

A Celtic cross with intricate knotwork designs on its arms. The cross is superimposed on a pair of large, detailed wings. A black ribbon, a symbol for HIV/AIDS awareness, is wrapped around the vertical stem of the cross. The entire graphic is set against a white background.

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Welcome

*Introit	“Surely the Presence”	berry 243
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*Call To Worship Sarah McCall, Liturgist

Leader: We remember, O God...

People: The countless saints of history who have blazed a trail of courage through time,

L: We remember, O God...

P: The tender touch of loved ones, the example of heroes, the healing words of comforters, the remarkable acts of fearless ones.

L: We remember, O God...

P: The gentle strength of grandmothers, the loyalty of friends, the kindness of strangers, the joy of children, the sacrifice of parents.

L: We remember, O God...

P: The supreme love of Jesus, the blessing of his Spirit, the reminder of his words, the sharing of his suffering, the glory of his resurrection: shown forth in the lives of his disciples, young and old, dead and living, articulate and silent, strange and

familiar, brilliant and ordinary.

L: We remember in every time and place the saints of God who have shown us the Lord.

ALL: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses...let us worship God with joy!

*Hymn

“Come, Let Us Join Our Friends Above”

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Prayer of Remembrance

All: Living God, in whom there is no shadow or change, we thank you for the gift of life eternal, and for all those who having served you well, now rest from their labors. We thank you for all the saints remembered and forgotten, for those dear souls most precious to us. Today we give thanks for those who during the last twelve months have died and entered into glory. We bless you for their life and love, and rejoice for them “all is well, and all manner of things will be well.” God of Jesus and our God, mindful of all those choice souls who have gone on ahead of us, teach us, and each twenty-first century disciple of every race and place, to follow their example to the best of our ability: to feed the poor in body or spirit, to support and comfort the mourners and the repentant, to encourage the meek and stand with them in crises, to affirm those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, to cherish and learn from the merciful, to be humbled by, and stand with, the peacemakers. Let us clearly recognize what it means to be called the children of God, and to know we are to be your saints neither by our own inclination nor in our own strength but simply by the call and the healing holiness of Christ Jesus our Savior. Amen.

A Time for Personal Prayer and Reflection

Words of Assurance

*Gloria Patri

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, amen.**

LISTENING TO THE WORD

Lesson

Psalm 24

Psalms for Praying
Nan Merrill

The earth is yours, O Giver of Life, in all its fullness and glory,
the world and all those who dwell therein;
For You have founded it upon the seas,
and established it upon the rivers.
Who shall ascend your hill, O Gracious One?
and who shall stand in your holy place?
All who have clean hands and pure hearts,
who do not lift up their souls to what is false,
nor make vows deceitfully.
All these will be blessed by the Heart of Love,
and renewed through forgiveness.
Such is the promise to those who seek Love's face.

Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors!
that the Compassionate One may come in.
Who is the Compassionate One?
The Beloved, strong and steadfast, the Beloved, firm and sure!
Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors!
that the Compassionate One may come in!
Who is this Compassionate One?
The Beloved, Heart of your heart, Life of your life,
this is the Compassionate One!

Centering Song

"Thy Word"

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Gospel Lesson

Revelation 21:1-6

NT pg. 259

21 Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them ¹⁴ he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." ⁵ And the one

who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” ⁶ Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.”

Reflection

Words of Remembrance

Nancy Dean

*Miss Me-But Let Me Go – Author Unknown
Poem read by Sandy Bee Lynn*

Leader: For the life and witness of your servant, O God,
People: we give you thanks. Alleluia! Amen

Dolores Frase

*Reflection written by Jill Frase;
read by Pastor Gaye*

Leader: For the life and witness of your servant, O God,
People: we give you thanks. Alleluia! Amen.

Tom Henderson

Reflection read by Art Holden

Leader: For the life and witness of your servant, O God,
People: we give you thanks. Alleluia! Amen.

Mary Jo Kun

Reflection read by Julie Huckriede

Leader: For the life and witness of your servant, O God,
People: we give you thanks. Alleluia! Amen.

Marge LaRoche

Reflection read by Renee Skoglund

Leader: For the life and witness of your servant, O God,
People: we give you thanks. Alleluia! Amen.

Wanda Wintrow

Poem written and read by Karen Foster

Leader: For the life and witness of your servant, O God,
People: we give you thanks. Alleluia! Amen.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Invitation to Offering

*Doxology

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**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Prayer of Dedication

All: Living God, we are your people, we carry your presence. Use us and our gifts to accomplish your mission in the world. Multiply our effort to meet every need. This we pray in the name of Christ, Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer ("debts/debtors")

COMMUNION

*Invitation

This is Christ's Table. He is the Host. It is He who invites us. All who seek Christ's transforming presence are welcome to join in sharing Communion, regardless of religious affiliation.

*Communion Prayer

Leader: God be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

L: Lift up your hearts

P: We lift them up to God.

L: Give thanks to God.

P: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*Breaking Bread and Pouring Cup

Sharing the Meal

Prayer of Thanksgiving

All: Thank you most Holy God, for meeting us here in this simple

meal. May your presence within us ripple beyond us with ever expanding implications until the day when you gather all your saints from the four winds to share in your eternal banquet. In all our words and actions may your name be praised now and forever more. Amen.

*Hymn

“For All the Saints”

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*Benediction

*Three-Fold Amen (congregation)



This week our prayers are with:

Judy Cottrell
Ralph Lengacher
Tom Becze
Lauren
Terri
Alan
Mark

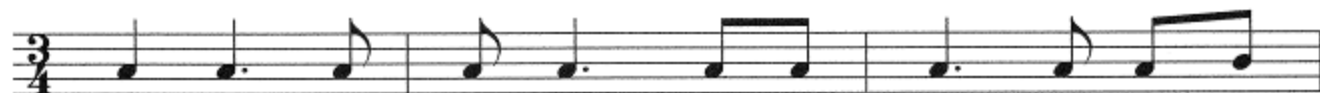
Jean Grigalunas – praise
Nora Miller
Lisa and Jerry
Sujata
Chris
Jan

Surely the Presence

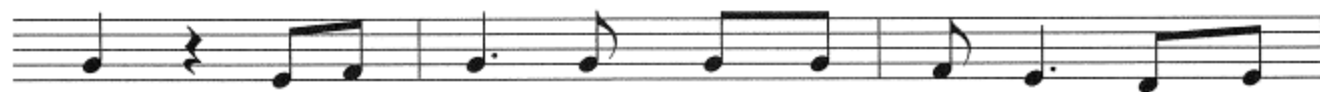
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LANNY WOLFE



Sure - ly the pres - ence of the Lord is in this



place; I can feel His might - y pow - er and His



grace. _____ I can hear the brush of



an - gel's wings; I see glo - ry on each face.



Sure - ly the pres - ence of the Lord is in this place.

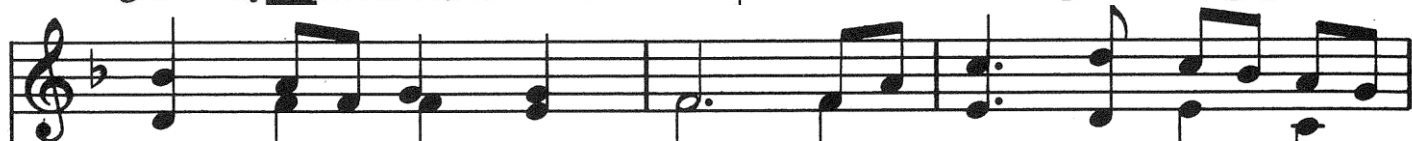
709 Come, Let Us Join Our Friends Above



1. Come, let us join our friends a - bove who have ob -
 2. One fam - i - ly we dwell in him, one church a -
 3. Ten thou - sand to their end - less home this sol - emn
 4. Our spir - its too shall quick - ly join, like theirs with



tained the prize, and on the ea - gle wings of love to
 bove, be - neath, though now di - vid - ed by the stream, the
 mo - ment fly, and we are to the mar - gin come, and
 glo - ry crowned, and shout to see our Cap - tain's sign, to



joys ce - les - tial rise. Let saints on earth u -
 nar - row stream of death; one ar - my of the
 we ex - pect to die. E'en now by faith we
 hear his trum - pet sound. O that we now might



nite to sing with those to glo - ry gone, for all the
 liv - ing God, to his com - mand we bow; part of his
 join our hands with those that went be - fore, and greet the
 grasp our Guide! O that the word were given! Come, Lord of



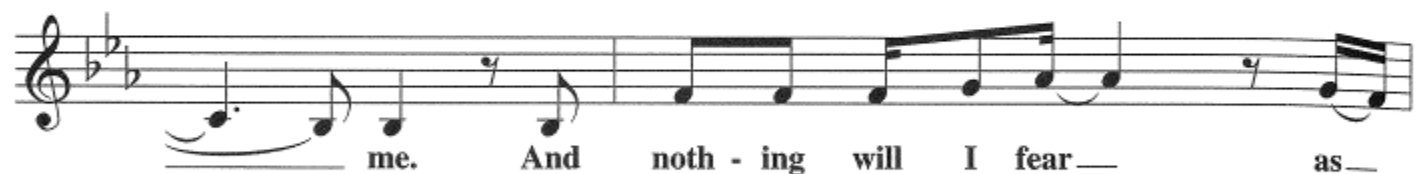
ser - vants of our King in earth and heaven are one.
 host have crossed the flood, and part are cross - ing now.
 blood - be - sprin - kled bands on the e - ter - nal shore.
 Hosts, the waves di - vide, and land us all in heaven.

Thy Word

AMY GRANT
Based on Psalm 119:105

MICHAEL W. SMITH

Last time to CODA ⊕



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For All the Saints

God is not ashamed to be called their God; for He hath prepared for them a city.

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William W. How

— Hebrews 11:16

Ralph Vaughan Williams

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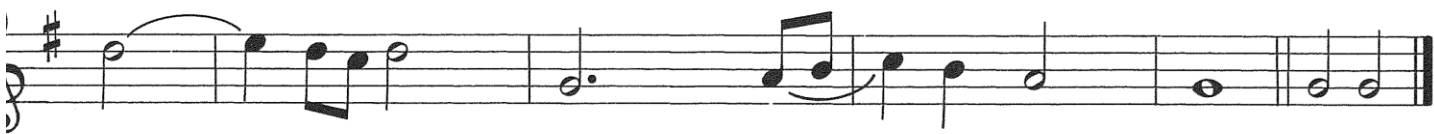
1 For all the saints who from their labors rest, Who
 2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might, Thou,
 3 O may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,



1 Thee by faith before the world confessed, Thy
 2 Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
 3 Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old, And



1 name, O Jesus, be forever blest:
 2 Thou, in the dark-ness dwell, their one true light:
 3 win with them the victor's crown of gold:



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! A-men.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE WELCOME ALL GUESTS who are worshipping with us this morning. We hope you will feel at home with us as we praise God together as one family, united in faith, hope, and love.

Please wear mask at outdoor events.

Veterans Sunday - Rev. Dr. John Schluep, founder of Warrior's Journey Home, will be our guest preacher on Veterans Sunday, November 8. Please email the office any name with military unit you would like honored & remembered by Monday, November 2.

Pastor Gaye is on vacation November 2-7. Please contact an Elder if you are in need of pastoral assistance.

Consistory will be Zoom meeting Tuesday, November 10 at 7PM.

Good news – Our current plan is to resume services in the sanctuary on Sunday, November 29, the first Sunday in Advent. We will continue streaming worship as well.

Check your email, Facebook, or our website for our **November newsletter** with additional info on all things Emanuel.

NOVEMBER 1, 2020
ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

taking+ faith home

God promises glory and peace forevermore.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	Matthew 5:1-12	The beatitudes
Monday	Revelation 7:9-17	God will wipe away tears
Tuesday	1 John 3:1-3	Our hope in God
Wednesday	Joshua 3:7-17	Crossing over the Jordan River
Thursday	Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37	Thanksgiving for deliverance
Friday	John 11:17-27	The resurrection and life
Saturday	Psalm 34:1-10, 22	Honor the Lord
Sunday	Matthew 25:1-13	A parable of the ten bridesmaids

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

“[F]or 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.” **Revelation 7:17 (NRSV)**

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Almighty God, we thank you for joining us to the saints throughout the ages through our shepherd, Jesus Christ the Lamb of God. Amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear God, we thank you for this food as we taste and see that you are good. Amen. (Psalm 34:8)

A Blessing to Give:

May the Lord of glory and honor and power and might bless you now and forever more. (Revelation 7:12)



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HYMN OF THE WEEK

*Behold the Host
Arrayed in White*

WEEKLY MILESTONES

Take a moment to tell or think about a recent mountain high and/or valley low in your life.

CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- Tell or think about someone who has died and who was a loving gift to you.
- Describe or think about what being a saint means to you.
- What is your vision of heaven and how is that important to your daily life?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Revelation 7:9-17.

The seer of this heavenly vision allows us to imagine the future of loved ones who have died, especially those who have shaped our own lives of faith with their living witness. Most likely they did not experience the kind of persecution envisioned in Revelation, but all lives know the pain and turmoil of daily struggles. In the end, what remains of their—and our—sufferings and disappointments are swept up in a larger reality, one that sees the Lamb at the center. This is Christ, our shepherd, who suffered and died and through whose blood our lives are purified that we all may stand before the throne of God. The truth of the reign of God through the Good Shepherd is that all our sorrows will be wiped away. We look to a future where there are no more tears, no more sadness to overcome. Yes, there is a great victory in life, it is the victory of the Lamb who was slain and now begins his reign of “[b]lessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and power and might . . . to our God forever and ever! Amen” (v. 12). How does this text give you comfort for loved ones who have died? How does it bring comfort for your own life?

Pray: **Almighty and living God, we thank you for the promise of life and love and peace for all the saints—past, present, and future—through Christ our shepherd. Amen.**

SERVICE

In the Bible, we learn about the disciples, the first followers of Jesus. They are set apart by God to witness to Christ and are called saints. All Christians are saints. In what ways do you witness to Christ through acts of service to others?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

All Saints Day is a time to remember all the saints in our lives, both the living and the dead.

Take a white, plastic tablecloth, cover the table with it, and write on the tablecloth the names of those who have blessed your life. Place a candle in the center. Light the candle and pray:

Dear God, thank you for the witnesses who have touched my life with faith, love, and hope. I thank you for (read the names) through Christ, the Lamb of God. Amen.



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