

November 2, 2025 Sunday Gathering All Saints Day

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#### -PRELUDE-

"Faith of Our Fathers" arr. P. Hamm Brenda Gardiner

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### -ACKNOWLEDGEMENT-

We acknowledge that the place where we are gathered today is the ancient and ancestral homeland of more than twenty Indigenous tribes. We mourn the loss of their lives, livelihoods, homes, and cultures, and acknowledge the legacy of violence against them.

We acknowledge that the space where we worship today was established and built by those whose Black ancestors were also abused and mistreated - some even bought and sold as enslaved people right here in our city.

We acknowledge the women who've faced unfair treatment and misogyny throughout the ages, and we acknowledge those who identify as LGBTQ or other who've been mistreated and misunderstood.

We acknowledge our role and responsibility as professed followers of Christ to stand for and alongside all of these and others who have been and continue to be oppressed.

## -|--SINGING TOGETHER-

"The Family of God"
I'M SO GLAD WE'RE A PART OF THE FAMILY OF GOD;
AS WE DRINK FROM GOD'S FOUNTAIN
AND FEAST ON GOD'S LOVE.
WALKING WITH JESUS AS WE TRAVEL ALONG.
WE'RE A PART OF THE FAM'LY,
THE FAM'LY OF GOD.

-WELCOME-

-SINGING TOGETHER-

"The Family of God"
YOU WILL NOTICE WE'RE LIKE SIBLINGS
AND LOVED ONES 'ROUND HERE,
IT'S BECAUSE WE'RE A FAMILY

AND WE HOLD EACH ONE NEAR.
WHEN ONE HAS A HEARTACHE,
WE ALL SHED THE TEARS
AND REJOICE IN EACH VICT'RY
IN THIS FAMILY SO DEAR.

I'M SO GLAD WE'RE A PART OF THE FAMILY OF GOD;
AS WE DRINK FROM GOD'S FOUNTAIN
AND FEAST ON GOD'S LOVE.
WALKING WITH JESUS AS WE TRAVEL ALONG.
WE'RE A PART OF THE FAM'LY,
THE FAM'LY OF GOD.

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#### -CALL TO WORSHIP-

Come, a great cloud of witnesses surrounds us as we gather. MAY THE LINGERING ECHO OF SAINTS RESOUND IN OUR SONGS.

May their stories open a space for the Spirit to enter us anew.
IN REMEMBERING THEM,
MAY WE FIND OURSELVES RE-MEMBERED.

May the God of every generation form us anew for this generation.

AND MAY A NEW JOY RISE IN OUR LIVES AND IN THE LIFE OF THE WORLD.

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-OPENING PRAYER-

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-GREETING ONE ANOTHER-

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#### -SINGING TOGETHER-

"For All the Saints"

FOR ALL THE SAINTS WHO FROM THEIR LABORS REST,
WHO TO THE WORLD THEIR STEADFAST LOVE CONFESSED,
YOUR NAME, O JESUS, BE FOREVER BLESSED.
ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!

YOU WERE THEIR ROCK, THEIR REFUGE, AND THEIR MIGHT: YOU, CHRIST, THE HOPE THAT PUT THEIR FEARS TO FLIGHT; 'MID GLOOM AND DOUBT, YOU WERE THE SHINING LIGHT. ALLELUIA!

STILL MAY YOUR PEOPLE, FAITHFUL, TRUE, AND BOLD, LIVE AS THE SAINTS WHO NOBLY FOUGHT OF OLD, AND SHARE WITH THEM A GLORIOUS CROWN OF GOLD.

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## -SCRIPTURE-

Hebrews 12:1-2a (NCN)

We are surrounded by a great cloud of people whose lives tell us what faith means. So let us run the race that is before us and never give up. We should remove from our lives anything that would get in the way and the sin that so easily holds us back. Let us look only to Jesus, the One who began our faith and who makes it perfect.

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### -THE MESSAGE-

"The Circle of Life"
Pam Lee-Miller

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#### -SINGING TOGETHER-

"Imagine the People of God"
IMAGINE, IMAGINE THE PEOPLE OF GOD,
IMAGINE THE PEOPLE OF GOD.
CARING, SHARING GOD'S LOVE IN THE WORLD,
IMAGINE THE PEOPLE OF GOD.
SEEING THE GOOD IN EVERYTHING,
IMAGINE THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

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#### -REMEMBERING THE SAINTS-

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#### -AFFIRMATION OF FAITH-

WE BELIEVE IN GOD, WHOSE LOVE IS STRONGER THAN DEATH, WHOSE LIGHT NO DARKNESS CAN EXTINGUISH.

WE BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST,
THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE,
WHO CALLS US FROM THE TOMBS OF FEAR AND LOSS
INTO THE JOY OF EVERLASTING LIFE.

WE BELIEVE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT,
THE BREATH OF RENEWAL,
WHO MAKES US ONE WITH ALL THE SAINTSPAST, PRESENT, AND YET TO COME.
AMEN.

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#### -SINGING TOGETHER-

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CARING, SHARING GOD'S LOVE IN THE WORLD,

IMAGINE THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

SEEING THE GOOD IN EVERYTHING,

IMAGINE THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

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## -INVITATION TO COMMUNION-

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#### -SINGING TOGETHER-

"Let us Bread Bread Together"

LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER ON OUR KNEES;

LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER ON OUR KNEES.

WHEN I FALL ON MY KNEES,

WITH MY FACE TO THE RISING SUN,

MY GOD, HAVE MERCY ON ME.

LET US DRINK WINE TOGETHER ON OUR KNEES; LET US DRINK WINE TOGETHER ON OUR KNEES. WHEN I FALL ON MY KNEES, WITH MY FACE TO THE RISING SUN, MY GOD, HAVE MERCY ON ME.

LET US PRAISE GOD TOGETHER ON OUR KNEES; LET US PRAISE GOD TOGETHER ON OUR KNEES. WHEN I FALL ON MY KNEES, WITH MY FACE TO THE RISING SUN, MY GOD, HAVE MERCY ON ME.

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-IN GRATITUDE-

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-OFFERING-

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-ANNOUNCEMENTS-

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-INVITATION TO RESPOND-

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# -SINGING TOGETHER-

"Blest Are They"

BLEST ARE THEY, THE POOR IN SPIRIT; THEIRS IS THE KIN-DOM OF GOD. BLEST ARE THEY, FULL OF SORROW; THEY SHALL BE CONSOLED.

BLEST ARE THEY, THE LOWLY ONES; THEY SHALL INHERIT THE EARTH.

## BLEST ARE THEY, WHO HUNGER AND THIRST; THEY SHALL HAVE THEIR FILL.

REJOICE AND BE GLAD!
BLESSED ARE YOU.
HOLY ARE YOU.
REJOICE AND BE GLAD!
YOURS IS THE KIN-DOM OF GOD.

BLEST ARE THEY, WHO SHOW MERCY; MERCY SHALL BE THEIRS. BLEST ARE THEY, THE PURE OF HEART; THEY SHALL SEE GOD.

BLEST ARE THEY, WHO SEEK PEACE; THEY ARE THE CHILDREN OF GOD. BLEST ARE THEY, WHO SUFFER IN FAITH; THE GLORY OF GOD IS THEIRS.

REJOICE AND BE GLAD!
BLESSED ARE YOU.
HOLY ARE YOU.
REJOICE AND BE GLAD!
YOURS IS THE KIN-DOM OF GOD.

-BLESSING & BENEDICTION-

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