

# All Saints Church

## Now offers a Hearing Loop

### What is a hearing loop? How does it work?



**Hearing Loop**  
Switch hearing aid to T-coil

Hearing Loops allow people who wear hearing aids to directly receive the sound from the church's PA system in their own hearing aids without having to pick up a separate listening device by switching to a T-coil or telecoil program.

Digital hearing aids have significantly improved in the last decade, but they do not restore hearing to normal. Difficulties often remain when in challenging listening situations. Hearing loops help hearing aid users overcome this problem by broadcasting sound without background noise or reverberation, directly into the hearing aid. The user has to switch the telecoil on and off. The sound comes into the hearing aid user's ear as if it was plugged in to the sound system

Hearing loops have been in widespread use in public venues in England and the Scandinavian countries for some time, but are just now starting to catch on in the United States.

## How do I know if I have T-coils in my hearing aids?

If you wear hearing aids you will need to find out if you have this wireless telecoil receiver in your hearing aids (most do, although that feature is not always turned on.) The t-coil program is sometimes called the telephone program. If there is a push button on your instrument, it is likely the telecoil program is an option, but it may not have been activated by your audiologist.

Contact your audiologist to find out if your instruments have telecoils, or you may email Dr. Juliette Sterkens, who is the Wisconsin hearing loop advocate. Her email address is [jsterkens@new.rr.com](mailto:jsterkens@new.rr.com).

*Hearing Loop receivers are available if you do not have a hearing aid but have difficulty hearing.*



Hearing Loop  
installation by:

