

# ***All Saints Episcopal Church***

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*All Saints El Paso is a city steeped in history and accelerating toward a dynamic future. El Paso is an example of how many cultures living in harmony can succeed.*

With a population of 675,300 citizens, El Paso is the 19th largest city in the country, and the 6th largest city in Texas. With its sister cities, Ciudad Juarez, and Las Cruces, the metropolitan area approaches 3 million in population, and is the major hub for trade on the southern border. El Paso is also home to Ft. Bliss, which, when combined with adjacent White Sands Missile Range, is the largest military installation in the United States.

El Paso is a vibrant, growing city that celebrates its multi-cultural diversity. It is home to the University of Texas at El Paso, the Texas Tech Paul Foster School of Medicine, the Gayle Greve Hunt School of Nursing, and El Paso Community College. Our city government has invested heavily in our quality of life, providing for entertainment and cultural venues throughout the city. (see [visitelpaso.com](http://visitelpaso.com)) For the past five years, the CQ Press, with data from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, has rated El Paso as the safest city in the U.S. with a population of more than 500,000.

Our mission: To know Jesus Christ and to make him known to all generations, through love, worship, prayer, study, service and witness.

By God's grace, the congregation is privileged to be involved in the ministries that reach out to the citizens of El Paso and parish activities that foster fellowship and spiritual bonding within the All Saints community, where we believe every saint has a past and every sinner has a future.

The congregation of All Saints Episcopal Church in El Paso seeks a new rector who wants to lead a warm family of faith and love committed to the discipleship of Jesus Christ and his holy ministry. We are seeking a priest that brings positive energy and a spiritual rock. One which we can depend on through word and deed as we follow Jesus' teachings. A disciple that is passionate about making other disciples, as we devote ourselves to the three legs of the Episcopal belief regarding scripture, tradition and reason.

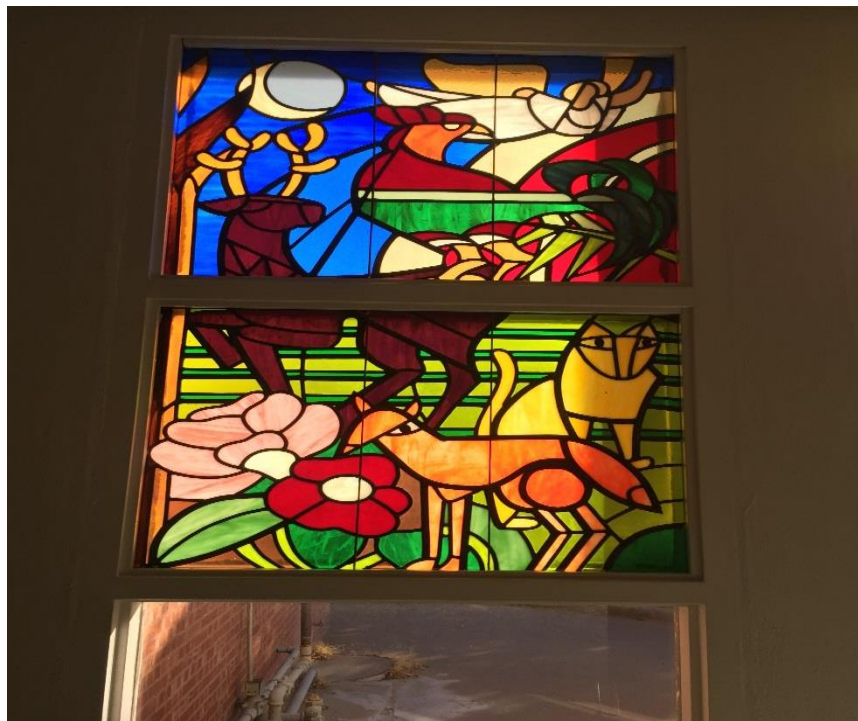


We desire a rector that is strongly dedicated to: pastoral care, stewardship, counseling candidates for baptism, confirmation and marriage; handling business and social activities of the parish, Christian volunteer support personnel, execution of religious services and ministerial function set forth in the canons of the Episcopal Church.

We wish to continue being a multicultural, multigenerational community of committed disciples of Christ who provide a place of welcome for all of God's people, and who value worship as the focal point of our lives. We commit ourselves to love and serve God, and one another to grow in faith and to undertake the initiative which will glorify His name.

All Saints participates in a variety of ministries and outreach programs that include or have included: the Daughters of the King and their many aspects of pastoral care; nursery; Bible study; La Posada; support-group training of lay readers, acolytes and others.

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Lay Eucharistic ministers, lay readers, altar guild, choir, ushers, oblationers, acolytes, and contributors of altar flowers are all participants in supporting our worship services.

Volunteers are among the support personnel including the senior warden, junior warden, vestry, administrative clerk, and the men and women of All Saints.

Some of our parish activities include: Mother's Day luncheon, Father's Day luncheon, Fall Festival, two annual yard sales and occasional BBQ dinners and Karaoke.





## **HISTORY OF ALL SAINTS EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

Early in September 1955, the clergy and laity of the three Episcopal churches in El Paso met to discuss the need for additional Episcopal churches in East El Paso to meet the needs of a rapidly growing city.

The Reverend Robert M. Gibson, Rector of St. Clements was charged with making a survey. In 1957 a plot of land was purchased and building plans were approved. In 1958 ground breaking activities took place and the building now known as the parish hall was built.

The first service in the completed building was held in October 1958 with 127 people receiving communion. Later on, the women of All Saints opened a thrift shop to supplement income to meet expenses and to anticipate expenses for future All Saints growth.

In 1971 the decision was made to expand the church facilities and ground was broken for the present Sanctuary, which was completed and dedicated in 1972.



### **Are you the person we are looking for?**

We seek an Episcopal priest who respects our culture of progressive theology and traditional liturgy and who honors our founding principles as presented in our mission statement.

We seek someone who is personable and sociable – a “people person,” with the energy to keep us at the formation/stability stage of our life cycle. Naturally, we expect someone who is ethical, authentic, and psychologically whole. Furthermore, we need someone who will commit to long-term service.

Finally, someone with the following skills would receive our earnest attention: Strong pastoral skills: someone with the training and experience to be a compassionate counselor and guide.

Strong communication skills: being a good listener and a good preacher are particularly important.

Spiritual guidance skills: someone who has a deep spiritual life themselves and is able to help us both as individuals and as a congregation recognize the operation of the Holy Spirit in our lives and link us to our spiritual paths.

Good management skills: someone who is able and willing to organize and administer, but who also can recognize the existing skills and potential talents among our parishioners and thus delegate, rather than micromanage, the church's tasks and activities.

Our church needs to grow, add additional services, (weekday or Spanish service might be an option), or splitting the service with Rite 1 and 2.

We are open to full or part time employment, maybe someone retired who knows that there is more work to be done, but cannot commit to full-time service. Someone who may have other employment but can do the ministry we need.

Thoughts about El Paso: The food is great, not particularly healthy but delicious. The weather is terrific 297 days of the year if you like sunshine and warmth. If you desire a little cooler climate, wait for the few days of snow or take a short ride to the mountains of Ruidoso, N.M., which will cool you off. We have nearby White Sands National Monument, in New Mexico, and the country of Mexico south of us. Refer to specific websites for more information about our city.

People move out of El Paso, but many times come back home.