



December 15, 2019
The Third 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	Cookie Decorating & Fellowship	Parish Hall
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
5:00 PM	Advent Lessons & Carols	Nave

Decorate Cookies | Today, 10 AM in the Parish Hall

Come decorate cookies at 10 AM today! 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 this evening.

Advent Lessons and Carols | Today, 5 PM in the Nave

The Festival of Advent Lessons and Carols will be held as its own service this evening. 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.

Be the Lifeline Patients Need | Blood Drive

Wednesday, December 18, 2:30 to 7 PM in the Parish Hall & Welcome Center

Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter All Saints to schedule an appointment.

Parish Announcements

EYC Christmas Party and White Elephant Gift Exchange

Friday, December 20, 5:30 PM

Bring a wrapped gift (\$10 or less...no gift cards please) with you! Parents welcome to join. We will gather at Amy & Michael Spunich's home, 3786 Hornets Nest Ct., Concord, Friday night, December 20 at 5:30 PM.

Please RSVP to Rev. Michael at mwhitnah@allsaintsconcord.org by Noon, Thursday, December 19.

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.

Primetimers January Outing "Just Lunch" | Tuesday, January 14,

11:30 AM | Johnny's Farm House, Back Room | Copperfield Blvd.

Enjoy fellowship and fun! The food is great and reasonable. Bring ideas for fun things to do next year.

Sign up in the Welcome Center so the restaurant staff will know how many folks will be there. Hope you will join us!

For more information, please contact Sue Gelarden at suegelarden@gmail.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.

“Writing an Icon: the Gospel in Line”

Hosted by All Saints' | March 8—12 | 9 AM — 5 PM
Robert Higgins, Instructor | Tuition \$200/participant

Looking for a perfect Christmas present for a loved one? Consider a five day workshop in March 2020, “Writing an Icon: the Gospel in Line.”

Each day includes Morning Prayer with anointing of hands, Noonday Prayer and Compline. During the final day you will participate in a beautiful service to bless the icons. The non-refundable check reserves your spot for the workshop, which is limited to 12 people. Parishioners of All Saints' have first opportunity to sign up during December and January.

The workshop will be open to the entire diocese at the end of January. Registration checks will be sent directly to Robert Higgins (Deacon Jackie will send you Robert Higgins' address when you send her an email).

If you are interested in the opportunity to write an icon and learn about this beautiful prayer practice, please contact Deacon Jackie at jwhitfield@allsaintsconcord.org.

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!**



Parish Announcements

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.*

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.

Parish Announcements

Advent Season

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

Christmas

Tuesday	4:00 PM	Family Service	Junior Choir of All Saints'
December 24	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>	
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Wednesday	10:00 AM	Christmas Day, Christ is Born	Nave
December 25			
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Sunday	8:00 AM	Christmas Lessons & Carols	Nave
December 29	9:00 AM	Christmas Lessons & Carols	Parish Hall
	11:10 AM	Christmas Lessons & Carols	Nave

Epiphany

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

THE GRAPEVINE

Sharing the news of our community!

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 David Flint, nephew of Charlotte Grossman, who entered into the Resurrection the first week of December.

We offer condolences and prayers to the family and friends of Pat Johnson, whose sister entered into 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.

Opportunity to participate in the Welcome Desk Ministry

The welcome desk volunteers literally keep the doors open at All Saints', making it possible for people to access the church to pray and keeping those inside, especially our children, safe.

If you are interested in volunteering at the front desk in the Welcome Center on Tuesdays, 10 AM - 2 PM, please contact Katie Adams at (704) 784-3876.

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.

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 concert, 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*

Nancy Hunter *Junior Warden, Parish Life*

David Baxter *Communications*

Fran Burkett *Youth Christian Formation*

Willie B. Dillon *Outreach*

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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

CLERGY

The Reverend Nancy L. J. Cox

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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: The work of the Mothers Union throughout the world.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: The Diocese of North Carolina

Cycle of Prayer: Jim & Sandra Bernaki, Bob & Sara Betler, Bill & Sandra Biggerstaff, Bob & Pat Black, Kay & Judy Boland, Al & Jean Bonnyman, Michael Bost 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 16 - 22, 2019



Monday December 16	1:00 PM	McCrary Internment	Columbarium
	4:30 PM	Stephen Ministry Leaders Ministry	Parlor
	6:00 PM	EfM	Community Room
Tuesday December 17	5:30 AM	F3 [Men's Fitness-Fellowship-Faith]	Outdoors
	12:15 PM	Staff Meeting	Workroom
	6:00 PM	Junior Choir	Room 102
	6:45 PM	Vestry Meeting	Community Room
Wednesday December 18	12:00 PM	Holy Eucharist	Nave
	2:30 PM	Blood Drive	Parish Hall
	5:00 PM	Pastoral Care Ministry	Parlor
	6:00 PM	Bells of All Saints'	Choir Loft
	7:00 PM	Choir of All Saints'	Room 102
Thursday December 19	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Community Room
	5:30 AM	F3 [Men's Fitness-Fellowship-Faith]	Outdoors
Friday December 20	5:30 PM	Daughters of the King	Parlor
		EYC Christmas Party & White Elephant Gift Exchange	3786 Hornets Nest Court, Concord
	8:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Community Room
Saturday December 21	7:00 AM	F3 [Men's Fitness-Fellowship-Faith]	Outdoors
	8:00 AM	Men's Study Group	Welcome Center
	7:00 PM	Service of Light	Nave
Sunday December 22	8, 9 & 11:10 AM	Worship Services	
	10:00 AM	Christian Formation	
	following the 11:10 AM Service	The Social Saints Go to Lunch	Gather in the Welcome Center
	12:30 PM	Hanging of the Greens	
	2:00 PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Community Room
	2:00 PM	Healing Prayer: Psalms	Parlor

Upcoming Events

January 5
June 5-7, 2020

Chili Cook-off & Burning of the Greens 5 PM
Kanuga Family Weekend — SAVE THE DATE!