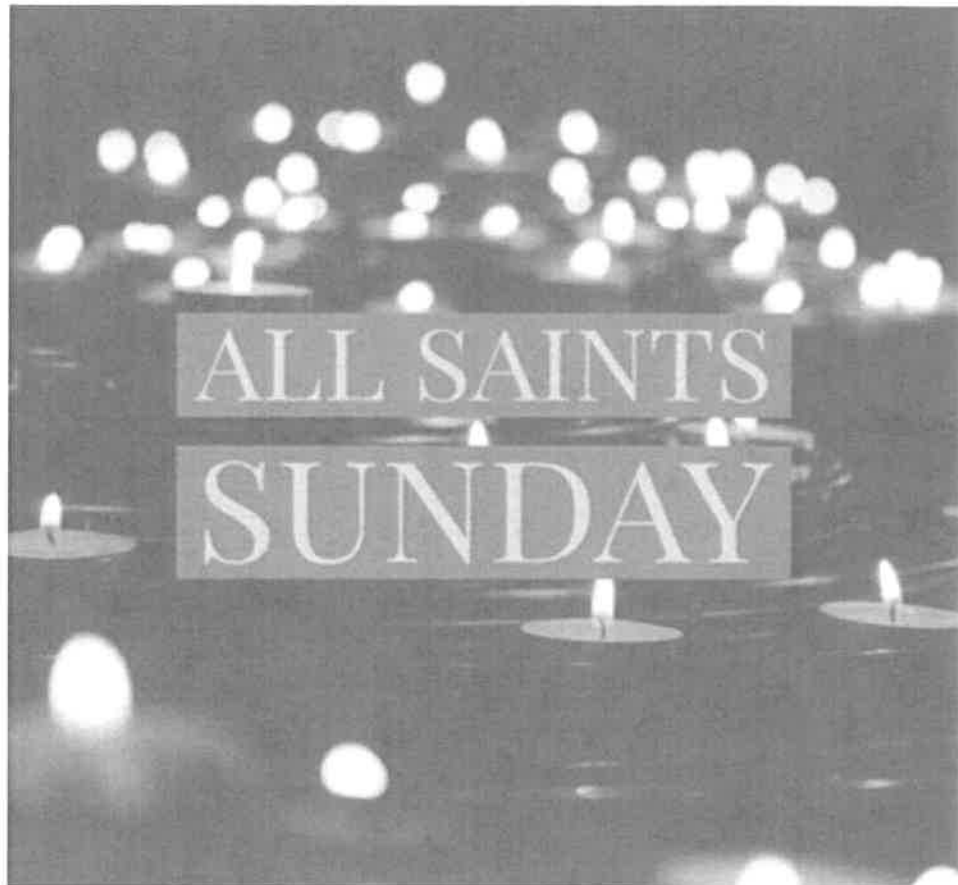




**All Saints Sunday
Worship Gathering
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A Welcoming Community Making Christ Known Through Worship and Service

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

- ♦ **Breathe**
- ♦ **Ponder:** Whom did you bring with you on your heart today? For what or whom are you feeling thankful? What is making you anxious today? What do you need to confess today?
- ♦ **Be still,** empty your hands, empty your mind, let sounds pass you, wait upon God.

Gathering

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Congregational responses are indented and in bold.

PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
in whose image we are made,
who claims us and calls us beloved.

Amen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy One,

we confess that we are not awake for you.
We are not faithful in using your gifts.
We forget the least of our siblings.
We do not see your beautiful image in one another.
We are infected by sin that divides your beloved community.
Open our hearts to your coming,
open our eyes to see you in our neighbor,
open our hands to serve your creation.
Amen.

Beloved, we are God's children,
and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us.
Through † Jesus you are forgiven,
by Jesus you are welcome,
in Jesus you are called to rejoice!
Let us live in the promises prepared for us
from the foundation of the world.

Amen.

For All the Saints

1 For all the saints who from their la-bors rest, who
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for-tress, and their might; thou,
Stanzas 3-5 below.
 6 But then there breaks a yet more glo-rious day: the
 7 From earth's wide bounds, from o-cean's far-thest coast, through
 thee Lord, by their faith cap-tain fore in the world con-fessed, thy
 saints tri-um-phant rise in bright ar-ray; the
 gates of pearl streams in the count-less host, the
 name, O in the Je-dark-ness be for-ev-er-er blest.
 thou, in the dark-ness drear, their one true light.
 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!
 3 Oh, blest com-mu-nion, fel-low-ship di-vine, we fee-bly strug-gle,
 4 And when the strife is fierce, the war-fare long, steals on the ear the
 5 The gold-en eve-ning bright-ens in the west; soon, soon to faith-ful
 they in glo-ry shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are
 dis-tant tri-umph song, and hearts are the brave a-gain and arms are
 ser-vants com-eth rest; . . . sweet is the calm of par-a-dise the
 thine. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
 strong.
 blest.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
 and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of Elijah, with great fire you made your presence known to the worshipers of Baal. Help us to resist the temptation to place our trust and faith in anything other than you. Receive our worship and strengthen our faith. **Amen.**

Word

PSALM: Psalm 96

¹O sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all the earth.

**²Sing to the LORD, bless his name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.**

³Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples.

**⁴For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;
he is to be revered above all gods.**

⁵For all the gods of the peoples are idols,
but the LORD made the heavens.

**⁶Honor and majesty are before him;
strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.**

⁷Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

**⁸Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
bring an offering, and come into his courts.**

⁹Worship the LORD in holy splendor; tremble before him, all the earth.

**¹⁰Say among the nations, "The LORD is king!
The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved.
He will judge the peoples with equity."**

¹¹Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;
let the sea roar, and all that fills it;

**¹²let the field exult, and everything in it.
Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy**

¹³before the LORD; for he is coming,
for he is coming to judge the earth.

**He will judge the world with righteousness,
and the peoples with his truth.**

READING: 1 Kings 18:20-39

²⁰So Ahab sent to all the Israelites, and assembled the prophets at Mount Carmel. ²¹Elijah then came near to all the people, and said, "How long will you go limping with two different opinions? If the LORD is God, follow him; but if Baal, then follow him." The people did not answer him a word. ²²Then Elijah said to the people, "I, even I only, am left a prophet of the LORD; but Baal's prophets number four hundred fifty. ²³Let two bulls be given to us; let them choose one bull for themselves, cut it in pieces, and lay it on the wood, but put no fire to it; I will prepare the other bull and lay it on the wood, but put no fire to it. ²⁴Then you call on the name of your god and I will call on the name of the LORD; the god who answers by fire is indeed God." All the people answered, "Well spoken!" ²⁵Then Elijah said to the prophets of Baal, "Choose for yourselves one bull and prepare it first, for you are many; then call on the name of your god, but put no fire to it." ²⁶So they took the bull that was given them, prepared it, and called on the name of Baal from morning until noon, crying, "O Baal, answer us!" But

there was no voice, and no answer. They limped about the altar that they had made. ²⁷At noon Elijah mocked them, saying, "Cry aloud! Surely he is a god; either he is meditating, or he has wandered away, or he is on a journey, or perhaps he is asleep and must be awakened." ²⁸Then they cried aloud and, as was their custom, they cut themselves with swords and lances until the blood gushed out over them. ²⁹As midday passed, they raved on until the time of the offering of the oblation, but there was no voice, no answer, and no response. ³⁰Then Elijah said to all the people, "Come closer to me"; and all the people came closer to him. First he repaired the altar of the LORD that had been thrown down; ³¹Elijah took twelve stones, according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob, to whom the word of the LORD came, saying, "Israel shall be your name"; ³²with the stones he built an altar in the name of the LORD. Then he made a trench around the altar, large enough to contain two measures of seed. ³³Next he put the wood in order, cut the bull in pieces, and laid it on the wood. He said, "Fill four jars with water and pour it on the burnt offering and on the wood." ³⁴Then he said, "Do it a second time"; and they did it a second time. Again he said, "Do it a third time"; and they did it a third time, ³⁵so that the water ran all around the altar, and filled the trench also with water. ³⁶At the time of the offering of the oblation, the prophet Elijah came near and said, "O LORD, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known this day that you are God in Israel, that I am your servant, and that I have done all these things at your bidding. ³⁷Answer me, O LORD, answer me, so that this people may know that you, O LORD, are God, and that you have turned their hearts back." ³⁸Then the fire of the LORD fell and consumed the burnt offering, the wood, the stones, and the dust, and even licked up the water that was in the trench. ³⁹When all the people saw it, they fell on their faces and said, "The LORD indeed is God; the LORD indeed is God." The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON The Rev. Nicole Schwalbe

Be Thou My Vision



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
 4 Light of my soul, af - ter vic - to - ry won,

naught be ev - er else to me, save that thou art:
 I thou mine in - her - i - tance, now with me, Lord:
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O heav - en's al - ways:
 Sun!

thou my best thought both by day and by night,
 Thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tow'r,
 thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,
 Heart of my my own heart, what - ev - er my be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
 great God of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

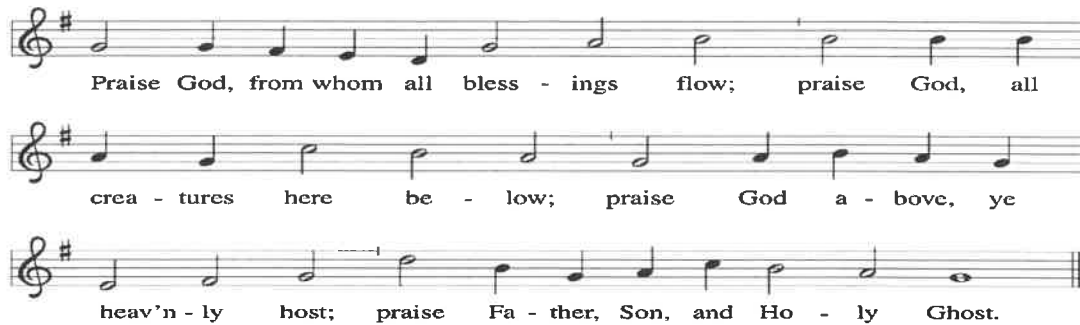
PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Response: **Your mercy is great.**

Meal

OFFERING *The giving of our time, talents, and money to the work of Christ's Church is an act of worship. As God has blessed us, let us return thanks to Him.*

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of all goodness, generations have turned to you,
gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings.
Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance,
and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self
and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and servant.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, ...

LORD'S PRAYER

**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, forever and forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

There is a place for you at the banquet. Come and feast at Jesus' table.

Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive the Body and Blood of Christ as he comes to us in the Holy Eucharist.

Grape juice is also provided for those who prefer it.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way.

Amen.

Sending

BLESSING

The blessing of God, Sovereign, Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always.

Amen.

This Little Light of Mine

1 This lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
2 Ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
3 Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine;

this lit - tle light of mine, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
ev - 'ry - where I go, I'm goin' - a let it shine;
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Je - sus gave it to me, I'm goin' - a let it shine,

let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. God is at work in you.

Thanks be to God.

All Saints Prayer List

Eleanor Fritz
Susan Halpin
Karl Hurowtiz
Paul Lehmann
Olga Lehmann
Ryan Lynch
Beth Manion
Betsy Meyer
Kevin O'Donnell
Susan O'Malley
Jose Luis Ortega
Jose Luis Ortega, Jr
Ralph Ortega
David White

Prayer List

Grieving

The Lehmann Family

Strength

The Carroll Family
Al Burkhart
Paula Cogut
Lynn Dagata
Janet Delgado
Gabe DeMaria
Astrid Grossman
Jason Haley
Susan Handville
Miles Hartnett
Jane Holslag
John Kirkpatrick
Marty Massey
Tom Ott
Susan Perry
Dr. Les Prusnofsky
Brian Turner
Annette Vasel
First Responders & Healthcare
Workers

Serving in the Armed Forces

Bryan Bennett
Timothy DelUniversita
Carmen Green
Jim Oliveto
Justin Ortega
Jesse Fritz

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