Welcome to

St. John's Episcopal Church Chula Vista, CA

All Saints' Day

9:00 am

In-person and streamed live on Facebook

No matter who you are or where you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here



In accordance with our current health guidelines, those attending our worship in-person are asked to keep social distance, perform hand hygiene, regretfully, no physical touch, and to refrain from singing. However, if you are joining our service virtually, the music is printed in the worship bulletin for you to sing along.

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All Saints' Sunday

November 1, 2020

Commemoration of the biblical saints, martyrs, confessors, and those commemorated in the "Lesser Feasts and Fasts"

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

(also known as All Soul's Day) November 2, 2020

Let us remember those who have died during the past 12 months.

May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Barbara Ervín

Roland James

Flo Looney

Dee Parmley

Emma Gonzales

Eva Cummings

Rev. Al Stott

Fr. Jack Tolley

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Robert Bailey

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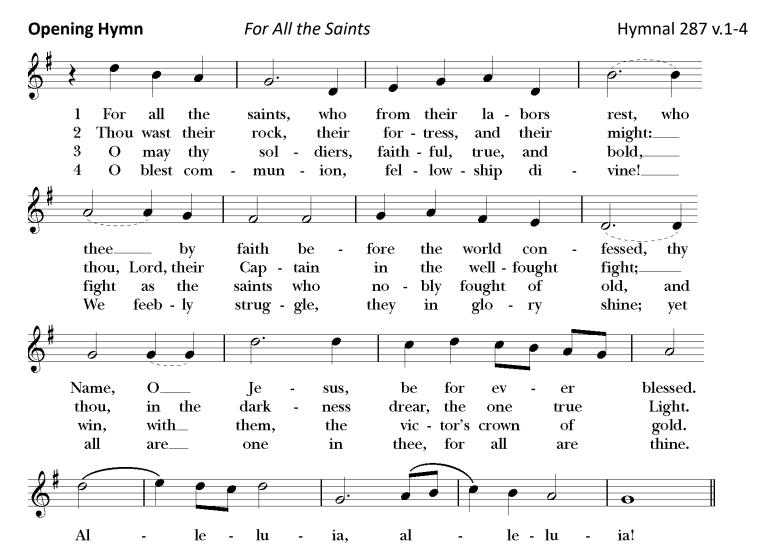
Ed Wilson

Joan Nagy

Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you! Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God!

The Gathering of the People of God

Prelude



Salutation

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

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen

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.**

The Gloria Gloria in Excelsis



S-280 Gloria in excelsis, Setting: Robert Powell (b.1932)

The Collect of the Day

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 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 Word of God

The Lessons

A Reading from the Book of Revelation

Revelation 7:9-17

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."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 34:1-10, 22 Benedicam Dominum

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

A Reading from the First Letter of John

1 John 3:1-3

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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



The Gospel Matthew 5:1-12

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

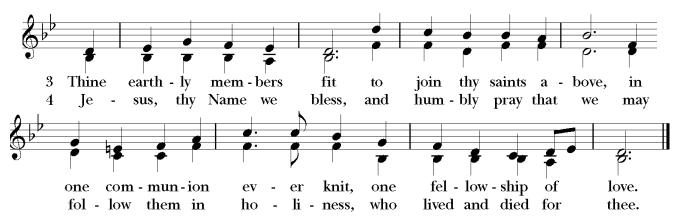
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.



Homily

Stewardship Reflection

David Naranjo

The Baptismal Covenant (please stand as you are able)

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 of the People

Let us pray for the Church, the world and all who are in need.

Merciful and life-giving God, strengthen all your people by your Holy Spirit that we may live as a royal priesthood and a holy nation to the praise of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Bless our bishop and all ministers of your Church, that by faithful proclamation of your word we may be built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets into a holy temple in the Lord. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Give to the world and its peoples the peace that comes from above, that together we may walk in the path of peace proclaimed by our Lord Jesus Christ.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Grant to your people the faith to realize that all we have and who we are belongs to God and that we are stewards of the gifts God has given us.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Hold in your embrace all who witness to your love in the service of the poor and needy; all who minister to the sick and dying; and all who bring light to those who dwell in the shadows of despair and death.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Look with favor upon this nation as we elect new public servants; be quick to stop those who would suppress or distort the vote and send your powerful Spirit over this land that there might be peace in the days to come.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Remember in your mercy all those gone before us marked by holiness of life and steadfast witness to the Gospel With the Blessed Virgin Mary, the apostles, confessors, and martyrs, may we be numbered among those welcomed to the great banquet of heaven.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Together let us pray for those serving in the armed forces, first responders, medical professionals, essential workers and their families

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces, first responders, medical professionals, essential workers and their families. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and challenges; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Presider: Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

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

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

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.

Greet one another in the Name of Christ, maintaining social distancing and with regrets no physical touch.

Birthday and Anniversary Prayers

Holy Communion

The Offertory

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

There is an offering plate available as you entered the courtyard to leave your offering as you enter or go out.

You may also give online by using the "Give Now" button on our St. John's website: www.saint-johns.org

Offertory Anthem

The Great Thanksgiving (please stand as you are able)

Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: 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 him thanks and praise.*

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

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.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [St. John and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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,

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. Then is said:

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

Presider: The Gifts of God for the People of God

Communion

If you wish to receive Communion, please remain standing at your chair and Holy Communion will be brought to you. To receive, extend your arms as far as you are able and a priest will place Communion on your palm. You may then lower your mask and receive Communion.

Spiritual Communion

Spiritual Communion is an ancient practice of the church. St. Thomas Aquinas (b. 1225) once defined it as "an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament and in lovingly embracing Him as if we had actually received Him." So even though those of you watching the worship service online cannot physically receive, you can still receive Christ spiritually.

People at home say: Blessed Jesus, I believe that we are fed with the spiritual food of your Body and Blood. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally today, I now desire to receive you into my soul. Unite my heart with those of my community gathered to offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and make us all one with you. May this spiritual communion strengthen my faith and grant me confidence in your loving care now and forever. Amen.

Prayer After Communion (please stand as you are able)

Presider Let us pray

People 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.

Concluding Collect for Stewardship

Generous and loving God, we come to you in thanksgiving, knowing that all we are and all that we have is a gift from you. In faith and love, help us to do your will. We are listening. Speak your words into the depth of our souls, that we may hear you clearly.

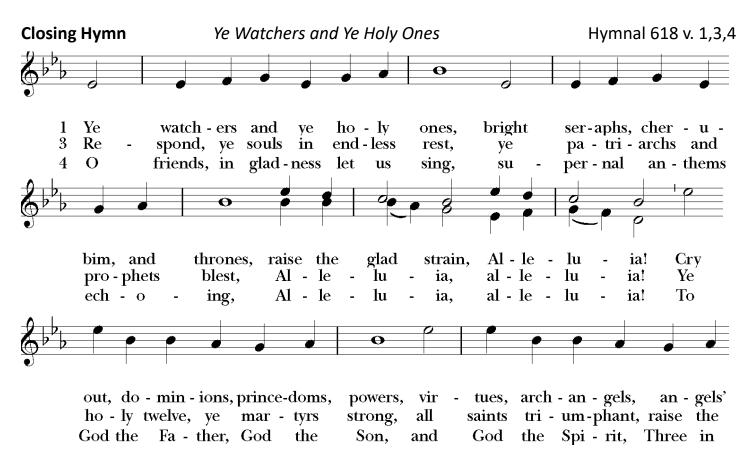
We offer to you this day all the facets of our lives, whether it be at home, at work, or at school. We seek to be patient, to be merciful, to be generous, to be holy. Give us the wisdom and insight to understand your will for us and the fervor to carry out our good intentions. We offer our gifts of time, talent and possessions to you as a true act of faith, to reflect our love for you and our neighbors. Help us to reach out to others as you have reached out to us. We ask this through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Blessing

The peace of God, 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 amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**







The Dismissal

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Liturgical Leaders

Presider/Preacher Rev. Roger Haenke **Gospeller** Rev. Cathey Dowdle

Reader Tom Brzeczek **Prayers of the People** Tom Brzeczek

Psalmist/Vocalists Jeff Bates, Pamela Brittain, Alice Burnham

Organist Cheryl Seppala

Livestream and Sound Cliff Berkowitz and Jeff Bates

Altar Flowers

The Altar Flowers are given in memory of our faithful departed who have died in the past 12 months.

St. John's Mission Statement

St. John's is a Christian community that intentionally gathers to experience God's love through Episcopal worship, education, fellowship, and ministry to the wider community.

St. John's Prayer Lists

Today and every day include some time for prayer, for yourself, for your church family, and for those in need.

For Our Military

Matt Jensen, Drew Shorkey, Cody Crossland, Cameron Ronie, Chariti Paden, Mark Stanfield, Sean Robinson, Jonathan Martinez, TK Nguyen, Christopher Lindshield, Timothy Lindshield, Jeremy Colton, David Sanchez, Jonathan Baldera, Nick Wyatt, Jamal Warner, Matt Hernandez, Daniel Getreu, Jocelyn Hernandez, Devon Strunk, Taylor Harrold, Jorge Zuazua, Katherine Milam, Sebastian Morales, Richie Lebron and Roberto Johnson.

For Strength in Time of Need

Scott Hunter, Betty Robertson, Dean Peters, Norma Dunn, Sonja Reid, Steve Magill, Sarah Mason, Tom Brzeczek, Ann Lindshield and the Cook Family

(Names are kept on the Prayers List for 4 weeks and should be submitted by Wednesday. If you wish to add a name, please email Maria Love at: maria@saint-johns.org.)

We Are Available in Your Time of Need

If you have a pastoral emergency when the parish offices are closed, please call Rev. Roger at 619-301-0724 or email revroger@saint-johns.org

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