

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;

To all who mourn and long for comfort;

To all who struggle and desire hope;

To all who feel worthless and wonder if God cares;

To all who sin and need a Savior;

To all who are strangers and yearn for fellowship;

To all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;

To whomever will come—

All Saints Presbyterian Church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the risen Lord Jesus Christ.

# Looking Ahead

#### TODAY - March 29

10AM via live stream Corporate Worship

#### April 1

7PM via live stream

Midweek Bible Study

#### April 5

10AM via live stream Corporate Worship

### Announcements

March Missions Prayer: Please remember to be in prayer for Westminster Theological Seminary. WTS exists to train specialists in the Bible to proclaim the whole counsel of God for Christ and his global church. To learn more about this work and how you can pray for them and otherwise support them, please visit their website at <a href="https://www.wts.edu">www.wts.edu</a>.

**Members of the Week:** Craig and Elizabeth Mockmore; William and Abigail

**Bible Study:** Please join us this Wednesday, April 1, via <u>live stream</u>, as we continue our study of Hebrews by considering *A Kingdom that Cannot Be Shaken* (<u>Hebrews 12:18–29</u>). Hop online a few minutes early for a brief time of fellowship, and Pastor Matt will begin teaching at 7PM.

**Support:** During this difficult time, we understand that there are also financial difficulties for many. Please consider, as much as you are able, continuing your financial support of the church. On the one hand, a few expenses have been relieved for the time being. On the other hand, there are new expenses being incurred. Meantime, most of the usual expenses must continue to be paid. We are working hard to continue to minister in these strange days. Please help us do so by continuing to fund the work. You can contribute by mail (101 Creekside Crossing, STE 1700, PMB 212, Brentwood TN 37027) or electronically on our secure website. Thank you!

# THE ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD

Sunday Morning, March 29, 2020 10:00 a.m.



Welcome and Announcements

Preparation for Worship

Prelude

#### GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

Call to Worshi	p from Romans 13:11–12
For salv The nigh	the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep.  ation is nearer to us now than when we first believed.  t is far gone; the day is at hand.  let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.
The Psalm	
Minster:	Salvation belongs to the LORD;
People:	Your blessing be on your people!
Hymn of Prais	seTrinity Hymnal, 100
	Holy, Holy, Holy



Reginald Heber, 1783-1826

# GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESS

First Scripture Lesson
Minster: This is the Word of the LORD People: Thanks be to God!
Confession of Sin adapted from Ephesians 5
Father in heaven, we confess this morning that we have not always imitated you nor have we walked as children of light. We have not often enough tried to discern what is pleasing to you. We have not submitted to one another out of reverence for Christ. Instead, all too often we take part in the unfruitful works of darkness. We pray, instead, that you would expose our sin to the light so that we ourselves will be light to a lost and dying world. We pray all this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior. <i>Amen</i> .
Meditation
Here we pause in silence to meditate upon our sin and need for forgiveness.
Assurance of Pardon
If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.
Hymn of Our Salvation
And Can It Be That I Should Gain





#### GOD TAKES HIS PEOPLE TO THE CROSS

Love and Justice in the Kingdom

Prayer of Intercession

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. *Amen*.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. *Amen*.

Doxology . . . . . . . . Trinity Hymnal, 731

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise him all creatures here below.

Praise him above ye heavenly hosts.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

#### GOD SENDS HIS PEOPLE OUT WITH HIS BLESSING





Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it. *Amen*.



### First Scripture Lesson

After these things had been done, the officials approached me and said, "The people of Israel and the priests and the Levites have not separated themselves from the peoples of the lands with their abominations, from the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Jebusites, the Ammonites, the Moabites, the Egyptians, and the Amorites. <sup>2</sup> For they have taken some of their daughters to be wives for themselves and for their sons, so that the holy race has mixed itself with the peoples of the lands. And in this faithlessness the hand of the officials and chief men has been foremost." 3As soon as I heard this, I tore my garment and my cloak and pulled hair from my head and beard and sat appalled. <sup>4</sup>Then all who trembled at the words of the God of Israel, because of the faithlessness of the returned exiles, gathered around me while I sat appalled until the evening sacrifice. <sup>5</sup>And at the evening sacrifice I rose from my fasting, with my garment and my cloak torn, and fell upon my knees and spread out my hands to the LORD my God, <sup>6</sup> saying:

"O my God, I am ashamed and blush to lift my face to you, my God, for our iniquities have risen higher than our heads, and our guilt has mounted up to the heavens. <sup>7</sup> From the days of our fathers to this day we have been in great guilt. And for our iniquities we, our kings, and our priests have been given into the hand of the kings of the lands, to the sword, to captivity, to

plundering, and to utter shame, as it is today. <sup>8</sup> But now for a brief moment favor has been shown by the LORD our God, to leave us a remnant and to give us a secure hold within his holy place, that our God may brighten our eyes and grant us a little reviving in our slavery. <sup>9</sup> For we are slaves. Yet our God has not forsaken us in our slavery, but has extended to us his steadfast love before the kings of Persia, to grant us some reviving to set up the house of our God, to repair its ruins, and to give us protection in Judea and Jerusalem.

10 "And now, O our God, what shall we say after this? For we have forsaken your commandments, 11 which you commanded by your servants the prophets, saying, 'The land that you are entering, to take possession of it, is a land impure with the impurity of the peoples of the lands, with their abominations that have filled it from end to end with their uncleanness. <sup>12</sup> Therefore do not give your daughters to their sons, neither take their daughters for your sons, and never seek their peace or prosperity, that you may be strong and eat the good of the land and leave it for an inheritance to your children forever.' 13 And after all that has come upon us for our evil deeds and for our great guilt, seeing that you, our God, have punished us less than our iniquities deserved and have given us such a remnant as this, 14 shall we break your

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### First Scripture Lesson (continued)

commandments again and intermarry with the peoples who practice these abominations? Would you not be angry with us until you consumed us, so that there should be no remnant, nor any to escape? <sup>15</sup>O LORD, the God of Israel,

you are just, for we are left a remnant that has escaped, as it is today. Behold, we are before you in our guilt, for none can stand before you because of this."

Ezra 9

# Second Scripture Lesson

<sup>38</sup> "You have heard that it was said, 'An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.' <sup>39</sup> But I say to you, Do not resist the one who is evil. But if anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also. <sup>40</sup> And if anyone would sue you and take your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. <sup>41</sup> And if anyone forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles. <sup>42</sup> Give to the one who begs from you, and do not refuse the one who would borrow from you.

<sup>43</sup> "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.'

<sup>44</sup> But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, <sup>45</sup> so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. <sup>46</sup> For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? <sup>47</sup> And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? <sup>48</sup> You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect."

Matthew 5:38-48

# Welcome to All Saints Presbyterian Church!

The mission of All Saints is to glorify God according to his Word by preaching the gospel to all people, equipping the saints for the work of ministry, and building up the body of Christ until the day of Christ's return.

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