THE FEAST OF ALL SAINTS Service of Holy Eucharist November 1, 2020

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING HYMN: 293 I SING A SONG OF THE SAINTS OF GOD

- 1. 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.
- 2. 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 shouldn't be one too.
- 3. They lived not only in ages past, there are hundreds of thousands still; the world is bright with the 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.

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

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

SONG OF PRAISE - GLORY TO YOU

- 1. Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; you are worthy of praise; glory to you.
- 2. Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
- 3. Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.
- 4. Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
- 5. Glory to you, beholding the depths; in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.
- 6. Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Celebrant: God be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.**

FIRST LESSON: 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."

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 34:1-10, 22

(the people read the verses in bold print)

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

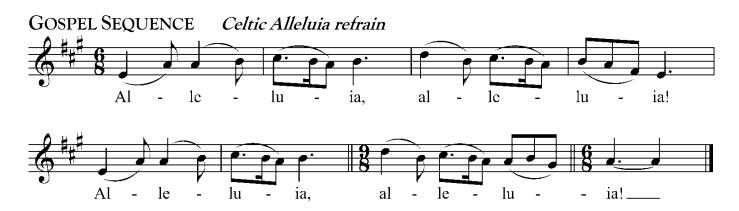
- 8 Taste and see that the LORD is good; * happy are they who trust in him!
- 9 Fear the LORD, you that are his saints, * for those who fear him lack nothing.
- 10 The young lions lack and suffer hunger, * but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.
- 22 The LORD ransoms the life of his servants, * and none will be punished who trust in him.

SECOND LESSON: 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.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Churches.

People: Thanks be to God.



Refrain sung two times followed by verse:

Speak, Lord, your servant is list'ning.

Speak your words of wisdom,

for the words you speak are everlasting life. Refrain

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 5:1-12

The Priest reads the Gospel, first saying
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."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Celtic Alleluia Refrain sung once followed by verse:

The Word of the Lord lasts forever.

What is the word that is living?

It is brought to us through God's Son: Jesus Christ. Refrain

SERMON

THE NICENE CREED

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, 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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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

Celebrant: Loving God, creator of this world who is the source of our wisdom and understanding, watch over this nation during this time of election. Help us to see how our faith informs our principles and actions.

Intercessor: God, our creator, we give thanks for the right to vote. Help us to hold this privilege and responsibility with the care and awareness it merits, realizing that our vote matters and that it is an act of faith.

People: Guide us in truth and love.

Intercessor: God, our creator, guide us through this election as a nation, state, and community as we vote for people to do work on our behalf and on the behalf of our communities. Help us to vote for people and ballot initiatives that will better our community and our world so it may reflect the values Christ taught us.

People: Guide us in truth and love.

Intercessor: God, our creator, help us create communities that will build your kingdom here on earth – communities that will protect the poor, stand up for the vulnerable, advocate for those who are not seen and heard, and listen to everyone's voice.

People: Guide us in truth and love.

Intercessor: God, our creator, we pray for this nation that is deeply divided. May we come together for the common good and do as you have called us to do – to act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with you through creation.

People: Guide us in truth and love.

Intercessor: God, our creator, help us act out of love, mercy and justice rather than out of arrogance or fear.

People: Guide us in truth and love.

Intercessor: God, our creator, Lord, continue to guide us as we work for the welfare of this world. We pray for places that are torn by violence, that they may know peace.

People: Guide us in truth and love.

Intercessor: God, our creator, we pray for communities who are struggling with inequality, unrest, and fear. May we all work toward reconciliation with one another and with God. *People:* Guide us in truth and love.

Intercessor: God, our creator, help us to listen in love, work together in peace, and collaborate with one another as we seek the betterment of our community and world.

People: Guide us in truth and love.

Comfort and heal all those on our parish prayer list: Carmel, Gail Ballerstedt, Melody Cannon, Sherry Eichert, Bob Juskalis, Penny Miller, Kristen Mirabello, and Dennis Roberts, and all we now name, silently or aloud.

The Celebrant concludes with a collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant: The grace of God has dawned upon the world with healing for all. Though we have grieved him, yet he will heal us if we confess our sins in penitence and faith.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

The Celebrant says

God who is both power and love, forgive you and free you from all your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

★ November 3rd:

"Cast your vote, not on a partisan basis, not based on your biases, but vote your values. Vote the values of human dignity and equality. Vote the values of the rock on which this country was built. Vote." -Presiding Bishop Michael Curry

★ November 8th -second discussion of the documentary White Like Me, next <u>Sunday</u>, <u>November 8th</u>, from 10:30-noon.

Alan Kiel comments on attending the White Like Me conversation in September:

"First let me say, initially, I was reluctant to join the conversation because I was uncomfortable, not sure what to say and not fully knowledgeable about the facts. By the time the conversation had ended, I was more open to the meaning of racism and thinking about my own biases and actions. I also walked away wanting to learn more and understand more about my role moving forward. Probably the biggest take away for me was the willingness of everyone to share their thoughts and feelings in a confidential environment, while at the same time being open and accepting of my thoughts and feelings. It was a very good experience and I would do it again."

In November Lynn, the Outreach Committee and the Vestry will continue a discussion on racism. We do this not as a political act, but in response to our baptismal covenant and Jesus' command that we love our neighbor as ourselves. We will begin by viewing the film *White Like Me* and sharing our reactions who what we have learned. Won't you join us also??

To learn more about the film, please see a preview online This link is free: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uv Y9ah049Y

Or for a \$5 donation, you can rent directly from the company Films for Action. https://www.filmsforaction.org/watch/white-like-me/



- ★ November 12th THE ANNUAL SOUP LUNCHEON is happening on Thursday, November 12th. TAKE-OUT ONLY. Your help is needed to
 - provide sponsorships for supplies,
 - do the preparatory work (Nov. 10 @ 6pm),
 - make the soup (Nov. 11 @ 10am) and
- help curbside on **Nov. 12** to distribute soup and collect the \$\$. If you can help do any of these things, please contact Henrietta Kiel at alankiel@comcast.net TODAY.

On <u>Sunday, November 22</u> we'll have a special Zoom coffee hour at 10:30 to celebrate our 2020 stewardship drive and the reveal the preliminary 2021 budget.

THE BIRTHDAY PRAYER Book of Common Prayer, page 830

Birthdays in our parish this week: Sharon Dippre, Dave Walton, Evan Dippre

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

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

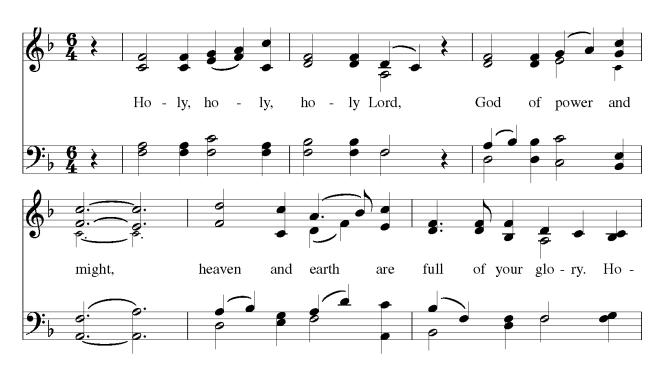
People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

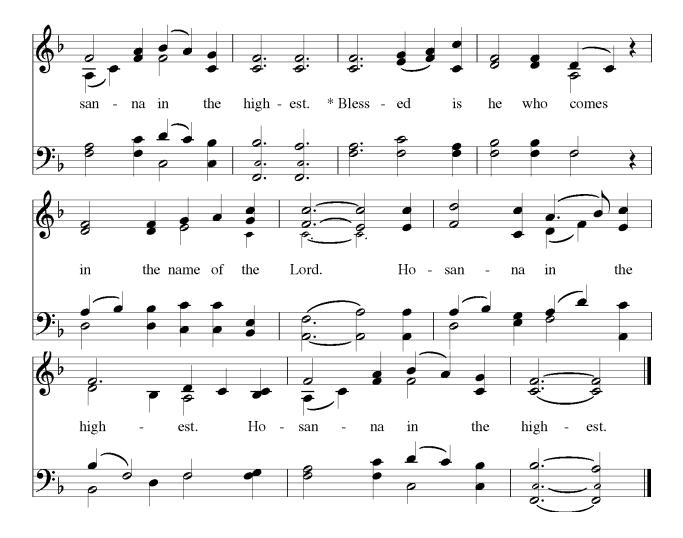
The Celebrant proceeds

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:

Sanctus Land of Rest





The Celebrant continues

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.

At the following words concerning the bread, Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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 all 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;

The Celebrant continues

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 _____ 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*.

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now say,
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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

FRACTION ANTHEM

Celebrant: Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast.





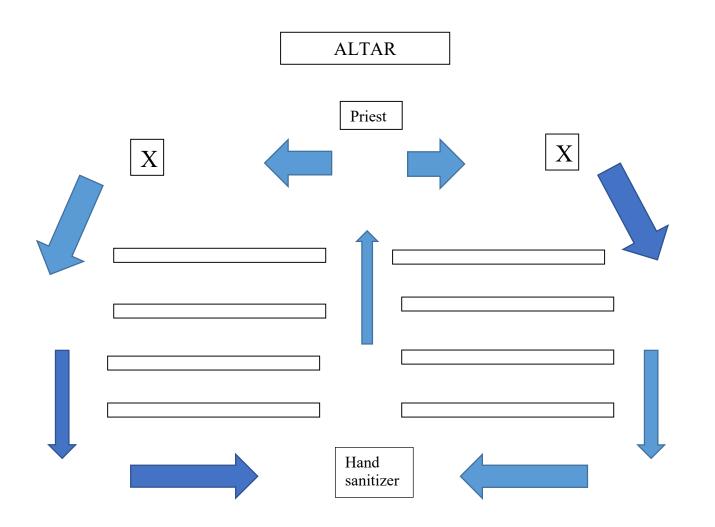
The Celebrant says the following Invitation

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God.

PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people gathered around every altar of your Church, and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

Here's how to come forward for communion:



- Leave your mask on.
- Beginning with the last pew, use the side aisle to walk to the back of the church and to the hand sanitizer.
- Put hand sanitizer on your hands and then walk forward to the altar as you rub in the sanitizer.
- Please leave 6 ft between yourself and other people.
- Leave your mask on while you receive the bread in your hands.
- Move to the side and lifting your mask, pause and eat the bread. Say a prayer if you wish. We have plenty of time.
- Return to your pew via the side aisle.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER (spoken together)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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 the 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN: 551 RISE UP, YE SAINTS OF GOD

- 1. Rise up, ye saints of God!
 Have done with lesser things,
 give heart and soul and mind and strength
 to serve the King of kings.
- 2. Rise up, ye saints of God!
 His kingdom tarries long:
 bring in the day of brotherhood and end the night of wrong.
- 3. Lift high the cross of Christ!

 Tread where his feet have trod;
 and quickened by the Spirit's power,
 rise up, ye saints of God!

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

MINISTERS OF THE SERVICE

Lectors and Intercessor: Lyn Werner, Jeanne Bernosky, Maureen Roberts Musicians: Barbara Johnson and Maureen Roberts

Tech Support: Janet Gilman & Linda McGuigan-Miller

Altar Guild: Maryann Cannon Officiant: Rev. Lynn Hade

Today's altar flowers are given in loving memory of

Barbara Carver

by Robert Carver and

Margaret and Walter Spathelf

by Jeanne Bernosky.

We pray for the faithful departed of the Church of The Advent since last All Saints' Day:

Howard Gold Margie Fuggitti Mary Stricklin William Hahn

And we pray for these loved ones of our parishioners:

Eleanor Barton
Dan Barton
Gloria L. Baxter

Dennis Cannon
Barbara Carver
Edmund & Roberta Cooke
Mary & Joseph Couch
Naomi Cox
Ellen & Frank Cunningham

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The loved ones of George and Aylis Wolf

Kurt T. Zintner, Sr.

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The altar candles for the month of *November* are given in loving memory of **Ruth Dorothy Griffin Iacullo & James C. Iacullo, Sr.** given by Jim Iacullo.

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