

**ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

8:00 AM Rite I (spoken)

10:15 AM Rite II (with music)

HOLY EUCHARIST



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

Opening Hymn #690 “Guide me, O thou great Jehovah”

Cwm Rhonda

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

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Welcome

Opening Acclamation

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The Collect for Purity

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The Gloria #S278

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The Collect of the Day

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A Reading from the Prophet Ezekiel (18:1-4,25-32) Katharine Benziger/Michael Ling

The word of the LORD came to me: What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, “The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge”? As I live, says the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die.

Yet you say, “The way of the Lord is unfair.” Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions

that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, "The way of the Lord is unfair." O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair?

Therefore, I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord God. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise, iniquity will be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord God. Turn, then, and live.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm appointed for today is Psalm 25. We will read it responsively by half verse.

- 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul;
my God, I put my trust in you; *
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; *
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.
- 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, *
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, *
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.
- 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, *
for they are from everlasting.
- 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; *
remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness,
O LORD.
- 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; *
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.
- 8 He guides the humble in doing right *
and teaches his way to the lowly.

**A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Philippians (2:1-13) Katharine Benziger/
Meg Beresik**

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual: #440 “Blessed Jesus, at thy word” (vs. 1-2)

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Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (21:23-32)

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

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” Jesus said to them, “I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human

origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So, they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Repeat the Gradual (vs. 3)

The Sermon

The Rev. Kathryn L. King

A period of silence is kept after the sermon.

Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People Form IV

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All Saints Prayer List: Albert, Laurie Doran, Irene Slamka, Debbie McCullam, MaryBeth, Charlene, Lauren, John Tym, Sr., Clayton, Amina, Ada, Kevin Paul, Theresa, Brewster Schenk, Linda R., Kenneth Richards, Chief Jake Smith USN, Phyllis & Ed K., Pat P., Katie, Mark Smith, Greta S., Anita B., Marianne S., Laura R., Iryna Zarutsky, Martha, Francis Shaughnessy, Donna, Sabina, Jen, Joyce L., Roseanne & Thomas S., Nancy, Henry, Barb, Greg, Karen, Sgt. Billy Huether, John, Lenny Bohlhardt, and Dick

Those celebrating Birthdays, Anniversaries, and Milestones: For those celebrating

birthdays, especially **Diane Imburgio, Susan Bristol, Joe DeAmicis, and Ada Draesel** and those celebrating anniversaries, especially **Scott & Stephanie McMurray**.



The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of our parents Philip & Martha Morton and Robert Carduner by Linda & Mark Carduner.

The Confession and Absolution

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Enrollment of Candidates for Confirmation *The Candidates come and stand at the rail with their parents and the members of the Formation Team.*

The congregation joins in unison in a prayer over the Candidates: **May Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who has put the desire into your hearts to seek the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ grant you the power of the Holy Spirit to persevere in this intention and to grow in faith and understanding. Amen.**

The Peace

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

Offertory Sentence

Offertory Anthem: "Jesus, name of wondrous love"

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Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise God all creatures here below

Praise God above ye heavenly host

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

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Sanctus #S129

The Lord's Prayer

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The Breaking of the Bread

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Agnus Dei #S164



The Communion of the People

All are welcome to receive Communion. If you are unable to go to the altar, please notify an usher. Communion will be brought to you. Those who desire to receive the wine may do so by drinking from the chalice or intinction, which is to dip the host into the shallow dish. It is available to all but required of none.

Communion Hymn #304 “I come with joy to meet my Lord”

Land of Rest

The Post-Communion Prayer

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The Blessing

Closing Hymn #477 “All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine”

Engelberg

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia.

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

Postlude *Sonata in A Minor*

Seixas

Service Participants

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Kathryn L. King

Verger: Clayton Smith

Chalice: 8:00 – James Doran 10:15 – Edwin Griffin

Acolytes: 8:00 – Dick Hewson 10:15 –

Lectors: 8:00 – Katharine Benziger 10:15 – Michael Ling, Meg Beresik

Ushers: Frank Mulligan, Chris Niebling

Organist: John Milas

Altar Guild: Chris Kyse, Janice Kiefer

Hospitality: *Parish Picnic*



Announcements

- Wednesday Eucharist followed by Bible Study has resumed @10:00 AM
- 9/28 Pilates class @ 9:30 AM (\$25 cash, Venmo, or Zelle—no credit cards)
- 9/28 St. Nicholas Bazaar Committee meeting @ 10:30 AM
- 9/29 SWAS
- 10/17 & 10/20 Women's Guild meetings
- 10/24 Funeral Service for Paul Hamelberg time TBD

Pledge Status Report: 88 - 2026 Pledges total \$182,668.00

2026 Pledges collected as of 9/13/2026 \$134,825.00

Balance of pledges for 2026 \$ 47,843.00

Our Sunday services are in desperate need of participants from our congregation. If you are able, please sign up to be a lector, acolyte, eucharistic minister, or usher. Sign up either on Sign-Up Genius or the bulletin board. THANK YOU!



Nearwater Pilates – Monday 9/28, 9:30-10:30 AM in Bristol Hall. \$25 drop-in fee; Nancy accepts cash, Venmo, or Zelle – No credit cards accepted. See you there!



The Saint Nicholas Bazaar will take place on Saturday, November 14th. We will be accepting assorted household, decorative, Christmas items and collectibles, as well as toys and game donations for Santa's Attic and the Children's Corner from Oct. 1 – Nov. 1. All gently used donated items can be dropped off at the church. Leather bags, silk scarves, costume jewelry, and leather belts are luxury items in great demand. **No other clothing items or electronics, however, can be accepted.**

Our first St. Nicholas Bazaar committee meeting will be on Sept. 28th at 10:30 in the conference room. Come help us organize this great event.

Women's Guild 10/20 meeting will be at noon. We will be decorating pumpkins. Bring a bag lunch.



Coffee Hour Hosts Needed! Please sign up and take a turn hosting Coffee Hour. Wayne Morse is coordinating this vital welcome ministry. Hosting is very easy, and there is help available in making coffee, putting out food, etc. You provide some snacks and serve as host(s). Great to do as a family or with friends.

October and November dates are posted.



Altar Flower Dedications: We are looking for folks to choose a Sunday to provide flowers for our altar. 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 information requested. The cost for weekly flowers is **\$75**.

SUPPER WITH ALL SAINTS...Kata's Kitchen

is one of the longest running outreach programs of the parish. Affectionately known as SWAS to our team members, we are always looking for more folks to join the team as we prepare and serve a full meal on the **last Tuesday** of every month to approximately 25-30 guests from the surrounding area.

We purchase, cook, and serve the meals each month, and more hands in the kitchen would be very appreciated. The meals are served from 4:00–5:30 pm. and our guests are waiting at the door when we open. Please come on the last Tuesday of the month to see how we welcome our guests who "are in need of a meal or some conversation." For more information, please contact Linda Gyurko by phone (908-510-2673) or by email at landbg@optonline.net.

St. Gregory's Pantry monthly needs: School Snacks: PB&J, juice boxes, variety snack packs, granola bars, pudding/jello snack packs



Mark your calendars! All Saints will once again be attending. We will begin to organize our tables/carpools and a sign-up sheet will be available soon.

[All Saints Donations](#)

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





Ready, Set, Zoom!

Let's get **Beach Plums**
back at the beach!

JOIN US for an exciting

Beach Plum Happy Hour Zoom Presentation

by Katherine Benzinger

Discover the rich history of native beach plums learn why they are vital to our coastal dunes, and find out exactly where they thrive.

Date: Tuesday, September 29

Time: 4:30 pm

(45 minute presentation, followed by an open Q&A hangout)

Location: Zoom ([Link to follow](#))

Email Katherine to request plants and for the Zoom link.

katherineseemail@yaddayadda.com

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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.