

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2024

The First Sunday after Christmas
Healing Service and Eucharist at 7:30 a.m.



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Welcome!

Whoever you are and wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith there is a place for you here.

Sunday Morning Childcare

**Childcare for Infants and Preschoolers: 9:00–12:00 p.m.
in the Seminar room and Small Lounge in Regas House, sign in required.**

All Saints Church is located on Tovaangar, the ancestral homeland of the indigenous Tongva people, who were the original caretakers of this land we occupy, and who were dispossessed of it through the injustices brought about by colonization. The Tongva people continue to remain in relationship with these lands today through ceremony, culture, and stewardship, and we are grateful for their example and leadership.

We are guests upon this land, with a responsibility to treat it with respect and care, and to seek justice for indigenous peoples. It is only by telling the whole story that we can tell a new story of this land together. As part of our commitment to seeking reconciliation with the land and all people who have lived on it, and according to our core values of Courageous Justice and Ethical Stewardship, All Saints Church is committed to acknowledging the land's history and working with the Tongva to perform reparative action.

To learn more about the history of the land we are on, read our report here:

<https://allsaints-pas.org/ministries/tws-land-working-group/>



Visitors

If you are new to All Saints please stop by the **Welcome Table** under the red canopy on the lawn for information about All Saints Church. **Greeters** at the Welcome Table can assist you with any questions you may have and help you get connected. We're so glad you are here!

In the pew racks in front of you:

Purple Prayer Request Cards and Green Welcome Cards

You are welcome to complete the cards and put them in the offering basket later in the service, or bring them to the Welcome Table on the lawn after the service.



Welcome Card



Prayer request

We Come Together as Beloved Community at All Saints Church as a sign of what can happen outside our doors. That we can be the change our world must see. That we can Come Together as a Beloved Community in Pasadena, the nation and the world. That the human family can Come Together. Today.

Donate to All Saints: allsaints-pas.org/donate

If you have any questions, contact our Director of Giving, Development and Economic Justice, Sarah Nolan at snolan@allsaints-pas.org or 626.583.2736.

Our Mission Statement:

We are an Episcopal Church, walking with a revolutionary Jesus, loving without judgment, doing justice courageously, embracing life joyfully reverently inviting all faiths and peoples into relationship for the healing and transformation of ourselves, our community, and the world.

Our Core Values:

Radical Inclusion ✦ Courageous Justice ✦ Ethical Stewardship ✦ Joyful Spirituality

Learn more about All Saints :

allsaints-pas.org/welcome-to-asc/get-connected

Prayer requests can be submitted

by calling 626.583.2707 to leave a message for the Pastoral Care office
or by email to prayers@allsaints-pas.org

Language In Worship: Because language has the power to shape our thinking about one another, All Saints Church makes every effort to bring the language of worship into conformity with the principles of biblical theology that affirm that the personhood of God embraces all expressions of gender lovingly and equally. Therefore, in our worship, we take our Bible readings from an inclusive language lectionary, which is often truer to original sources in references to people, and expands our concept of God beyond exclusively masculine terms. In Prayer Book liturgies we make minimal but symbolically important changes which denote our commitment to inclusive expression. Some historical texts that are widely known and loved are left unaltered. The words of the liturgy are from the 1979 *Book of Common Prayer* and *Enfleshed*. The readings are from the *New Revised Standard Version* of the Bible, lectionary year C, as well as from *The Message* and from *Inclusive Hebrew Scriptures* and *New Testament* published by *Priests for Equality*.

We ask that you extend a respectful courtesy to others by silencing all cell phones.

PRAYER OF MEDITATION

As the people gather before the service begins, we encourage you to use the following prayer for meditation.

Loving God, you are always more ready to bestow your good gifts upon us than we are to seek them. You are more willing to give than we desire or deserve. Help us so to seek that we may truly find, so to ask that we may joyfully receive, so to knock that the door of your mercy may be opened for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

Stand — all who are able — as the procession enters the Chapel.

SALUTATION *Remain standing.*

Jonathan Stoner

Minister: The desert will sing and rejoice.

People: And the wilderness blossom with flowers.

Minister: All will see the splendor of God,

People: See the greatness and power of God.

Minister: Tell everyone who is anxious,

People: Be strong and do not be afraid.

Minister: The blind will be able to see.

People: The deaf will be able to hear.

Minister: The lame will leap and dance.

People: Those who cannot speak will shout.

Minister: They will hammer their swords into ploughs,

People: And their spears into pruning-knives.

Minister: The nations will live in peace:

People: They will train for war no more.

Minister: This is the promise of God;

People: God's promise shall be fulfilled.

CONFESSION OF SIN *Remain standing.*

Jonathan Stoner

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

Remain standing, silence is kept.

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.

MUTUAL ASSURANCE

Minister: There is no sin so great that God's love cannot forgive. In the name of Jesus Christ your sins are forgiven. Amen.

People: There is no sin so great that God's love cannot forgive. In the name of Jesus Christ your sins are forgiven. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Minister: God dwells in you.

People: And also in you.

Minister: Let us pray.

Remain standing; silence is kept.

Minister: Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

LESSON *Seated.*

Eric Whitten

A Reading from Isaiah (61:10–62:3).

I delight greatly in the Lord; my soul rejoices in my God. For God has clothed me with garments of salvation and arrayed me in a robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom adorns his head like a priest, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the soil makes the sprout come up and a garden causes seeds to grow, so the Sovereign Lord will make righteousness and praise spring up before all nations. For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, for Jerusalem's sake I will not remain quiet, till her righteousness shines out like the dawn, her salvation like a blazing torch. The nations will see your righteousness, and all rulers your glory; you will be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will bestow. You will be a crown of splendor in the Lord's hand, a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

Minister: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

A period of silence is observed following the reading.

PSALM 147:13–21 *Seated; read in unison.*

Jerusalem, give glory to your God!
 Zion, praise your God!

For God strengthens the bars of your gates, and blesses your children within you.
 God has granted peace within your borders, and fills you with the finest wheat.

God sends forth a command to the earth – swiftly runs the word!
 God spreads snow like wool and scatters frost like ashes.

God hurls hail like pebbles – who can stand before God’s freezing winds?

Then God sends a word and melts them;
 God lets the breeze blow and the waters run again.

God’s words have been revealed to the chosen people,
 God’s decrees and laws to Israel.

God has not done this with any other nation;
 they do not know God’s law.
 Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Standing — all who are able.*

Jonathan Stoner

Minister: The Good News of Jesus as written in John (1:1–18).

People: Glory is yours, O Christ.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The Word was present to God from the beginning. Through the Word all things came into being, and apart from the Word nothing came into being. In the Word was life, and that life was humanity’s light. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. There came one sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. The Word was coming into the world – was in the world – and though the world was made through the Word, the world did not recognize it. Though the Word came into its own realm, the Word’s own people did not accept it. Yet any who did accept the Word, who believed in that Name, were empowered to become children of God – children born not of natural descent, nor urge of flesh, nor human will – but born of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a parent’s only child, full of grace and truth. John testified by proclaiming, “This is the one I was talking about when I said, ‘The one who comes after me ranks ahead of me, for this One existed before I did.’ Of this One’s fullness we have all had a share – gift on top of gift. For while the Law was given through Moses, the Gift – and the Truth – came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God; it is the Only Begotten, ever at God’s side, who has revealed God to us.

Minister: The Gospel of the Savior.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Thomas Diaz

*A period of silence is observed after the sermon.***INTERCESSIONS** *Standing – all who are able.*

Eric Whitten

*The names of those for whom we continue to pray are listed on page 12.***LITANY OF HEALING** *Remain standing.*

Jonathan Stoner

Minister: God dwells in you.

People: And also in you.

Minister: Let us pray.

The people kneel — all who are able.

Minister: Loving God, in you we live and move and have our being;

People: We praise you and thank you, God.

Minister: God the Creator, your will for all people is health and salvation;

People: We praise you and thank you, God.

Minister: God the Redeemer, you came that we might have life, and might have it more abundantly;

People: We praise you and thank you, God.

Minister: God the Sustainer, you make our bodies the temple of your presence;

People: We praise you and thank you, God.

Minister: Merciful God, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured, or addicted.

People: Hear us, O God of life.

Minister: Grant to all who seek your guidance, and to all who are lonely, anxious, or despondent, a knowledge of your will and an awareness of your presence.

People: Hear us, O God of life.

Minister: Mend broken relationships, and restore those in emotional distress to soundness of mind and serenity of spirit;

People: Hear us, O God of life.

Minister: Bless physicians, nurses, and all others who minister to the suffering, granting them wisdom and skill, compassion and patience;

People: Hear us, O God of life.

Minister: Grant to the dying peace and a holy death, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved;

People: Hear us, O God of life.

Minister: Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in our lives, in our nation, and in the world;
 People: Hear us, O God of life.

A period of silence follows.

Minister: Almighty God, Giver of life and health: Send your blessing on all who are sick, and upon those who minister to them, that all weakness may be vanquished by the triumph of the Risen Christ; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**INVITATION TO COME FORWARD FOR THE
 LAYING ON OF HANDS AND BLESSING PRAYER** *Seated.*

Thomas Diaz

*Baskets are placed near the front of the aisles to receive written prayer requests, comments, drawings.
 The page at the back of the liturgy is available for this purpose.*

PEACE

Thomas Diaz

Minister: The peace of Christ be always with you.
 People: And also with you.

Greet one another in the name of Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS *Seated.*

Thomas Diaz

OFFERTORY SENTENCES

Jonathan Stoner

Priest: All things come of thee, O Lord,
 People: And of thine own, have we given thee. Amen.

PRESENTATION AND BLESSING OF PRAYER SHAWLS

Priest: Loving God,
 You are the source of all healing.
 Bless these prayer shawls, and the hands that made them.
 May they bring comfort and healing to those to whom they are given, and may they be strengthened by your constant presence and Love.
 In the name of the healing Christ,
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING *Standing – all who are able.*

Priest: God dwells in you.

People: And also in you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

Priest and People:

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.

CONSECRATION *Kneeling or standing — all who are able.*

Priest: 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 Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, 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 Jesus 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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O God,

Priest and People:

We remember Christ's death,

We proclaim Christ's resurrection,

We await Christ's coming in glory;

Priest: And we offer our praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

Priest and People:

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 self-offering, that we may be acceptable through Christ, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, align all things with your love, and bring us to that heavenly country where with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever. Amen.

Priest: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, in the language of your heart, we are bold to say,

Priest and People:

Our Creator/Mother/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

Creador/Madre/Padre Nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu Nombre, venga tu reino, hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día. Perdona nuestras ofensas, como también nosotros perdonamos a quienes nos ofenden. No nos dejes caer en tentación, y líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

我们在天上的父
愿人都尊你的名为圣，
愿你的国降临，
愿你的旨意行在地上，
如同行在天上。
我们日用的饮食，
今日赐给我们。
免我们的债，
如同我们免了人的债。
不叫我们遇见试探，
救我们脱离凶恶。
因为国度、权柄、荣耀，
全是你的，直到永远。阿门。

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A period of silence is kept, during which the priest breaks the consecrated bread.

Priest: We are one bread, one body.

People: We will love one another as Christ loves us.

INVITATION

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

Whoever you are and wherever you are on your journey of faith, there is a place for you at Christ's table. When it comes time for communion, everyone of any age is welcome to receive either communion or a blessing.

If you wish to receive the bread, when you come to the front you may kneel or stand at the altar rail and hold your hands together in front of you to receive the bread.

If you wish to receive wine, help guide the cup to your lips or, if you prefer not to receive the wine, you may touch the base of the cup when it is presented to you.

If you wish to receive a blessing, when you come to the front, cross your arms over your chest, and you will be offered a blessing.

Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are available at your request on the back side rails.

By tradition, The Episcopal Church offers Holy Communion to all baptized persons. If you are not baptized, but wish to receive, we invite you to participate fully in the opening part of the service, called the Ministry of the Word, hearing God's word and reflecting on your life, enabling you to come to the table for communion, if you so choose, with a heart prepared to receive. We hope that if you feel touched by the word and sacrament and wish to learn more about the life-giving power of the Spirit of the Risen Christ, you will contact Tim Rich to inquire about participating in Holy Baptism.

(trich@allsaints-pas.org)

If you have any questions or are confused about any of this, please just come forward and ushers and staff will be happy to guide you.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *Kneeling or standing — all who are able.*

Jonathan Stoner

Minister: Let us pray.

Minister and People:

Eternal God, great Creator,
 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 Christ's 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

DISMISSAL

Jonathan Stoner

Minister: Let us go forth rejoicing in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

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USHER: David Stecker (*Captain*); Mark Welz.

VERGERS: Gary Leonard (*Head Verger*); Elizabeth Emmanuelli, Anina Minotto, Rosemary Muñiz, Eric Whitten.

WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS AND THOSE WHO OFFER THEIR

THANKSGIVINGS: *Pierre Bos; The Burgess Family; Tony Campagna; Olga Castaneda; Dave Cavena; Yvonne Cullen; Carminnie Doromal; BJ Kirwan Hanna; Laurel Herrera; Phyllis Hoover; Rick Klepfer; Nancy & Greg Leis; Lisa Lumpkin; Carol Lundberg; Stan Pochron; The Roy Family; Deidre Russell; Victor Sabido; David Spier; April; Diane; Kelly.*

WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR: *Susan Adkins; Karen Alexander; PJ Alexander; Ed & Hope Bacon; Karen Barker; Steve Bastian; Bill Becker; Mary & Alastair Biggart; Philip Brooks; Olga Castaneda; Lyn Cisneros & Family; Nancy Cook; Gina Cowell; Linda Critchfield; Carminnie Doromal; Francois DuBoucheron; Tom Eades & Family; Erika Eichele; Tom Ely; The Emrani Family; Gary Fairbanks; Veronica Flores; Pat Ghaly; Scotlan Goldbeck; Sue Grant; Jim Graves; Lisa Hensley; Christina Honchell; Edie Hovey; The Irwin Family; Bernadette Jimenez; Brian Juarez & Family; Lorraine Kramer; Eva Licea; Paul London; Grace Lombaerts; The Madrigal & Montes Family; Samantha Magdaleno; Donald Mallonee; Abby McCarrel; Ingrid Meyer & Family; Gwen Mitchell; Karen Morris; Anna Morrison; My Dad; Sally Ness; Mike & Michelle Nixon; Robert Norris; Father Otto; Claret Pinto; Joyce Platt; Harvey Sandler; Laura Scribner; Kathleen Shanovich; Stefanie Shea-Akers; Andy Slater; Wendy Stiver; Edith Strouse; Tyler Tamblyn; Nathan Thompson; Jenny Tisi & Family; Mary Townsend; Jose-Louis Trassens; Roxanne Wong; Marci Worthy; Victoria Alaire Zamora; Marilyn Zetner; Dan; Jill; Phoebe; Rosa, Steven & Family The LGBTQ+ inmates in the Los Angeles prison system; Yvette & Tiffany.*

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE IN THE ARMED FORCES, INCLUDING THOSE IN THE EXTENDED

ALL SAINTS COMMUNITY: *Richard Adams; Argyle Ernest Alejandria; Abigail Alford; Kenji Alford; Jamal Allen; Jonathan & Jeremy Alvarado; Clarke Anderson; David Anderson; Peter Andrews; Michael Ardizzone; Jay Keith Arnold; Michael Arredondo; Park Ashley; Nathan Ashlock; Matthew Austin; Michael Austin; Andrea Allen Baker; Ryan Ball; Madison & Jacob Barnell; Joseph Barraquio; Michael Barraquio; Patrick Barraquio; Richard Joseph Barrios; Candace Beck; Caleb Anduze Bell; Jason Bilheimer; Tal Bjoraker; Kelvin Bowser; Davey Brooks; Fanstasia C. Buckber; James Bruni; Michael Bruning; Brett Burt; Chad Bushay; Michael Cady; Joshua Caldwell; George Cardenas; Joey Carlos; Connor Carlovsky; James F. Carter; Reinel Castro; Rodolfo Cerda; Thomas Chau; David Champion; Simba Chigwida; Derek Clark; James Cochran; Chuck Colden; Chistina Coogen; Michael Cooksey; Ian Conrad; Greg Cordova; Jon Cowell; Reid Culton; Jamandre Dancy; Benno deJong; Philip J. Desy; Robert DeWitt, Jr.; Harry Dibbell; Sam Dollar; Danny Doughty; Matt Douglas; James Duncan; Peter Dyrod; Sam Edwards; Jason Ehret; George Andrew Eittinger; Felis Elameto; Peter Erickson; Andrew Espitias; Michael Everett; Michael Fane; Eddie Feefer; Richard Ferguson; Christian Flowers; Jean Vieve Folie; Jeremy Forbes; Scott Foster; David Freeman; James Freeman; Tom Frye, Jr.; Paul Fuller; Roderick Gaines; Jacob Garcia, Thomas Garcia; Mark Geiger; Joshua Gomez; John Toby Green; Spencer Greenaway; Malcolm Guidry, Gabrino Gutierrez; Jared Guzman; Nate Hancock; Justin Harper; Allen Harris; Kathy Harris; Janna Herbert; Noah Hillbruner; David Hoker; Steve Holland; Nick Hooper; Peter Hotwood; Becky Hsia; David Hubner; Darrin Huggins; David Hunter; Timmy Ige; Danielle Isely; Cody Jackson; Michael James; Andrew Jensen; Todd Johnson; Brady Jones; Rene Juarez; Joshua Judson; Tatum Kaneta; Tarek Roy Kassem; Zvi Katz; Charles Kaufman; Jonas Kelsall; Matthew Kempe; Michael Kennedy; Alex Khalkhali; Mike Kiffel; Eddie Kiper; Nick Klinke; Gavin Kohnle; Montinez Kornegay; Jack Lazebnik; Francesca Lane; Abel Lara; Monte Lass; Steve Linyard; Amos Livingston; Carlos Lopez; Nicholas D. Lucas; Paul V. Lucas; Adam Christian Lyons; Willie Mace; Patrick Mackey-Mason; Richard Marasigan; Charlotte Marlowe-Brown; Christopher Martin; Kevin Martin; Joe Maun; Bryan Mayer; India Mays; J.R. McCallam; Joshua McCann; J.R. McMallam; Chris McMaster; Garrett Melahn; Nicholas Melahn; Robin Lewis Miller; Marvin Monjivar; Brandon Montang; T.J. Moseley; Joe Mrsich; Eron Munir; Mario Munoz; Misty Munoz; Miles Nash; John Nemedez; Emeka Okai; James Olson; Jose Orantes; Kim Ott; Travis Andrew Parker; Alex Perschall; Jason Phipps; Herb Pickelseimer; Galen Pilon; Mike Porras; Sergio Rangel; Brandon Rathbone; Ed Reid; Christopher Rennemann; Javier Rivera; Eric Robles; Daniel Rodriguez; Brady Rawls Rouse, Brian Rutkowki, Paul Saenz; Abraham Santos; Adam Schertz; Justin Schwartz; Neil Scott; Daniel Secor; Lyle Shackelford; Jason Sims; Shari Simzyk, Zachary Soule; Mason Smiley; Jimmy Smith; Chubby Sok; Eddie Sosa; Gregory Stoup; Michael Sunderman; Ian Sundseth; Michael Tapia; Nicholas Thompson-Lopez; Dante Roman Terronez; Adam Burton Thompson; Philip Thompson; Humberto Tomas; Stuart Townsend; Michael Uphoff; Marcos Vallejo; Juan Vargas; Jaime Manuel Vargas-Benitez; Doug Vogt; Justin Wallace; Joshua Walsh; John Kennedy Watkins; Greg Watten; Casey Wildgrube; Nicole Williams; Rick Williamson, Von Wilkins, Jr.; Jake Winslow; Neil Worthington; James Michael Yates; Kat Yates; Phillip Yeakey; Brenden; Brent; Eric.*

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: *Demita Burgess; Michael Casas; Diane Delano; Joanna Hagman; Jerry Humes; Dorothea (Dot) Roy; Jennifer Ann Spier.*

This Week at All Saints

Sunday, December 29, 2024 – Healing services

In-Person Worship or join us on Live-Stream <https://allsaints-pas.org/live-stream/>



Eucharist at 7:30 a.m. in the Chapel

Thomas Diaz preaches.

Eucharist at 10:00 a.m. in the Church

Thomas Diaz preaches. Lydia Brown offers *I Will Trust in the Lord* by Green and *This I Pray* by Sorenson.



Healing Service & Blessing of the Prayer Shawls

In the Healing Service you are invited to come forward and experience the laying on of hands — an ancient tradition in the church and a powerful experience. As we

begin the year, let go of the past, whatever it has been, and welcome the new year.

Also during the service, prayer shawls knitted and crocheted by members of our community will be presented and blessed.



Walk the Labyrinth

Sunday, December 29, 8:30 a.m. –2:00 p.m. in Sweetland Hall

Revive your soul and renew your spirit this Healing Sunday by walking the Labyrinth, an ancient meditative practice. Step onto this sacred path and experience the Spirit's presence reaching out to you. The Labyrinth is a powerful metaphor for our shared journey of healing and wholeness. There's nothing to learn or figure out—simply put one foot in front of the other and allow the blessings of the walk to unfold. All are welcome to come, walk, and be refreshed.



New Year's Eve Eucharist

Tuesday Dec. 31, 7:30 p.m.

This special service is a great way to prepare for the New Year. **Canterbury Choir soloists** offer music; **Susan Russell** preaches. Validated parking is available at Plaza las Fuentes.

Children, Youth and Families



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Join Children, Youth, and Families Ministries!

Children, Youth & Families is delighted to be kicking off Godly Play, Seekers and other classes for spiritual formation this winter. Join us! Connect and build community with our dynamic team of volunteers while making an impact in the lives of our children and youth! Become a storyteller for our K-5th grade Godly Play program, or a mentor or volunteer for your 5-12th grade youth programs. Training and support provided. Scan the QR code to get started today and come say hello to the CYF volunteers on the lawn after church.



Programs for Children (Birth – 5th grade) at All Saints:

Sunday Morning Childcare for Infants Through Preschoolers 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Child Care is available for children birth-Kindergarten in the Seminar Room in Regas House from 9:00 a.m. –12:00 p.m. Parents must sign their kids in and out .

Godly Play During Sunday service, children in kindergarten through 5th grade are invited (after the gospel reading) to attend, which invites children to enter into our sacred stories, respecting their innate spirituality, and encourages them to use their curiosity and imagination to experience the mystery and joy of God.

Creative Worship Space for Families Available in the

Chapel Families are invited to worship together through art and play on our rug in the chapel during any part of the Sunday morning, 10:00 a.m. service. Families should stay with their children as this area is not staffed. All are welcome to sit in the chapel; please be understanding whenever our youngest members make a joyful noise.

Unidad Children's Choir All children in 1st–5th grade are welcome to join our wonderful children's choir. The program is free of charge and no auditions are necessary to join. **Thursdays, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m., in the Choir Room.**



Programs for Youth (6th – 12th grade) at All Saints:



Acolyte Program All youth in grades 6–12 are invited to join one of our awesome Acolyte teams! It's a great opportunity to serve our church and our community while learning about our Anglican traditions. As an Acolyte, you'll work with a team, take on leadership roles, wear cool robes, and enjoy many donuts along the way. Plus, you'll make new friends and earn service hours for school! Come be part of something special!

Trouvères Youth Choir Want to join the family feel of a fabulous youth choir?

The program is free of charge and no auditions are necessary. **Wednesdays, 5:15–6:30 p.m. in the Choir Room.**

Youth Dinners Join us in the fall for free dinners and great community every Wednesday from 6:30–7 p.m.

Youth Group for 6th–12th grade We will resume in the fall. We will meet every Wednesday to be in community together. We learn together, support each other and of course have fun together. Youth Group is a safe place to express who you really are. **Wednesdays, 7–8:30 p.m.**

Discord Server The youth at All Saints are posting and chatting 24/7 on our ASC Youth discord server. It's an easy way to stay connected and with channels like music, art, memes, book club, and so many more, there is a topic for everyone. Content will be monitored by vetted volunteers and staff. For youth only. Contact Merry for the link to join.

Not-So-Board-Game Night Every second Friday of the month, 6-9:30 p.m., we gather at All Saints church to play board games, eat snacks and hang out. It's tradition to end the evening with a murder mystery game. Who will win this time, the murderer or the town's people? Come and find out.

For general questions about our Children, Youth & Families program, please contact Merry Simkins at msimkins@allsaints-pas.org or 626.583.2733.

Stay Connected

Sunday, December 29

Journey of Faith – Sharing Group – 12:00–1:00 p.m., in the OCC Conference Room. A welcome space where you can drop in as your schedule allows. No commitments or sign-ups required. Explore your faith, share your story, and build meaningful connections in a supportive community. Information = Amanda McCormick: amccormick@allsaints-pas.org.

Monday, December 30

Monday Meditation Group – 6:45–8:45 p.m. in the Chapel. Beginners are welcome. Join us for quiet sitting and group meditation, accessible to all. Information = encam@att.net.

Grief and Loss Support Group – 7:00–8:30 p.m. (Zoom and the Sr. High Room) The Grief and Loss Group is open to anyone who has experienced a loss. Our members share from their hearts and in so doing find that being deeply listened to by a room of people who understand, their pain and sense of aloneness is eased. Facilitated by **Chris Folz** and **Richard Redman**. For Zoom information please email **Thomas Diaz** at tdiaz@allsaints-pas.org.

Brothers on a Journey (Zoom and the Jr. High Room) – 7:00–9:00 p.m. Brothers on a Journey is an affinity group for men to share about their lives in a safe and welcoming environment. Information = **Thomas Diaz** at tdiaz@allsaints-pas.org.

Tuesday, December 31

New Year's Eve — Church Offices close at noon today.

Wednesday, January 1

New Year's Day — Church Offices are closed today.

Noon Healing Service – resumes Jan. 8, 2025

Prayer in the Taizé Style of Worship – resumes Jan. 8, 2025

Saturday, January 4

Overeaters Anonymous 8:30–10:00 a.m., in the OCC Conference Room Overeaters Anonymous (OA) is a community of people who through experience, strength, and hope are recovering from unhealthy relationships with food and body image. All are welcome.

Information = **Thomas Diaz** at tdiaz@allsaints-pas.org.

Drum Circle 10:00 a.m. on the Playground. Join us for our outdoor community drum circle, led by **Brother Gerald Rivers** (<https://www.geraldcrivers.com/>), a Master Drummer and Djembe player. Drumming is an ancient communal spiritual practice, which roots us in the rhythms of God in creation and binds us to one another. Information = **Debbie Daniels** at ddaniels@allsaints-pas.org.



Offerings Online

Women's Lectionary Online Bible Study

We are using Rev. Dr. Wil Gafney's *A Women's Lectionary for the Whole Church*, Year C. Each online Bible study session begins with an oral reading of the week's scriptures and then proceeds to conversation grounded in those readings as well as in Dr. Gafney's notes which reveal the womanist perspective from which the lectionary was written. All are welcome! **All Sessions will be on Mondays at 9:00 a.m. Pacific standard time.** Register [here](#) in advance here and you will be sent the link for the meeting. (The link will be good for the whole year)

Centering Prayer Tuesdays, 6:45–8:00 p.m., via Zoom

Centering Prayer is a meditation practice that is centered in the contemplative Christian tradition. A sacred word is chosen as your symbol of intention to consent to God's presence and action within. Your word is used to focus your attention so that when thoughts or sensations arise you return gently to the sacred word. The prayer is done in silence for a 20 minute period.

Link: <https://allsaints-pas.org/more/pastoral-care/centering-prayer/>

Recovery Eucharist Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 6 p.m.

The Recovery Eucharist is designed for those recovering from any addiction and for those who support them in their recovery. Elements of the service are drawn from the Book of Common Prayer and the 12 Step readings.

Upcoming dates: Jan 1 & 15 Link to join: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87551078462> Meeting ID: 875 5107 8462

Looking Ahead

Events & Opportunities

Join us for an Interfaith Commemoration of Holy Innocents Day

Saturday, December 28, 5:30 p.m., in the Learning Center
Join us after Shalbbat ends (Havdalal). (Maghrib) Sunset prayer space available.

The Gospel of Matthew records that after the birth of Jesus; King Herod was furious when he realized that he had been tricked by the Magi. He ordered the death of all male children in and around Bethlehem who, were two years old and under. The child Jesus was not harmed because Joseph was warned in a dream to escape to Egypt with Jesus and Mary. Join us as we gather to remember all the Innocents slain over the prior 449 days of death and destruction in Israel, Palestine, Lebanon, Syria, Iran, and Yemen. Our program will include music, poetry and prayer. At the conclusion we will process to the archways of City Hall in a public call for ceasefire; release of all prisoners; more humanitarian aid, and a just and comprehensive peace.



Labyrinth Walk As We Celebrate the Feast of Epiphany

Sunday, January 5, 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., in Sweetland Hall

Come walk the Labyrinth Sunday, January 5th, as we join the Magi on their journey of amazement, wonder, and worship. All are invited to celebrate the joy and mystery of Epiphany as a part of your journey of faith.

As the Prophet Isaiah tells us, "Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you." (60:1)

The Way of Love

Next session will be Sundays, January 5 – February 9, 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. in the Guild Room.

The Way of Love is a way of life. The Way of Love program draws you into a deeper and richer relationship with God through the incorporation of spiritual practices into your daily life. It is a six week program which explores the practices of returning to / finding God again, scripture, prayer, worship, going beyond our boundaries, how we bless others, and rest. More than a program or a curriculum, it is an intentional commitment to a set of practices.

It's a commitment to follow Jesus: Turn, Learn, Pray, Worship, Bless, Go, Rest.

Register online here: <https://bit.ly/40ygl40>



Continuing Through January 7 Have Your Own Private Screening of The Philadelphia Eleven!

As this 50th Anniversary year comes to a close, *The Philadelphia Eleven* filmmakers want as many people as possible to be able to watch the film, so an online, on-demand option is being offered through the end of the year (November 27–January 7).

Get some snacks, invite some friends, and gather around.

Click here: <https://kinema.com/events/the-philadelphia-eleven-ielwpc>.

Facilitating a Small Group Training

Join us on Sunday, January 12, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in the Forum.

Come to learn skills and techniques to be an effective small group facilitator. This class includes discussions on creating a meaningful small group atmosphere, building inclusive conversation by establishing a covenant with your group, modeling active listening, and managing challenging issues. This class is led by the Leadership Support & Development Committee.

Information = Amanda McCormick, amccormick@allsaints-pas.org.

Register online here: <https://allsaints.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/49/responses/new>

AAPI Planning Retreat

Sunday, January 12, 12:00–4:00 p.m., in the Jr High Room

The AAPI Ministry at All Saints Pasadena invites AAPI-identifying members for a 2025 Planning Retreat. Thomas Diaz, Mark Chase, and Tim Rich will join us. It will be a time of growing in community and reflection, and for envisioning and planning for 2025.

For more information, please sign up here: <https://bit.ly/AAPIJan2025>

Information = Ana Camacho: acamacho@allsaints-pas.org

Interfaith Study Group presents:

Hard Conversations: Listening with Compassion, Sharing with Courage

Sunday, January 12, 5:00–7:30 p.m., at the Pasadena Jewish Temple and Center 1434 North Altadena Drive, Pasadena 91107

Led by Aziza Hasan and Andrea Hodos of *NewGround: a Muslim-Jewish Partnership for Change*. Violence in the Middle East has brought pain & anger into our local communities. How can we talk with one another in ways that increase understanding, rather than distrust, bias and dehumanization? Aziza & Andrea, executive and associate directors of NewGround have been acknowledged nationally for their expertise in supporting communities to better understand one another, especially in these most difficult discussions.

Please bring an open heart, a mind willing to listen and learn, and a vegetarian dish to share in our potluck.

Information = Debbie Daniels at ddaniels@allsaints-pas.org.

If You Crochet or Knit, Consider Joining the Prayer Shawl Ministry



Tuesday, January 14, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m., in the Regas House Lobby

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month. We gather in community to share our prayers, our stories, the work of our hands and hearts while knitting and crocheting shawls to be given as mantles of healing to those in need of comfort. Prayer shawl participants have long known that working with hands is a meditative spiritual practice that quiets minds to hear God's clear voice. Please join us with yarn, needles, and prayer.

Information = Thomas Diaz at tdiaz@allsaints-pas.org

January Jazz Vespers: Ernie Watts

Sunday, January 26, 5:00 p.m. on the Chancel

Two-time Grammy Award winner Ernie Watts is one of the most versatile and prolific saxophone players in music. Summing it all up, Watts describes his ongoing journey: "I see music as the common bond having potential to bring all people together in peace and harmony. All things in the physical world have vibration; the music I choose to play is the energy vibration that touches a common bond in people. I believe that music is God singing through us, an energy to be used for good."

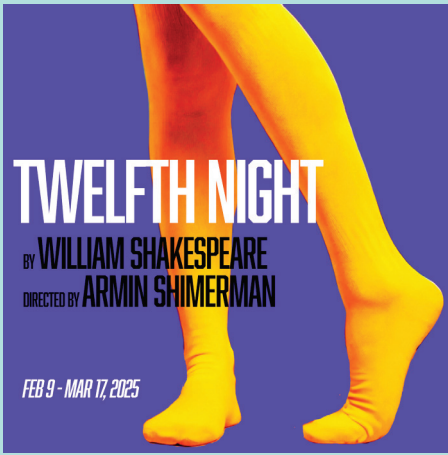
There is no charge. No reservations required.

Info = jazz@allsaints-pas.org, or www.erniewatts.com



Mark Your Calendars

Upcoming Shows with Theatre Ministry



Twelfth Night

Friday, February 14, 8:00 p.m., at Antaeus Theatre, Tickets are \$35.

"What country, friends, is this?"

Separated from her twin brother in a shipwreck, Viola is forced to make her own way in the kingdom of Illyria - where, disguised as a man, she discovers unrequited passion, double-crossings, hilarity, and yellow stockings.

Macbeth

Friday, February 21, 7:30 p.m., at A Noise Within, Tickets are \$51.

One of Shakespeare's most compelling and enduring works, this play depicts a tragic spiral of violence, propelled by unbridled ambition and the consequences of unchecked power. Set in New Orleans, this new production of *Macbeth* explores the unraveling of minds and the collapse of a marriage. Delve deep into the psychological turmoil of a king tortured by guilt, fate, and the corrupting influence of his own desires. Directed by Andi Chapman, acclaimed for ANW's *The Bluest Eye*, this production weaves themes of ambition, fate, and

guilt into a world of ancestral rituals and supernatural forces.



Topdog/Underdog

Friday, March 7, 8:00 p.m., at the Pasadena Playhouse Tickets are \$42.

Two brothers in freefall struggle to find their footing as they hustle their way through life. Haunted by the past and their obsession with street cons and cards, the brothers come to learn the true nature of their fate. Winner of the Pulitzer Prize, Suzan-Lori Parks' darkly comic fable is poetic, gripping, and unforgettable.

Jane Eyre

Friday, March 28, 7:30 p.m., at A Noise Within, Tickets are \$41.

Experience Jane's resilience and determination to live life on her own terms, from her early years of hardship and mistreatment to her eventual pursuit of love and independence. In a tale beloved for generations, thrills, mystery, and romance

abound in this tenacious story of self-determination. Facing societal expectations and personal challenges, Jane navigates betrayal and injustice with inexhaustible courage. This bold and dynamic production offers audiences a compelling portrayal of one woman's quest for freedom and fulfillment in the face of devastating adversity.



Registration to order tickets will be available soon!

Information = Melissa Hayes at mhayes@allsaints-pas.org.



You Are Invited to Bring the Oblations to the Altar!

Consider bringing the bread and wine up the aisle for communion at the 10:00 a.m. service. For your birthday, anniversary, or in memory of a loved one - or any Sunday. You may do this with your family, a partner or be paired with someone else. If you are not able to walk up the steps to the altar, the staff will come to you!

To sign up or for more information, please contact Marianne Ryan at marianneryan1014@gmail.com.



Sing at All Saints

The mission of our music ministry is to lead the All Saints community in liturgies that glorify God, move the heart and challenge the mind—all with great variety, color and reverence. We know there are many of you who sing in the pew rather than the chancel.

Your musical gifts and experience are needed to lead this great congregation in exuberant song. If you've attended a Sunday service, it's likely that you've noticed our two adult choirs: Canterbury and Coventry. They rehearse weekly

to prepare and offer the finest music in a variety of styles and expressions, ranging from gospel, jazz, and world music, to traditional Anglican repertoire and full-scale orchestral/choral works.

To audition, please contact Weicheng Zhao, Director of Music,
at wzhao@allsaints-pas.org.



Celebrate a Special Event or Loved One with Flowers for the Altar!

Altar flowers are a beautiful way to remember a loved one, celebrate a special event, or to give thanks for someone who has touched your life.

To provide flowers for the altars, please contact Gary Leonard at tofr@pacbell.net.

Prices & Style Guide: <https://bit.ly/3nOMsMC>



Christian Nationalism

TACKLING THE TRUTHS
OF A TOXIC MOVEMENT

Resources to Tackle the Toxic Movement of Christian Nationalism

The rise of White Christian Nationalism as a force of division and polarization in our nation compels us to increase our understanding of this toxic movement in order to increase our capacity to resist it. This list of resources is offered as a place to start “digging deeper” as we equip ourselves and each other to stand up and speak out against this hijacking of the Gospel of love, justice and compassion as a tool of hatred, judgement and discrimination.

[Click here for list of resources](#)

End-of-Year Giving at All Saints

All Saints is almost entirely supported by individual donations. Your generosity infuses this sacred space and transformational community with life and possibility. This year in particular we are in need of additional financial support to help us finish the year off on solid footing. Consider making a special end-of-year gift as part of your charitable giving.

Ways to Give:

1. Make a one-time gift or set up recurring donation [here](#).
2. Give with stock, donor advised funds, employer match or IRA distribution (please note that to receive the tax benefit for 2025, all checks must be post-marked on or before Tuesday, Dec. 31, and stock gifts must be transferred to All Saints by Dec. 31).



Make Your 2025 Pledge

Thank you to the 413 households who, as of December 18, have made a pledge; these commitments total \$ 2,350,918. We still need another 200 households to help us raise an additional \$400,000 in pledges getting us closer to a healthy and sustaining start to 2025. Consider a monthly pledge of \$100 or more to help us reach our goal by the close of this year!

Ways to Give:

1. Submit your pledge online [here](#).
2. Pick up a pledge card and reply envelope from the front office
3. Fill out a pledge card in the pew and place in the offering plate.

If you have questions, please contact Sarah Nolan at snolan@allsaints-pas.org or Marilyn Coffman at mcoffman@allsaints-pas.org in the Giving Office, or call 626.583.2736.

Next Sunday: January 5, 2025

In-Person Worship or join us on Live-Stream <https://allsaints-pas.org/live-stream/>



Eucharist at 7:30 a.m. in the Chapel

Jonathan Stoner preaches.

Eucharist at 10:00 a.m. in the Church

Jonathan Stoner preaches. Kyla McCarrel offers music.



9:00 a.m. in the Guild Room Sacred Resistance Task Force 2.0 with Susan Russell

What is Sacred Resistance? Why do we need it? How do I get involved? Susan Russell will give some history, an update on the current plans for the Task Force and an invitation to get involved. A great way to launch the new year as we partner with our siblings across the Diocese of Los Angeles in the work of becoming Beloved Community.



What is Sacred Ground?

Sacred Ground is a film-and-readings-based dialogue series on race, grounded in faith. Small groups are invited to walk through chapters of America's history of race and racism, while weaving in threads of family story, economic class, and political and regional identity. Part of Becoming Beloved Community — The Episcopal Church's long-term commitment to racial healing, reconciliation, and justice in our personal lives, our ministries, and our society — the 11-part series is built around a powerful online curriculum of documentary films and readings that focus on

Indigenous, Black, Latino, and Asian/Pacific American histories as they intersect with European American histories.

The series is open to all, and especially designed to help white people talk with other white people. Participants are invited to peel away the layers that have contributed to the challenges and divides of the present day – all while grounded in our call to faith, hope and love.

Sacred Ground is not brand new to All Saints Church. In 2021 a number of parish leaders and staff members assisted in introducing the program here in the Diocese of Los Angeles. Many of those who participated at that time were hoping to widen the circle by creating a parish-wide opportunity to engage with the material.

Who created Sacred Ground and Why?

The dialogue series developer and author is Katrina Browne, producer/director of the documentary *Traces of the Trade: A Story from the Deep North*. Browne is a lifelong Episcopalian who is dedicated to racial justice and healing. As a white woman, she is particularly concerned with the important work white people need to do in conversation with each other, as part of the larger project of Becoming Beloved Community. **More here: <https://www.episcopalchurch.org/sacred-ground/about/>**

When is Sacred Ground Coming to All Saints Church?

The timeline is to start registration on MLK Weekend (January 19) and begin the 11-part series of dialogue circles in February. There will be opportunities for both in person and online, daytime and evening, weekday and weekend groups.

Trained facilitators will be working in collaboration with Sacred Ground Coordinators Maryann Ahart and Lori Kizzia and under the direction of staff member Thomas Diaz, Director of Connection & Care. **For more information, please contact Maren Tompkins at mtompkins@allsaints-pas.org**

We are grateful to be returning to Sacred Ground as a process for healing relationships which have been wounded by a void in the ability to talk about and embrace each other's racial history and identity. We are confident that Sacred Ground will offer one of the steps we need to us move forward with the work that we have to do in 2025 and beyond.

Visit our website: <https://allsaints-pas.org/sacred-ground/>

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