

SAINT PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH



ALL-SAINTS

The Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost

November 2, 2025

10:30 AM in the Church

with Holy Baptism

The Rev. Stephanie E. Parker
Rector

Welcome to our Church

WELCOME

to

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

We are delighted you are seeking God in this special place. We want you to know that wherever you are on the journey of faith, you are welcome to ask your questions here.

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The Gathering

Prelude

God of Our Fathers

arr. G. Martin

Welcome and Announcements

Tell Out My Soul

Joe Fesperman

Please rise as you are comfortable.

Processional Hymn #287 For All the Saints, Who from Their Labors Rest (stanzas 1-4)



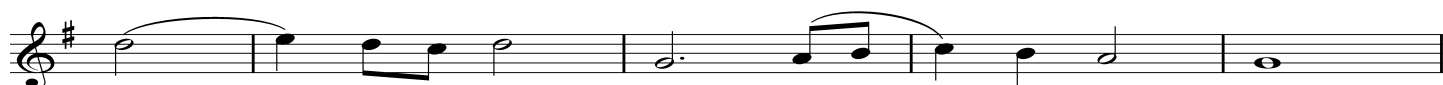
1 For all the saints, who from their la - bors rest, who
2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might:____
3 O may thy sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,____
4 O blest com - mun - ion, fel - low - ship di - vine!____



thee____ by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
thou, Lord, their Cap - tain in the well - fought fight;____
fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old, and
We feeb - ly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet



Name, O____ Je - sus, be for ev - er blessed.
thou, in the dark - ness drear, the one true Light.
win, with____ them, the vic - tor's crown of gold.
all are____ one in thee, for all are thine.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



*5 And when the strife is fierce, the war-fare long, steals on the ear the
*6 The gold - en eve - ning bright-ens in the west; soon, soon to faith-ful



dis - tant tri-umph song, and hearts are____ brave a - gain, and arms are
war-riors com - eth rest;____ sweet is the calm of par - a - dise the

strong. blest. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*7 But lo! there breaks a yet more glo - rious day; the

*8 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through

saints tri - umph - ant rise in bright ar - ray; the

gates of pearl streams in the count - less host_____

King of glo - ry pass - es on his way.

sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Words: William Walsham How (1823-1897). Music: *Sine Nomine*, Ralph Vaughn Williams (1872-1958).

Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Presider There is one Body and one Spirit;

People There is one hope in God's call to us;

Presider One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism;

People One God and Father of all.

Presider The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Presider Let us pray:

Eternal God, our beginning and our end, preserve in your people the new life of baptism; as Christ receives us on earth, so may he guide us through the trials of this world and enfold us in the joy of eternal life, where you live and reign, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

SONG OF PRAISE Hymn #679 Surely it is God who saves me



1 Sure - ly it is God — who saves me; trust - ing him, I shall not
2 Make his deeds — known to the peo - ples; tell out his ex - alt - ed



fear. For the Lord de - fends and shields me and his sav - ing
Name. Praise the Lord, who has done great things; all his works his



help is near. So re - joice as you draw wa - ter from sal -
might pro - claim. Zi - on, lift your voice in sing - ing; for with



va - tion's liv - ing to spring; in the day of your de -
you has come to dwell, in your ve - ry midst, the



liv - erance thank the Lord, his mer - cies sing.
great and Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

The Collect

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all compassionate and merciful living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: "As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom for ever—for ever and ever."

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

People: Thanks be to God.

Cantate Domino

Hallelujah!

Sing to the LORD a new song; *

sing God's praise in the congregation of the faithful.

Let Israel rejoice in his Maker; *

let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

Let them praise God's Name in the dance; *

let them sing praise to God with timbrel and harp.

For the LORD takes pleasure in his people *

and adorns the poor with victory.

Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; *

let them be joyful on their beds.

Let the praises of God be in their throat *

and a two-edged sword in their hand;

To wreak vengeance on the nations *

and punishment on the peoples;

To bind their kings in chains *

and their nobles with links of iron;

To inflict on them the judgment decreed; *

this is glory for all his faithful people.

Hallelujah!

Second Reading

Ephesians 1:11-23

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are most comfortable.

Sequence Hymn #293 I Sing a Song of the Saints of God



1 I sing a song of the saints of God, _____
2 They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, and _____
3 They lived not on - ly in a - ges past, there are



pa - tient and brave and true, who _____ toiled and _____ fought and _____
his love _____ made them strong; and they fol - lowed the right, for _____
hund-reds of thou-sands still, the _____ world is _____ bright with the



lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew. And _____
Je - sus' sake, the _____ whole of their good lives long. And _____
joy - ous saints who _____ love to do Je - sus' will. You can



one was a doc - tor, and one was a queen, and one was a shep -
one was a sold - ier, and one was a priest, and one was _____ slain
meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains,



herd - ess on the _____ green: they were all of them saints of _____
by a fierce wild _____ beast; and there's not an - y rea - son -
or in shops, or at tea, for the saints of _____ God are just



God— and I mean, God help - ing, to be one too.
no, not the least, why I should-n't be one too.
folk like _____ me, and I mean to be one too.

Remain standing as able.

The Gospel

Luke 18:9-14

Presider: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

"Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets."

"But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

"Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

Presider: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ

All are seated

The Sermon

The Rev. Stephanie E. Parker

A time of silence following the sermon.

Holy Baptism

Presider: The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Sponsors: I present Isobella Vawn Johnson to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

After Isobella has been presented the Presider asks the parents and godparents.

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents: I will, with God's help.

Presider: Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents: I will, with God's help.

Then the Presider asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer I do.

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer I do.

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do.

After candidate has been presented, the Presider addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your
power to support this person in her life in Christ?

People We will.

The Presider then says these or similar words

Let us join with Isobella who is committing herself to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

- Presider Do you believe in God the Father?
People **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**
- Presider Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**
- Presider Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People **I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**
- Presider Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and
fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the
prayers?
People **I will, with God's help.**
- Presider Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever
you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you proclaim by word and example the Good
News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving
your neighbor as yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you strive for justice and peace among all
people, and respect the dignity of every human
being?

People I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidate

The Presider then says to the congregation.

Let us now pray for ourselves and Isobella who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Presider Deliver us, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Presider Open our hearts to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Presider Fill us with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Presider Keep us in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Presider Teach us to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Presider Send us into the world in witness to your love.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Presider Bring us to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

The Presider says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Presider blesses the water, first saying

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Presider

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water.
Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation.
Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage
in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus
received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy
Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death
and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are
buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his
resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.
Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his
fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in
the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the presider touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your
Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and
born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus
Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and
glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Baptism

The candidate is presented by name to the Presider, who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying

Isobella, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

When this action has been completed, the Priest, at a place in full sight of the congregation, prays over them, saying

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Isobella, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.

Amen.

After baptism is completed, the Presider says

Let us welcome the newest member of the Body of Christ.

Presider and People: **We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

The Peace

✧ *“The Peace” is a Christian tradition deriving its roots from Jesus himself who greeted people saying, “Peace be with you.” “The Peace” may feel awkward if you are new or an introvert or trying not to be noticed. We take this portion of our worship seriously as we live in a deeply divided world full of violence. These actions in God’s house model what we are called to do in the world.*

Presider: The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Invitation to the Great Thanksgiving

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

When the Saints Go Marching In

arr. T. Curd

Andrew Scroggs—Trumpet

The Great Thanksgiving

Please stand as you are most comfortable

Eucharistic Prayer D, BCP page 372

Presider All things come of thee, O Lord

People **And of thine own have we given thee**

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

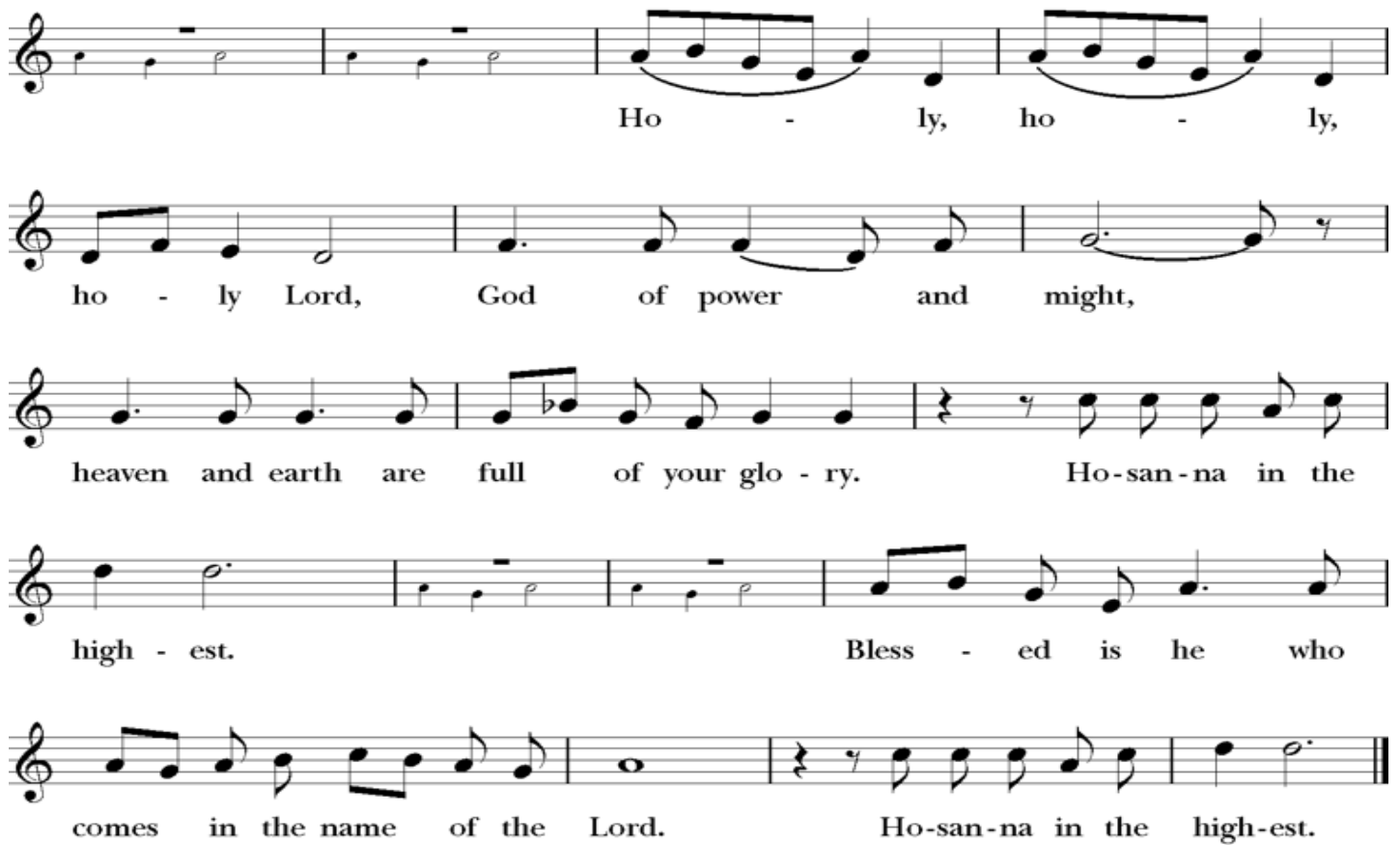
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

In the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that we might rejoice in their fellowship, and run with endurance the race that is set before us; and together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades away.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:



Please remain standing or kneel here

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in participation with you, our Creator, we might love and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of his mother Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without hostility or judgement. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your hope for an end to violence, he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who loved, lived, and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's teaching, healing, death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

**We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Presider: Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the love of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth.

Remember, in Thanksgiving, our Living Saints...*(Mother Stephanie recites our living Saints.)*

Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light...*(She now recites our Saints who have gone before us.)*

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, our saints listed and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

In Thanksgiving of our Living Saints...

Doug and Bonnie Merritt

Lucas, John, and Emma Jean Beauchaine

Sandy Bumgarner

Sue Reeve

Dot Beamon

Kaye Hall

Scott and Laura Jessee

Gwen Temple

Rose Andrews

Jim and Caroline Beamon

Delores Brooks

Christina and Austin Freeman and their family

Joyce Nichols

Linda Schneider

Aubrie Sawyer Merritt

And all those you would name silently or aloud...

In Memoriam of our saints...

Mary Iva Gray

Sharon and Albert Burkenbine

Bethany Morgan Burch

Dick Whittington

Susan Whittington

Grace and Odell Whittington

Fred and Violet Hawkins

Gene and Willie Lewis

Robert and Elizabeth Oliver

Marianne Triponi

David Temple

Vaughn Hayes

Bill Perkins

June Canter and Dub Canter

Nettie and John Owens

Sug and Guy Bumgarner

Betty Clinard

Ruth and Rich Beamon

Mickey and Worth Knox

Joe and Rose Lemoyne

Nelta Church

In Memoriam of our saints...(continued)

Elizabeth "Bee" Barber

Joseph Peden

Mary Peden Barber

Eliza Barber

Mary Locke Barber

David Brooks

Leigh Ann Owens

Mark Deavers

John Hall

Jim Andrews

Daniel Nichols

Joe R. Barber Jr.

Joe R. Barber Sr.

Nell Barber

Rosie Carlton

Chick Parker

Sharon Parker

Jane Goodall

And all those you would name silently or aloud...

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

Hymn #875 Be known to us

Cantor or Choir

Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, } in the
The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus }

1. Congregation 2. Cantor or Choir

break - ing of the bread. Be bread. The
The dis -

1. 2.

bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia, Is the com -

bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia, Is the com -

Congregation

mun - ion of the bod - y of Christ. Be
The dis -

known to us, Lord Je - sus, } in the break - ing of the
ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus }

This system contains the first two staves of the Congregation part. The vocal line is in G major, 4/4 time, with lyrics 'mun - ion of the bod - y of Christ. Be' and 'The dis -'. The piano accompaniment features a sustained bass line and chords in the right hand.

Cantor or Choir

bread. One bod - y are we, al - le - lu - ia, for though

This system contains the Cantor or Choir part. The vocal line continues with 'bread. One bod - y are we, al - le - lu - ia, for though'. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines.

Congregation

man - y we share one bread. Be known to us, Lord
The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord

Je - sus, } in the break - ing of the bread.
Je - sus }

This system contains the second two staves of the Congregation part. The vocal line continues with 'man - y we share one bread. Be known to us, Lord' and 'The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord'. The piano accompaniment continues with harmonic support.

The Invitation to Communion

Presider: The gifts of God for the people of God...

God's holy food for God's holy people.

This is the table of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love him and who want to love him more. So come, you who have much faith and you have little, you who have been here often and you have not been here long, you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, for it is the Lord who invites you.

You will now have three ways to receive communion:

In one kind--this means you receive only the bread or only the wine. Receive the bread by extending your hands, palm upward, when the presider comes to you and then leaving the rail or crossing your hands over your chest when the chalice comes to you.

To receive the wine only, cross your hands when the bread is presented and then drink from the chalice by gently assisting the chalice bearer by grasping the base of the chalice lightly to help guide it to your lips.

Intinction (having the bread dipped in the wine and placed in your hand) is only done by the presider from the intinction tray. To receive communion by intinction simply keep your hands down by your sides as we have been doing. Then raise them to take intincted bread between thumb and forefinger.

In two kinds--this is where you consume both the bread and the wine either by receiving the bread and then drinking from the chalice or by Intinction.

There is no intinction by multiple individuals from the chalice.

Please stand or kneel as desired.

Post Communion Prayer

Presider **Let us pray,**

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

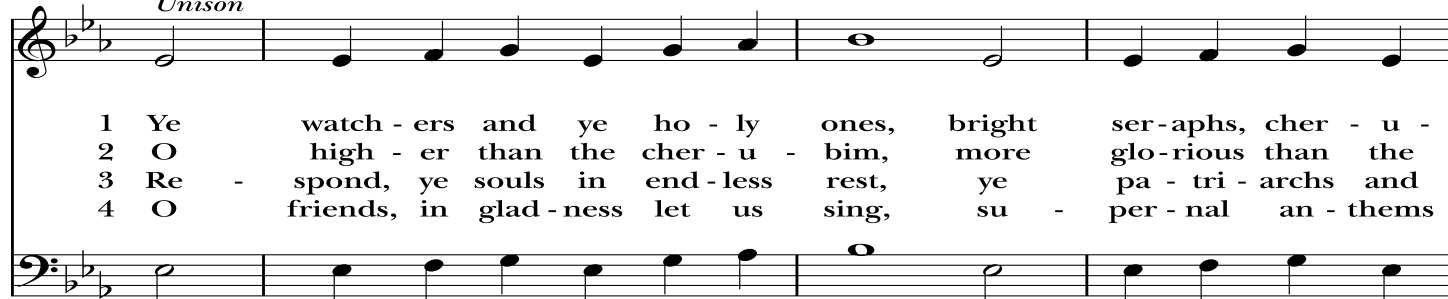
Go now into a fractured world and resolve to be a voice for compassion and grace. Be wise in dealing with the world we live in, but do not be seduced into serving wealth or power. Weep for those who suffer, rejoice with those who love and refuse to let hatred have the last word. And may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon this day and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Please rise as comfortable.

Recessional Hymn #618 Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

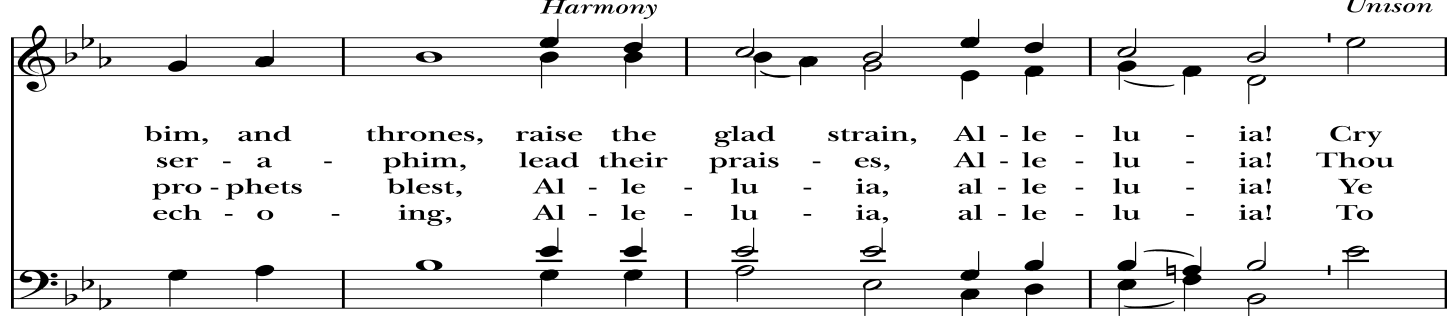
(stanzas 1-2 and 4)

Unison

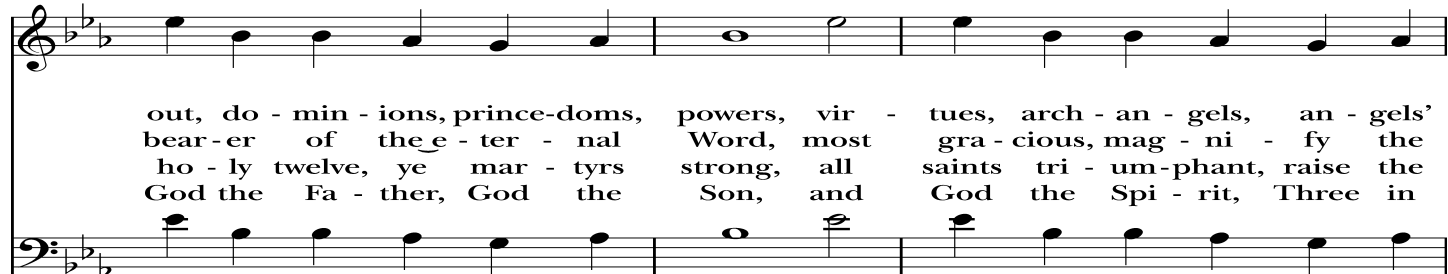


1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright ser-aphs, cher - u -
2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more glo - rious than the
3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye pa - tri - archs and
4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su - per - nal an - thems

Harmony *Unison*



bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Al - le - lu - ia! Cry
ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou
pro - phets blest, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Ye
ech - o - ing, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! To



out, do - min - ions, prince-doms, powers, vir - tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels'
bear - er of the e - ter - nal Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the
ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyrs strong, all saints tri - um - phant, raise the
God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in

Harmony



choirs, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
Lord, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
song, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
One, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

Unison



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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The Dismissal

Presider: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

Grand Chorus

Esther Higgins

PRAYER LIST

Please remember in your prayers: All who are ill or unemployed and those who are on our prayer list.

Short-term

Jamie Tate, Rose Andrews, Rosie Carlton's family

Long-term

Ray Call, Steve Jackson, Ken Asel, Shane Jenkins, Kaye Hall, Dot Beamon, Da'Shon Horton

Armed Forces

Let us pray for the safety of **all our troops**, especially John Craine, Micha Duerk, Faith Lankford, Cole Griffith, Zach Necessary, Jason Westmeyer, and all others who serve throughout the world.

Prayer requests can be submitted through the prayer request form by scanning the QR code below, or by contacting the office.



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November 2nd—Jeff Smith

November 4th—Eden Burkenbine

November 5th—Sharon Curley

November 6th—Lynn Houghton

November 7th—Chuck Forester

November 7th—Corey Nelson

*No anniversaries this
week.*



Serving Today

Altar Guild: Laurie Love, Reba Whittington, Kendall Forester

Reader: Steve Reid

Acolytes: David Shupe, Linda Schneider

Usher: Ryan Minick

Bread Bakers: Mark Williams & Ben Staley

Vestry Lock-Up for November: Julie Koch



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