

All Saints' Church  
Park Slope



The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
Holy Eucharist

September 29, 2024  
10 a.m.

*Welcome to All Saints' Church. We are grateful for your presence among us in worship today. This bulletin contains everything you need to participate fully in the liturgy, but do not hesitate to ask if you require any assistance.*

**Piano Prelude**                      *Impromptu in Ab, Op. 90, #4*                      Franz Schubert

**Processional**                      *Standin' in the Need of Prayer*                      **LEVAS 177**

### **The Salutation**

*Celebrant*                      Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People*                      **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

### **Collect for Purity**

**The Gloria**                                      *Powell*                                      **S-280**

### **Collect for the Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 21)**

*Celebrant*                      The Lord be with you.

*People*                      **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*                      Let us pray.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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**                                      Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22

The king and Haman went in to feast with Queen Esther. On the second day, as they were drinking wine, the king again said to Esther, "What is your petition, Queen Esther? It shall be granted you. And what is your request? Even to the half of my kingdom, it shall be fulfilled." Then Queen Esther answered, "If I have won your favor, O king, and if it pleases the king, let my life be given me-- that is my petition-- and the lives of my people-- that is my request. For we have been sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be killed, and to be annihilated. If we had been sold merely as slaves, men and women, I would have held my peace; but no enemy can compensate for this damage to the king." Then King Ahasuerus said to Queen Esther, "Who is he, and where is he, who has presumed to do this?" Esther said, "A foe and enemy, this wicked Haman!" Then Haman was terrified before the king and the queen.

Then Harbona, one of the eunuchs in attendance on the king, said, “Look, the very gallows that Haman has prepared for Mordecai, whose word saved the king, stands at Haman's house, fifty cubits high.” And the king said, “Hang him on that.” So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then the anger of the king abated. Mordecai recorded these things, and sent letters to all the Jews who were in all the provinces of King Ahasuerus, both near and far, enjoining them that they should keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar and also the fifteenth day of the same month, year by year, as the days on which the Jews gained relief from their enemies, and as the month that had been turned for them from sorrow into gladness and from mourning into a holiday; that they should make them days of feasting and gladness, days for sending gifts of food to one another and presents to the poor.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

**The Psalm**

Psalm 124

*(Sung by the choir)*

If God had not been on our side,  
    let Israel now say;  
If God had not been on our side,  
    when enemies rose up against us,  
Then would they have swallowed us up alive  
    in their fierce anger toward us;  
Then would the waters have overwhelmed us  
    and the torrent gone over us;  
Then would the raging waters  
    have gone right over us.  
Blessed be God,  
    who has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.  
We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler;  
    the snare is broken, and we have escaped.  
Our help is in the Name of God,  
    the maker of heaven and earth.

## The Second Reading

James 5:13-20

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

*Reader*           The Word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

## Gradual Hymn

*If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee*

**Hymn 635**

## The Gospel

Mark 9:38-50

*Deacon*           The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
*People*            **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

*Deacon*            The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*             Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**The Sermon**

The Rev. Steven D. Paulikas

**The Nicene Creed** (*standing as able*)

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.

**Prayers of the People**

*Intervessor* Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

For the people of God and for the Church, that it may proclaim the love of Christ in word and deed, for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Sean, our Presiding Bishop-elect, and Lawrence, our Bishop.

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace, that we may honor one another and serve the common good, and especially for Joe, our President, Kathy, our Governor, and Eric, our Mayor. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially those on our parish prayer list; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Viola, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

### **The Confession and Absolution**

*Deacon or Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.  
*People (kneeling or standing)* **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 Priest offers the absolution.*

### **The Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

## Welcome & Announcements

To make an offering to All Saints' Church, use the offering plate or digital card reader by the entrance. Alternatively, to use the QR code below, open the camera on your phone, scan here, and tap "Donate"



## Holy Communion

**Offertory Hymn**

*An Evening Prayer*

**LEVAS 176**

### The Great Thanksgiving

*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 him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:

**Sanctus**

*Powell*

**Hymn S-129**

*The People remain standing. The Celebrant continues the Eucharistic Prayer found on page 362 in The Book of Common Prayer. After remembering Christ's sacrifice, the Celebrant says,*

*Celebrant* Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*People* **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant concludes the Eucharistic Prayer and bids the People to join in saying the Lord's Prayer:*

## The Lord's Prayer

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
*People* **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 Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.*

**Fraction Anthem**

*Powell*

**S-163**

## The Invitation

*All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please wait for the direction of the ushers. To receive the consecrated bread, please extend your hands. To receive the consecrated wine, please sip directly from the chalice; please do not dip the bread. You are welcome to receive in both kinds, or to receive the bread only. Turn to the right or left, and walk to the back of the church via the side aisles and the forward down the center aisle to return to your seat.*

**Communion Hymn**

*O Food to Pilgrims Given*

**Hymn 309**

**Communion Anthem**

*God Be in My Head*

Robert A. Hobby

## The Post-Communion Prayer

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## The Blessing

**Concluding Hymn**

*Go Forth for God*

**Hymn 347**

## The Dismissal

*Deacon* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Piano Postlude** “Der Abschied” *from Waldszenen, Op. 82* Robert Schumann



## Announcements

**WELCOME** to all who are visiting us this morning—your presence here is a blessing to us! Please introduce yourself to a member of the congregation and sign our guest register at the entrance so that we can stay in contact.

**Holy Eucharist** is celebrated at 10 a.m. on Sundays and 12:15 p.m. on Tuesdays. **Morning Prayer** is said in the church at 8:30 a.m. every Tuesday & Thursday. **Evening Prayer** is said in the church at 5 p.m. on Sundays.

**Sunday School** starts at **10 a.m. downstairs.**

Parents, if you haven't already, please register your child using this QR code:

Sunday School Sign Up



All Saints' is welcoming **star bakers to Coffee Hour Express each Sunday!** To participate, email the parish office at [office@allsaintsparkslope.org](mailto:office@allsaintsparkslope.org), then bring your signature bake on your designated Sunday. Please bring a written explanation of your bake with allergy/dietary restriction information. This Sunday we welcome our very first star baker, Brittany Rowell!

**During coffee hour** after today's service, Fr. Joseph will lead a brief **training for middle and highschoolers interested in serving as acolytes.**

Our weekly **Sunday Forum** takes place from **11:30-12:15 in the downstairs Forum Room.** This week, **join parishioner Henry McClure as he discusses his upcoming mission year in Sri Lanka** with the Episcopal Young Adult Service Corps. Next week we welcome Ashley Santiago-Conrad of the Close Rikers campaign.

The **Georgian American Fellowship** will meet **today at 1 p.m. in the Sanctuary.** This month's meeting is **dedicated to the memory of Kesaria Abramidze**, who was murdered last week in Tbilisi. Abramidze was killed just two days after the Georgian Parliament adopted a draconian anti-LGBTQ law including harsh discrimination against trans people. All are welcome for the Holy Eucharist, when we will pray for Abramidze and victims of homophobia and transphobia. The service of Holy Eucharist will be followed by a film screening in the Undercroft.

New to All Saints'? Please come to the fall **Newcomer Forum on Sunday, October 6, 5-7 p.m., held at the rectory, 463 7th St.** We will begin with Evening Prayer and continue with an open forum about All Saints', the Episcopal Church, and any other questions you might have. All are welcome!

Our autumn edition of **Seekers & Returners** will meet Wednesdays at 7 p.m., **Oct. 9 through Oct. 30.** We will **share a light supper and discussion** of The Episcopal Church, Anglican tradition, and Christianity broadly. All are welcome. **Please email Fr. Joseph if you plan to attend** any of the dates: [joseph@allsaintsparkslope.org](mailto:joseph@allsaintsparkslope.org).

All Saints' has a long history of offering healing support. **Healing prayer** is offered on **Sundays during Communion.** To receive prayer, simply approach the intercessor stationed in the Chapel after you receive Communion and let them know your prayer intentions. And if you would like to offer your own healing gifts, let the clergy know!

Deepen your knowledge of Scripture and meet new friends this fall at the **Tuesday Bible Study**, which meets **every week from 10:30 a.m. to noon.** Join us **in the lounge or on Zoom.** This season we are finishing our study of the Pentateuch with Numbers and Deuteronomy. All are welcome!

Did you know you can listen to sermons from **All Saints' on podcast?** You can catch up on sermons you missed, listen to archived sermons, or send them to friends and family! Listen directly on our homepage, [www.allsaintsparkslope.org](http://www.allsaintsparkslope.org), or on Spotify or Apple Podcasts.

## **Parish Prayer List**

(Please email the office to make additions)

*For healing:* Alex, Marianne, Myrna, Thelma, Joyce, Ruth, Janetha, Cameron, Victor, Ronald, Valerie, Erik, Rithuik, Paghu, Rejihi, Lynda, Peter, Ashley, Jen, Lucy, Zara, Gabrielle and Maha, Gabrielle, Patricia, Drew, Helen, Wanda, Bea, Peggy, and Flocie Lohier

*For those serving in our Armed Forces:* Zach, Julia, Dyrell, Zeripha, Anderson, Seneca, Kevin, Drew, Tina, and Steve

# Welcome to All Saints' Church!

Worship Sundays at 10 a.m. & 5 p.m. | Children and Youth Programs  
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*The Rev. Steven D. Paulikas, Rector*

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