary; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.** 

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

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. 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.

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us:
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

COMMUNION HYMN #151 in the Lift Every Voice and Sing (red & black hymnal)

One Bread, One Body

#### **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

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.

#### WE RETURN TO THE WORLD

**BLESSING** 

CLOSING HYMN #14 in Lift Every Voice and Sing (black & red hymnal)

Soon and Very Soon

**DISMISSAL** 

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord. People Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE Intermezzo I Herman Schroeder

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#### WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Lector: Diane Chun Sub Deacon: Dennis Glasgow Eucharistic Minister: Diane Chun Director of Music: Wilson G. Somers Bell Choir Director: Leon Spencer

The Altar Flowers are sponsored today by: Phyllis Wenner & Family in memory of John Wenner AND

George & Donna James in memory of Ralph and Claire Brown, Jeanne Jacobsen, Robert Brown.

The Sanctuary Candle is sponsored this week by Jan Torras with loving memories of her step-mother, Betty Cocke,

# SUGGESTED SPIRITUAL PRACTICE FOR NOVEMBER: THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS!

A wise Christian once noted that the Christian life is not so much "taught" as it is "caught." The point this person was making is that we learn more about Christian living through the examples of faithful role models than we do in a Sunday school classroom. In the month of November, when the church throughout the world observes the Feast of All Saints, take some time to reflect on the individuals in your own life who modelled faithful Christian living. What did you learn from them? If you could ask them a question about their faith, what would it be? If possible, set aside time to talk with them and ask your question.

Pastoral Emergencies – If you have a pastoral emergency requiring the immediate assistance of a priest, please contact the church office during office hours. Outside of office hours, please contact the Rev. Tim Johnson directly at 484-730-1988.



# Invitation to a Parish Weekend Retreat Jan. 30<sup>th</sup> - Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> (Friday – Sunday)

Join us for a parish weekend retreat at the beautiful Daylesford Abbey Spirituality and Retreat Center in Paoli, Pennsylvania. Beginning Friday, January 30th with dinner, and concluding on Sunday, February 1st with lunch, the weekend will provide opportunity for learning, fellowship, worship, and rest/leisure time. The Spirituality and Retreat Center at Daylesford Abbey will be our host, providing comfortable single and double-occupancy guest rooms and all meals.

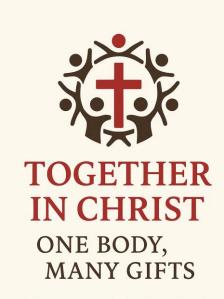
The theme of the weekend will be: "Friendship with Jesus." In the church, we often refer to Jesus as our Savior and our Lord, but what does it mean to call Jesus our friend? What difference would it make to our spiritual lives and to our relationship with Jesus if we approach him as our friend?

The cost for the weekend is \$250 per person (financial assistance available), which includes lodging for two nights and all meals.

Contact Rev. Tim if you have questions (rector@adventks.org).

To register, scan this QR code, or contact Rev. Tim.





"Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it."

-1 Corinthians 12:27

# Ready to make your 2026 pledge? Use the QR code below.

