



December 8, 2019
The Second 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	St. Nicholas Celebration	Parish Hall
10:00 AM	Christian Education	
	Adult: Controversial Texts	Parlor
11:10 AM	Holy Eucharist [Traditional Communion]	Nave
1:30 PM	Prayer, Praise & Anointing Service followed by Eucharistic Visits	Concord Place 1501 Zion Church Rd
2:00 PM	Healing Prayer: Psalms	Parlor
2:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Community Room

St. Nicholas Celebration | Today, 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 today, December 8

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

Decorate Cookies | Sunday, December 15, 10 AM in the Parish Hall

Come decorate cookies at 10 AM on December 15! We'll provide cookies and icing. Bring any additional supplies (piping bags, cutters, etc.), you feel you may need. A portion of the cookies we decorate will be enjoyed at the Advent Lessons and Carols reception that evening.

Parish Announcements

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.

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

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 | Collection Box for New Toys 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 and Carols | Sunday, December 15 at 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 at 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.

Christmas Eve Reception & Revels

December 24, after the 10 PM Service | Welcome Center

All are invited to bring an hors d'oeuvre to share at the Reception and Revels.

Advent Season

Sunday December 08	10:00 AM	St. Nicholas Celebration	Parish Hall
Sunday December 15	10:00 AM	Decorate Christmas Cookies	Parish Hall
	5:00 PM	Advent Lessons and Carols	Nave
Saturday December 21	7:00 PM	Service of Light	Nave
Sunday December 22	12:30 PM	Greening of the Church	Nave

Christmas

Tuesday December 24	4:00 PM	Family 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	Choir of All Saints'
		<i>followed by Reception & Revels</i>	
Wednesday December 25	10:00 AM	Christmas Day, Christ is Born	Nave
Sunday December 29	8:00 AM	Christmas Lessons & Carols	Nave
	9:00 AM	Christmas Lessons & Carols	Parish Hall
	11:10 AM	Christmas Lessons & Carols	Nave

Epiphany

Monday January 06	5:00 PM	Chili Cook-off and Burning of the Greens	Parish Hall & Firepit
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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.

We offer condolences and prayers to the family and friends of Pat Johnson, whose sister entered onto the Resurrection on October 31.

We welcome Evelyn Sanford and Randy Brantley, new members of the Usher Ministry. We thank them for their commitment to serve.

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

Piedmont Choral Society | Free Christmas Concert | 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 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*

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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: Sokoto [Nigeria]

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: The Episcopal Church

Cycle of Prayer: Emily Badgett, Franco Ballatore, Jeffrey Baldwin, Stella Batson, David & Alice Baxter, Dan Beedle & Cameron Kawell, Gordon Belo, Tom & Meg Bennett, Al & Kris Benshoff, Carol Bentley, Kevin & Rachel Berg, Ted Berg and their families.

Prayers have been requested for: Carolyn, Dawn, 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 9 - 15, 2019



Monday	8:30 AM	Racial Equity Cabarrus Core Group Meeting	Parlor
December 09	6:00 PM	EfM	Community Room
Tuesday	5:30 AM	F3 [Men's Fitness-Fellowship-Faith]	Outdoors
December 10	10:00 AM	Stitches with the Saints'	Welcome Center
	12:15 PM	Staff Meeting	Workroom
	6:00 PM	Junior Choir	Room 102
	7:00 PM	Finance Committee	Parlor
Wednesday	12:00 PM	Holy Eucharist	Nave
December 11	4:30 PM	Stephen Ministry Meeting	Community Room
	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 12	10:30 AM	Canterbury Way	Parlor
	2:00 PM	"Prayer, Praise & Anointing" Service followed by Eucharistic Visits	Morningside South
	6:30 PM	Women's Ministry Advent Celebration	Parish Hall
Friday	10:00 AM	Gardens of All Saints' Team Meeting	Parlor
December 13	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Community Room
Saturday	7:00 AM	F3 [Men's Fitness-Fellowship-Faith]	Outdoors
December 14	8:00 AM	Men's Study Group	Welcome Center
Sunday	8, 9 &	Worship Services	
December 15	11:10 AM		
	10:00 AM	Decorate Cookies	Parish Hall
	2:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Community Room
	2:00 PM	Healing Prayer: Psalms	Parlor
	5:00 PM	Advent Lessons & Carols	Nave

Upcoming Events

December 21

Service of Light, 5 PM

December 22

Hanging of the Greens, 12:30 PM

June 5-7, 2020

Kanuga Family Weekend—SAVE THE DATE!