

# ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

LAKE AVENUE & HOWE STREET  
BAY HEAD, NEW JERSEY



*We're glad that you are here.*

*If you are a visitor, we want to greet you and get to know you.*

*If you have not done so already, please sign the Guest Book.*

*Whether you are looking for a church home or just passing through,  
we would be glad to tell you more about All Saints Episcopal Church.*

**THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
**YEAR A**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2019 ✕ 8:00 AM & 10:15 AM**



## **8:00 AM – THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE ONE**

*The ringing of the bell signals that our worship is about to begin.  
Please stand as you are able.*

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The Collect for Purity	
The Song of Praise: <i>Lord, have mercy upon us.</i>	p. 324
The Lighting of the Advent Wreath	
<i>The first candle is lit.</i>	
Celebrant: Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Savior.	
People: Thanks be to God.	
Reader: “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.’ ...one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.” ( <i>Matthew 3:3b, 3c, 11b, 11c</i> )	

### **THE WORD OF GOD**

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Gradual: <i>Psalm 72:1–7, 18–19 (said in unison)</i>	
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The Holy Gospel: <i>Matthew 3:1–12</i>	
The Sermon	The Reverend Robert A. Nagy, Rector
<i>A period of silence is kept after the sermon.</i>	
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The Communion of the People	
<i>If you prefer gluten-free bread, please inform the priest.</i>	
<i>All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion.</i>	
<i>If you are unable to go to the Altar for Communion, please notify an Usher.</i>	
<i>Communion will be brought to you.</i>	

The Postcommunion Prayer  
The Blessing  
The Dismissal

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## **10:15 AM – THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO**

Prelude – *Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland*

Dietrich Buxtehude

*The ringing of the bell signals that our worship is about to begin.  
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### **Hymn 70 – Herald, sound the note of judgement**

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The Collect for Purity

**The Song of Praise: Lord, have mercy**

**S 95**

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

*The first candle is lit.*

Celebrant: Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Savior.

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Reader: “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.’ ...one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.” (*Matthew 3:3b, 3c, 11b, 11c*)

## **THE WORD OF GOD**

The Collect of the Day

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The Lessons & Gradual

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First Reading: *Isaiah 11:1–10*

Gradual: *Psalms 72:1–7, 18–19 (said in unison)*

Second Reading: *Romans 15:4–13*

### **Hymn 75 – There’s a voice in the wilderness crying**

The Holy Gospel: *Matthew 3:1–12*

The Sermon

The Reverend Robert A. Nagy, Rector

*A period of silence is kept after the sermon.*

The Nicene Creed

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## **THE HOLY COMMUNION**

The Offertory	
Choral Anthem – <i>God of mercy</i>	Healey Willan
<b>Hymn 76 – <i>On Jordan’s bank the Baptist’s cry</i></b>	
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The Communion of the People	
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Interlude – <i>Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland</i>	Johann Pachelbel
Choral Solo – <i>O rest in the Lord</i>	Felix Mendelssohn
	Altha Morton, Mezzo soprano
<b>Hymn 67 – <i>Comfort, comfort ye my people</i></b>	
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<b>Hymn 65 – <i>Prepare the way, O Zion</i></b>	
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Postlude – <i>Lob sei dem allmächtigen Gott</i>	Johann Sebastian Bach

***Meet & greet over refreshments  
in Bristol Hall right after the service.***



## FIRST READING

Lector: A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

**GRADUAL:** *Psalm 72:1–7, 18–19 (said in unison)*

Give the King your justice, O God, \*  
and your righteousness to the King's Son;

That he may rule your people righteously \*  
and the poor with justice;

That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, \*  
and the little hills bring righteousness.

He shall defend the needy among the people; \*  
he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.

He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, \*  
from one generation to another.

He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, \*  
like showers that water the earth.

In his time shall the righteous flourish; \*  
there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall  
be no more.

Blessed be the Lord GOD, the God of Israel, \*  
who alone does wondrous deeds!

And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! \*  
and may all the earth be filled with his glory.  
Amen. Amen.

## SECOND READING

Lector:       A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the  
Romans

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope." May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Lector:       The word of the Lord.

*People:       Thanks be to God.*

## GOSPEL

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Matthew

8:00 am *People: Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

10:15 am *People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.’” Now John wore clothing of camel’s hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our ancestor’; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. “I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

8:00 am *People: Praise be to thee, O Christ.*

10:15 am *People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

## The Prayers of the People

Friends, may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing.  
Let us come before our God praying,

Blessed are you, O God;  
*may the earth be filled with your glory.*

Grant your Church, O God of encouragement, to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that we may glorify you with one voice. Make us a people of repentance and bless us with your Holy Spirit and fire.

Blessed are you, O God;  
*may the earth be filled with your glory.*

Grant this nation, O God of justice, the will to defend the needy and the poor. May we sincerely work for that day when hurt and destruction are no more.

We pray for those who have been called to defend our country and the ways of freedom—those serving at home and abroad, especially:

**Chaplain Bill Kapr, Eli, Scott, Ben Davies, Jake, Luke, Braden, Nicholas H., Raymond, Nicholas T., Kacia Dolci, and Ryan**

Blessed are you, O God;  
*may the earth be filled with your glory.*

Grant your creation, O God of faithfulness, the hope of renewal. May we who are stewards of this earth, also live at peace with all you have created.

We pray for those celebrating birthdays, especially:

**Eric Canales, Dick Hewson, Lauren Johnson, Britta Lippert, Frank Mulligan, Philip Schneider, and Suzie Van Schoick**

and for those celebrating anniversaries, especially:

**Patty & Dan Slack**

Blessed are you, O God;  
*may the earth be filled with your glory.*

Grant this city, O God of understanding, prosperity. May all people know and do justice. Teach us and our leaders how best to meet the needs of all our neighbors.

Blessed are you, O God;  
*may the earth be filled with your glory.*

Grant all the needy, O God of steadfast love, your mercy. Prove yourself to be a God of righteousness and faithfulness. To all their pain and suffering bring your healing and peace. With your winnowing fork clear from their lives all the forces of oppression. We pray for those who are sick or weak in body, mind, or spirit, especially:

**Laurie Doran, Connie Pilling, Wendy Pyle, Jerry & Karen Miller, Joe Cantaffa, Phil, Rob, George T., Meghan, Marguerite, Carl Hiby, Diane, Linda Griggs, Jill, Bob, Savena, Judy Grundling, Ernie Scherler, Kathy Hewson, Baby Arlo, Wellington, Ruth Doran, Richard & Carol Harries, Joan Bailey, Nancy Colon Chet & Ellen Ehrman, Nancy Erickson, Slade Carter, Jake Yersin, and Mary Marsden**

Blessed are you, O God;  
*may the earth be filled with your glory.*

Grant to those who have died, O God of hope, eternal life in you. Bring the departed into your glorious dwelling where all their hope will be fulfilled in your Christ.

We remember those who have died, especially:  
**Mark Hawkings, Elizabeth Hiby, Yvonne Lombard, Susan Smith Hawkings, and Elizabeth Sailer**

Blessed are you, O God;  
*may the earth be filled with your glory.*

**The Altar flowers** are dedicated to the glory of Almighty God  
in honor of her sister, Carol Earl  
by Janice Kiefer  
and  
in thanksgiving for the lives of  
Susan S. Hawkings and D. Mark Hawkings  
by their children and grandchildren

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## STEWARDSHIP UPDATE



We're off to a great start! As of this past Friday, the church has received 89 completed pledge cards for a total of \$170,000 for 2020. If you have already turned in your completed pledge card,



**“THANK YOU VERY MUCH!”**

If you have yet to do so, please turn in yours as soon as possible.

***BE A “PLEDGING MEMBER” OF ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH.***

Also, check out the new posters about Stewardship. One is in the Narthex and one is in Bristol Hall.

**Offering Envelopes:** Are now available in Bristol Hall.



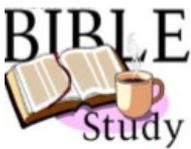
**Sunday, December 8, Christmas Flowers:** Christmas flower envelopes have been placed in the pews. These donations will be used to decorate the church for Christmas services with flowers, wreaths, poinsettias, and seasonal greenery. Please have your dedications to the church office for inclusion in the bulletin insert by **Monday, December 16.**



**Wednesday, December 11, 8:30 am, Holy Eucharist:** This mid-week celebration of the Holy Eucharist takes place in the Church. It follows the Rite Two liturgy as found in the Book of Common Prayer beginning on page 355. Everyone is encouraged to attend as your schedule permits.



**Wednesday, December 11, 11:00 am, Weekly Bible Study:** This Lectionary-



Based Bible Study, which uses the Synthesis CE material distributed on Sundays, can be a great help for us to become more familiar with the scripture that will be read on Sundays. We conclude our time together with the brief service of Noonday Prayer. All are welcome, no prerequisite necessary.

**Wednesday, December 11, 6:30 pm, Benedictine Way:** This group begins with Evening Prayer. Benedictine Way is the name for a group that gathers weekly with the Rector to explore the 1,500+ year-old Rule of Saint Benedict and Benedictine spirituality and how they can help us to further develop our relationship with God and with each other. Norveen Vest's book *PREFERRING CHRIST* is used as part of this time together. More information is available on our website. All are welcome, no prerequisite necessary.



**Outreach Support, Sunday, December 8: is the last day to use the 4th**



***Outreach pledge envelope and make a donation to MA22 to alleviate veteran suicides in America.*** We invite you to join

Outreach to support MA22, a 501(c) 3 Jersey shore veterans support organization with an emphasis on helping veterans and their families prevent the devastation of military suicides. The "22" in their title refers to the 22 veteran suicides per day. Please use the 4th Outreach envelope in your current pledge packet and mark any check with MA22 in the memo line.

**Sunday, December 15, St. Gregory's Toy Drive:** We have decked the Bristol



Hall foyer with a Christmas Tree loaded with 'ornaments' listing the age and gender of the children of St. Gregory's clients. Please select an ornament and return an unwrapped gift to place under the tree by Sunday, December 15. Let's share our joyful spirit with the children of St. Gregory's Pantry.

**Military Outreach:** The Outreach committee is asking for donations of new items for military personnel serving overseas. Check the flyer around town for a complete list, but please consider new socks for men and women, suntan cream, lip balm, bug repellent, shampoo, conditioner, toothbrush, toothpaste, shaving supplies for men and women, hard candy, gum, pretzels, granola bars, and a holiday greeting card. There will be a box in Bristol Hall for donations.



## **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 19**

*Following the single 9:30 am service*

**Serving Today**  
**December 8, 2019**

Acolytes	8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Dick Hewson Evan Veenboer
Chalice	8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Jim Doran Edwin Griffin, Clayton Smith
Lectors	8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Laurie Doran Linda Gyurko, Jeremy Lees
Ushers	8:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m.	Mark Durham Jim Brune, Paul Hamelberg
Altar Guild		Ada Draesel, Martha Hood
Hospitality		Janice Kiefer, Betty Yersin





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**WARDENS:** Gerald Harvey, Senior (2021); Joe DeAmicis, Junior (2020)

**CLERK OF THE VESTRY:** Meghan Nally (2020)

**TREASURER:** Mark Durham

**VESTRY MEMBERS:**

Julie Chowansky, Priscilla Hiby, Scott McMurray (2020);  
James Doran, Lois Eberhart, Linda Graham (2021)  
Jim Brune, Diane Lippert, Chad Newsome (2022)

**CONVENTION DELEGATES:**

Gerald Harvey, Joe DeAmicis, Scott McMurray (2020)

**CONVENTION DELEGATE ALTERNATES:**

Barbara DeAmicis, Jim Doran, Chris Kyse (2020)

**SEXTON:** Jeannette Caldwell

**MUSIC COORDINATOR:** Stephen Pinel

**BOOKKEEPER:** Cheryl Smith