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ALL SAINTS' DAY

NOVEMBER 1, 2026 † 9:30AM

PRELUDE

In Paradisum, Theodore Dubois

WELCOME

OPENING HYMN



For all the saints, Hymnal 1982, 287 v 1-4 & 8

OPENING ACCLAMATION



Officiant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Officiant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SONG OF PRAISE



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All Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY



Officiant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant 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 virtuous and godly 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.**



THE FIRST LESSON



Revelation 7:9-17

Lector A Reading from the Revelation of John.

After this I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

"For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;
for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE RESPONSE



Psalm 34:1-10, 22

All Sing Antiphon

The musical score is written for two staves, treble and bass, in the key of D major (indicated by two sharps). The melody is simple and homophonic. The lyrics are: 'Taste and see that the LORD is good.' The word 'LORD' is followed by a long horizontal line, suggesting a melisma or a long note. The piece ends with a double bar line.

¹ I will bless the Lord at all times; *
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

² I will glory in the Lord; *
let the humble hear and rejoice.

Antiphon

³ Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; *
let us exalt his Name together.

⁴ I sought the Lord, and he answered me *
and delivered me out of all my terror.

Antiphon

⁵ Look upon him and be radiant, *
and let not your faces be ashamed.

⁶ I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me *
and saved me from all my troubles.

Antiphon

⁷ The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, *
and he will deliver them.

⁸ Taste and see that the Lord is good; *
happy are they who trust in him!

Antiphon

⁹ Fear the Lord, you that are his saints, *
for those who fear him lack nothing.

¹⁰ The young lions lack and suffer hunger, *
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.

²² The Lord ransoms the life of his servants, *
and none will be punished who trust in him.

Antiphon



Lector A Reading from the First Letter of John.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**



I sing a song of the saints of God, patient and brave and true, who toiled and fought and lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew. And one was a doctor, and one was a queen, and one was a shepherdess on the green: they were all of them saints of God—and I mean, God helping, to be one too.

They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, and his love made them strong; and they followed the right, for Jesus' sake, the whole of their good lives long. And one was a soldier, and one was a priest, and one was slain by a fierce wild beast: and there's not any reason—no, not the least, why I should-n't be one too.

They lived not only in ages past, there are hundreds of thousands still, the world is bright with joyous saints who love to do Jesus' will. You can meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains, or in shops, or at tea, for the saints of God are just folk like me, and I mean to be one too.



Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**



All We believe in one God,
**the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE  *All remain standing.*

All Saints' Day Prayers

The Leader and People pray responsively

Intercessor Holy God, Light of the Saints, you inspired St. Paul to plant your church, Thomas Cramner to reform it, and Julian of Norwich to pray for it. Bless your church throughout the world, that we may be united in truth and love.

People **We pray for the Church**

Intercessor Holy God, Strength of the Saints, you raised up bishops like James Theodore Holly, priests like Absalom Jones, and deacons like Anna Alexander to serve your people. Bless the clergy throughout the world that they may be faithful ministers of your Gospel.

People **We pray for the clergy**

Intercessor Holy God, Lord of the Saints, you blessed William Wilberforce, Frances Perkins, Kamehameha and Emma of Hawaii, and called them to share in the governance of their people. Bless all those in authority, in our country and among all nations, that they may make wise decisions for humanity and for our world.

People **We pray for our leaders**

Intercessor Holy God, Peace of the Saints, you inspired Alban of England, Ignatius of Loyola, and Martin of Tours to lay down their arms and turn towards love. We pray for the people of Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, Iran, and all lands torn by warfare

and strife, that their conflicts may end, that justice may be done, and that order and tranquility may be restored.

People **We pray for peace**

Intercessor Holy God, Joy of the Saints, you kindled in your servants Cuthbert of Lindisfarne, Francis of Assisi, and John Muir a love for the natural world and the wonders of creation. Bless the plants and animals that share this world with us, and bless our community as we seek to be good stewards of it. We beseech your mercy to bring the rain and snow we need, and the abundant water to restore the beauty of the land.

People **We pray for creation**

Intercessor Holy God, Life of the Saints, you led Clare of Assisi, Damien of Molokai, and Florence Nightingale to have a special care for the sick and the poor. Bless all who suffer from illness, poverty, loneliness, grief, or any kind of trouble, and bless those who minister to them.

People **We pray for the suffering**

Intercessor Holy God, Hope of the Saints, you gave strength to holy martyrs like Perpetua of Carthage, Martin Luther King, Jr., Oscar Romero and the martyrs of El Salvador. Bless all those who have died, and receive them into the arms of your mercy.

People **We pray for the dead**

Intercessor Holy God, Love of the Saints, you called our forebears to build a church here in Redding and dedicated it to the memory of all your saints. Bless this congregation as we celebrate this glorious feast, hear the needs of our community, and renew us for the work of your kingdom at this time and in this place.

People **We pray for All Saints**

Silence

The Presider adds a concluding Collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

All Most merciful God,
**we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the
power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

We greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Stewardship Speaker

Frederick Stich

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A BIRTHDAY PRAYER

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Watch over thy child, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them
wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when
discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may thy
peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus
Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The Lord is my Shepherd, Howard Goodall



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 him thanks and praise.**

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

The Presider inserts a proper preface here...

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Presider and People say:

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**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Presider Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People:

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

The Presider continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All Our Father, who art in heaven,
**hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People ***Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.***



The Presider says the following Invitation

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

All baptized Christians, regardless of your denomination or church affiliation, are invited to come forward to receive communion. As you come forward, place your hands out in front of you to receive the Body of Christ in your palm. Gluten-free wafers are available, just whisper to our Presider that this is your wish. Those with mobility issues may also receive communion in your pew rather than needing to come forward. Please indicate to the ushers that this is your wish, and our Presider will bring communion to you.

If you would like to receive the Blood of Christ by intinction (having the bread dipped into the wine, without sipping directly from the cup), point to the chalice. The Presider will dip the wafer into the wine then hold it out to you to take a dry corner in your fingers. Please then step aside to consume the sacrament. If you would just like to receive the bread, cross your palms in front of you to receive the Body of Christ. If you would like to receive from the chalice, you may receive the bread in your palm and consume it, then step toward the chalice to receive the Blood of Christ.

If you are not baptized, or do not wish to receive communion, you are welcome to remain in your pew or come forward for a blessing. Cross your arms over your chest and the Presider will offer a blessing in the name of our Lord. If you are not baptized, but feel drawn to the sacraments and wish to receive, that is a holy longing! Please reach out to Fr. Aidan or our church office to discern whether you wish to be baptized and explore new life in Christ. For any who choose not to receive communion for reasons of comfort or conscience, please know that we are enriched by your prayers and presence with us, and we are delighted you are here today.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Toccata per L'Elevazione, Girolamo Frescobaldi
No saint on earth lives life to self alone, WLP, 776

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Presider Let us pray.

All **Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE FINAL BLESSING

Presider May the peace, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. ***Amen.***

CLOSING HYMN

Ye watchers and ye holy ones, Hymnal 1982, 618

THE DISMISSAL

Presider Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The congregation may exit or remain to enjoy the postlude as desired.

 or 

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Toccata in e, Johann Pachelbel

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Questions for Reflection:

How might we shift a grumbling heart into a welcoming wave?



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Plenty Good Room

Making Space is an Invitation

A year ago I began practicing yoga at a studio near my home. The instructor is a grounded, gifted practitioner who sets the tone for movement, relaxation, and growth. Her class has grown in popularity and sometimes we are packed a bit close in the space. If someone comes in a little late, we all adjust our mats and make space graciously- although in my heart I grumbled at the inconvenience of it. That is, until I was stuck in traffic and arrived the very minute class was starting and opened the studio door to find the room full. I closed the door and felt frustrated. Darn traffic! I stood outside alone in my disappointment when the door open and a fellow student waved me in, mouthing the words: "we made room for you."

I felt tears swelling up in my eyes as I hurried to the open space and rolled out my mat. Another person smiled and waved at me. It almost felt like too much to bear- this grace-filled way that my fellow students offered plenty good room for me to enter and find the balance I craved.

Making space for one another, without judgement, creates a powerful connection in community. I no longer grumble in my heart as a latecomer arrives because I've been there. And, I hope they feel the acceptance I felt as we slide our mats to make more room.

There is plenty good room for us to accept one another, just as we are right now. I pray that in all aspects of our life in community, and especially in our faith community, we learn to wave one another in and with a gentle smile mouth the words: "we made room for you." tens.org



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