Welcome to All Saints Episcopal Church

... a spirit-filled parish in the Episcopal Diocese of Central Pennsylvania





We are pleased to welcome you to All Saints Episcopal Church. Our church family is glad you are worshipping with us today!

We welcome hearing from you by e-mail or phone. How did you find your worship experience? Did you feel at home?
What are you looking for in a church home?
Would you like to visit to talk about this church?

We strive to be a spiritual home to all people and to share the love, hope and acceptance of Jesus with the world beginning right here in Hershey. We hope you will find a church home with us and will join us again.

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Our Schedule of Worship Together

At All Saints we value the deep heritage and tradition of the Episcopal Church, while offering the full spectrum of worship that same liturgy encompasses.

On Sundays, we offer worship at 10:00 a.m. in person and online

This is a traditional 1979 Book of Common Prayer Rite I liturgy mixing traditional hymns with more contemporary songs.

Our choir is present for this service for the majority of the year.

On Wednesdays, we offer in-person worship at 11:30 a.m.

This is a Rite I spoken liturgy with an emphasis on the Lesser Feasts and Fasts of the Church

I Am an Episcopalian

As Episcopalians, we are followers of Jesus Christ, our Lord, and we believe in the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The Episcopal Church has members in the United States and the territory of Puerto Rico; and also in Colombia, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Venezuela, Curacao, Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Switzerland, Haiti, Honduras, Micronesia, Taiwan, and the Virgin Islands.

We strive to love our neighbors as ourselves and respect the dignity of every person.

The Episcopal Church is part of the worldwide Anglican Communion, and traces its heritage to the beginnings of Christianity.

Our liturgy retains ancient structure and traditions and is celebrated in many languages.

Both men and women, including those who are married, are eligible for ordination as deacons, priests and bishops.

We believe in amendment of life, the forgiveness of sin, and life everlasting.

Lay people exercise a vital role in the governance and ministry of our church.

Holy Communion may be received by all baptized Christians, not only members of the Episcopal Church.

We uphold the Bible and worship with the Book of Common Prayer.

We affirm that committed relationships are lifelong and monogamous.

Episcopalians also recognize that there is grace after divorce and do not deny the sacraments to those who have been divorced.

We affirm that issues such as birth control are matters of personal informed conscience.

We celebrate our unity in Christ while honoring our differences, always putting the work of love before uniformity of opinion.

All are welcome and invited to find a spiritual home in the Episcopal Church.

The Episcopal Church has a traditional set of beliefs as expressed in the creeds and the *39 Articles*, but we know that whenever three or four Episcopalians gather there will be a least five opinions on any topic. We do not expect everyone in our church to hold the exact same beliefs. We do not demand that others agree with us. We acknowledge that what we hold to be true, may not be true or may not be the whole truth.

What holds Episcopalians together as a Christian family of God is WORSHIP rather than belief. We gather together, whether conservative or liberal, rich or poor, male or female, gay or straight, sure of ourselves or doubtful, old or young, in order to praise God, to sing, to pray, to hear the Scripture, and to receive the refreshment of bread and wine as received in the Eucharist.

This church does not offer easy answers to life's most pressing problems. We ask questions more often than we provide answers. We explore the paradoxes and contradictions found in the Scripture using all the resources at hand, current scholarship, reason, and our own experiences in life. We honor the tradition handed down to us from 2000 years of church history, but we also believe that the Holy Spirit is still active in our midst and may still lead us to new understandings of God's will for the world.

The Episcopal Church is a liturgical church, meaning our worship is formalized. Worship leaders usually wear vestments; we use candles, art, music, prayer, and sometimes incense to enhance the worship experience. We use different colors for different seasons of the church year. We often do things in much the same way over and over; that is, our main worship service has a given form, but within that form great variety is possible.

The Episcopal Church is a descendant of the Roman Catholic Church via the Church of England. We are still a member of the worldwide Anglican communion, linking Anglican (English) churches all over the world. The Anglican communion is led by the Archbishop of Canterbury, but unlike the Roman Catholic Pope, he has influence, but no authority in any province of the Communion except England.

The Episcopal Church is part of the Apostolic Tradition, meaning that our clergy can trace their consecrations back to the original apostles through the Anglican Church in England and before that through the Roman Catholic Church. We have four orders of ministers in our church: the laity, deacons, priests, and bishops.

The Episcopal Church in the United States is led by a Presiding Bishop, currently The Most Reverend Michael Curry. The governing body of the church is the General Convention, which meets every three years. The Executive Council carries out the orders of General Convention and makes decisions between meetings. General Convention is split into two houses, much like our government: the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies. The House of Deputies consists of four clergy and four lay people elected from each diocese in the church. To be accepted, any resolution must pass both houses.

The Presiding Bishop is elected by the House of Bishops with the House of Deputies concurring.





The Episcopal Church Welcomes You.

Families and Children at All Saints

Children preschool through 5th grade will find a special bulletin at the church entrance with quiet Bible activities to occupy them. Older children and youth will find "My Worship Journal" sheets in the back which help engage them deeply in the liturgy of the day.

Ask an usher or greeter if you don't see them.

Lifelong Christian Formation

At All Saints we are committed to offering opportunities for people of all ages to continue their journey of faith and spiritual growth.

Wednesday Book Study at 10 a.m. in the Parish Hall

Fall 2022—we are planning to reintroduce Sunday Morning Godly Play at 9 a.m. for our younger members

christian education

grounded in faith ...
... growing to serve

Worship as a Family

We know each family has special traditions and needs for worship and church participation. You are invited and encouraged to keep your children with you. Each family determines how to worship in the best manner for them. At the back of the nave there is a special area created for children to play at the feet of their parents during worship - a family area with floor space, an infant swing, a rocking chair and quiet toys. Please let us know how else we might accommodate your family as you worship with us.



Music



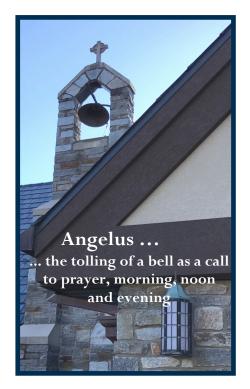
If you can sing, play an instrument or hand bells, All Saints offers opportunities for sharing your talent in worship. The Parish Choir is open for high school age to seniors. There are summer vocal and instrumental soloists, small instrumental ensembles for Christmas and Easter, and any other opportunity you can think of — we are open to attempt! We have 3 octaves of hand bells which need at least 8 committed ringers. If you're a piano/organ/keyboard player, Walt would like to hear from you. Preludes before services are opportunities for singers and instrumentalists alike.

Walt Stiller, Organist/Choirmaster.

Liturgical Ministers

From ages of 6 through adult, acolytes are trained to assist as worship leaders at the altar for all of our church services. For more information, please talk, one of the ushers, call the office, or speak with a current acolyte — all will be happy to get you and/or your child started. This is a wonderful opportunity for families to serve together. We always welcome lectors, ushers, and chalicists too!





We Are Called to Be a Community of Faith by Our Actions





... in study and planning



... in prayer

... ensuring our facility is welcoming

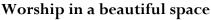


We are Accessible to All!



No Matter who you are ...
who you love ...
or where you are from ...
There is a place for you at
All Saints!





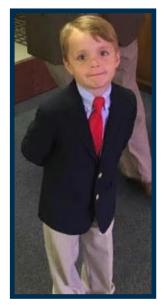


I am the vine ... you are the branches



Enlighten and involve our youth to the needs of those living at the margins of survival





Our youngest usher

We invite our kids to be involved bring them to the service!



A Brief History of All Saints Episcopal Church

It Begins ...

All Saints Episcopal Church was founded in March 1938 by The Rev. Canon Henry Bell Bryan and fourteen families as a mission station in Hershey, a town that was the epitome of a company town. Like most churches of that period, All Saints became a center for members' weekday activities, as well as for Sunday worship, and experienced significant growth. We were incorporated in 1939 in the Diocese of Harrisburg (now the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania). The name "All Saints Episcopal Church" was chosen at the suggestion of The Right Rev. Hunter Wyatt Brown, then Bishop of Harrisburg, whose first parish church bore that name.

A Church Building ...

The Rev. John Howe Treder became the first vicar, serving a long tenure at All Saints. Services were held in various homes at first, until the increase in attendance necessitated moving regular services to the "Little Theater" of the Hershey Community Building. The building fund he started resulted in the congregation voting in 1954 to erect a church building. Ground was broken on Elm Avenue in May 1955, and the building was dedicated later that year "to the glory of God and in loving memory of John Howe Treder, Priest."

The Church Grows ...

All Saints became a parish in 1962 when it no longer required diocesan financial assistance. In 1964 a Christian education wing was completed. As the congregation continued to grow, the church building was expanded to its present cruciform shape in 1973 to increase seating capacity. We also added a new organ, choir loft, parish offices and a bell tower.

We Survive a Fire and Reach Out ...

The All Saints sanctuary was severely damaged by a fire in January 1989 and then totally rebuilt the following year. During the reconstruction of the church, services continued at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church's school gymnasium. When the new church building, Bishop Charlie McNutt opened the doors of the new building and celebrated the ministry of Father Fred Miller in April 1990.

In an effort to make the church more accessible, a renovation of the worship space was undertaken in 2001. Some steps within the sanctuary were removed, and the front entrance was made more accessible to people with special needs. In 2013 we completed a renovation (**Accessible to All**) which accomplished that goal. We now have an elevator from the parish hall to the church level, and accessible bathrooms on both floors, including a family bathroom. We were also able to upgrade our kitchen and hope to update our parish hall/undercroft in the very near future.

Today ...

In 2019 we bid farewell to our rector of nearly ten years, The Rev. Susan Claytor. And in 2021 we are blessed to celebrate the call of The Rev. Anjel Scarborough, SCP, as rector, and the continuing service of The Rev. Harold F. Morrow, our deacon, as we launch a new chapter in the life of the parish. With strong leadership, we will continue to expand our offerings to youth and families, as well as new programs and classes for all ages. Our parish continues its outreach in Christ to the larger community and the world, and looks forward with hope for future mission, expansion, and growth.



Pentecost: The Birthday of the Church



Easter 2022



Holy
Eucharist
is the
centerpiece
of our faith



God Himself is With Us

We embrace tradition ...



... but we try new things

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Worship on Sundays at 10:00 am (Rite II) Wednesdays at 11:30 am (Rite I)

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