

The Lord's Day
All Saints Parish Church
March 22, 2026

Meditation for Worship

He who shuts his ear to the cry of the poor will also cry himself and not be answered.
(Prov. 21:13)

"The mind of the Christian ought not to be filled with thoughts of earthly things, or find satisfaction in them, for we ought to be living as if we might have to leave this world at any moment."

John Calvin

*Call to Worship

I will give thanks to You, O LORD, among the peoples,
And I will sing praises to You among the nations.
For Your lovingkindness is great above the heavens,
And Your truth reaches to the skies.
Be exalted, O God, above the heavens,
And Your glory above all the earth.

Ps. 108:3-5

*Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* No. 224

Public Confession

Almighty God, we confess that we have not loved You with our entire heart, soul, or strength. We have loved ourselves more than we have loved one another. We have sinned against You in our thoughts, by our words, and with our actions. Please forgive us, we pray. Forgive us for the sake of Your Son and cause us to walk in freedom of Christ.

Words of Assurance Rom. 6:20-23

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. Therefore what benefit were you then deriving from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the outcome of those things is death. But now having been freed from sin and enslaved to God, you derive your benefit, resulting in sanctification, and the outcome, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Response

The Lord's My Shepherd

1. ¹The Lord's my Shep - herd, I'll not want; ²he makes me down to lie
2. ³My soul he doth re - store a - gain, and me to walk doth make
3. ⁴Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, yet will I fear none ill,
4. ⁵My ta - ble thou hast fur - nish - ed in pres - ence of my foes;
5. ⁶Good - ness and mer - cy all my life shall sure - ly fol - low me;

in pas - tures green; he lead - eth me the qui - et wa - ters by.
with - in the paths of righ - teous - ness, e'en for his own name's sake.
• for thou art with me; and thy rod and staff me com - fort still.
my head thou dost with oil a - noint, and my cup o - ver - flows.
and in God's house for - ev - er - more my dwell - ing place shall be.

Francis Rous, William Mure, and others
Scottish Psalter, 1650

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Probably by David Grant, 1833-1893
Harm. T. C. L. Pritchard, 1885-1960; alt.
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Prayer and Collection of the Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology No. 567

Old Testament Reading *The LORD's Works for Israel* Ps. 105:1-22

Response to the Word

"The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever."
Amen!

Prayers of the People

*Responsive Reading: The Heidelberg Catechism

72 Q. Does this outward washing with water itself wash away sins?
A. *No, only Jesus Christ's blood and the Holy Spirit cleanse us from all sins.*

73 Q. Why then does the Holy Spirit call baptism the water of rebirth and the washing away of sins?

A. *God has good reason for these words.*

To begin with, he wants to teach us that the blood and Spirit of Christ take away our sins just as water removes dirt from the body.

But more importantly, he wants to assure us, by this divine pledge and sign, that we are as truly washed of our sins spiritually as our bodies are washed with water physically.

74 Q. Should infants also be baptized?

A. *Yes. Infants as well as adults are included in God's covenant and people, and they, no less than adults, are promised deliverance from sin through Christ's blood and the Holy Spirit who works faith.*

Therefore, by baptism, the sign of the covenant, they too should be incorporated into the Christian church and distinguished from the children of unbelievers.

This was done in the Old Testament by circumcision, which was replaced in the New Testament by baptism.

*Hymn *O Christ, Our Hope, Our Heart's Desire* No. 267

New Testament Reading *The Order of Resurrection* 1 Cor. 15:20-49

Response to the Word

The Word of the LORD.
Thanks be to God!

Prayer for the Ministry of the Word

Sermon *The Parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus* Luke 16:19-31

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Hymn *O God, Show Mercy to Us* No. 67B

*Benediction

* Congregation will please stand

Caution: Destruction Ahead

“Without God, what am I but a guide to my own destruction?”

Augustine

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The Use of Wine in the Observance of the Lord’s Supper

In light of the biblical account of the Last Supper and Jesus’ use of wine in representing His blood, All Saints Parish Church believes that the use of wine in the observance of the Lord’s Supper remains the proper symbol for representing His blood. We do, however, make occasional exceptions for the use of grape juice, with the hope that those holding such an exception will seek to understand the conviction of the church in this matter. Please speak to one of the elders if you wish to discuss this issue.

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