

**ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**

**February 22, 2026**

**8:00 AM** (*No music*) **10:15 AM** (*with music*)

**THE HOLY EUCHARIST - RITE II**



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**THE SERVICE OF THE WORD**

**Prelude** *Wonderous Love*

*Barr*

*The ringing of the bell signals that our worship is about to begin.  
Please stand as you are able.*

**THE SERVICE OF THE WORD**

**Silent Procession**

**Welcome**

**The Great Litany**

*(booklet)*

**The Collect of the Day**

**Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

**Opening Hymn #142, "Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days"**

*St. Flavian*

**A Reading from the Book of Genesis (2:15-17; 3:1-7) Katharine Benziger/Len Ludovico**

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said

to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**The Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 32. We will read it responsively by half verse.**

- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, \*  
**and whose sin is put away!**
- 2 Happy are they to whom the LORD imputes no guilt, \*  
**and in whose spirit there is no guile!**
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, \*  
**because of my groaning all day long.**
- 4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; \*  
**my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.**
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, \*  
**and did not conceal my guilt.**
- 6 I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD." \*  
**Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.**
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; \*  
**when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.**
- 8 You are my hiding-place;  
you preserve me from trouble; \*  
**you surround me with shouts of deliverance.**
- 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; \*  
**I will guide you with my eye.**
- 10 Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; \*  
**who must be fitted with bit and bridle,  
or else they will not stay near you."**

11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked; \*  
**but mercy embraces those who trust in the LORD.**

12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the LORD; \*  
**shout for joy, all who are true of heart.**

**A Reading from Paul's letter to the Romans (5:12-19)**

**Katharine Benziger/Sharon Babb**

As sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Therefore, just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation (*omit Amen*)

ST. STEPHEN W. JONES, 1789



**T**HY Gospel, Jesus, we believe,  
And for thy help we pray,  
That we in thought and word and deed,  
Thy Gospel may obey. Amen.

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (4:1-11)

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written,

'One does not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you,'  
and 'On their hands they will bear you up,  
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written,

‘Worship the Lord your God,  
and serve only him.’”

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**Repeat the Gospel Acclamation** (*omit Amen*)

**The Sermon**

The Rev. Kathryn L. King

*A period of silence is kept after the sermon*

**Nicene Creed**

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**Confession and Absolution**

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**The Peace**

*Please share the peace with those in your pew and a distanced greeting with others.*

**Offertory Sentence**

**Offertory Hymn #641, “Lord Jesus, Think on Me”**

*Southwell*

**Doxology**

### **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

*Please remember that there are no Alleluias during Lent or Eastertide*

**The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B**

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**Sanctus #S124**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**The Breaking of the Bread**

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**Fraction Anthem #S161**



## The Communion of the People

*All are welcome to receive Communion. If you are unable to go to the Altar, please notify an Usher and Communion will be brought to you. You may receive the wine by drinking from the chalice or by dipping the host into the wine in the shallow dish.*

**Communion Hymn #149, "Eternal Lord of Love"**

*Old 124th*

**The Post-Communion Prayer**

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**The Solemn Prayer over the People**

*(Please kneel or bow as you are able.)*

Celebrant: Bow down before the Lord.

## Announcements

**Closing Hymn #150, "Forty Days and Forty Nights"**

*Aus der Tiefe rufe ich*

## The Dismissal

**Postlude** *When We Are Living*

*Lachenauer*

**Please pray for those on our prayer list: Phyllis & Ed K., Dick Hewson, Pat P., James Spencer Burwinkle, Chris K., Katie, Mark Smith, Greta S., Anita B., Marianne S., Laura R., Iryna Zarutka, Len, Martha, Francis Shaughnessy, Donna, Sabina, Jen, Joyce L., Roseanne & Thomas S., Nancy, Henry, Barb, Greg, Laurie, Karen, Sgt. Billy Huether, John, and Dick.**

We give thanks for the joys of life and those celebrating birthdays, especially **Martha Hood**, and anniversaries, **especially John & Lori Copman**.



## Service Participants

**Celebrant:** *The Rev. Kathryn L. King*  
**Verger:** *Clayton Smith*  
**Chalice:** *Rick Hager*  
**Acolytes:** *8:00 – 10:15 –*  
**Lectors:** *8:00 – Katharine Benziger 10:15 – Len Ludovico, Sharon Babb*  
**Organist :** *Nicole Baldelli*  
**Altar Guild:** *Janice Kiefer, Hilary Morse*  
**Hospitality:** *Penny Ludovico, Linda Gyurko*



## Announcements

2/21 “The Grace of Les Miserables” movie screening at 3:30 PM in Bristol Hall

2/23 Evening Prayer @ 5:30 PM begins (Mon. & Fri. nights through the Lenten Season)

2/25 Women’s Guild Friendship Dinner @ Off Shore 5:30 PM

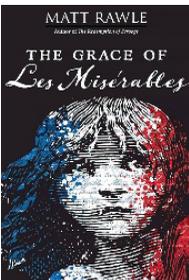
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***Pledge Status Report: 2026 Pledges total \$166,213.00***

***2026 Pledges collected as of 2/15/2026 \$ 40,339.00***

***2026 Pledges still outstanding \$125,874.00***

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### **Thursday Lenten Series 2026 The Grace of Les Miserables**

February 26, March 5, 12, & 25 No sessions on March 19.

Morning session follows Thursday 10 AM Eucharist service.

Evening session begins at 6 PM with simple supper and concludes at 7:30 PM with Compline.



**Lent Evening Prayer** Join in Evening Prayer on Mondays and Fridays at 5:30 PM. This 20-minute office provides a way to mark the end of the business of the day and enter into the quieter close of the day. Stop by on your way home or on your way out for supper. Speak with Michael and Francine Ling or Kathryn if you have any questions.



**Women's Guild Lenten Reflection Day – Prayerful Walking, March 10,**

**10:30 AM** All women of the parish are invited to the Women's Guild Lenten Quiet Day. Kathryn has arranged to borrow a labyrinth that will be set-up in Bristol Hall. We will learn about labyrinths and have the opportunity to walk the large labyrinth as well as try a number of table-top

and hand-held models. Bring a bag lunch. For more information please speak to Barbara Tuzio and Jo Patrone.



**United Thank Offering** The little blue boxes are now available for your thankful offerings. This is an opportunity for us to turn our many blessings into blessings for others. Please support this important ministry that provides aid in the form of grants to the Episcopal Church and the provinces of the Anglican Community throughout the world. Our Ingathering will be later in the Spring.



**St Gregory's Pantry Donations:** Suggested items for the month of February .... Paper products – toilet paper, paper towels, napkins and tissues. Snacks for the kids and microwaveable food items. **Take one of our new blue reusable shopping bags, fill it, return it, and take another bag for your next trip.**



**Women's Guild Friendship Dinner – Wednesday 2/25, 5:30 PM @ The Off Shore Restaurant, 225 Ocean Ave., in Pt. Pleasant Beach.** Please **RSVP by Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>** to Jo (908) 591-4741 (individual checks)



**Attention All 10:15 Lectors, Acolytes, Eucharistic Ministers, and Ushers** please use the Sign-Up Genius to participate in services. This is a great way for the office to know who will be working at each service. If you do not use a computer or email and wish to serve, please let Robin know which dates, and she will fill it in for you. **There are many slots available in March.**



**Don't miss your opportunity to dedicate a choir anthem.** Speak with John Milas to choose your selection.



**Seeking Eucharistic Ministers** - Would you like to serve at the altar and help with distributing the sacrament to your family of faith? We are seeking additional members who feel called to training and service as Eucharistic Ministers. Please speak with Clayton Smith or Rev. King.



**Coffee Hour Hosts Needed!** Please sign up and take a turn hosting Coffee Hour. Wayne Morse has agreed to take on coordinating this vital welcome ministry. It is very easy, and there is help available in making coffee, putting out food, etc. You provide some snacks and serve as host(s).



**Altar Flower Dedications:** Everyone is invited to choose a Sunday to provide flowers for our altar, either in celebration of a happy event or in memory of a loved one. If you would like to participate, there is a flower book on the table in the narthex, choose the date you would like and fill in the dedication information requested. The cost for weekly flowers is \$70.

If you have a special flower color request, please note this on the information sheet.

If you would like to make a donation to All Saints Church, please use your smartphone camera to scan the QR code shown at right.



As part of the All Saints OUTREACH, *“Supper with All Saints”* is the longest running program at our church. It is held the last Tuesday of every month from 4PM – 5:30PM. Over the years we have helped provide nourishment to those in need in our surrounding community.

This is a very special and fulfilling ministry and we are looking for more saints of All Saints to join us. If you are interested or curious as to what we do, please come by this Tuesday (2/24) or any other last Tuesday of the month and see us in action. If you have any questions, please reach out to Linda Gyurko, John Copman, or Robin in the parish office.



**Rector**

The Reverend Kathryn L. King

**Priest Associate**

The Reverend Mary Frances Schjonberg

**Minister of Music**

John Milas, AAGO, ChM

**Parish Administrator**

Robin Beaudry

**Sexton**

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Larry Kyse

**Bookkeeper**

Cheryl Smith

**Senior Warden**

Christine Kyse '27

**Junior Wardens**

Chad Newsome '28    Jane White '27

**Vestry**

Meg Beresik '29'                      Michael Ling '27

Hilary Morse '28                      Jo Patrone '27

Clayton Smith '28                      Penny Witt '29



**IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION: SCAM ALERT** - Please remember that neither Kathryn nor anyone at All Saints will ever ask you to purchase gift cards, send money, or make purchases on their behalf via email or text. If you receive such a request, please contact the parish office so we can notify the rest of our parish family.