

Happy Thursday, All Saints!

Called to Know Jesus...(Worship Info)

Worship Sunday, March 12, 2023 - 9:30 a.m. - 3rd Sunday in Lent

"In today's gospel the Samaritan woman asks Jesus for water, an image of our thirst for God. Jesus offers living water, a sign of God's grace flowing from the waters of baptism. The early church used this gospel and those of the next two Sundays to deepen baptismal reflection during the final days of preparation before baptism at Easter. As we journey to the resurrection feast, Christ comes among us in word, bath, and meal—offering us the life-giving water of God's mercy and forgiveness." (sundaysandseasons.com) The scriptures for this day are: Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 95; Romans 5:1-11 and John 4:5-42.

We share in the meal of Holy Communion each Sunday morning. If you are gathered in person, you will receive a wafer and an individual cup of wine or grape juice. If you are worshipping from home, you will want to have bread or crackers and wine or juice available in order to participate in the meal.

Large print bulletins of the complete Sunday classic worship are available on the welcome desk. Please take advantage of this resource during worship and return the binder to the welcome desk following worship. We hope by making this information available in another format that we are able to better serve those that struggle to read projection.

We continue to post our worship services on our website, Facebook page, and YouTube channel. To make it as easy as possible, we will send the direct YouTube link to our email list once it is available each week.

Whether you are able to join us for worship in person or are gathering with us from home, we encourage you to continue your stewardship practices by sharing your gifts to help support God's mission through the ministry of All Saints. You can give your offering in a multitude of ways - placing your gift in the offering plate during worship or dropping it off in the office at other times during the week, mailing it to the church, or by visiting our website (secure.myvanco.com/YKQG/home) to give a one-time gift or set up automated giving. Thank you!

God's Cairn – A Trail Marker for a Life of Faith

Midweek Lenten Worship continues Wednesday, March 15 at 7:00 p.m.

If you have ever been hiking, you may have come across a cairn, a man-made pile or stack of stones. Cairns have many purposes – from historical and memorial commemoration to artistic decoration. However, the most common purpose for a cairn is as a trail marker – providing direction along a path when the way seems unclear or drawing attention to a noteworthy point or obscured danger.

As we gather on Wednesdays, we will consider the “cairn” of our lives of faith. What are the rocks that, piled together, guide us along this journey? Join us on Wednesdays during Lent at

7:00 p.m. as we reflect on the rocks of hope, peace, trust, forgiveness and love.

Wednesday evening offerings during Lent will be split between All Saints and the Madison Area Jail Ministry. Thank you for your continued generosity to our neighbors!

Missed midweek worship? Each Wednesday evening, worship will be livestreamed on Facebook and uploaded to YouTube. We'll include the link to each week's service in the weekly email. If you missed last night's worship, you can still participate by finding it on our homepage (www.allsaints-madison.org).

40 activities for 40 days of Lent

Stop by the church for a Lenten calendar created by Pastor Kristin with daily activities to guide you through the season! The calendar offer ideas for reflection time, reading of scripture and reaching out to others as a way to re-center, refocus, and return to our loving and gracious God. You can also find each day's activity posted on All Saints' Facebook page and Instagram.

Pub Theology - Tuesday, March 28, 6-8 p.m.

You're invited to another evening of Pub Theology --- a joint venture of All Saints, West Middleton, Advent, and St. Luke's Lutheran Churches! We will gather at the Thirsty Goat, 3040 Cahill Main (right in our backyard!), to enjoy beverages, food, and time with each other, discussing topics related to God, life, faith, and "what this all means anyway." We meet the last Tuesday of every month, with the next gathering being Tuesday, March 28, 6-8 p.m. Sign up on the sheet outside Pastor Kristin's office.

Holy Week Worship Times & Updates

Holy Week begins with **Palm Sunday, Sunday April 2**. You are invited to join us outside the west doors prior to worship to process to the sanctuary with palms and song.

Join us for Sunday School!

Sunday, April 2 is also our next date for Sunday School! This month, our 4K-8th grade kids will be learning about the gift of Holy Communion. Pastor Kristin will walk us through the history and practice of this sacred meal. During your time together, students will bake bread that will be used on Maundy Thursday. Class will run from 10:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Parents and kids are invited to attend.

Maundy Thursday and **Good Friday** services will both be at 7:00 p.m. on April 6 and 7, respectively.

All services will continue to be livestreamed on Facebook and uploaded to YouTube following worship.

Easter Worship

Easter Worship will be held at 9:30 a.m. Easter morning. Please join us for a light breakfast hosted by Kitchen Angels in between services that morning from 10:30-11:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.

What's happening at All Saints?

Please visit our website to view our church calendar (www.allsaints-madison.org/calendar.html). Contact the church office to have events added to the calendar or reserve a room.

Called to Follow Jesus...(Serving at All Saints)

Music Ministry at All Saints

Music rehearsals meet weekly to both provide musical offerings for our worship services which help us in our reflection and repentance; as well as preparing for the ultimate celebration of the risen Christ on Easter Sunday when we once again sing the 'Alleluias' and 'Glorias'. Our weekly Wednesday schedule for the season of Lent:

3:00 - New Song

5:00 - Handbells

7:30ish - Choir *following midweek Lenten worship

We will be singing Handel's "HALLELUJAH CHORUS" to conclude our Easter Sunday service April 9. You are invited to join us in singing this great work. If you would like to join our Sunday morning rehearsals, we will be meeting in the sanctuary at 9:00 am on Sunday, March 19, 26 and April 2. If you need a copy of the music, please ask John Francis for a copy. If you can't join us for rehearsals on Sunday mornings but still want to be prepared, you are invited to check out the different vocal parts using these YouTube videos:

Soprano: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=35C7N-psrMg>

Alto: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QMFw0pT5tbY>

Tenor: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xakqy9L5lh0>

Bass: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KgEthMjqB_4

Worship Leadership & Volunteers

Each Sunday morning requires a dedicated team of volunteers to make worship possible. Thank you to those who continue to assist with worship each week! Each worship service requires volunteers to usher (which includes greeting, handing out bulletins, passing offering plates and collecting Hand of Friendship books), read, run projection, set and clean up communion, serve communion and host fellowship.

All volunteers will be added to the online signup. Reminders are sent from that platform two days prior to your volunteer date. If you do not receive an email notification, please check the sign up for verification that your offer to assist has been recorded.

Please contact Heather in the office (office@allsaints-madison.org / 276-7729) to volunteer.

Called to Share Jesus...(Reaching Out)

Support the Madison Area Jail Ministry during Lent

Our donations to the Madison Area Jail Ministry (MAJM) help provide financial support for a Jail Chaplain to be the spiritual presence ministering to Dane County Jail residents. The Chaplain provides church services, Bible studies, prayer time, and counseling. Know that your Wednesday Lenten offerings to the MAJM can change a life of one or two or more as your giving provides hope and encouragement. Thank you for your generosity.

Support needed at the Good Neighbors Personal Essentials Pantry

During Lent, the All Saints Church Council is hosting a donation drive to support the pantry. Help your neighbors with donations of toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, deodorant, shaving cream, shaving razors, laundry detergent, and more. A daily donation calendar for the season of Lent is available on the welcome desk if you are interested.

Staff & Leadership

Church Office Hours

The church office is open the following days and hours: Mondays & Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.; Tuesdays & Thursdays, 8:30 a.m. - noon

You can usually find Pastor Kristin in the office Monday-Thursday, but, as always, it is best to make an appointment if you want to make sure you catch her. Fridays are her day off (Sabbath day). If you would like Pastor Kristin to come visit you at your home, just let her know. She is happy to do so! And remember – you can reach her anytime in the case of an emergency via her cell phone (608-616-0631).

All Saints 2023 Church Council

Questions? Comments? A word of thanks and encouragement?

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