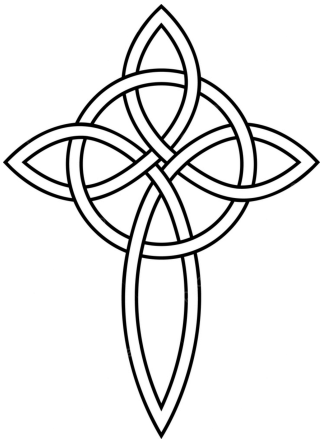

THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

October 11, 2026, 10am

We are glad that you are here to worship with us today.
Please take the time before the service for silent prayer and meditation.
Let us know more about you by signing the guest book near the front door.
We welcome you to be part of our programs & community life.

The service is found in the red Book of Common Prayer.
Hymns are found in the blue Hymnal 1982.

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Our Ministers Today

Ushers: Tom Hackett, Earle Sandberg, David Thursfield
Acolytes: Andrew Saitta, Emily Sandberg
Lector: Leigh Gillespie **Lay Eucharistic Minister:** Susan LeVan
Altar Guild: Janice Lettieri, Nancy Mink, Jan Sandberg

The altar flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for the 26th birthday of Julia Celeste by Kimberly & Wayne Celeste.

Parish Calendar

Week of October 11

Parish Office Closed Monday-Wed:
Rector at Diocesan Clergy Conference
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Thursday
* Parish Office, 9:30am-5:30pm
* Office Angels, 1pm in the Rath House
* Twelve Baskets Food Pantry, Parish House
Seniors 3:30-4:30pm / General Distribution 5:30-6:30pm,
* Handbell Choir, 6pm in the Rainbow Room
* All Saints Choir, 7:30pm in the Choir Room

Saturday - Funeral for Betty Mather, 11am

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude *Partita uber "Jesu, meine Freude"* Friedrich Wilhelm Zachow

Processional Hymn 345, *Savior, again to thy dear Name we raise* ELLERS

The Opening Acclamation BCP, p. 355

The Collect for Purity

Gloria *see Service Music pew card* *Missa Nova,* Alfred V. Fedak

The Collect

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever**. Amen.**

The Lessons

The First Reading: A reading from the Book of Isaiah. ISAIAH 25:1-9

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt. Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled.

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 25:1-8 *Please stand and sing the Psalm.* Frederick A. Gore Ouseley (1825-1909)

1 The / LORD ♦ is my / shepherd; *
I / shall not / be in / want.

2 He makes me lie / down in ♦ green / pastures *
and / leads me ♦ be- /side still / waters.

3 He re-/ vives my / soul *
and guides me along right / pathways ♦ for his / **Name's** / sake.

4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall / fear no / evil; *
for you are with me; your rod and your / staff they / com-fort / me.

5 You spread a table before me in the presence of / those who / trouble me; *
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my / cup is / run-ning / over.

6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the / days of ♦ my / life, *
and I will dwell in the / house of ♦ the / LORD for / ever.

The Second Reading

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians. PHILIPPIANS 4:1-9

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Alleluia *see Service Music pew card* *Missa Nova,* Fedak

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Christ. MATTHEW 22:1-14

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

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

The Sermon — The Rev. Victoria Geer McGrath

The Nicene Creed — BCP, p. 358

The Prayers of the People, Form I — BCP, p. 383

The Confession & Absolution — BCP, p. 360

The Peace *Please exchange God's Peace with one another.*

Welcome & Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem — *Rejoice in the Lord alway* — Anonymous
All Saints Choir

Please feel free to make your offering in thanksgiving to God using the electronic giving options at www.allsaintsmillington.org/giving

Offertory Hymn 321, My God, thy table now is spread — ROCKINGHAM

The Doxology, Hymn 380, vs. 3 *see Service Music pew card* — OLD 100TH

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer D — BCP, p. 372

Sursum Corda S-120 *see Service Music pew card*
Sanctus *see Service Music pew card* — *Missa Nova,* Fedak
The Great Amen *see Service Music pew card* — *Missa Nova,* Fedak

The Lord's Prayer — BCP, p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Lamb of God *see Service Music pew card* — *Missa Nova,* Fedak

All baptized Christians are invited to receive the Body and Blood of Christ in Communion which will be offered as both bread and wine.
If you need a gluten-free wafer, please tell the priest at the altar rail.
If you need to receive Communion in your pew, please let an usher know.
If you are not receiving today, please come forward for a blessing.

Communion Hymn 701, *Jesus, all my gladness* — JESU, MEINE FREUDE

Post-Communion Prayer — BCP, p. 365
The response is **Thanks be to God.**

Closing Hymn 481, *Rejoice, the Lord is King* — GOPSAL

Postlude *Postlude* — Leon Boëllmann

All Saints' Announcements

We're glad you're here! If you are new or visiting, please sign the visitor's card hanging in your pew and place it in the collection plate, or sign the guest book by the Bell Tower door. And then join us for coffee and conversation in the Parish Hall across the street.

TODAY: Farewell for Parish Administrator Susie Harris at 11:15am in the Parish Hall. Please join us to thank Susie for her 19 years of service to the people of All Saints' Church and our wider community.

TODAY-GODLY PLAY: All children PreK-Grade will go to the Godly Play room with Ms. Clark after worship today for a lesson and activity as a single group (no music or snack). After that they will join the Farewell Party in the Parish Hall.

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All Saints' Day Necrology – On Sunday, November 1st we will remember all those who have died in the past year and all those who have gone before us in the faith. If you have names of people you would like to be prayed for in the Necrology at both services, please send an email to Mother Vicki at allsaints_rector@hotmail.com. We need those names by Monday, October 26.

Parish Administrator Transition - The job description for this position is being developed and will be posted soon. It will be several weeks, however, before a new person is hired and begins working. In the meantime, please be patient with our reduced staffing. And if you are available to do some volunteer office work for a couple of hours during the week, please let the Rector know. Thanks.

Clergy, Vestry & Staff

Rector: The Rev. Victoria Geer McGrath
Curate: Sister Monica Clare
Wardens: Janet Gibbs, Stewart Cunningham
Vestry: Liz Gorny, Robby Mansfield, Dave Shaw, Charlene Teo, Betsy Wallace, Waring Webb

Clerk: Janet Gibbs
Treasurer: Bob Jackson
Music Director: Alison Siener Brown
Administrator: