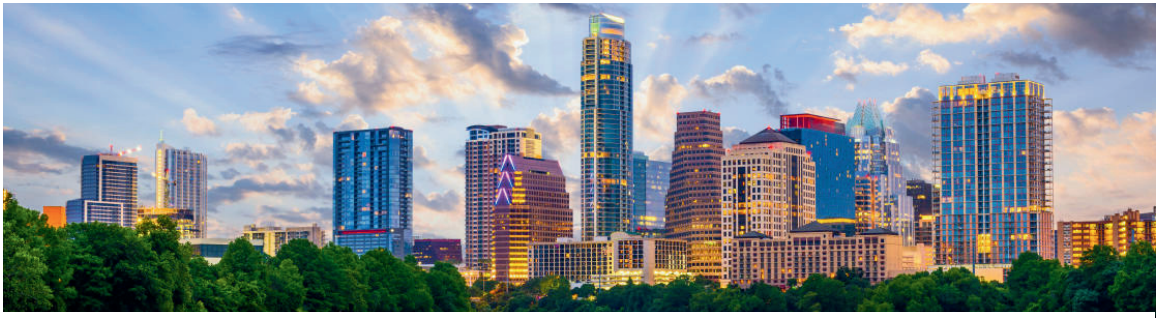
All Saints

Presbyterian

March 8, 2026 · The Third Sunday in Lent



"Called to *live* and to *love* as the Body of Christ"

Welcome

Thank you for joining us this morning for worship! If you are a new guest with us today, stop by the Welcome Table in the Narthex for more information about All Saints. We'd love to meet you!

Connect

The first thing most people want to know when they visit a new church is "how do I get connected here?" We have laid out every connection path - from email newsletters to Formation Groups - in one place for you! Visit allsaintsaustin.org/connect or scan the QR code to get started.

ADVENT | CHRISTMAS | EPIPHANY | **LENT** | EASTER | PENTECOST

THE SEASON OF LENT

The season of Lent originated as a time of preparation for Easter, spanning 40 days (not including Sundays) from Ash Wednesday to Holy Saturday. The focus of Lent is repentance - a turning of our hearts, minds, and actions from ourselves to God. The Sundays in Lent are in the season but not of it and are celebrated as "feast" days, traditionally days on which Lenten fasts are broken as we gather together for worship and to celebrate Christ's resurrection.

THE COLOR OF LENT

Purple, the color of Lent, signifies penitence and humility and is meant to remind us of humanity's suffering under sin and of Christ's suffering on the cross- the color of a bruise. Purple is also the color of royalty and anticipates the coming glory of Christ's resurrection on Easter.

WELCOME!

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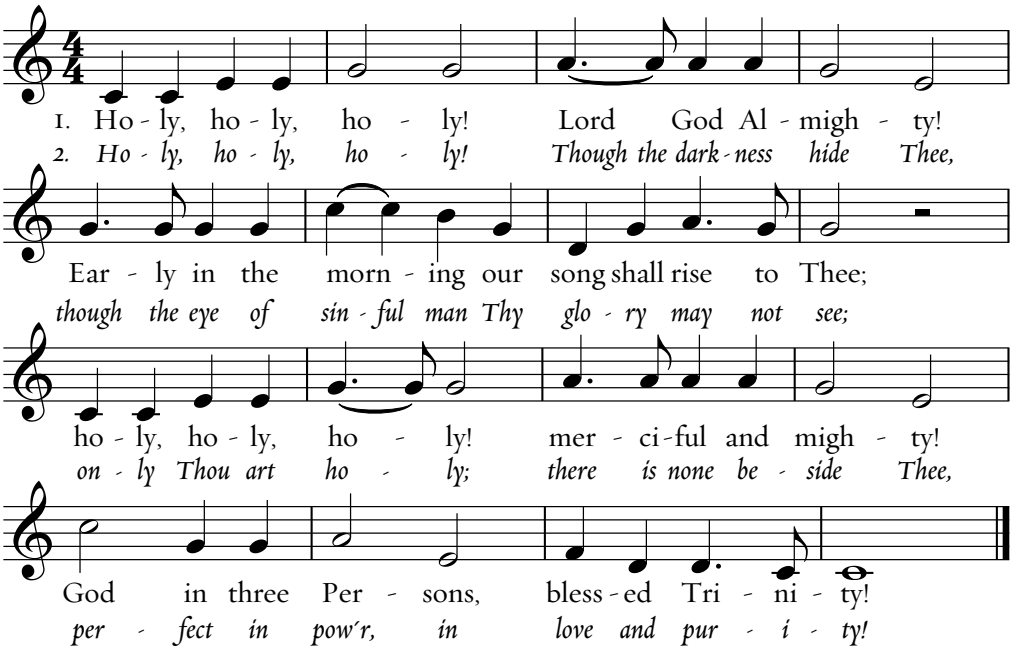
PROCESSIONAL

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



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ENTRANCE

Minister: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People: *Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.*

Minister: I waited patiently for the LORD;
he inclined to me and heard my cry.
People: *He drew me up from the pit of destruction,*
out of the miry bog

Minister: And set my feet upon a rock,
making my steps secure.
People: *He put a new song in my mouth,*
a song of praise to our God.

Minister: Many will see and fear,
and put their trust in the LORD.
People: *Blessed is the man who makes*
the LORD his trust, Amen.

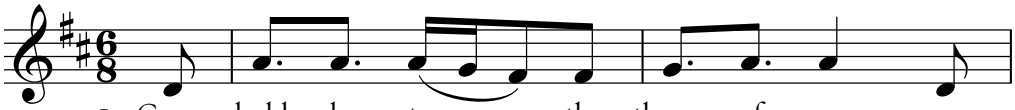
(from Psalm 40)

Minister: Let us pray...

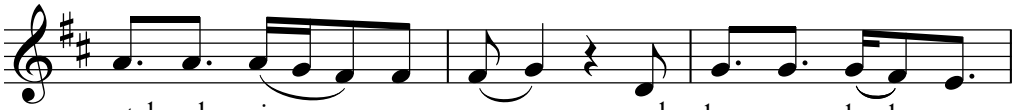
People: *Amen.*

HYMN OF PRAISE

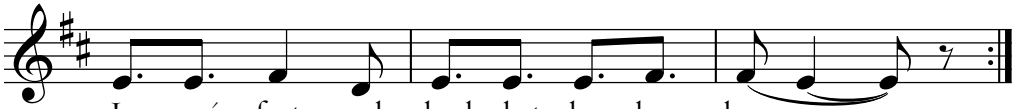
COME BOLDLY TO THE THRONE OF GRACE



1. Come bold - ly to the throne of grace, ye
2. *"How can I come?" Some soul may say, "I'm*
3. Come bold - ly to the throne of grace, though
4. *Poor bank - rupt souls, who feel and know the*

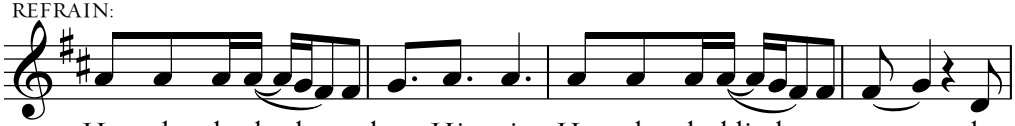


wretch-ed sin - ners come; and lay your load at
lame and can - not walk; my guilt and sin have
lost, and blind, and lame; Je - ho - vah is the
hell of sin with - in, come bold - ly to the

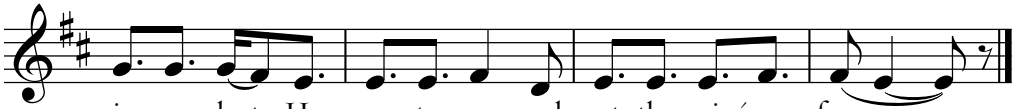


Je - sus' feet, and plead what he has done. TO VERSE 2
stopped my mouth; I sigh, but dare not talk." TO REFRAIN
sin - ner's Friend, and ev - er was the same. TO VERSE 4
throne of grace; the Lord will take you in. TO REFRAIN

REFRAIN:



He makes the dead to hear His voice; He makes the blind to see; the



sin - ner lost He came to save, and set the pris 'ner free.

(Words - D. Herbert, 1838, Music - Clint Wells and Brian T. Murphy, 2004, Arrangement - David Lutes, 2008)

CONFESSION OF SIN

Leader: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor:

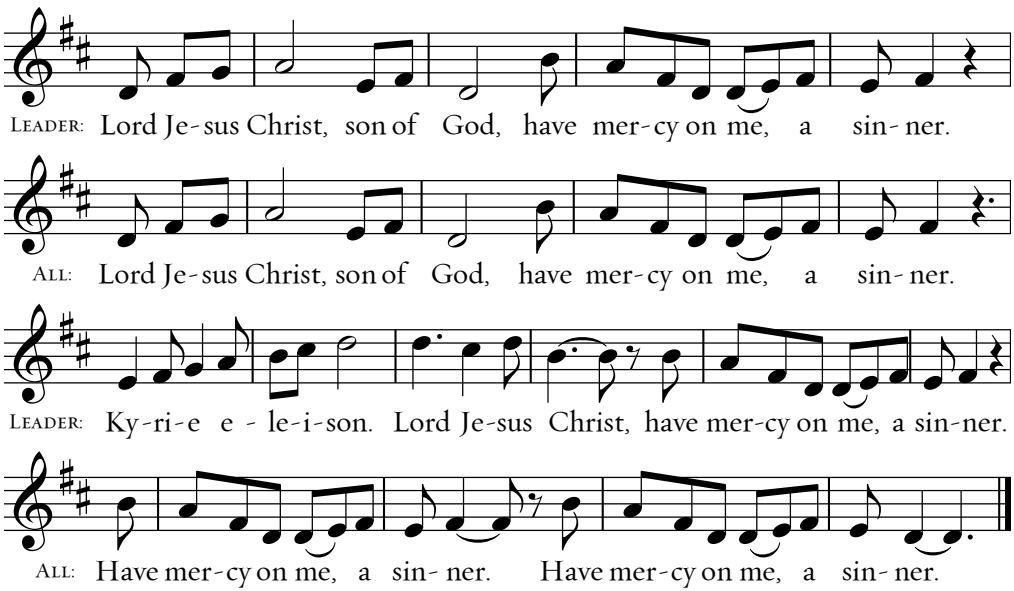
People: *Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against your holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare those who confess their faults, restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that, we may, from this time onward, live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.*

-from *The Book of Common Prayer*

(Pause for a time of silent confession.
At the beginning of the *Kyrie Eleison*, the congregation stands.)

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

KYRIE ELEISON



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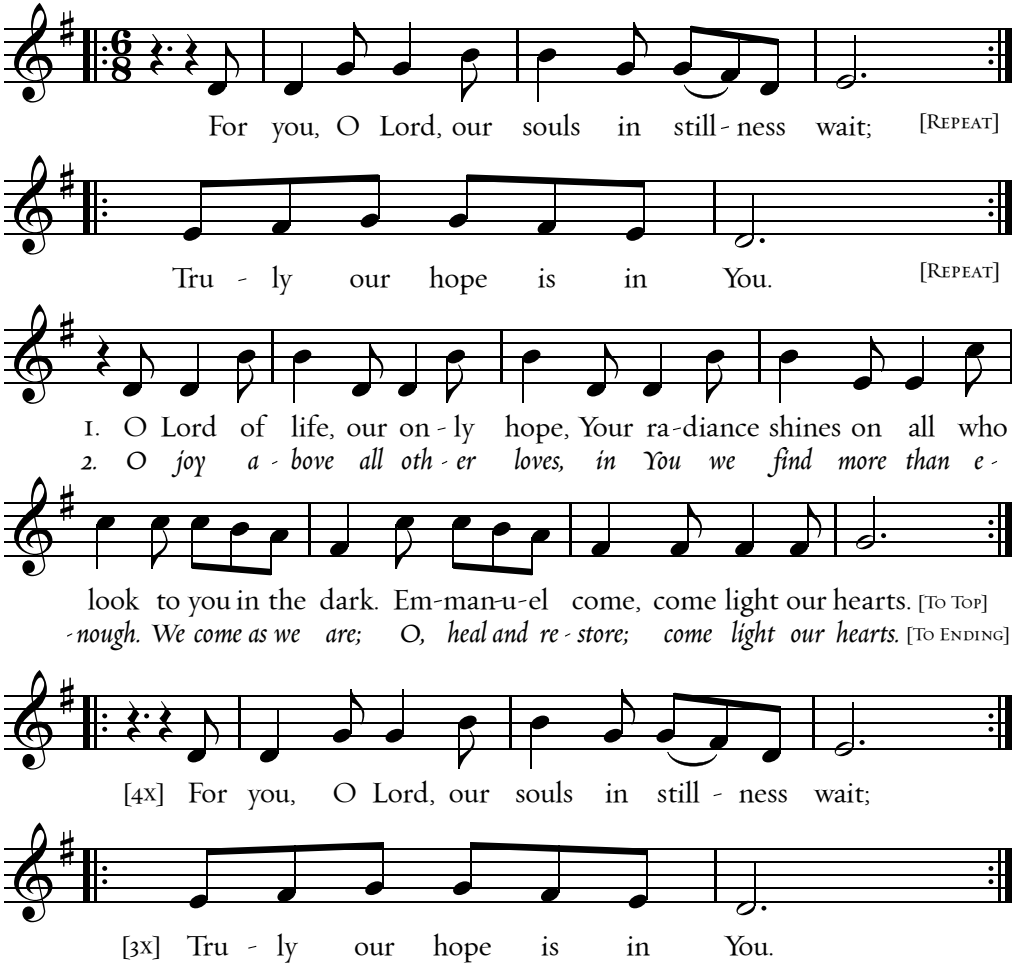
ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Minister: The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of His Holy Spirit.

People: *Amen.*

HYMN OF RESPONSE

COME LIGHT OUR HEARTS



(Words and music: Sandra McCracken, addtl. arr. David Lutes)

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ecclesiastes 3:1-13, 16-20

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:

2 a time to be born, and a time to die;
a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;
3 a time to kill, and a time to heal;
a time to break down, and a time to build up;
4 a time to weep, and a time to laugh;
a time to mourn, and a time to dance;
5 a time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together;
a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;
6 a time to seek, and a time to lose;
a time to keep, and a time to cast away;
7 a time to tear, and a time to sew;
a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;
8 a time to love, and a time to hate;
a time for war, and a time for peace.

9 What gain has the worker from his toil? 10 I have seen the business that God has given to the children of man to be busy with. 11 He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also, he has put eternity into man's heart, yet so that he cannot find out what God has done from the beginning to the end. 12 I perceived that there is nothing better for them than to be joyful and to do good as long as they live; 13 also that everyone should eat and drink and take pleasure in all his toil—this is God's gift to man....

16 Moreover, I saw under the sun that in the place of justice, even there was wickedness, and in the place of righteousness, even there was wickedness. 17 I said in my heart, God will judge the righteous and the wicked, for there is a time for every matter and for every work. 18 I said in my heart with regard to the children of man that God is testing them that they may see that they themselves are but beasts. 19 For what happens to the children of man and what happens to the beasts is the same; as one dies, so dies the other. They all have the same breath, and man has no advantage over the beasts, for all is vanity. 20 All go to one place. All are from the dust, and to dust all return.

EPISTLE READING

Hebrews 4:14-16, 11:1

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. 15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. 16 Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need....

11:1 Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen....

Reader: The Word of the LORD.
People: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL PROCESSION

INSTRUMENTAL

Please turn and face the Bible as it is processed into the aisle.

GOSPEL READING

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Matthew 8:23-32

And when he got into the boat, his disciples followed him. 24 And behold, there arose a great storm on the sea, so that the boat was being swamped by the waves; but he was asleep. 25 And they went and woke him, saying, “Save us, Lord; we are perishing.” 26 And he said to them, “Why are you afraid, O you of little faith?” Then he rose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm. 27 And the men marveled, saying, “What sort of man is this, that even winds and sea obey him?”

28 And when he came to the other side, to the country of the Gadarenes, two demon-possessed men met him, coming out of the tombs, so fierce that no one could pass that way. 29 And behold, they cried out, “What have you to do with us, O Son of God? Have you come here to torment us before the time?” 30 Now a herd of many pigs was feeding at some distance from them. 31 And the demons begged him, saying, “If you cast us out, send us away into the herd of pigs.” 32 And he said to them, “Go.” So they came out and went into the pigs, and behold, the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea and drowned in the waters.

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise be to you, Lord Christ.

SMALL SAINTS DISMISSAL

At this time, children in PreK-2nd grade may go to Room 102 for a lesson and activity. They will return to the Sanctuary during the Offertory.

HOMILY

"A Whisper in the Wind: The Complexity of Our Times
Rev. Tim Frickenschmidt

Sermon Notes

For more study resources,
see All Saints weekly sermon discussion guides
attached to each sermon online.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Celebrant: Christian, what do you believe?

People: *I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.*
And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
He descended into hell;
the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.

-The Apostles Creed

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RETURN OF CHILDREN: During the Offertory, Small Saints teachers will bring the children back to the Sanctuary. Feel free to pick up younger children at this time as well. You may also wait to retrieve them, as childcare is provided for the duration of the service.

HOLY COMMUNION

OFFERTORY

Celebrant: Let us with gladness present the tithes and offerings of our life and labor to the Lord.

OFFERTORY INSTRUMENTAL INTERLUDE

TITHES & OFFERINGS

Online giving is available at any time at allsaintsaustin.org/giveonline or you may leave offerings in the bowl at the entrance before or after the service.

Minister: Let us pray:

People: *We do not presume to come to this, Your Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your Table. But you are the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body and our souls washed through his most precious blood that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.*

(Please stand.)

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And with your spirit.*

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

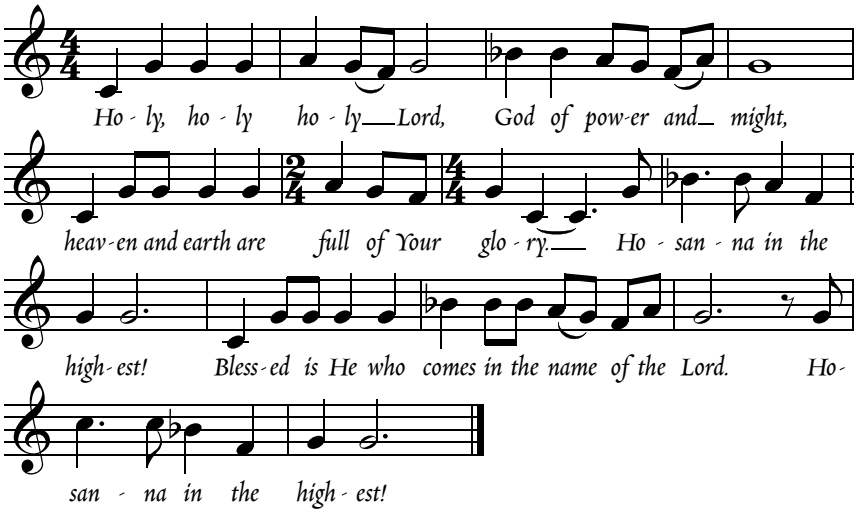
People: *We lift them up unto the Lord.*

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

Celebrant: It is very good and right, our duty and privilege, to at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto you, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify your glorious Name; evermore praising you, and singing,

People:



(Traditional Eucharistic melody from the Latin Mass)

(Please kneel or be seated)

Celebrant: All glory be to you, O Lord our God, for you created heaven and earth, and made us in your own image; and, of your tender mercy, you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption.

He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, Jesus took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Therefore, with these your gifts which we now offer you, we your people, celebrate and make the memorial your Son has commanded:

People: *When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, until you come again.*

Celebrant: We humbly ask you, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with your Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of your dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ. Accept this, our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, through which we offer to you our selves, our souls and our bodies. Grant that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction; that Christ may dwell in us, and we in him.

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.

People: *Amen.*

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

People: *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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.*

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us;

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

Celebrant: O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

People: *have mercy upon us.*

Celebrant: O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

People: *have mercy upon us.*

Celebrant: O Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

People: *grant us your peace.*

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

INVITATION

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him by faith, with thanksgiving.

Coming to the Table

Instructions & Explanations

Welcome to the Lord's Table

All Saints welcomes all baptized Christians to participate in the eucharistic meal, whether members at All Saints or another church. Children who have been baptized and admitted to the table by the elders of this church or the leadership of another church are also welcome.

If you're still investigating Christianity or simply choose not to participate, you may either remain in your seat or come forward, cross your arms over your chest, and receive a blessing. Non-communing children are encouraged to come forward to receive a blessing while their parents receive communion.

About the BREAD

Gluten free bread is available upon request in all serving sections. If you are highly gluten intolerant, we recommend communing at the front left serving section which serves only gluten free bread.

About the WINE

The outer circles of each cup tray contain wine. Grape juice is provided in the **inner circle of each tray**.

Where do I go?

Wait for an usher to release your row. Ushers will release each row to go forward to take communion.

If you're unsure where to go, an usher will direct you to the appropriate line.

If I only take the bread or the wine...

There may be times when you are unable to take either the bread or the wine. Perhaps the grape juice runs out in your section. The historic Church recognizes this as "communion in one kind" and it's ok! The Church still considers those who have taken just the bread or just the wine as participating fully in Communion.

HYMNS FOR COMMUNION

HE WILL HOLD ME FAST

When I fear my faith will fail,
Christ will hold me fast.
When the tempter would prevail,
He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold,
Through life's fearful path.
For my love is often cold,
He must hold me fast.

Refrain
He will hold me fast,
He will hold me fast,
For my Savior loves me so,
He will hold me fast.

Those He saves are His delight;
Christ will hold me fast.
Precious in His holy sight,
He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost;
His promises shall last.
Bought by Him at such a cost,
He will hold me fast.

Refrain

For my life He bled and died;
Christ will hold me fast.
Justice has been satisfied;
He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life,
He will hold me fast,
Till our faith is turned to sight,
When he comes at last.

Refrain

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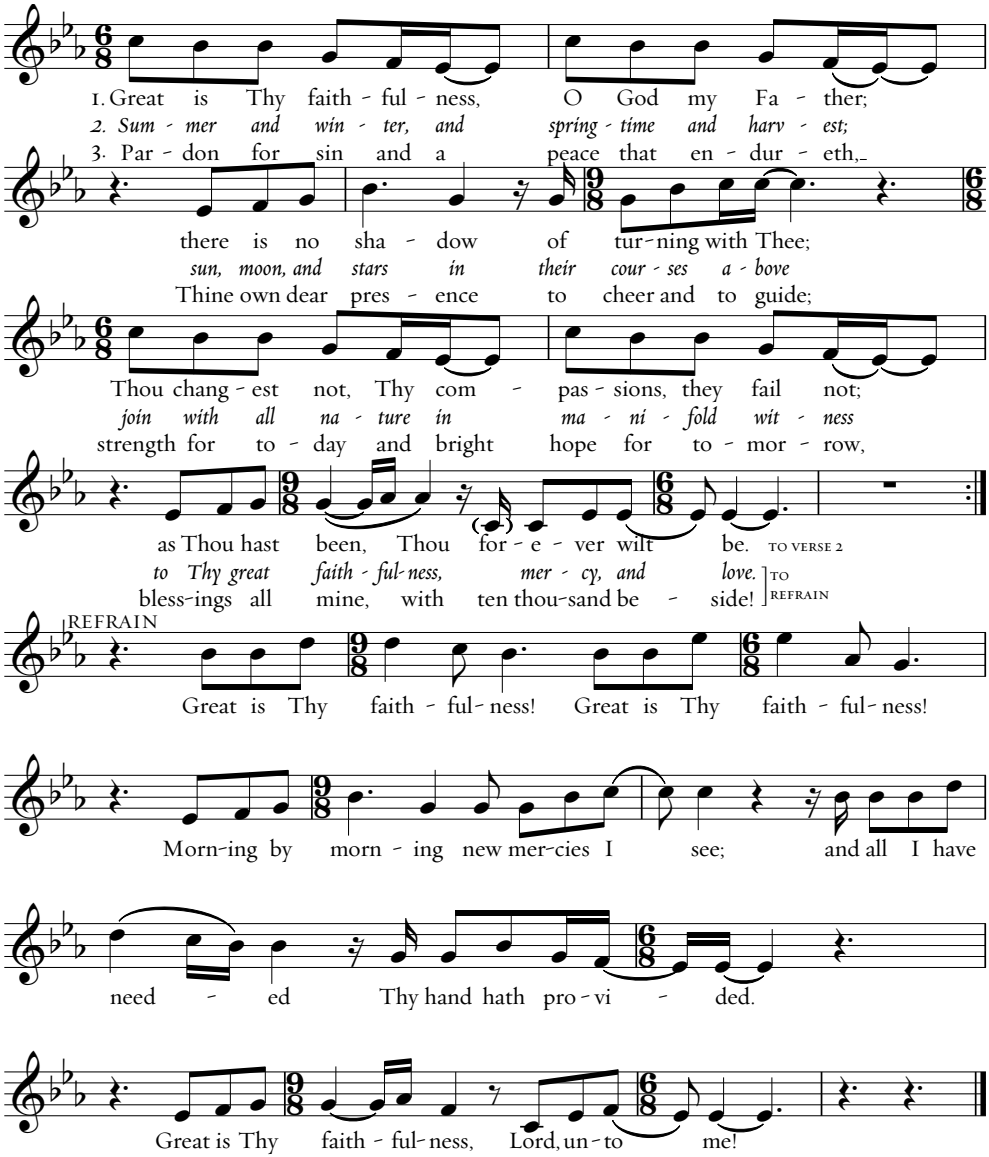
GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS



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BENEDICTION

The peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you, and remain with you always. Amen.

PROCESSIONAL

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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DAILY LECTIONARY READINGS

These readings are provided as a personal, family, or group worship resource. They are set in the Revised Common Lectionary, a schedule of daily Bible reading in accord with the Church year. They are designed around a two-year cycle that will take you through the Old Testament once, the New Testament twice, and the Psalms frequently. We are currently in the "Year I" cycle.

3/8/26		
Ps. 93	Gen. 44:1-17	Rom. 8:1-10
Ps. 34	Jn. 5:25-29	
3/9/26		
Ps. 80	Gen. 44:18-34	1 Cor. 7:25-31
Ps. 77	Mk. 5:21-43	
3/10/26		
Ps. 78:1-39	Gen. 45:1-15	1 Cor. 7:32-40
Ps. 78:40-72	Mk. 6:1-13	
3/11/26		
Ps. 119:97-120	Gen. 45:16-28	1 Cor. 8:1-13
Ps. 81-82	Mk. 6:13-29	
3/12/26		
Ps. 83	Gen. 461	Cor. 9:1-15
Ps. 85-86	Mk. 6:30-46	
3/13/26		
Ps. 88	Gen. 47:1-26	1 Cor. 9:16-27
Ps. 91-92	Mk. 6:47-56	
3/14/26		
Ps. 87	Gen. 47:27-48:71	Cor. 10:1-13
Ps. 136	Mk. 7:1-23	
3/15/26		
Ps. 66-67	Gen. 48:8-22	Rom. 8:11-25
Ps. 46	Jn. 6:27-40	

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CONNECT WITH US DURING THE WEEK

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

APRIL BOOK GROUPS

WEDNESDAYS IN APRIL

REGISTER HERE

Children's Ministry

EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, March 28 • 10:00 AM • All Saints Church

Petting Zoo • Bounce House • Cotton Candy • Popcorn

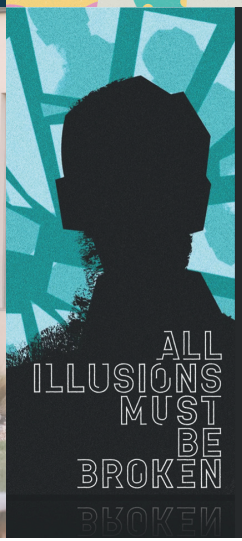
Please consider donating plastic eggs filled with wrapped, nut-free treats to the All Saints office or the Children's Hall collection bin.

CEDAR

Parish Gathering *today*

Worship Together: 11:30 AM

Gather Together: In the courtyard after the 11:30 AM service



MUSIC + ARTS FILM SCREENING

MARCH 23
DOORS OPEN AT 6:30 PM
FILM BEGINS AT 7:00 PM

ALAMO DRAFTHOUSE SOUTH LAMAR
REGISTRATION REQUIRED / SEATS ARE LIMITED

SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER

PALM SUNDAY PROCESSIONAL

CHILDREN OF ALL AGES
GATHER IN THE BOOKSTORE
10 MINUTES BEFORE WORSHIP
(AT ALL THREE SERVICES)

MARCH 29
ALL SAINTS BOOKSTORE

LENTEN RESOURCES

The season of Lent is a time to prepare for Easter through repentance, turning our attention away from the world and towards God our savior.

All Saints has prepared resources and our annual Lent Daily Worship Guide to guide our hearts this season.

Download the guide here and visit allsaintsaustin.org/lent for more resources

SUNDAY 3/15

Two Services Only

10:15 & 11:30 AM

There will be no 9:00 AM service.
We will resume normal Sunday scheduling on March 22.

SPONSOR EASTER FLOWERS

In honor or memory of a loved one
allsaintsaustin.org/flowers

Deadline to submit is
Friday, March 27

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