

# Easter Day



**The Parish of All Saints' Church & St. George's Chapel**

**March 31, 2024**



To our visitors and guests:

Welcome to the Episcopal Parish of All Saints' Church & St. George's Chapel.

Our parish has been part of the fabric of Sussex County for over 300 years. Generations of people have come to our parish for renewal, comfort, and a deeper knowledge of God.

The mission of our parish is to make the love of God more widely known in our community and the world by welcoming all people, helping those less fortunate through service and by sharing God's gifts.

As an Episcopal parish, we are a part of the global Anglican Communion, the third largest body of Christians in the world. Anglicans everywhere look for God in the abundance and diversity of creation, strive to respect the dignity of every human being, and hold fast to faith in Jesus Christ. Because much of our particular tradition emerged in a time of conflict and strife, we value communion over dogma, welcome over boundaries, and their repressible love of God revealed in Jesus Christ.

If you are looking for a church home, have questions about the life of faith, or are simply curious about what we are up to here, we would love to get to know you better. Please sign our guest register at the back of the church and introduce yourself to a member of the congregation. We hope you will always find our parish to be a place of warmth and welcome. God bless you.

The Rev. Shelley D. McDade+ Rector  
The Wardens and Vestry of  
All Saints' Church & St. George's Chapel



**Easter Sunday**  
**Festival Eucharist of the Resurrection**  
**All Saints' Church**  
**St. George's Chapel**  
**March 31, 2024**

**PRELUDE**

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN**                      Jesus Christ is Risen Today      *Easter Hymn*                      **207**

*(Please stand as the Altar Party enters.)*

**EASTER ACCLAMATION**

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**People:** *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.*

*Celebrant* Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS**

**S278**

**THE COLLECT FOR EASTER DAY**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** *And also with you.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**THE LESSONS**

**A Reading from the Book of Acts**

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."  
(10:34-43)

Lector The Word of the Lord.

**People** *Thanks be to God.*

**Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24** (*Read in unison*)

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his mercy endures for ever.

Let Israel now proclaim, "His mercy endures for ever."

The LORD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.

There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the righteous:

"The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! The right hand of the LORD is exalted!

The right hand of the LORD has triumphed!" I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.

The Lord has punished me sorely, but he did not hand me over to death. Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.

"This is the gate of the Lord; he who is righteous may enter."

I will give thanks to you, for you answered me and have become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the LORD'S doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

On this day the LORD has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

**A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians**

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe. (15:1-11)

Reader The Word of the Lord.

**People** *Thanks be to God.*

**SEQUENCE HYMN**

Alleluia, The Strife is O'er

*St. Botolph*

**208**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL**

*Celebrant or Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

**People** *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her. (20:1-18)

Lector The Gospel of the Lord.

**People** *Praise to you, Lord Christ*

## THE SERMON

AS - The Rev. Shelley D. McDade

SG - The Rev. Celeste O. Cox

## THE NICENE CREED *(Said in unison)*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*The Celebrant or Deacon offers the Bidding*

In wonder and hope, that our risen Savior may fill us with the joy of the glorious and life-giving resurrection, we pray, *"Hear us O Lord."*

*The Leader and People pray responsively*

For all our sister churches in the Anglican Communion and other denominations, that we may all find fresh strength in the unity of the Good News of Easter, we pray, ***Hear us O Lord.***

For the Vestry, Wardens, staff and members of our parish family, that God may grant us humility to be subject to one another in Christian Love, we pray, ***Hear us O Lord.***

For Mother Shelley, clergy, and parish staff that they continue to be open to God's wisdom, will, and grace, as they guide the community of our parish into deeper relationship and service with God, through the power of His Son, Jesus Christ, we pray, ***Hear us O Lord.***

That God may provide for those in this world and our community who lack food, shelter and the basics of human dignity, especially those in harms way and in need of comfort and protection, we pray, ***Hear us O Lord.***

That the light of God's presence may be revealed to all who are sick, weak and dying, we pray, ***Hear us O Lord.***

For all those who have died, may they rejoice in eternal life, we pray, ***Hear us O Lord.***

That God may send forth the fire of the Holy Spirit upon this congregation and parish so that we may bear faithful witness to the power of the resurrection, we pray, ***Hear us O Lord.***

*(The celebrant concludes:)*

God of Grace and God of glory, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom; grant that, as His death has called us to new life, so may His continual presence in us raise us to eternal joy; through Christ our risen Savior. ***Amen.***

## EXCHANGE THE PEACE *(All standing as able. The Celebrant says to the people:)*

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* ***And also with you.***

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Alleluia, Christ is Risen

*arr Kirkby*

## DOXOLOGY

*Celebrant and People*

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
O Praise Him, O Praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

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*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** *And also with you.*

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

**People** *We lift them to the Lord.*

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*Celebrant* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

*Celebrant and People* (*Sung in unison*)

### SANCTUS

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**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

(*The people sit or kneel.*)

*Celebrant* 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 him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, 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 he 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;

*The Celebrant continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. 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 sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the ever Blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our 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.**

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

**S154**

*Celebrant and People*

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

**Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;**

**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

**COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

*Celebrant*      The Gifts of God for the People of God.

**COMMUNION HYMNS**

I Am the Bread of Life

**335**

Because He Lives

**LEVAS 43**

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Celebrant and People*

Eternal God, heavenly Father, 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 his 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.**

**EASTER BLESSING**

**RECESSIONAL HYMN**

He Is Risen

*Unser Herrscher*

**180**

**DISMISSAL**

Deacon: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**POSTLUDE**



*Today we welcome the brass ensemble:*

*Scott Slutter,*

*Daniel Kane,*

*Kristin Monroe,*

*Isaac Weathersby*

# All Saints' Church & St. George's Chapel

We welcome all who come to worship – our guests, newcomers and seasonal neighbors.

May our God of love and community be present with you.

## The Bishop is coming! Sunday, April 21 9:30 am St. George's Chapel

Join us as we welcome Bishop Kevin Brown back to our parish on Sunday, April 21, 9:30 am, at St. George's Chapel. A Bishop's Reception will follow in the Parish Hall. Please RSVP on the sign up sheets in each church. All are welcome!

## NEW – Welcome to the Episcopal Church

### A six-week series of Introduction to the Episcopal Church

The location of this class will be held with Mother Shelley at All Saints' Church in the spring but you do not need to be a member of either to attend. Beginning April 17<sup>th</sup> at 5pm, this six-week series takes us through the various aspects of worship and participation in the Episcopal Church. It is wonderful for new people considering the Episcopal Church but also for those who have worshiped with us for years. A sign-up is requested as we will order books for your participation. Please see Mother Shelley for more information or questions regarding the course.

- April 17**      **Intro to the Parish of All Saints' Church & St. George's Chapel**  
Tour of church and buildings.  
Review Ch 1 of Welcome to the Episcopal Church.
- April 24**      **Step inside The Book of Common Prayer  
The Church's Teaching**  
(Baptismal Vows, Creed and catechism)  
Ch. 3 & 4 of Welcome to the Episcopal Church
- May 1**          **Anglican Spirituality and Mission of the Episcopal Church**  
Ch. 5, 6 & 7 of Welcome to the Episcopal Church
- May 8**          **Instructed Eucharist**  
Worship together in the Chapel
- May 15**        **Becoming a member of the Parish**  
What does membership mean?  
How can I participate in the life of the parish?

Reference Material – BCP (Book of Common Prayer) and Welcome to the Episcopal Church by Christopher L. Weber. To be provided by ASSG's to all newcomers.

## CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

- \*Parish Office Closed Easter Monday, April 1
- \*Dragons Breakfast, Long Neck Diner, Tuesday, April 2, 8 am
- \*GriefShare, All Saints' Parish Hall, Wednesday, April 3, 1 pm
- \*Saturday Service, All Saints' Church, Sunday, April 6, 6 pm
- \*Family Service, St. George's PH, Sunday, April 7, 4 pm
- \*ECW, St. George's Parish Hall, Monday, April 8, 10 am
- \*GriefShare, All Saints' Parish Hall, Saturday, April 10, 1 pm
- \*Seaside Saints Meeting, All Saints', Sunday, April 7, 9 am
- \*Bible Study, St. George's Tuesday, April 16, 2 pm
- \*Vestry Meeting, All Saints' PH, Tuesday, April 16, 6 pm
- \* **Bishop Visit, St. George's, Sunday, April 21, 9:30 am**

## SERVING AT TODAY'S SERVICES

### 10:00 am All Saints' Church

Celebrant – The Rev. Shelley D. McDade  
Deacon -- The Rev. Deacon Connie Bowman  
Eucharistic Ministers – Henley Graves & Bill Schatzabel  
Lector – Michael Incitti & Linda Tunie  
Ushers – Scott Walsmith, Blake Ayers & Mark Henckel  
Director of Music & Organist – Jon Rania  
Sacristans – Ann Ameigh, Rutland Paal, Linda Tunie, Lisa Searles, Nancy Freebury, Dot Filbert, Diane Clark, Adam Kline, Al Zamiello & Blake Ayers

### 9:30 am St. George's Chapel

Celebrant – The Rev. Celeste O. Cox  
Chalices – Jack Murphy & Bobby Quillen  
Lector – Bobby Quillen  
Ushers – Ed & Colleen Herman  
Associate Organist – Steve Shoop  
The St. George's Choir  
Sacristans – Linda Brand & Chris Tomalin

**The Sunday Family Service at  
St. George's Parish Hall returns  
Sunday, April 7 at 4 pm**

Join us each  
Sunday at 4pm  
in the St. George's Parish Hall  
for our Childrens Service



All are welcome!+

