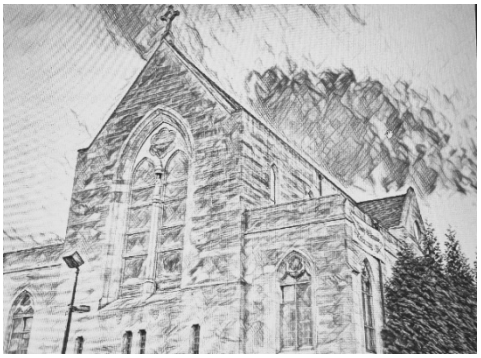
St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Canton, Ohio

All Saints Sunday
Holy Eucharist Rite 2

Nov. 2, 2025, 10:30 a.m.

Welcome to St. Paul's

Online and in-person services begin with music at 10:25 a.m.



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Our mission

St. Paul's is an exceptionally welcoming Episcopal community in downtown Canton, grounded in faith, and called by God's Love to minister to the world.

All Saints Sunday
Holy Eucharist
Celebrants: The Revs. Joe and Kay Ashby

Readings and Psalm
Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18
Psalm 149
Ephesians 1:11-23
Luke 6:20-31

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Prelude: *Hymn Prelude on Sine Nomine,* Herbert Howells

The Word of God

Please stand if able

Entrance Hymn: *For All the Saints (Sine Nomine)* (H 287)

Please remain standing if able

Opening Acclamation

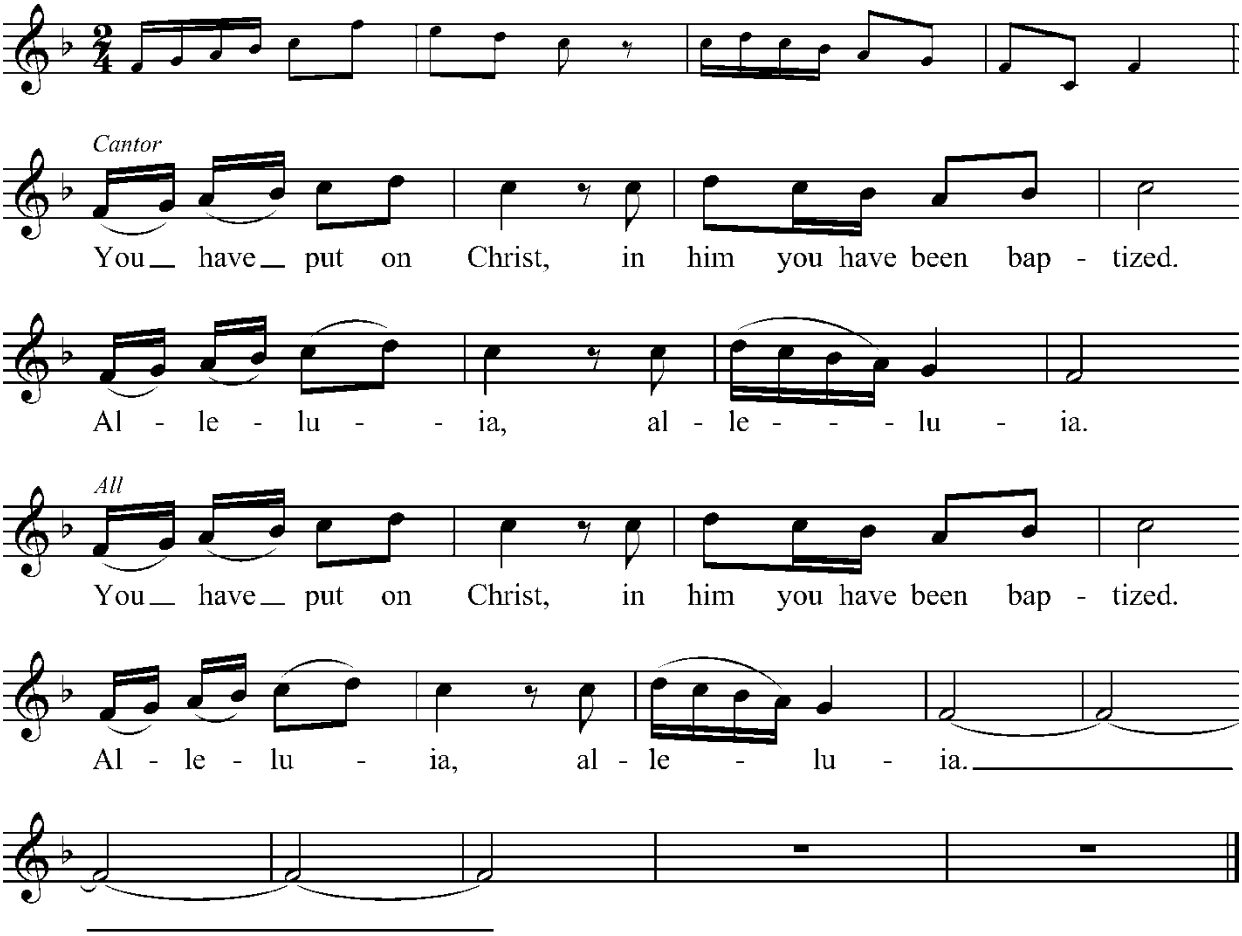
Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

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.*

SONG OF PRAISE: *You have put on Christ* (MHSO 122)



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The Collect of the Day

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

Please sit.

FIRST READING: Daniel 7: 1-3, 15-18

A Reading from the book of Daniel

[1]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: [2]I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, [3]and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

[15]As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. [16]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: [17]"As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. [18]But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever."

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!

READING: Ephesians 1: 11-23

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Ephesus.

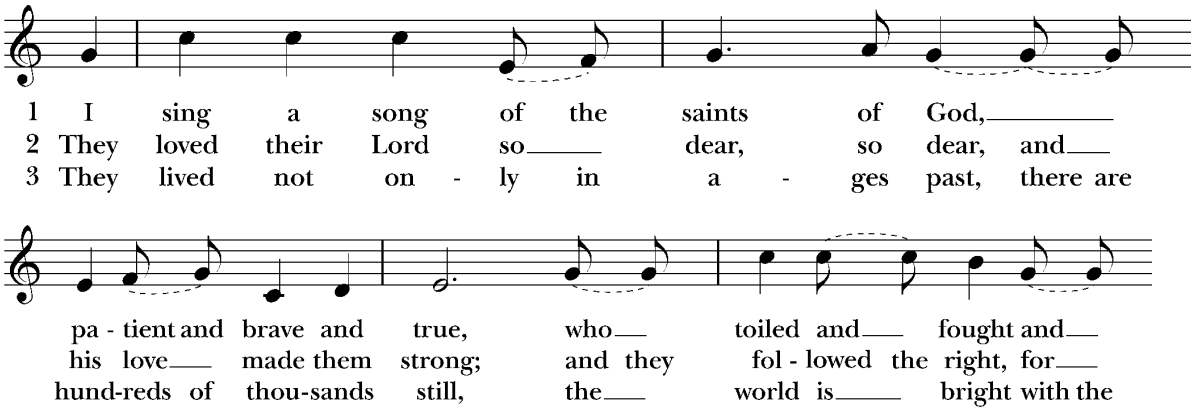
[11]In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, [12]so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. [13]In him you also, when you had 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; [14]this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

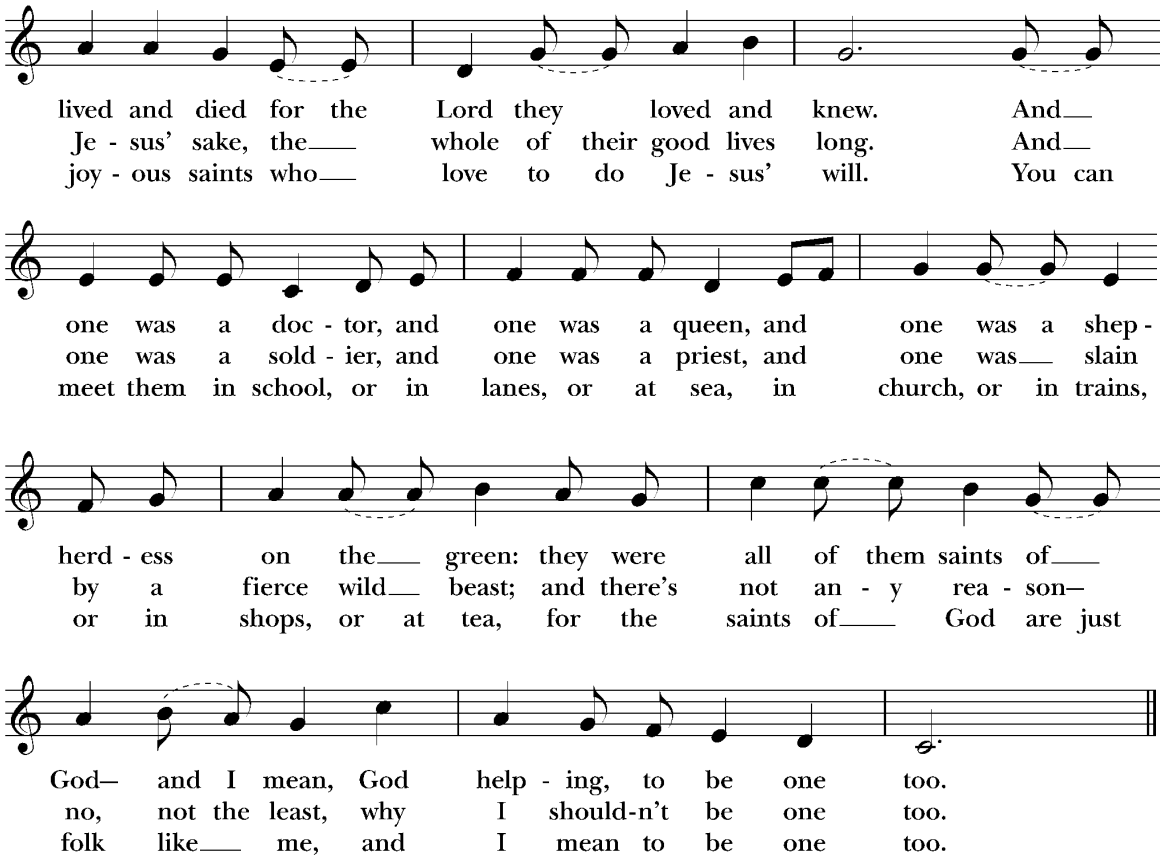
[15]I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason [16]I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. [17]I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, [18]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, [19]and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. [20]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, [21]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. [22]And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, [23]which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Please stand if able

Sequence Hymn: *I sing a song of the saints of God* (Grand Isle) (H 293)





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GOSPEL: Luke 6:20-31

Officiant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

20 [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said:
"Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.
21 "Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.
"Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.
22 "Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. 23 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.
24 "But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.
25 "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.
[26]"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.
[27]"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, [28]bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. [29]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. [30]Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. [31]Do to others as you would have them do to you."

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

The Sermon: The Rev. Joe Ashby

The Creed

Please stand if able

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.

The Prayers of the People
Please remain standing

The Lord takes great pleasure in us. God cares for us and hears our prayers. So let us pray: "We offer our prayers; Our hope is set on you, O Christ."

Bless your Church, O Lord. Increase our faith in you. Increase our love for one another. Increase in us a spirit of wisdom.
Silence
We offer our prayers;
Our hope is set on you, O Christ.

Bless the human family, O Lord. Bless the poor. Bless the hungry. Bless those who now weep.
Silence
We offer our prayers;
Our hope is set on you, O Christ.

Bless this good creation, O Lord. All things were made through you and by your resurrection they are given new life. We thank you that you are already making all things new.
(Congregation, please add your thanksgivings)
We offer our prayers;
Our hope is set on you, O Christ.

Bless this city, O Lord. May we be known as a generous people—doing to our neighbors as we would have them do to us.
Silence
We offer our prayers;
Our hope is set on you, O Christ.

Bless those in need, O Lord. You adorn the poor with victory; you fill those who are hungry. Make happy those for whom we pray, especially Valerie Frear, Tammy Patterson, Cara Warren, Peggy Neidig, Alice Bolam, Molly Weisel, Deb Husted, Andrea, Marilyn Dickinson, Ed Denning, Bonnie Landers, Joanne, Jackson, Gary, Richard Green, Kay Tedrick, Steve Hamilton, Marcia, Deborah Starkey, John Titmas, Holly Hillen, Bob Reiner, Frances Beacon, Tammy Huff, Vicki Simpkins, Ashley Stroud, Doug Geissinger, Tom and others we name silently or aloud;
We offer our prayers;
Our hope is set on you, O Christ.

Bless the saints who now rest from their labors, O Lord. Give to them the kingdom of God as a possession—for ever and ever.
We offer our prayers; and light a candle for those we have lost in the last year:
Lee W. Arnold
Helen Haught
Margo Maris
Jolanda Mull

Florence Myers
Bethany Nowlin
Nancy Pursell
Gary Shankle
Edward Sutek
JoAnn Swope
John Paul Taylor
John Wilyer
Our hope is set on you, O Christ.

Please say the St. Paul's Discernment Prayer together:
O Lord our God,
May we, the parish of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, embrace your commandment of loving our neighbors as you have loved us while we discern who we are and how best to serve you.
We ask that you quiet our souls, so we may listen to you.
We ask that you grant us wisdom as we seek new leadership.
And lastly, we ask for the courage to follow wherever you lead us.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and People
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 Priest
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

Please stand if able

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

The People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Church Announcements

Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence (Psalm 50:14)*:* Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: *I will lift up mine eyes,* Amy Summer

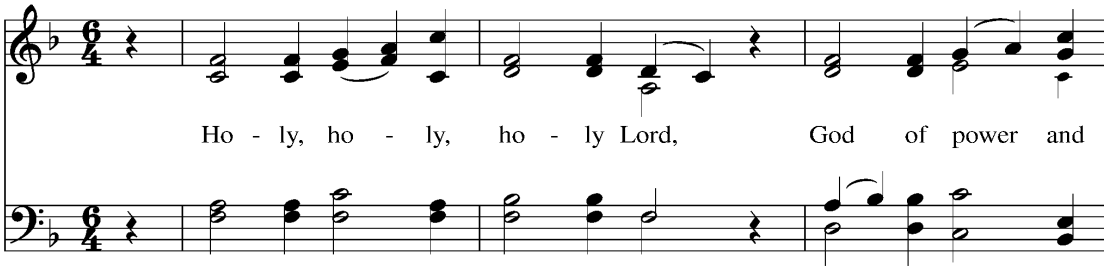
The Great Thanksgiving

The People remain standing.

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 him thanks and praise.

For in the multitude of your saints, you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that we might rejoice in their fellowship, and run with endurance the race that is set before us; and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades away. ♪♪♪

SANCTUS: *"Holy, Holy, Holy"* (WLP 858)



We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People
We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.
We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Paul and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.
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.***

The Lord’s Prayer

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

FRACTION ANTHEM: *Christ our Passover* (H #S152)

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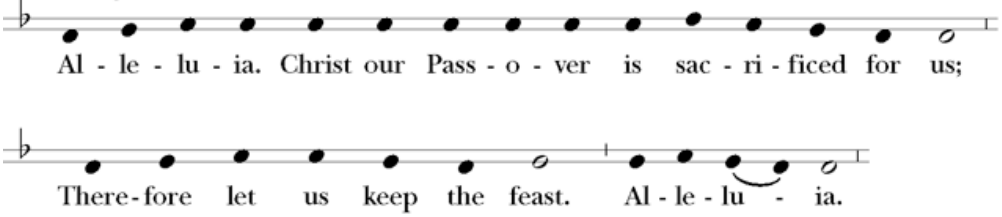


This setting may be sung full by all, or by the choir, or as a versicle and response.

Spiritual Communion

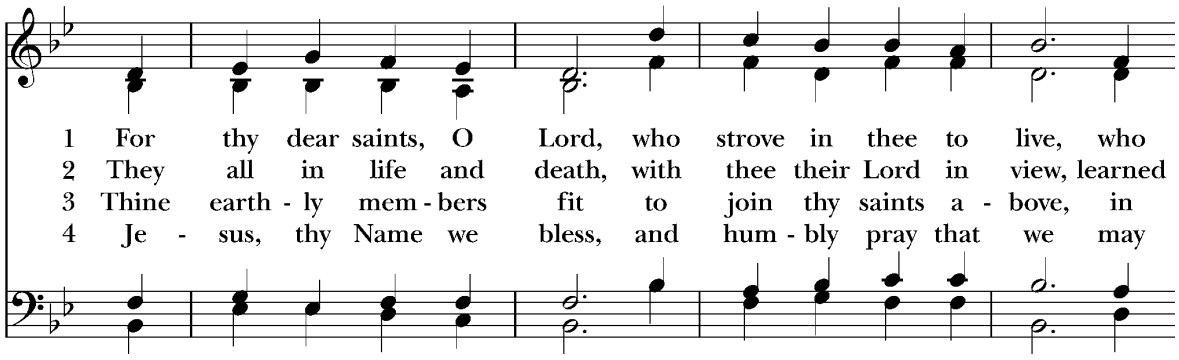
Celebrant: Please join us in praying with our siblings in Christ who are with us online and receiving communion spiritually.

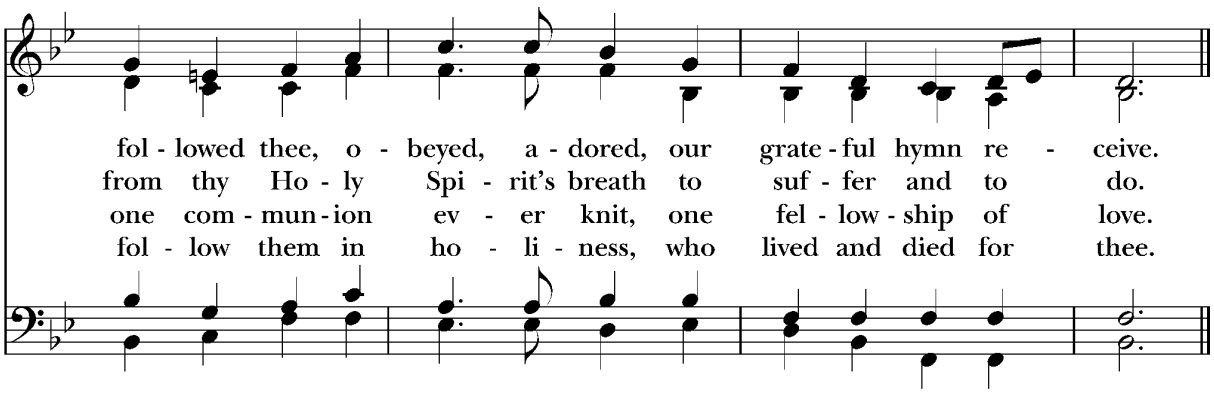
Dearest Lord Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. We love you above all things and long for you in our souls. Since we are not altogether in our church today to receive the bread and wine made holy, we ask you to come spiritually into our hearts. Fill us with your light and nourish us all with your word and Spirit. Amen.

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please tell the clergy if you need gluten-free bread. If you come to the communion station for a blessing instead, please cross your arms on your chest. If you are interested in being baptized, please contact the Priest of the parish.

COMMUNION HYMN: *For thy dear saints* (St. George) (H279)





Post-Communion Prayer

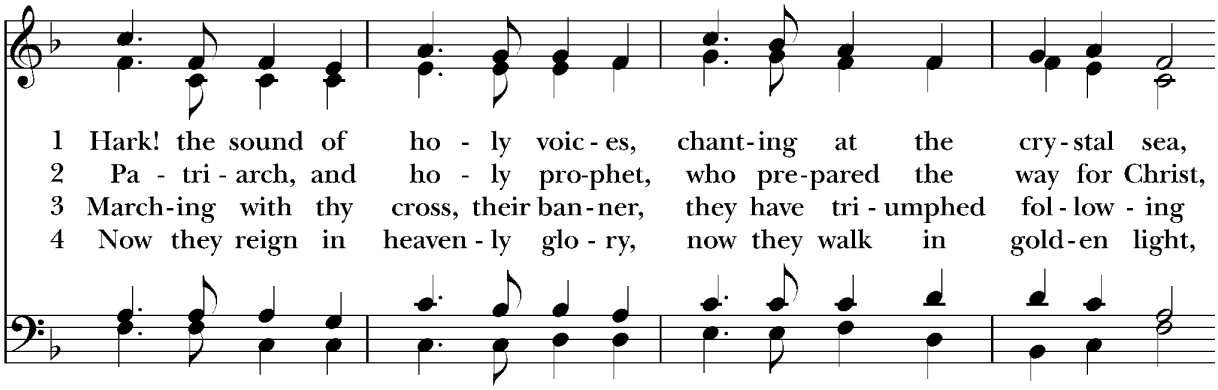
Let us pray.
Celebrant and People

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.*

Blessing

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

Recessional Hymn: *Hark, the sound of holy voices* (Moultrie) (275)



Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People Thanks be to God.

Postlude: *Elegy,* Edward Elgar

TODAY'S SERVERS:
Celebrants: The Revs. Joe and Kay Ashby
Parish musician: Edward Grimes

Greeters: David Lewis
Thurifer and Crucifer: Douglas Colmery, Karl Roshong
Eucharistic Minister: Demetrius Carrothers
Video: David Lewis and David Rotthoff
Altar Guild: Demetrius Carrothers and Shirley Brown
Lector: Jan Smuda
Counters: Karen Merrin Swope and M.L. Schultze

Announcements

November Birthdays

Alice Bolam, 11/4
Rachel Demastus, 11/5
James Husted, 11/8
Elizabeth Paynter, 11/9
Ronald Neidig, 11/10
Gene Miller, 11/10
Luke Papadeonise, 11/13
David Swope, 11/18
Linda Kendrick, 11/30

November Anniversaries

Gene and Joanne Miller, 11/22
Peggy and Ron Neidig, 11/27

Mark your calendar

The Rev. Audra Abt, Canon for Innovation and Congregational Development for the Episcopal Diocese of Ohio, will be joining us Dec. 14.

The Rev. Abt, was vicar of Holy Spirit, Greensboro, and mission developer and pastor of Abundant Life Health and Healing in Greensboro before coming to the Diocese of Ohio in early 2024.

As a multi-lingual priest in North Carolina, she served congregations with members from Latin America, West Africa, the Caribbean, and Black and White members hailing from around the U.S. In introducing her, the Diocese of Ohio said, “She is excited to share how looking for God in the world, and relating with neighbors by praying and listening, and THEN mutual service, has revealed God’s Spirit moving and inviting the church outward again and again to be a part of the yearned-for work of justice, healing, and peace. … In her position as Canon, she

will help spark our imaginations and curiosity about how we'll do church differently and help us in the crucial work of launching the College for Congregational Development."
Since she came to the Diocese, Canon Audra has begun hosting monthly "innovation community calls" to get a sense of new ways churches throughout our diocese are approaching their vocations. In November, the call will focus on "stories from people around our diocese who are seeking out public conversations and building new relationships with neighbors unfamiliar with The Episcopal Church. What does it mean to let God move us, the church, in new directions into our communities? And what do we learn when we allow ourselves to be uncomfortable and take risks to follow where the Holy Spirit leads?"

St. Paul's special services through Epiphany

(all begin at 10:30 a.m. unless otherwise noted)

- Sunday, Nov. 2: All-Saints Sunday
- Sunday, Nov. 16: Celebrating Stewardship, party following service
- Sunday, Nov. 23: Christ the King Sunday
- Tuesday, Nov. 25: Interfaith Service, Temple Israel, 7 p.m.
- Sunday, Nov. 30: First Sunday of Advent
- Sunday, Dec. 14: Third Sunday of Advent; Canon Audra Abt celebrates
- Sunday, Dec. 21: Fourth Sunday of Advent followed by the Greening of the Church
- Wednesday, Dec. 24: Christmas Eve; music begins at 7:30, service at 8 p.m.
- Sunday, Dec. 28: First Sunday of Christmas, Liturgy of the Word
- Sunday, Jan. 4: Epiphany Sunday St. Paul's service; joint lessons and carols with St. Mark's and St. Timothy's at St. Timothy's, 3 p.m.

Boar's Head and Yule Log Festival

The 63rd Boar's Head and Yule Log Festival at Trinity Cathedral in Cleveland, invites you to participate in this year's presentations on Dec. 28 at 2 and at 4 p.m. This Elizabethan Christmas experience, a beloved family tradition, has opportunities in for cast, choir and behind-the-scenes. Adults and children ages 4 and above are welcome. This is a non-denominational cast and audience. Click here to complete the Volunteer Form. For more information, call 216.774.0436; or go to boarsheadfestival@hotmail.com; www.boarsheadcleveland.org

Veterans Day Holy Eucharist and Commissioning of Chaplains

Episcopalians are invited to join a first-time, church-wide Veterans Day Holy Eucharist service at 7 p.m. on **Nov. 11**—via livestream or in person at the Church Center chapel in New York City to honor those who have served in the military and specially recognize the Episcopal chaplains who support them. Presiding Bishop Sean Rowe will preside, and the Rt. Rev. Ann Ritonia, bishop suffragan for the church's Armed Forces and Federal Ministries, will preach. The service will include a special "commissioning for further service" of chaplains who serve military veterans in all branches of the U.S. Armed Forces. The livestream will air on The Episcopal Church's website, Facebook page, and YouTube channel.

Fr. Alan Cowart joins our journey

A month back, Fr. Alan Cowart joined us on a Saturday morning in the Guild Hall to begin probing some important questions, including "What stirs you as a community?" where we see "breaks in the world," and where we feel God's presence in helping us heal those breaks.

Fr. Alan is now coming on board to help St. Paul's with its discernment process, including finding what clergy and structure best helps us determine our vocation as a church. Fr. Alan is priest-in-charge of St. John's Episcopal Church in Cuyahoga Falls. St. John's, like St. Paul's, is a historic church downtown, sharing the city's traditional central square with other churches and City Hall. Together, they are forming the new nonprofit "Church Square" and embarking on sharing ministries, space and worship.

At his first meeting with St. Paul's, Fr. Alan touched on striking the balance between planning and doing -- and suggested we challenge and overcome inertia by trying small things so we can celebrate successes and learn from mistakes. He presented a circular model that takes an idea and experiments with it, making revisions along the ways -- sometimes to the point of transforming the entire idea. The discussion also included the difference between a church being welcoming to those who come through our doors to a church stepping outside its doors to find our neighbors and our mission.

Remembering all our Saints

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.

We especially remember this All Saints Sunday:

Lee W. Arnold
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Margo Maris
Jolanda Mull
Florence Myers
Bethany Nowlin
Nancy Pursell
Gary Shankle
Edward Sutek
JoAnn Swope
John Paul Taylor
John Willer