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A Eucharistic Liturgy for the Tenth Week after Pentecost¹

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All Saints' Episcopal Church
Saugatuck, Michigan

God seeks the full thriving of God's creation and the full flourishing of all God's creatures. The Christian Church participates in that divine work as it prays and worships, proclaims the Gospel, and promotes justice, peace, and love.² The core purpose of **All Saints' Episcopal Church**, therefore, is to receive and share the power of God's love to transform lives through Jesus Christ.

To find out more about the mission and ministry of All Saints in Saugatuck and Douglas and beyond, find us on the Web (www.saugatuckallsaints.org). Contact us with questions or to sign up for our twice-weekly E-news Bulletin (we never share your contact information!) by sending an email to allsaintswmich@gmail.com or by calling us at (269) 857-5201.

¹ Image: "Walking on Water," by Lewis Bowman

² From the Catechism of *The Book of Common Prayer* (p. 855).

WELCOME!

The work of the Church continues during the coronavirus pandemic even though we are not gathering inside our physical sanctuary for worship. We invite your participation from home in this Eucharistic liturgy during this season of the Church year after **Pentecost**, often referred to as “ordinary time,” a season of ordering our lives according to the faith, hope, and love of all the other seasons.

Today we also welcome the new rector of All Saints, **The Rev. Dr. Jay Emerson Johnson**, on his first official Sunday in Saugatuck. We are marking his arrival with a shift in our Sunday pattern as we stream a form of Eucharistic liturgy online from inside the sanctuary on Grand Street. We will continue this pattern for August as we continue to assess how to ensure our safety while also engaging effectively in our shared life of worship. We welcome everyone’s feedback as we continue to explore how to enrich our lives of prayer and service.

The Word of God

✦ Gathering

An organ prelude invites a time of preparation for worship.

The Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The Assembly **And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Presider

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.*

The following hymn of praise is sung:

“Thou Whose Almighty Word” (Hymnal 1982, #371)

1 Thou, whose almighty Word
Chaos and darkness heard,
And took their flight;
Hear us, we humbly pray,
And where the gospel day

Sheds not its glorious ray,
Let there be light!

2 Savior, you came to give
Those who in darkness live
Healing and sight,
Health to the sick in mind,
Sight to the inly blind,
Now to all humankind
Let there be light!

3 Spirit of truth and love,
Life giving, holy dove,
Speed forth your flight!
Move on the water's face
Bearing the lamp of grace,
And in earth's darkest place
Let there be light!

4 Holy and blessed three,
Glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, love, might;
Boundless as ocean's tide,
Rolling in fullest pride,
Through the world far and wide,
Let there be light!

✦ **Collect of the Day and Readings from Scripture**

The Presider May God be with you.

The Assembly **And also with you.**

The Presider Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

☞ **The First Reading**

1 Kings 19:9-18 (reader: Christi Allen)

The Reader concludes The Word of the Lord.

The Assembly responds **Thanks be to God.**

A portion from the Psalms or other Canticle

Psalm 85:8-13

- 8 I will listen to what the LORD God is saying, *
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.
- 9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, *
that his glory may dwell in our land.
- 10 Mercy and truth have met together; *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- 11 Truth shall spring up from the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- 12 The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, *
and our land will yield its increase.
- 13 Righteousness shall go before him, *
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

☞ **The Second Reading**

Romans 10:5-15 (reader: Christi Allen)

The Reader concludes Here ends the reading.

The Assembly responds **We give thanks for God's word.**

☞ **The Gospel**

Matthew 14:22-33 (Deacon Francis)

The Deacon says

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

The Assembly responds

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the Gospel reading, the Deacon says

The Gospel of the Lord.

The Assembly responds

Praise to you, O Lord Christ.

☞ **The Sermon**

The Rev. Dr. Jay Emerson Johnson

✦ 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.



"Jesus Walking on Water," by Sarah Camille Soltani Icely

✦ Prayers of the People

The Leader and the Assembly pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

The Presider adds a concluding Collect.

✦ **Confession of Sin**

The Deacon says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and Assembly

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Presider offers words of absolution

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

The Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
The Assembly **And also with you.**

✦ Announcements

The Holy Communion

*Honoring both the restrictions outlined by Governor Whitmer concerning public gatherings and the guidance of our own bishop in this diocese for the sake of public health and safety, we are not sharing the physical elements of the Eucharist (the bread and wine). We are, however, consecrating these elements at the Table on Grand Street as a way to visualize the blessing of God's own self-offering to us in the body and blood of Christ. We invite your responses to the Eucharistic prayer and to pray with us for the rich blessings of **spiritual communion** until we are able to gather in person again.*

✦ The Offertory

*The Deacon sets the table while the following hymn is sung:
"Be Thou My Vision" (Hymnal 1982, #488)*

1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art--
thou my best thought by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father, I thy true son;
thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

3 High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

✦ The Great Thanksgiving

The Presider The Lord be with you.
The Assembly **And also with you.**
The Presider Lift up your hearts.
The Assembly **We lift them up to the Lord.**

The Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
The Assembly **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

The Presider continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Presider and Assembly:

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

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

The Presider continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and Assembly

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Presider continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and

thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.*

✦ **The Lord's Prayer**

The Presider

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

The Presider and Assembly

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**

The Presider Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

The Assembly **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

✦ **The Invitation to Holy Communion**

Even though we are not consuming the physical elements of the Eucharist, we do affirm its blessings for a "spiritual communion." A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but because of particular circumstances they are prevented from actually receiving Holy Communion.

☞ **A Prayer for Spiritual Communion**³

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

✦ **A Blessing and Dismissal**

The Presider

Live without fear:

Your creator has made you holy,
has always protected you,
and loves you as a mother.

Go in peace to follow the good road,
and the blessing of God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be with you and remain with you always.⁴
Amen.

The following hymn is sung

“Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee” (Hymnal 1982, #376)

1 Joyful, joyful, we adore You,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before You,
Op'ning to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day!

2 All Your works with joy surround You,
Earth and heav'n reflect Your rays,
Stars and angels sing around You,
Center of unbroken praise;
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,

³ A prayer attributed to St. Alphonsus de Liguori from the 18th century.

⁴ A blessing attributed to St. Clare, companion of St. Francis.

Chanting bird and flowing fountain
Praising You eternally!

3 Always giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Well-spring of the joy of living,
Ocean-depth of happy rest!
Loving Father, Christ our Brother,
Let Your light upon us shine;
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the joy divine.

The Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
The Assembly Thanks be to God!

An organ postlude sends the Assembly into the world for service.

A Prayer for the Power of the Spirit among the People of God

God of all power and love, we give thanks for your unfailing presence and the hope you provide in times of uncertainty and loss. Send your Holy Spirit to enkindle in us your holy fire. Revive us to live as Christ's body in the world: a people who pray, worship, learn, break bread, share life, heal neighbors, bear good news, seek justice, rest and grow in the Spirit. Wherever and however we gather, unite us in common prayer and send us in common mission, that we and the whole creation might be restored and renewed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

—Commended by the church-wide leadership of The Episcopal Church and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.



"Jesus Walking on Water," by Ken Harris