



December 1, 2019
The First Sunday of Advent

ANNOUNCEMENTS



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Welcome to All Saints'

Thank you for worshipping with us today. If this is your first visit or if you are looking for a church home, a Greeter is available in the Welcome Center before and after worship services to provide information and a welcome gift.

All Saints' Core Values

- Being an active, inclusive community of faith
- Worshipping God in the Episcopal tradition
- Nurturing individuals to grow in Christ
- Seeking and serving Jesus in unexpected places

Our Mission

To be a church of
Disciples Making
Disciples for Jesus

Our Vision

To be a church that
Loves Like God
Loves

Dear Parents of Young Children:

At All Saints', we believe that Jesus issues the same invitation to everyone: "Come to me, just exactly as you are." For our children, this means, "Come with all the energy, the wiggles and giggles, that God gave you." This is God's House, and life and love and laughter are all part of God's dream for the world. Your presence here is a blessing. Your children's presence is a blessing. And all of their wiggles and giggles (including any tears and protests) are welcome in God's House. Here are a few suggestions many parents have found helpful:

- Please sit towards the front — it's easier to see and hear all the action.
- Sing, pray, respond, and explain what's happening in the service. Children learn best about worship and liturgy from you.
- Pick up a green "Busy Bag" with books, coloring pages, and a stuffed Worship Buddy. Please return them after the service.
- We have a staffed nursery in the Education Wing and a livestream in the Parlor. If you need to leave, please come back, especially for Communion.

To All the Members of our Parish:

Children are one of God's most precious blessings. Thank you for warmly welcoming them into God's House and for encouraging their families with your smiles and assistance.

Today at All Saints'

8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist [Quiet Communion]	Nave
9:00 AM	Holy Eucharist [Contemporary Communion]	Parish Hall
10:00 AM	Advent Wreath Making	Parish Hall
11:10 AM	Holy Eucharist [Traditional Communion]	Nave
2:00 PM	Healing Prayer: Psalms	Parlor
2:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Community Room

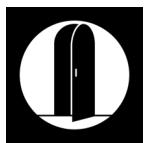
OWLs Lunch | Thursday, December 5 | Noon | Parish Hall

Please note change of date.

The OWLs "Older and Wiser Laity" group that lunches with the Clergy did not meet in November. Instead, it is meeting at Noon in the Parish Hall on Thursday, December 5, 2019. Bring your own brown bag lunch. Dessert and drinks will be provided. We look forward to seeing you!

Fellowship Dinners Resume | All Saints' & Grace Lutheran

First Thursdays | December 5 at 6 PM | Grace Lutheran Parish Hall



All Saints' Episcopal & Grace Lutheran Churches celebrate on the first Thursday of each month at 6 PM with a Fellowship Dinner. The two churches alternate hosting. The host church parishioners are invited to provide main dishes for the meal and the guest church parishioners are invited to bring side dishes or salads.

All are invited to break bread and build relationships.

Please sign up in the Welcome Center. For more details, call Pam Collier at (704) 782-5003.

Parish Announcements

Annual All Saints' Tacky Gift Exchange

Friday, December 6 at 7 PM

The annual All Saints' Tacky Gift Exchange will be held in the Welcome Center. All adults in the parish are invited to this hilarious event! Bring your favorite hors d'oeuvre and one wrapped tacky gift per person. Tacky attire is encouraged. You will leave with an empty dish, a smile on your face, and another tacky gift.

Please make your reservation by putting a check for \$3.00 per person (made out to Michelle Malmquist) in the Christmas wrapped box that can be found on the coffee bar. Paper products and beverages will be provided.

For more information, please contact Michelle Malmquist at su04grad@yahoo.com.

St. Nicholas Celebration | Sunday December 8 at 10 AM

Come enjoy St. Nicholas' themed games, crafts, and snacks during Formation Hour. Check out the beautiful posters telling the true story of Bishop Nicholas of Myra, and don't forget to bring your shoes! St. Nicholas has been known to fill them with treats if they're set out in the hallway!

Controversial Texts Class | Apocryphal book of Ecclesiasticus

10 AM in the Parlor | Resumes December 8

This class will not meet today, so that all may join the celebration of the First Sunday of Advent, with Advent wreath-making.

For more information please contact Jerrod Smith at wjerrodsmith@gmail.com.

Women's Ministry Advent Celebration

Service of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Thursday, December 12 | 6:30 to 8:30 PM | Parish Hall

You are invited to join the Our Lady of Guadalupe celebration in preparation for the advent season.

For more information, please contact Roxanne Breland at momentofgrace@hotmail.com or Nancy Foskey at nfoskey@yahoo.com.

Year-End Donations & Pledges

There are wise financial incentives for making your 2020 charitable donations and pledges to All Saints' before 2019 year-end. This will allow you to reduce your 2019 taxable income and your 2019 tax bill. As a reminder, All Saints' has a charitable stock transfer account with Pinnacle Bank to handle your stock transfer donations to our capital campaign and general fund.

Please contact our Church Administrator, Markeisha Weeks at admin@allsaintsconcord.org for stock transfer instructions.

Toys for Tots | New Toys Collection Box in Welcome Center

All Saints' is participating in the "Toys for Tots Program." The program is run by the United States Marine Corps Reserve, which distributes toys to children who are in need. Please leave your donation of a new and unwrapped toy in the collection barrel in the Welcome Center by Monday, December 16.

Online Giving

Go to
www.allsaintsconcord.org/online-giving/
or go to the Church Life app to make your donation

Text Giving

To give to the General Fund, text SAINTS to 73256

To give to the Assistance Fund, text SAINTS ASSISTANCE to 73256

To give to the Memorial Fund, text SAINTS MEMORIAL to 73256

To give to the Capital Campaign, text SAINTS CAPITAL CAMPAIGN to 73256

Be sure to "like" and even "check in" on the All Saints' Facebook Page to stay connected!



Submission Deadline

*Sunday Announcements
are due by
Monday at Noon.*

*Announcements received
after that time may appear
the following week.
Please send emails to
announcements@
allsaintsconcord.org.*

Advent Lessons & Carols | Sunday, December 15 5 PM

The Festival of Advent Lessons and Carols will be held as its own service on the third Sunday of Advent. The service draws upon the tradition instated at Kings College, Cambridge University in 1918. Radio broadcasts have continued to this day of the Kings College Christmas Lessons and Carols. We, in Concord, keep this tradition just as many churches in America, when prayers and lessons will be read and carols and hymns sung.

Service of Light | Saturday, December 21 at 7 PM

Please join us in taking this time to leave the hustle and bustle of the season and look for the light shining in the darkness through prayer, music and reflection. This year Julianna Leimer, Harpist, will be featured.

Hanging of the Greens | Sunday, December 22 12:30 PM | Following the 11:10 AM Service

We will be greening the church and placing poinsettias throughout on Sunday, December 22 at 12:30 PM. All volunteers are welcome. It takes many hands to beautify our church in preparation for the celebration of the birth of Jesus. There will also be caroling, cookies and cider.

Advent

Sunday December 01	10:00 AM	Advent Wreath Making	Parish Hall
Sunday December 08	10:00 AM	St. Nicholas Celebration	Parish Hall
Sunday December 15	5:00 PM	Advent Lessons and Carols <i>Featuring the Choir of All Saints'</i>	Nave
Saturday December 21	7:00 PM	Service of Light <i>Featuring Julianna Leimer, Harpist</i>	Nave
Sunday December 22	12:30 PM	Greening of the Church	Nave

Christmas

Tuesday December 24	4:00 PM	Family Christmas Eve Service	Junior Choir of All Saints'
	5:30 PM	The Nativity of our Lord	Vasily Gorkovoy, Violinist
	10:00 PM	The Nativity of our Lord <i>followed by Reception & Revels</i>	Choir of All Saints'
Wednesday December 25	10:00 AM	Christmas Day <i>Christ is Born!</i>	Nave
Sunday December 29	8:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Rite II	Nave
	9:00 AM	Christmas	Parish Hall
	11:10 AM	Lessons and Carols	& Nave
Sunday January 05	5:00 PM	Chili Cookoff & Burning of the Greens	Parish Hall & Firepit

THE GRAPEVINE

Sharing the news of our community!

We celebrate with the family & friends Justin, Meghan and Tucker Coley of the birth of Lila Austin Coley on 4th of October.

Many thanks to Joe and Debbie Stegman and expert dough mixer Julia Hill for leading us in making 100 pies in 3 hours! Hats off to a fantastic team that also included: Carol and John Cline, Dawn and Brad Fisher, Don and Nancy Foskey, Norma Lockney, Randy Brantley, and Karen and Mark Robinson.

More thanks to all the volunteers who served at the Homeless Shelter, preparing over 200 meals.

The 13th Annual Cuddle Up Coat Drive

The Annual Coat Drive at All Saints' in collaboration with Cabarrus Partnership for Children has begun. There is a collection box in the Welcome Center. Following in the way of St. Martin de Tours, we are collecting the following items:

- New/VERY gently loved children's coats, sizes 12 months to size 10
- Preschool-sized gloves and hats
- NEW packages of preschool-sized socks and underwear
- Kohl's Cash and gift cards

Please visit: www.cabarruspartnership.org/news-and-events/coat-drive for more information.

Parkas & Pints | Monday, December 16 from 6 to 9 PM

Join us for Parkas & Pints, an annual event benefiting the Cabarrus Partnership for Children's Cuddle Up Coat Drive! In addition to the children's coat drive, Parkas & Pints, will include raffle prizes, door prizes and more.

Please visit: www.cabarruspartnership.org/news-and-events/events/robert-furr-s-award-celebration for more information

Hospice of Cabarrus County Wish List Bird Seed Needed!

Outside each patient room at the Tucker Hospice House in Kannapolis is a bird feeder. Patients and families enjoy seeing our fine-feathered friends. This holiday season, please consider donating bird seed to Hospice of Cabarrus County. Place your donation in the smaller of the two boxes located in the Welcome Center.

Questions? *Rebecca Bahn – rbahn1946@gmail.com*

Habitat for Humanity Building Opportunity Saturday, December 7

Habitat for Humanity is seeking volunteers to help build five shelters at Wings of Eagles Ranch, a horse therapy facility for children with special needs. Construction will begin Saturday, December 7, as early as 6 AM. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner will be provided for volunteers. Volunteers can arrive and leave as they please. Habitat for Humanity would love to have 25-30 volunteers.

For more information, contact Kippi Laws at 704-786-4001.

Piedmont Choral Society's | Free Christmas Concerts | December 6 & January 4 | Forest Hill UMC

The 75-voice Piedmont Choral Society presents its annual free Christmas concerts, accompanied by a 22-piece professional orchestra, on Friday, December 6 at 7 pm and Saturday, January 4 at 4 pm (the 11th Day of Christmas) at Forest Hill UMC, 265 Union Street North, Concord. Familiar carols and songs of the season. All are warmly invited.

For more information, call 704-699-6053 or email kayy2000@gmail.com.

Food Pantry Requests for CCM

We appreciate and need any donation of food, cleaning or paper products, and health and beauty supplies, as well as recycled grocery bags.

For your convenience, a list of items that are in high demand is posted in the Welcome Center and a box is available for donations.

For more information about donating to the food pantry please visit cooperativeministry.com/get-involved/how-to-donate-food.

Vestry & Staff

VESTRY

Charles McKinley *Senior Warden, Finance*

Nancy Hunter *Junior Warden, Parish Life*

David Baxter *Communications*

Fran Burkett *Youth Christian Formation*

Willie B. Dillon *Outreach*

Don Foskey *Outreach*

Mark Helms *Adult Christian Formation*

Barbara Horne-Stead *Pastoral Care*

Drew John *Newcomers*

Mike McDonough *Building & Grounds*

Karen Rupp-Urbanski *Stewardship*

Dick Whitfield *Newcomers*

REPORTING TO THE VESTRY

Gil Small *Treasurer*

Kim Gordick *Vestry Clerk*

OFFICE HOURS

M-F 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Vestry Person of the Month

December

Mike McDonough

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Prayers for the Parish

Prayer is the foundation of the ministry of this parish. Prayer requests & praise reports can be added or removed by going to www.allsaintsconcord.org/prayer-requests/ or by calling the church office at 704-782-2024. You may choose to have your request sent to the Prayer Chain (a small group of faithful intercessors who pray daily for those names submitted) and/or included in the announcement bulletin. Please note that names will remain on the list for three weeks unless otherwise requested.

We pray for our Presiding Bishop, Michael; our Bishop, Samuel; our Suffragan Bishop, Anne; our Rector, Nancy; our Assistant to the Rector, Michael; our Deacon, Vern; our Deacon Missioner, Jacqueline; our staff and Vestry; and the people of All Saints' and their families.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: mission agencies and their work throughout the Anglican Communion.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Communion

Cycle of Prayer: David Abernathy, Catherine Ackiss, Jim & Barb Adams, Katie Adams, Anne Alphonso, Jane Armitage, Mike & Kelli Antonides, Helen Arthur-Cornett and their families.

Prayers have been requested for: Carolyn, Dswan, Ellen, Fahd, Greg, Julian, Karen, Kitty, Margaret, Noah, Rachel and Tam

In nursing homes or homebound: Jane Armitage, Ben Burton, Hilda Marshall and James E. Swann, Jr.

Living with ongoing special needs: Barbara, Bruce, Darryl, Devyn, Donna, Ericka, George, Jay, Jeff, Jill, John, Katherine, Lydia, Maddox, Noelle, Oscar, Norma, Pat, Patrick, Phil, Rebecca, Stephanie, Steve, Terein, Wendy and Yasmin

Serving in the military: Dean Fedrizzi, Keith Lee, Jacob Rodgers, Nathan Rodgers, Matt Shorter, Becca Simpson, Bo Simpson, Jack Simpson, Justin Smith and Jim Trollan

Our Stephen Ministers: Valerie Devine, Katherine Eble, Don Foskey, Nancy Foskey, Mickey Hayes, Debbie Lewallen, Barbara Lewis, Garen Livingston, Charles Simmons, Dorothy Teeter and Len Witke

Our College Students: Emily Badgett, Chris Berg, Stephen Carroll, Jazzmine Cox, Margaret Ericson, Ben Helms, Eli Helms, Katie Hendry, Josh Holdren, Tommy Jones, Celeste McFarlane, Simone McFarlane, Sophia McFarlane, Jaden Miller, Zac Moyes, Olivia Shorter, Lauren Spunich, McKenna Urbanski and Jameson Williams

CHURCH CALENDAR

December 2 - 8, 2019



Monday	6:00 PM	EfM	
December 02			
Tuesday	5:30 AM	F3 [Men's Fitness-Fellowship-Faith]	Outdoors
December 03	10:00 AM	Golden Needles	Parlor
	10:00 AM	Annual Voice for Children Luncheon	Parish Hall
	10:30 AM	Childhood Foundation Meeting	Community Room
	12:15 PM	Staff Meeting	Workroom
	4:45 PM	ECFCC Board Meeting	Community Room
	6:00 PM	Junior Choir	Room 102
	6:30 PM	Newcomers Team Meeting	Parlor
Wednesday	12:00 PM	Holy Eucharist	Nave
December 04	6:00 PM	Bells of All Saints'	Choir Loft
	7:00 PM	Choir of All Saints'	Room 102
	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Community Room
Thursday	5:30 AM	F3 [Men's Fitness-Fellowship-Faith]	Outdoors
December 05	11:00 AM	"Prayer, Praise & Anointing Service"	Curis Concord
	12:00 PM	OWLs Lunch	Parish Hall
	6:00 PM	Fellowship Dinner	Grace Lutheran
Friday	8:00 AM	Racial Equity Cabarrus Advisory Team	Community Room
December 06	8:00 AM	Parish Workday	Welcome Center
	7:00 PM	Tacky Gift Exchange	Welcome Center
	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Community Room
Saturday	7:00 AM	F3 [Men's Fitness-Fellowship-Faith]	Outdoors
December 07	8:00 AM	Men's Study Group	Welcome Center
	9:30 AM	Parish Workday	Welcome Center
Sunday	8, 9 &	Worship Services	
December 08	11:10 AM		
	10:00 AM	Christian Education	Parlor
	10:00 AM	St Nicholas Celebration	Parish Hall
	1:30 PM	Prayer, Praise & Anointing Service followed by Eucharistic Visits	Concord Place
	2:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Community Room
	2:00 PM	Healing Prayer: Psalms	Parlor

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 15
December 22
June 5-7, 2020

Advent Lessons & Carols, 5 PM
Hanging of the Greens
Kanuga Family Weekend—**SAVE THE DATE!**