



The Feast of All Saints
November 2nd, 2025
9:30 AM

*The mission of the Episcopal Church of the Cross is to love the Lord our God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, and to love our neighbors as ourselves. We are the ECC:
Loving God and our Neighbors.*

Welcome to Church of the Cross!

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Welcome

A Note from Father Nathan... Good morning. In celebration of the **Feast of All Saints** today, the *Kyrie*, *Sanctus*, and *Agnus Dei* in today's liturgy are sung from **Franz Schubert's *Mass in G Major***. These timeless prayers — *Lord, have mercy*; *Holy, holy, holy*; and *Jesus, Lamb of God* — unite our voices with the saints and angels in worship around God's throne. Please feel free to join in if you know the melodies or allow the beauty of the music to become your own prayer of praise. Today may our worship bear witness to the communion we share with those whom we love and see no longer, and of all the saints, rejoicing together in the love of Christ.

Opening Song

“For All the Saints”

(William W. How, 1864; Ralph Vaughan Williams, Sine Nomine)

For all the saints, who from their labors rest,
Who thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia, alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia, alleluia!

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
Alleluia, alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia, alleluia!

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!

People And Blessed is God's kingdom, now and forever! Amen!

The Celebrant may say

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.

(Sung) Lord, have mercy,

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy,

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Oh Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Have mercy.

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

The people sit.

The Children's Message and Prayer

Then one or two Lessons, as appointed, are read, the Reader first saying

A Reading from the Book of Ephesians 1:11-23

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and

will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Song

“I Sing a Song of the Saints of God”

(Lesbia Scott, 1929)

I sing a song of the saints of God,
Patient and brave and true,
Who toiled and fought and lived and died
For the Lord they loved and knew.
And one was a doctor, and one was a queen,
And one was a shepherdess on the green:
They were all of them saints of God—and I mean,
God helping, to be one too.

They loved their Lord so dear, so dear,
And his love made them strong;
And they followed the right, for Jesus' sake,
The whole of their good lives long.
And one was a soldier, and one was a priest,
And one was slain by a fierce wild beast:
And there's not any reason—no, not the least—
Why I shouldn't be one too.

They lived not only in ages past,
There are hundreds of thousands still;
The world is bright with the joyous saints
Who love to do Jesus' will.
You can meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea,
In church, or in trains, or in shops, or at tea;
For the saints of God are just folk like me,
And I mean to be one too.

Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 6:20-31

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

"Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you,
and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and
leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their
ancestors did to the prophets."

"But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

"Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to
the false prophets.

"But I say to you that listen, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,
bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you
on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat
do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if
anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you
would have them do to you.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Message

On Sundays and other Major Feasts there follows, all standing

The Nicene Creed

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 - Form III

Reader: Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;
People: **That we all may be one.**
Reader: Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
People: **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**
Reader: We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
People: **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**
Reader: We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
People: **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**
Reader: Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
People: **That our works may find favor in your sight.**
Reader: Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
People: **That they may be delivered from their distress.**
Reader: Give to the departed eternal rest.
People: **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**
Reader: We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
People: **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**
Reader: We pray for our Vicar Search Committee and our next Vicar;
People: **That in a new chapter of our church's life and with God's help we may faithfully serve the world in Your name.**
Reader: We pray for our community partners through whom our ministry is extended, especially the residents and staff of Foster Village.
People: **That our ministry and our community partners may reflect your light and love in the world.**
Reader: We gave thanks for gift of our ministry together as the Church of the Cross, and for sending us out into our community, nation, and world:
People: **To love You with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength; and to love our neighbors as ourselves.**
Reader: Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Offering of prayers and thanksgivings, silently or aloud

Celebrant Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have said that where are two or three are gathered You are there in the midst: fulfill now our desires and petitions as may be best for us, granting us in this life knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come, life everlasting. **Amen**

Celebrant

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all
goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in
eternal life. Amen.

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The Peace of the Lord be always with you!

People And also with you!

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

The Offering

Offerings in support of the mission and ministry of Church of the Cross may be placed in the offering basket as it comes by you. Offering may also be made electronically by texting ECCLAKETRAVIS with your amount to 73256.

Song

“Christ Is Alive!”

(Brian Wren, 1968; tune: *Truro*)

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
His cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
His love in death shall never die.

Christ is alive! No longer bound
To distant years in Palestine,
He comes to claim the here and now,
And dwell in every place and time.

Not throned afar, remotely high,
Untouched, unmoved by human pains,
But daily, in the midst of life,
Our Savior in the Godhead reigns.

In every insult, rift, and war,
Where color, scorn, or wealth divide,
He suffers still, yet loves the more,
And lives, though ever crucified.

Christ is alive, and comes to bring
Good news to this and every age,
Till earth and all creation ring
With joy, with justice, love, and praise.

The Great Thanksgiving *Enriching our Worship*

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 our thanks and praise.**

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. For in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that we might rejoice in their fellowship and run with endurance the race that is set before us; and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades away. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

(Sung) Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full, 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.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself, yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is

my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.” As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: “Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.”

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMEN.

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

**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.**

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast! Alleluia!

*(Sung) Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.*

*Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world,
Give us your peace, give us your peace.*

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

You are welcome to come forward to receive communion. The blue chalice contains regular wine. The white chalice contains non-alcoholic wine. Gluten free wafers are also available upon request.

Songs

“I Am the Bread of Life” (Suzanne Toolan, 1966)

I am the bread of life.
You who come to me shall not hunger,
And who believe in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me
Unless the Father draw him.

Refrain:

And I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up on the last day.

The bread that I will give
Is my flesh for the life of the world,
And if you eat of this bread,
You shall live forever,
You shall live forever.

(Refrain)

Unless you eat
Of the flesh of the Son of Man
And drink of his blood,
And drink of his blood,
You shall not have life within you.

(Refrain)

I am the resurrection,
I am the life.
If you believe in me,
Even though you die,
You shall live forever.

(Refrain)

Yes, Lord, I believe
That you are the Christ,
The Son of God,
Who has come into the world.

(Refrain)

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”
(Henry W. Baker, 1868; tune: *St. Columba*)

The King of love my shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his,
And he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow,
My ransomed soul he leadeth,
And where the verdant pastures grow,
With food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
But yet in love he sought me,
And on his shoulder gently laid,
And home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill
With thee, dear Lord, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight;
Thy unction grace bestoweth;
And O what transport of delight
From thy pure chalice floweth!
And so through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
Within thy house forever.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, may bless the people.

Song

“Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones”

(John Athelstan Riley, 1906; tune: *Lasst uns erfreuen*)

Ye watchers and ye holy ones,
Bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,
Raise the glad strain: Alleluia!
Cry out, dominions, principedoms, powers,
Virtues, archangels, angels' choirs:
Alleluia, alleluia,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O higher than the cherubim,
More glorious than the seraphim,
Lead their praises: Alleluia!
Thou bearer of the eternal Word,
Most gracious, magnify the Lord,
Alleluia, alleluia,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Respond, ye souls in endless rest,
Ye patriarchs and prophets blest,
Alleluia, alleluia!
Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong,
All saints triumphant, raise the song:
Alleluia, alleluia,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

O friends, in gladness let us sing,
Supernal anthems echoing:
Alleluia, alleluia!
To God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit, Three in One:
Alleluia, alleluia,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Prayer of St. Francis

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. *Amen.*

Celebrant Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord!

People Thanks be to God!

Small Groups

“The Way of the Cross, the Way of Life” (In person and online this Wednesday at 7pm, dinner at 6:20 at Lefty’s Pizza optional beforehand)

Wednesday at 7pm via Google Meet @ <https://meet.google.com/bno-tfep-vch>

Common Threads~ Tuesday, October 28 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM At the home of Sue Peterson Common Threads is a group at the ECCLT who meet weekly to knit and do other sorts of handwork. Gatherings begin with sharing a meal. Please bring something to share! All are welcome and you don’t have to know how to knit! We have lefties and righties who can teach you. If you are new to knitting, we have supplies to share to get you started.

Men’s Morning Fellowship~ Friday, October 31 Rosie's Tamale House 13436 W Highway 71, Bee Cave 7:30 AM to 8:30 AM Gather for fellowship, to share a meal, and dwell in the scriptures. Anyone wanting an update can reach out to Leigh Cariker at 817-313-8290 Men’s Group (meeting information and summary and contact person)

**Prayer requests and requests for lay pastoral care may be sent to churchofthecrosslaketravis@gmail.com. Please specify if you would like your request to be confidential.

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