

Welcome to Saint Mary's Episcopal Church!  
All Saints' Sunday—November 7, 2021  
Eucharist Service

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Word of God

OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Blessed be the One Holy and Living God.  
*People* **Glory to God forever and ever.**

SONG OF PRAISE

*Oh, When the Saints*

Traditional African American  
Spiritual Arr. Stephen Key

OPENING COLLECT

*Prayers for an Inclusive Church, Steven Shakespeare*

*Celebrant* God be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Gracious Lord of heaven's reach, of earth reborn; you call us from starless graves to sing under infinite skies: we praise your name for those who have walked this way unheralded and unnumbered but known to you, their beginning, their end, their joy in life; give us the same grace to be unbound and take the step of faith; through Jesus Christ, the alpha and omega. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

FIRST MESSAGE

Revelation 21:1-6a

*Lay Leader* Let us prepare ourselves to hear the Word of God.  
*People* **Our hearts and minds are open.**

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. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; 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."

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." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

*Lay Leader* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL

*Celtic Alleluia*

Fintan O'Carroll  
Christopher Walker

*Please stand as you are able.*

GOSPEL

John 11:32-44

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

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

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

*Please be seated.*

THE DAY OF THE DEAD: CREATING SACRED SPACE AT HOME

Todd Maitland

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH AND BAPTISMAL PROMISES

*A New Zealand Prayer Book*

*Lay Leader* Please stand as you are able and join together in affirming our faith.

*People* **You, O God, are supreme and holy.  
You create our world and give us life.  
Your purpose overarches everything we do.  
You have always been with us.  
You are God.**

**You, O God, are infinitely generous, good beyond all measure.  
You came to us before we came to you.  
You have revealed your love for us in Jesus Christ, who lived and died and rose again.  
You are with us now.  
You are God.**

**You, O God, are Holy Spirit.  
You empower us to be your gospel in the world.  
You reconcile and heal; you overcome death.  
You are God. We worship you.**

*Lay Leader* Please turn and face the middle aisle as we make our promises to each other and to God. We can't yet touch each other, but we can make eye contact. Please respond to each promise by saying, "I will with God's help."

*Lay Leader* Please respond to each prayer by humming or quietly singing:

*Teach Us and Show Us the Way*

Conie Borchardt

The image shows three staves of musical notation in treble clef, 4/4 time. Each staff contains the lyrics "Teach us and show us the way." followed by a line for a hum or breath. The melody is simple, using quarter and eighth notes.

*Please be seated.*

SAINT MARY'S COMMUNITY PRAYERS: CONCERNS AND THANKSGIVINGS

*Everyone is invited to offer concerns and thanksgivings.*

*Lay Leader* Hear our prayers most gracious God, for the people of Saint Mary's, who thank you for setting us at tasks that demand our best efforts, leading us to accomplishments that satisfy and delight us. In this season of transition and discernment, we seek the Spirit's guidance and wisdom for important decisions ahead. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Word and Wisdom of God. **Amen.**

O God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this in the name of Jesus, in whom we live and move and have our being. **Amen.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of the crowded kitchen, of township's streets and stadium's roar, of bank and beauty parlor, of where all God's people walk in the many ways of earthly holiness: that is the peace we share with all God's household and with all God's ordinary saints.

*People* The Peace of Christ be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

**Eucharistic Prayer**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

*People* **God be in my head and in my thinking.  
God be in my mouth and in my speaking.  
God be in my heart and in my loving.  
God be in my hands and in my giving. Amen.**

*We are not passing the offertory plate at this time.*

*You are welcome to place your offering in the plate at the entrance to the sanctuary or make an online offering by pressing the "contribute" button on our website, [saintmarysepiscopal.org](http://saintmarysepiscopal.org).*

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

*Enriching Our Worship*

*Celebrant* God be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts  
*People* **We lift them up to the Lord.**  
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:  
*Celebrant and People*  
**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant and People worshipping virtually*

**Gracious God, You stand at the door of our hearts and knock. You wait for us and we only can let you in. We believe and trust in you and ask you now to fill us with your presence. Nourish us with your body and unite us in your blood, that we may be your blessing to a world in need. Amen.**

## LORD'S PRAYER

*People* **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name.  
your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

## BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant* We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.  
*People* **We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

*Please be seated.*

COMMUNION HYMN      *You Are Called By Name, Forever Loved*      Words: Rosalind Brown (b. 1953)  
Music: Sara H., Kevin R. Hackett (b. 1956)

POST COMMUNION PRAYER      *Please stand as you are able.*      *Enriching Our Worship*

*Celebrant* Let us pray together.  
**O God, we give you praise and glory for all your saints who have followed the way of Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit. May we learn from their example and rejoice in your call to us to bring your kingdom to all. Amen.**

## ALL SAINTS' BLESSING

CLOSING SONG      *I Sing a Song of the Saints of God*      Words: Lesbia Scott  
Music: GRAND ISLE, John Henry Hopkins

## DISMISSAL

*Deacon* <Deacon says the words of dismissal.>  
*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

## POSTLUDE

## SOCIAL TIME