

This Week at All Saints

This Sunday, November 22, 2020



Featured Ministry: All Saints Church Foster Care Project

The All Saints Church Foster Care Project provides community education, public policy/advocacy and direct services for children and youth who have been removed from the care of their parents to the supervision of the state. We recruit volunteers to support youth at public and private agencies. We help foster families with grocery gift cards, diapers, clothing, and educational technology tools. We provide coach monitors to help reunite children with their parents and participate in virtual tutoring

programs. Our Birthday Club can provide a child with their first birthday gift. We take youth on a Back-to-School Shopping Spree or Stuff Your School Backpack drive. We work tirelessly to keep our promise to enhance the lives of foster, homeless, transitional and incarcerated children and youth.

Link for this Sunday: <https://zoom.us/j/817796514>

(The link above includes the Forum, Children's Chapel, the 11:15 a.m. & 1 p.m. services)
Please do not log on more than 15 minutes in advance, at 9:45 a.m.



10:00-11:00 a.m. Rector's Forum with Becca Stevens

Becca Stevens is an author, speaker, priest, social entrepreneur, and the founder and president of Thistle Farms. She will be joined by **Kristin Beckum, Kim Stevens** and musicians from St. Augustine's Chapel, Vanderbilt University.

11:15 a.m. Service

Becca Stevens preaches.
Canterbury & Coventry Choirs premiere a new piece by our Composer-in-Residence, Bill Cunliffe, *Wherever You Are*. **Youth Chamber Choir** offers *Thanksgiving* by Carey.

1:00 p.m. Bilingual Spanish/English Service

Alfredo Feregrino preaches. **Dan Cole & ensemble & Trouvères** offer music.



Prayers and healing are available by zoom and telephone appointment.
Contact Pastoral Care at prayers@allsaints-pas.org.

K-5th Grade Updates

Digital Children's Chapel is on at 11:00 a.m. Join the Sunday service link or the Facebook Live link. Anyone of any age is welcome to attend this digital chapel! If you have a candle and matches at home, please have them ready as we will light the candle together! Children's Chapel will happen every single week, digital or not. If you are looking for support during this time please reach out to Kelly Erin O'Phelan at kophelan@allsaints-pas.org to connect.



Youth Group (6th-12th Grade)

Wednesday Evenings at 7:00 p.m.

Take a break from crazy school schedules, vent, hang out, support each other, get inspired, play games, share art and music and much more. We're sad to not meet for dinner beforehand but so looking forward to catching up during this valuable time. We hope to see everyone there! Information = Nina Scherer at



nscherer@allsaints-pas.org.

Youth Group Link:

<https://allsaints-pas.zoom.us/j/87291969670?pwd=ZHZJUN-210bW9sSUxJSE1NVzhFYzBsZz09>

Meeting ID: 872 9196 9670 Passcode: 834378

We're also on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/ascyouthpasadena/>

Instagram: [ascyouthpasadena](https://www.instagram.com/ascyouthpasadena)

Stay Connected

Monday, November 23

Monday Meditation Group - 6:45-8:45 p.m.

Beginners are welcome. Join us for quiet sitting and group meditation, accessible to all. Information = encam@att.net.

Grief and Loss Support Group - 7:00 p.m.

The Grief and Loss Support Group offers opportunities to develop a better understanding of grief and to learn healthy coping skills and share feelings with others who are experiencing loss.

Information = Frontdesk@allsaints-pas.org.

Brothers on a Journey - 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Brothers on a Journey is an affinity group for men to share about their lives in a safe and welcoming environment.

Information = Christine Cox at ccox@allsaints-pas.org.

LGBTQ+ Small Group - 7:00-8:30 p.m.

We strive to enhance the journey of faith of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer community through opportunities to foster spiritual and educational growth, social interaction, political advocacy and pastoral care.

Email Christine Cox at ccox@allsaints-pas.org for access details.

Tuesday, November 24

Centering Prayer 7:00 - 7:45 p.m.

Centering Prayer is a meditation practice that is centered in the contemplative Christian tradition.

<https://allsaints-pas.org/more/pastoral-care/centering-prayer/>

Information = Frontdesk@allsaints-pas.org.

Wednesday, November 25

Noonday Prayers & Prayers of Healing

12:00 - 12:30 p.m.

Link: <https://allsaints-pas.org/noonday-prayers/>

All Saints Church offers an online service of Noonday Prayers with prayers for healing from 12:00-12:30 p.m. every Wednesday. Join us for this weekly opportunity to come together in prayer for each other, for our nation and for our world. Information = Debbie Daniels at ddaniels@allsaints-pas.org.



TRANSGENDER DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

Information = Debbie Daniels, 626.583.2750 or ddaniels@allsaints-pas.org.

Transgender Day of Remembrance

Friday, November 20, 6:00 p.m. on the Quad.

On and around this day across the world, people gather in solidarity to mourn those who have been victims of anti-trans violence, and to ensure that their lives, and deaths, are not forgotten. It allows us to call attention to the continued violence and discrimination persons of trans experience face every day. Music will be offered by Cassidy Anderson.

**Join the Racial
Justice Ministry
in Partnership
with the
LGBTQ+ Ministry**



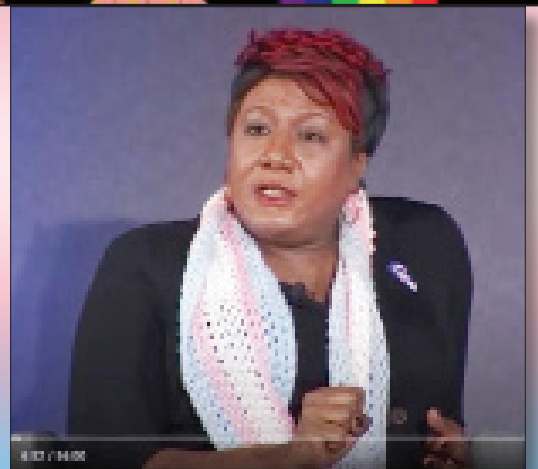
**for a Social Discussion on
Transgender Day of Remembrance Weekend**

Sunday, Nov. 22, 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Join us as we watch together a 25-minute panel discussion from the Commonwealth Club of California on the topic:
***Transgender Day of Remembrance-Addressing
Violence Against Black Transgender Women.***

After viewing the panel together, we will hold an enriching discussion about what we heard & learned.

Join us over Zoom: <https://fullerton.zoom.us/j/81816507093>



The 2020 Alternative Christmas Market Goes Virtual for Joy Sunday – December 13

The Alternative Christmas Market (ACM) has been an Advent tradition as it brings together non-profit and fair trade organizations for an opportunity for the All Saints community to make donations and purchase gifts that are alternatives to the traditional Christmas present. This year's market will be virtual and will take place via Zoom on Sunday, Dec. 13, 10–11 a.m. Leah Nelson, ACM Co-Chair says, "The pandemic has changed our lives, but the Alternative Christmas Market provides us with the opportunity to capture the true meaning of Christmas, allowing each of us to truly impact those who are most in need." The Market has raised between \$25,000 to \$35,000 annually for organizations, and has more importantly raised our social consciousness. The list of participants is a who's who of local, national and international organizations—including Homeboy Industries, Five Acres, Get on the Bus, and Ten Thousand Villages, just to name a few. You will be able to "shop" directly with each organization during the virtual market by following links to their webpages for donations and product purchases. Get the catalog for the Alternative Christmas Market on the All Saints website or in the chat box throughout the Zoom. ACM co-chair Jane Wallace says, "Even though we can't be together in person for our ACM this year, it is a time to rejoice as we truly WILL have an alternative to our Alternative Christmas Market, as we come together virtually to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas giving to those most in need, opening up our hearts in love and joy and sharing our gifts of good will with our community." To attend the virtual Alternative Christmas Market – click on the Zoom link available on the All Saints website for weekly Sunday worship services.

Merry Christmas!

Looking Ahead

Events & Opportunities

"Family Choir" at All Saints

The "Family Choir" is designed to give families an opportunity to sing together! Kids, parents, and grandparents can make joyful music together! Advent is soon approaching and we invite you to gather your family members (safely, within the same household) to join us for our choral anthem on Joy Sunday, Dec. 13 (Advent III). We look forward to seeing joyous squares of families singing together in our final virtual choir project of 2020!

If you are interested, please contact Weicheng Zhao at wzhao@allsaints-pas.org.



Thanksgiving Eve Service

Wednesday, November 25, 5:00 p.m.

As you prepare for a holiday weekend, in the midst of a pandemic, whether with family and friends in-person, virtually, or on your own, join us for a reflective prayer service on Thanksgiving Eve. Members of Canterbury and Coventry Choirs offer music. Susan Russell offers a meditation. Information = Debbie Daniels, 626.583.2750 or ddaniels@allsaints-pas.org.

Link will be available on our Live Stream page:
<https://allsaints-pas.org/live-stream/>



Thanksgiving Edition of Feast & Friendship

Thursday, November 26, 1:00 p.m.

If you will be alone and staying safe this Thanksgiving, sign-up now for a special Turkey Day edition of our Feast & Friendship ministry.

Spaces are limited, so plan now to join this online social gathering at 1:00 p.m. on Nov. 26 — before you enjoy your turkey and all the trimmings. It's BYOB if you want to have your own beverage and/or small bite. Those who sign up for this online event to connect with others in the All Saints Community will receive a Zoom link from host Pamela Tartaglio by Tuesday, Nov. 24. You can stay connected with your All Saints family as you give thanks for your blessings. Information = Christine Cox at ccox@allsaints-pas.org.



20's/30's Friendsgiving Social Hour

Sunday, November 29, 1:00 p.m.

All 20's/30's are invited to a socially distanced outdoor Friendsgiving social hour. We'll gather at a parishioner's backyard. BYOF - Bring your own food. All Saints Church has put in place a number of new protocols and processes to help ensure the safety of participants at small group gatherings. Check it out on instagram at [2030allsaints](#) or RSVP to 2030allsaints@gmail.com. For more information, contact Christine Cox at ccox@allsaints-pas.org.



Senior Saints Monthly Gathering

Thursday, December 3, at 1:00 p.m.

Join us on Thursday, Dec. 3 at 1 p.m. on Zoom for a talk with special guest **Juan Mejia**. Juan joined All Saints in 2001. He married Diana Carbajal at All Saints in 2003, and they have raised their four kids at All Saints. He has been a deputy district attorney with Los Angeles County for over 25 years. Juan is currently serving as the Senior Warden of the Vestry. He was co-chair of the Wardens' Planning Task Force and of the Search Committee for the Associate Rector position. He was also previously a member of the Vestry between 2007-2011. He has chaired the Pastoral Care and Spiritual Growth Committee and the Stewardship Committee. He has also served on three discernment committees.

Please contact Amanda McCormick at amccormick@allsaints-pas.org for the Zoom link in order to attend.

Drum Circle Continues!

We will be hosting our outdoor community drum circle, led by **Brother Gerald Rivers**

(<https://www.geraldrivers.com/>), a Master Drummer and Djembe player. Drumming is an ancient communal spiritual practice, which roots us in the rhythms of God in creation and binds us to one another. No experience is required! Everyone can drum! Everyone entering will have their temperature taken, be asked about COVID symptoms, checked for masks and given hand sanitizer. Social distancing will be observed at all times. Bro. Gerald will provide some Djembes, and you are encouraged to bring your own drum.

There will be a free-will offering taken at the end for Bro. Gerald's time and talent. Please bring some cash as you have it.

A new time and date TBA soon!



RaiseAChild and Foster Care Project Information Session

Wednesday, December 2, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Join RaiseAChild and All Saints Church Foster Care Project for a fun and informal information session from the comfort of your home and discover the benefits of building loving families for foster children. Learn all about the process, including the top ten benefits of becoming a foster or foster-to-adopt parent. You'll meet RaiseAChild parents and hear about the best agencies who want to help you build or expand your family. For more information, please contact: inbox@fostercareproject.org.

Fiction Fun! Zoom Christmas Party

Friday, December 18, 7:30-9:00 p.m.



All are welcome! *Fiction Fun!* is a monthly book group exploring what it means to live lives of faith by reading and discussing contemporary and classic works of fiction. Please contact Christine Cox at ccox@allsaints-pas.org for more information.



Our Beautiful Sanctuary Will Be Open for Prayer in Advent

Wednesdays & Saturdays 12:30 –2:30 p.m. beginning Wed., Dec. 2

Following very strict safety guidelines, we will open the church for prayer or meditation beginning in Advent. You must wear a mask at all times and keep socially distanced by at least six feet. A staff member/lay leader will be available if you have any questions.

Information = Debbie Daniels, 626.583.2750 or ddaniels@allsaints-pas.org.

Angel Tree

Due to COVID-19, our Angel Tree will look different this year.

Our partners at DCFS are asking for gift cards to distribute to children and youth with the most need. Although gift cards aren't as fun as picking a tag off a tree, the children and youth who receive these will be just as delighted to be able to receive a gift in the safest way possible during this time.

Please sign up for any gift card(s) you'd like to provide (suggested amount \$25-\$50 each) and follow one of the delivery options below. Please also include a separate note or paper that indicates "This gift is from [first name] at All Saints."

If you have any questions or need to make alternate delivery arrangements, please email Kelly Erin O'Phelan at kophelan@allsaints-pas.org.



Racial Justice Advisory Board Nominations

The Racial Justice Advisory Board (RJAB) is accepting nominations for board membership. The purpose of the Racial Justice Advisory Board is to guide and assist in developing recommendations, metrics and action plans to support the Vestry and staff in implementing the nine action points of the All Saints Church (ASC) Racial Justice Resolution and other action-related plans in order to become the Beloved Community.

Desired nominees to the RJAB are ASC and community members who have demonstrated experience and commitment to effectively addressing matters of race, ethnicity, racism and racial justice as well as other qualified and committed individuals. Nominees can be identified by an ASC ministry, task force, clergy or staff person, parishioner, community member or may be self-nominated. Selected nominees will reflect the current and emerging diversity of the parish and surrounding communities and will be presented to the Vestry for final approval.

RJAB members serve a renewable 2-year term and attend monthly board meetings during the program year.

Applications are due January 14, 2021.

Please direct requests for a nomination packet or questions to Barbara Andrade DuBransky bdubransky@gmail.com.

Invest in the Future of All Saints Church

All Saints Church is a beacon of hope and a place of solace and inspiration for so many people. Our connection with one another, even though online, is deeply important and central to the quality of our lives. It is your generosity that sustains this community, and we are profoundly grateful.

We ask now that you consider what All Saints means to you, and what it can become, and make a generous pledge for 2021. All Saints is on a journey to becoming a community that is more deeply focused on Mission and that has even more impact.

Financial sustainability will be critical, so your support makes all the difference.

Please pledge now, knowing that your investment matters. Thank you!

Make a pledge or gift here: <https://allsaints-pas.org/donate/donate-now/>

**If you have questions, please contact Terry Knowles, our Director of Giving & Stewardship,
at tknowles@allsaints-pas.org or 626.583.2736.**



**As we begin a new year in our church calendar, we are excited to premiere
Rev. Dr. Wil Gafney's *The Women's Lectionary***



The Women's Lectionary is a project of the **Rev. Wil Gafney, PhD**, Professor of Hebrew Bible at Brite Divinity School in Fort Worth, Texas, an Episcopal Priest canonically resident in the Diocese of Pennsylvania and Licensed in the Diocese of Fort Worth. Dr. Gafney selected and translated the reading using an expansive gender-explicit approach and, in the Psalms, explicit feminine language and pronouns for God. Church House, the Episcopal press will publish the Lectionary.

New Link for Sunday, Nov. 29: <https://allsaints-pas.org/live-stream/>
(The link above includes Children's Chapel, the 11:15 a.m. & 1 p.m. services)

We will return to the beautiful interior of All Saints. Ministers of the liturgy will be observing the social distance and safety protocols dictated by health care professionals and in compliance with our diocesan guidelines. And while we all long for the time when we can safely return for in person congregational worship, being able to center our online service in our familiar and beloved sanctuary is one step toward that eventual goal.

10:00-11:00 a.m. Rector's Forum with Rev. Wil Gafney, PhD

11:15 a.m. Service

Rev. Wil Gafney, PhD preaches. **Canterbury & Coventry Choirs** offer *O Day of Peace* by Parry, arr. by Jacobson.

1:00 p.m. Bilingual

Spanish/English Service

Alfredo Feregrino preaches. **Dan Cole & ensemble** and **Trouvères** offer music.

Advent Evening Service, Sunday Nov. 29 at 5:00 p.m.

Link: <https://allsaints-pas.org/live-stream/>



Join **Jenny Tisi** and **Kelly Erin O'Phelan** as we provide a family-friendly service of music, readings and storytelling. We will explore the meaning of Advent together!

