

Saint John's Episcopal Church

All Saints Day, All Souls Day

observed November 2 and 3, 2024

The Prelude *Nun lob, mein Seel, den Herren*

Dietrich Buxtehude

The Opening Hymn *For all the saints*

The Hymnal 1982, 287 vs. 1-4

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

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Celebrant may say

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.**

The Gloria *said at 5pm, sung at 9:30*

The Hymnal 1982, S 280

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;**

**you are seated at the right hand of the
Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect

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.**

First Reading

Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them. In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble. They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them forever. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect

The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God**

The Psalm 24

Domini est terra

- 1 The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it,
the world and all who dwell therein.
- 2 For it is he who founded it upon the seas
and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.
- 3 "Who can ascend the hill of the LORD?
and who can stand in his holy place?"

- 4 "Those who have clean hands and a pure heart,
who have not pledged themselves to falsehood, nor sworn by what is a fraud.
- 5 They shall receive a blessing from the LORD
and a just reward from the God of their salvation."
- 6 Such is the generation of those who seek him,
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.
- 7 Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors;
and the King of glory shall come in.
- 8 "Who is this King of glory?"
"The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle."
- 9 Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors;
and the King of glory shall come in.
- 10 "Who is he, this King of glory?"
"The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory."

The Second Reading

Revelation 21:1-6a

Our second reading is from the book of Revelation. It was written when Christians were entering a time of persecution.

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.
 He will dwell with them as their God;
 they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them;
 he will wipe every tear from their eyes.
 Death will be no more;
 mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
 for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

The Word of the Lord

People **Thanks be to God**

The Gradual Hymn *Ye watchers and ye holy ones*

The Hymnal 1982, 618

The Gospel *all standing, as able*

John 11:32-44

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Reverend Alan R. Hesse

The Nicene Creed

Enriching our Worship 1

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,
 was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the
 Virgin Mary
 and became truly human.

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,
 who with the Father and the Son is
 worshiped and glorified,
 who 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 Form III

The Book of Common Prayer, page 387

God our Creator, we pray for your Holy Church.

We give thanks for the churches in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer; Churches of the South Shore Deanery: Trinity Church (Rockland), St. Luke’s Church (Scituate), Church of the Holy Nativity (South Weymouth), All Saints’ Church (Whitman), The Diocesan Convention.

We pray for those on our prayer list: Mary, Christy, Brian, Steve, Charlie, Bruce, Dave, John, Joe, Leo, Sunny, Kim, Alannah, David, MaryAnn, Geraldine, Debbie, Melissa, and Herb.

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of Chris Uggerholt by Kathy Uggerholt.
 Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

We pray for our elections. Loving God, creator of this world who is the source of our wisdom and understanding, watch over this nation during this time of election. Help us to see how our faith informs our principles and actions. God, our creator,

People **Guide us in truth and love.**

We give thanks for the right to vote. Help us to hold this privilege and responsibility with the care and awareness it merits, realizing that our vote matters and that it is an act of faith. God, our creator,

People **Guide us in truth and love.**

Guide us through this election as a nation, state, and community as we vote for people to do work on our behalf and on the behalf of our communities. Help us to vote for people and ballot initiatives that will better our community and our world so it may reflect the values Christ taught us. God, our creator,

People **Guide us in truth and love.**

Help us create communities that will build your kingdom here on earth – communities that will protect the poor, stand up for the vulnerable, advocate for those who are not seen and heard, and listen to everyone’s voice. God, our creator,

People **Guide us in truth and love.**

We pray for this nation that is deeply divided. May we come together for the common good and do as you have called us to do – to act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you through creation. God, our creator,

People **Guide us in truth and love.**

Help us act out of love, mercy and justice rather than out of arrogance or fear. God, our creator,

People **Guide us in truth and love.**

Lord, continue to guide us as we work for the welfare of this world. We pray for places that are torn by violence, that they may know peace. God, our creator,

People **Guide us in truth and love.**

We pray for communities who are struggling with inequality, unrest, and fear. May we all work toward reconciliation with one another and with God. God, our creator,

People **Guide us in truth and love.**

Help us to listen in love, work together in peace, and collaborate with one another as we seek the betterment of our community and world. God, our creator,

People **Guide us in truth and love.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. *The people may add their own petitions silently or aloud.*

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect

The Confession and Absolution

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

All stand, as able.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Offertory Anthem *A Hymn of All Saints*

Gary James

The Doxology

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!***

We dedicate this portion of the Mass remembering those who have died and been buried through St. John's since the last All Saints Day.

Tyler Justin Reed
James L. Connor
Charles B. Coombs IV

The Reverend John Edward McGinn
Colleen Sinnott Hayes
Nancy Lucille Clark



The Great Thanksgiving

The Book of Common Prayer, page 361

Eucharistic Prayer A

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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The Hymnal 1982, S 130

The people stand or kneel, as able.

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.

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,

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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread/Fraction Anthem

The Hymnal 1982, S 164

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

Celebrant These are the gifts of God, for you the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Christ in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All who seek God and are drawn to Christ, are welcome at the Lord's Table.

Please hold out your hand to receive the host.

You may ask for the chalice or receive the wine in the small cups offered to you in a tray.

If you prefer not to receive the wine, please cross your arms and wait for the minister to say "The blood of Christ, the cup of salvation."

As you return to your seats, deposit your cup in the place provided in a white pedestal table.

If you prefer to receive a blessing you may cross your arms across your chest.

If you would like to remain in your seat and receive communion, please let an usher know.

The Communion Hymn *Jerusalem, my happy home*

The Hymnal 1982, 620

The Postcommunion Prayer

Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Welcome, Birthdays, Anniversaries, Celebrations and Announcements

The Closing Hymn *For all the saints*

The Hymnal 1982, 287 vs. 5-8

The Dismissal

Eucharistic Minister Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Postlude *Organ Voluntary*

Serving This Weekend

Celebrant: **The Reverend Alan R. Hesse**

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: **Lillian Woo** (5pm); **Jared Cohen** (9:30am)

Lectors: **Lillian Woo** (5pm); **Charles Diana** and **Celia Bailey-Ochoa** (9:30am)

Musicians: **Misao Koyama** and **Choir**

Altar Guild: **Jann Czarnetzki**, **Melissa Abbott**, and **Judy Cohen**

Sunday School: **Mary Ames** and **Susan Sharpe**

Ushers: **Mary Howe** and **Bill Mills**

Hospitality: **Jeannie Johnson** and **Mary Howe**

Children's Hospitality: **Sue Nee**

Announcements

Thank you for your generous donations of candy and treats for Halloween. Fr. Al was on the front steps of the church, in costume adding St. John's presence to the evening.

On November 2nd and 3rd come for worship as we remember loved ones. You are invited to bring pictures of family and friends who have died. We will place them at the altar for worship services. The church bell will be tolled once for those who have died this past year. A Halloween celebration for the children will follow the service in the Undercroft.

Please join us for an ecumenical gathering as we seek to heal from our divisions. We will join First Church and other faith groups from Sandwich to pray for healing after the national election on Wednesday, November 6 at 3:45pm at the Mill Creek Park, across from the Grist Mill and First Church, Sandwich Village.

Volunteers are needed for all aspects of the Christmas Market. Sign up sheets are now in the Narthex or in the Parish Hall.

Bakers are needed for the Bake Sale Table and Cookie Sampler boxes. This year the Market is before **Thanksgiving** so we are focusing on **Thanksgiving/Fall desserts**, as well as **Christmas!**

Fillers are needed for Raffle Baskets. A "shopping list" has been provided.

Wreath and Cookie Sampler Pre-Order forms are also available. Please help where you can

Thank you, the Christmas Market Committee

Raffle tickets for this year's Christmas Market quilt are available for purchase in the Parish House and Thrift Shop. As usual, it's a beauty. **Be sure to mark your calendars for November 15 and 16** for our **Outdoor Christmas Market** under the tent behind the Parish House. Crafters, Vendors, Raffles, food in the Parish Hall, and **SANTA** with his sleigh will be here.

Lights needed! Do you have any utility lighting fixtures that we could borrow for use at the **Christmas Market** on Nov. 15 and 16? We need lighting for the tent! Please drop off in the office - Tues-Fri 9am-2pm, leave on front porch of Parish House, or bring to a weekend service. Please be sure to label with your name so we can return it after the Market. Thank you so much!

Women's Group meets on Thursday, Nov. 7 at 5pm in the Parish Hall. Bring and share your favorite prayer! All are welcome!

Prayer Shawl Group meets on Wednesday, Nov. 13 at 2pm in the Parish House. Come join us as we knit and crochet prayer shawls.

Join us for Brown Bag Bible Study. Each year we are called to enter into the season of Advent with new eyes, new insights, and new hopes. We will explore the Christmas story in a new way. Our study will have us journeying through Rome, Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem with new historical insights. Join Fr. Al and other learners in the Parish House (161 Main St). Bring your brown bag lunch each noon:

November 14 - Rome: A Place of Longing

November 21 - Jerusalem: A Place of Waiting

December 5 - Nazareth: A Place of Simplicity

December 12 - Bethlehem: A Place of Humility

For a sample of the material being used, please see Father Al or look at the material online at

<https://www.amazon.com/Way-Bethlehem-Advent-Study-ebook/dp/B0CS7SJRVI>

If you enjoy Coffee Hour after Sunday morning service, have you given any thought to volunteering to help? Jeannie Johnson can show you how the coffee is made and you provide a goodie or two. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the Narthex.

November 2-10, 2024

Saturday, Nov. 2

9:30am AA, Undercroft

5pm Worship with Holy Eucharist

Sunday, Nov. 3

9:30am Worship with Holy Eucharist

Hospitality following worship, Parish Hall

Halloween party for kids in Undercroft

Monday, Nov. 4

10am Al-Anon, Parish Hall

Tuesday, Nov. 5

12noon AA, Parish Hall

Wednesday, Nov. 6

7pm Choir Rehearsal, Church

Thursday, Nov. 7

12noon AA, Parish Hall

4:30 Lasit Performing Arts, Church

5pm Women's Group, Parish Hall

6pm AA, Undercroft

Friday, Nov. 8

4pm Needle felting workshop, Parish Hall

Saturday, Nov. 9

9:30am AA, Parish Hall

5pm Worship with Holy Eucharist

Sunday, Nov. 10

9:30am Worship with Holy Eucharist

Hospitality following the service, Parish Hall

Vestry Members

Paul Coyle, *Senior Warden*
Ann Geary Roche, *Junior Warden*
Celia Bailey Ochoa, *Treasurer*
Lillian Woo, *Clerk*
Jeff CUILTY, *vestry*

Sandy Scannell, *vestry*
Kathy Uggerholt, *vestry*
Mary Ames, *vestry*
Deborah Roberts, *vestry*
Gregory B. Roche, *vestry*

Welcome to St. John's!

Whether this is your first visit to St. John's or you are a long-time member, please know that there is a warm welcome for you here!

Please feel free to participate fully in our service today and in the life of the parish. We are glad you have come and hope you leave feeling closer to God! At several points in the service, you may notice that some people are kneeling, some are standing and some are sitting. We are given this choice and you should feel free to do whichever is most appropriate for you. Please know that you are invited to fully participate in the Holy Eucharist as a Baptized Christian.

If you would like to know more about St. John's and may be interested in membership or interested in being placed on our email mailing list, please contact the church office.

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