

# Holy Eucharist

November 7, 2021

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## All Saints Sunday: Proper 27B

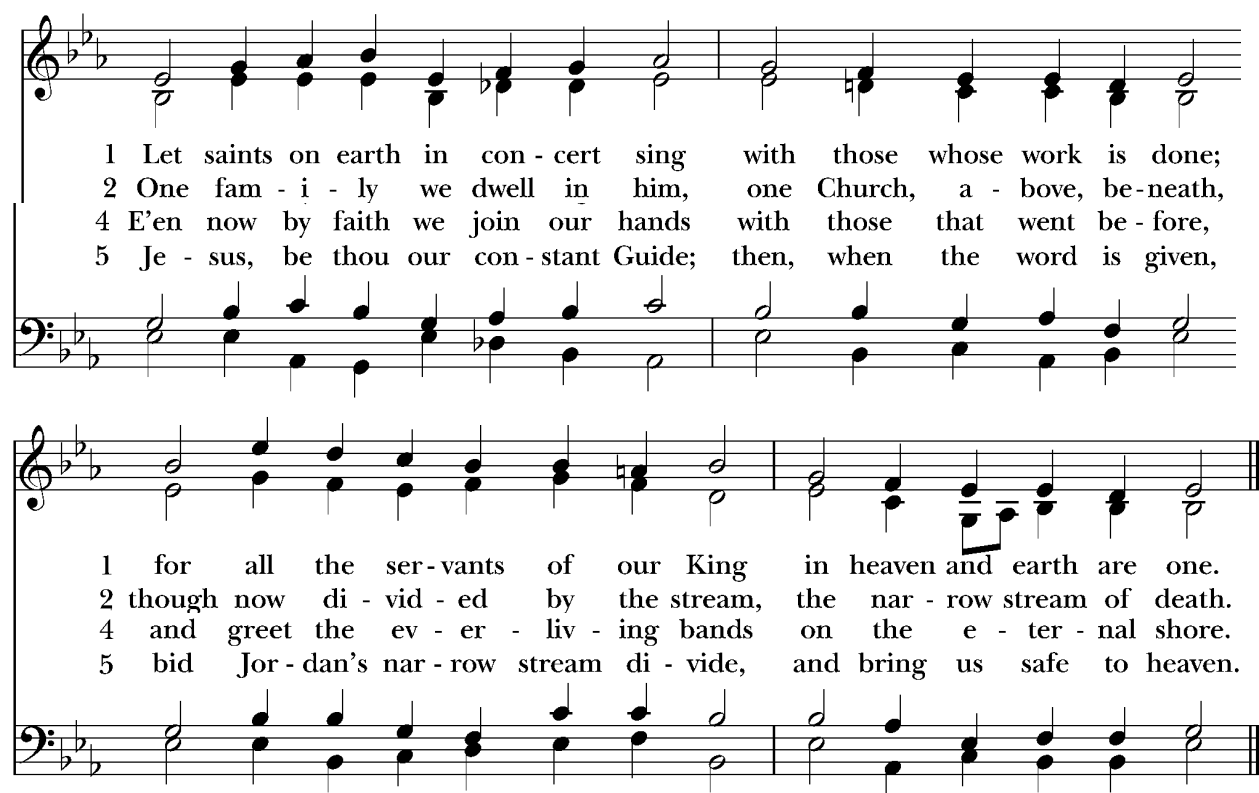
### Prelude

### Announcements

### Opening Hymn

Hymnal 526

*Let saints on earth in concert sing*



1 Let saints on earth in con - cert sing with those whose work is done;  
2 One fam - i - ly we dwell in him, one Church, a - bove, be - neath,  
4 E'en now by faith we join our hands with those that went be - fore,  
5 Je - sus, be thou our con - stant Guide; then, when the word is given,  
1 for all the ser - vants of our King in heaven and earth are one.  
2 though now di - vid - ed by the stream, the nar - row stream of death.  
4 and greet the ev - er - liv - ing bands on the e - ter - nal shore.  
5 bid Jor - dan's nar - row stream di - vide, and bring us safe to heaven.

*All standing as they are able, the Presider says*

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

*People* **And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.**

*The Presider begins the Collect for Purity*

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 following is sung, all standing as they are able*

## Glory to God

*Gloria in excelsis*

Glo-ry to God in the high - estand

14 peace to God's peo - ple, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth. Lord God, heavenly

19 King, Al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we

25 praise you for your glo-ry. Lord, Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the

31 Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God. You take a - way all the sin of the

36 world. Have mer - cy on us. You are seat - ed at the right hand of the

43 Fa - ther. Re - ceive our prayer. For you a-lone are the



## Collect of the Day

*Presider* God 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.**

*All sit.*

## The Lessons

### First Reading

Wisdom 3:1-9

A Reading from the book of Wisdom.

- <sup>1</sup>The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,  
and no torment will ever touch them.
- <sup>2</sup>In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died,  
and their departure was thought to be a disaster,
- <sup>3</sup>and their going from us to be their destruction;  
but they are at peace.
- <sup>4</sup>For though in the sight of others they were punished,  
their hope is full of immortality.
- <sup>5</sup>Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good,

because God tested them and found them worthy of himself;  
6like gold in the furnace he tried them,  
and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them.  
7In the time of their visitation they will shine forth,  
and will run like sparks through the stubble.  
8They will govern nations and rule over peoples,  
and the Lord will reign over them forever.  
9Those who trust in him will understand truth,  
and the faithful will abide with him in love,  
because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones,  
and he watches over his elect.

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## **Psalm 24**

1The earth is God's and all that is in it, \*  
the world and all who dwell therein.  
2For it is God who founded it upon the seas \*  
and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.  
3**"Who can ascend the hill of the Most High? \*  
and who can stand in God's holy place?"**  
4**"Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, \*  
who have not pledged themselves to falsehood,  
nor sworn by what is a fraud.**  
5They shall receive a blessing from the Holy One \*  
and a just reward from the God of their salvation."  
6Such is the generation of those who seek God, \*  
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.  
7**Lift up your heads, O gates;  
lift them high, O everlasting doors; \*  
and the One who reigns in glory shall come in.**  
8**"Who is this who reigns in glory?" \***  
**"The Holy One, strong and mighty,  
the Holy One, mighty in battle."**  
9Lift up your heads, O gates;  
lift them high, O everlasting doors; \*  
and the One who reigns in glory shall come in.  
10**"Who is this who reigns in glory?" \***  
**"This is God, the God of hosts,  
who reigns in glory."**

## Second Reading

Revelation 21:1-6a

A Reading from the Revelation of John.

<sup>1</sup>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. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>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;

<sup>4</sup>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.”

<sup>5</sup>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.” <sup>6a</sup>Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.”

*Reader* The word of the Lord.

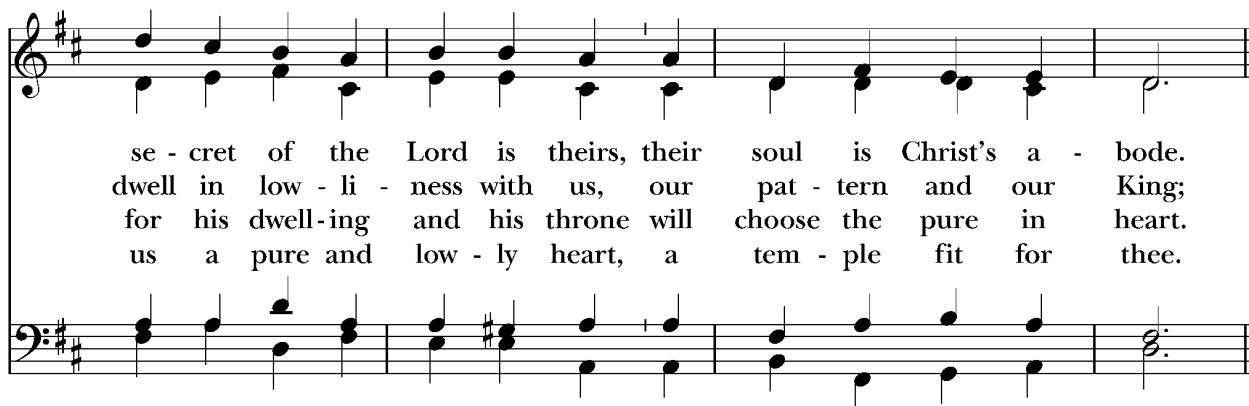
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Hymn

Hymnal 656

*Blest are the pure in heart*

1 Blest are the pure in heart, for they shall see our God; the  
2 The Lord, who left the heavens our life and peace to bring, to  
3 he to the low - ly soul will still him - self im - part and  
4 Lord, we thy pres - ence seek; may ours this bless - ing be; give



## Holy Gospel

John 11:32-44

*All stand as they are able.*

*Gospeller*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People*

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

<sup>32</sup>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." <sup>33</sup>When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. <sup>34</sup>He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." <sup>35</sup>Jesus began to weep. <sup>36</sup>So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" <sup>37</sup>But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

<sup>38</sup>Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. <sup>39</sup>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." <sup>40</sup>Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. <sup>42</sup>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." <sup>43</sup>When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" <sup>44</sup>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."



*Gospeller*

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## Sermon

*All stand as they are able.*

## Renewal of Baptismal Vows

*Presider* Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death, and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, now that our Lenten observance is ended, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy catholic Church.

*Presider* Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil  
and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

*People* **I do.**

*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.**

*The Presider concludes the Renewal of Vows as follows*

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

*All remain standing as they are able.*

## **Prayers of the People**

*Presider:* With clean hearts and a pure faith, let us ascend the hill of the Lord, offering our prayers and thanksgivings to the one who hears our petitions and answers our call.

*Intercessor:* For your holy Church: for our bishops Bonnie, Michael, Justin, Moises, Elizabeth, Donald and Craig, all ministers, priests, deacons, ministry teams, those in formation; and our sisters and brothers worshipping at Church of the Resurrection, Clarkston, St Luke's, Ypsilanti; and Jesus of Nazareth Church, San Francisco, in the Dominican Republic. For those who have led the way, we give thanks. **For those who will follow us, we rejoice in hope.**

*Silence is kept.*

For those who sit beside us, those whom we will never meet, who hunger for the riches of your grace, **give them strength for today and for tomorrow.**

*Silence is kept.*

For those who hold earthly power throughout the world, give them who are in need of courage to hold the space for justice and peace, we pray: **give them strength for today and for tomorrow.**

*Silence is kept.*

For those whose faith is fragile, who are beset by doubt and wounded by memories of hurt among your church, we pray: **give them strength for today and for tomorrow.**  
*Silence is kept.*



For all who suffer physical pain, for those who take skilled, tender care of them, and for all in distress, [especially \_\_\_\_\_] we pray: **give them strength for today and hope for tomorrow.**

*Silence is kept.*

For those who have died [especially \_\_\_\_\_], that may they join the throng of those before your throne who praise you, adored by angels and the throng of faithful people called your saints.

For all good gifts that you give us, Holy One, we give you thanks [especially for \_\_\_\_\_].

Draw all people into your eternal presence, enabling those who have died to rejoice before you [remembering especially \_\_\_\_\_]. May we, too, sing your praises in harmony with those throughout the ages who have looked to you in hope, and have seen your glory. Give us joy, we pray, **and give us strength for each day and each tomorrow.**

*Silence is kept.*

*The Presider continues*

Surrounded by the great cloud of holy women and men, witnesses to the Love of God incarnate in Jesus Christ, we are strengthened for our journey.

In the company of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and Joseph, her spouse and protector, In the company of angels, Michael and the archangels, and all the creatures who sing God's praises, In the company of Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, and all who tell the Gospel story, **We are strengthened for our journey.**

*A minister continues*

In the company of Mary Magdalene, Martha and Mary of Bethany, the woman at the well, and all the women who knew Jesus to be the Messiah and followed him, In the company of those slain by Pharaoh, Herod, Hitler, and conquerors and tyrants through the ages, In the company of Stephen and Alban, of Perpetua and Felicity and all martyrs for the faith we proclaim, **We are strengthened for our journey.**

*Presider* In the company of all whom we love, and who have gone before us into the nearer presence of God, remembering Rev. John and Mrs. Leah Lee; Rev. Jerrold and Mrs. Marjorie Beaumont; Rev. Myra Colvin; Rev. Doris and Leon Case; Dorothy Shippy; Dorothy Green; LouElla Dyer; Bob & Esther, Art Lindauer, Bill Coate, Ann Roush, Alex & Alice Garvin, Mick Schubring; Jeanne McLaughlin; Norma McNutt; Cynthia & William Hine, Gladys Lang, Cynthia Stech, Ann & Tom Brown, Ellen Hall, Thomas Hansen,

Norman Olmsted, Angelo Angelocci, Robert Arthur Bailey, Ted Oliver, and those we name before you now...

*A minister continues*

Holy God,  
**Make us holy.**  
Self-giving God,  
**Make us generous.**  
Loving God,  
**Make us loving.**  
Wisdom of God,  
**Dwell in us.**  
Patience of God,  
**Keep us steadfast in faith and work.**

*Presider* Holy One, we, too, would serve you as your saints. Strengthen our wills, help us to grow in love and knowledge of you, and to speak your Word through our words and actions. We pray in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

*All remain standing as they are able.*

## **Prayers for those celebrating their birthdays and anniversaries**

*Those who will be celebrating their birthday in November are invited to the front of the church.*

### *Prayer for a Birthday*

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants, Rob, Sarah, and Bill, as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### *Prayer for an Anniversary*

Eternal God, creator and preserver of all life, author of salvation, and giver of all grace: Look with favor upon the world you have made, and for which your Son gave his life, and especially upon all couples. Grant that their wills may be so knit together in your will, and their spirits in your Spirit, that they may continue to grow in love and peace with you and one another all the days of their lives. **Amen.**

## **Peace**

*All stand as they are able.*

*Presider*            The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*             **And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

***The People then are seated.***

## **Holy Communion**

*The Presider then says*

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High. *Psalm 50:14*

*How the Holy Communion is prepared*

The Presider, other Eucharistic Ministers, and any participating Acolytes must wash their hands, or use hand sanitizer, before celebrating and before distribution. Gloves will not be used.

The Presider alone will bring the bread and wine from the credence table to the Altar at the time of the offertory. All of the elements for Holy Communion will be placed on the Altar for the Eucharistic Prayer. The Presider alone stands at the altar, with others 6 feet or more away.

The **priest's wafer and chalice** will be uncovered in front of the Presider during the Eucharistic Prayer. They **are for the Presider alone**. They are consumed entirely by the Presider, or appropriately disposed of after the service.

The priest's wafer and the people's wafers will be kept separate at all times. The **people's wafers will be a container** on the Altar, which will remain covered throughout the Eucharistic Prayer.

During consecration, the Presider will touch the container, not the wafers.

The **distribution** of consecrated wine is not permitted at this time (as of June 19, 2020 Diocese of Michigan directive).

*How the Holy Communion will be distributed*

Everyone distributing communion will use hand sanitizer before they begin distribution. Gloves will not be used.

Communicants will be encouraged to use hand sanitizer before receiving. Hand sanitizer will be available at the service.

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The people will come to the Altar rail as they are able. The Minister will place the bread in the hand. The distribution will happen without directly touching the hand of the person receiving. Hand-to-mouth distribution is not permitted. If hand-to-hand contact happens, the minister will re-sanitize.

If a blessing is preferred, the blessing will be given without touch.

***The people stand as they are able as a minister brings forward the alms basin.***

## **Offertory Hymn**

Doxology

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

*The people remain standing.*

*The Presider says*

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.**

Creating and redeeming God, in Adam, Abraham, and Moses,  
in Deborah, Esther, and Mary, you have chosen not simply  
to direct the course of events but to be in relationship with us  
and to entrust your children with the embodiment and exercise of your will.

In the dying and rising Christ you give us not just a savior  
but an example, and in every generation  
you call people to imitate the pattern  
of his life and death and so witness to your glory.

You call us to be not heroes who go it alone  
but saints whose every breath depends on others and on you.

We rejoice that those saints take their place in the company of heaven,  
with whom we join in proclaiming the unending hymn of your joy and praise:

## **Sanctus**

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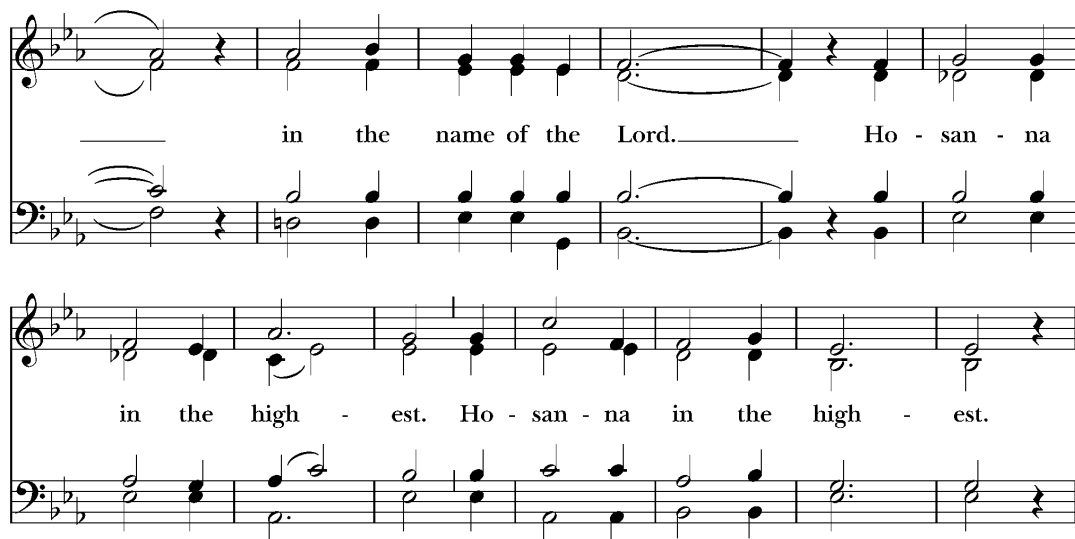
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes



*The Presider continues*

Transforming God, in this gathering you take  
the fruit of the vine and human hands and  
make them a blessing for your people now and forever.

As our earthly bodies decay and die, and resemble your Son's body  
taken down from the cross, send your Spirit and remake us  
in the image of your Son's resurrected body,  
that our scars may become signs of your glory and our hearts may be one with yours.

Sanctify this bread and cup that they may be for us  
the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ;

who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks,  
broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying,

"Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup.

Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying,

'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.  
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Resurrecting God, bless those who mourn, that they may be comforted.  
Bless the poor in spirit, that they may inherit the kingdom of heaven.  
Bless the pure in heart, that they may see you.

Visit those who face death amid persecution and violence,  
that they may know the gladness and rejoicing of your kingdom.  
Be close to any who end their days in agony and isolation,  
that they may enter the joy of their reward.

Where your children feel all is lost, meet them in their fear,  
touch them in their loneliness, and raise them by your mercy,  
so that on the last day, when you bring a new heaven and a new earth,  
they may discover you as an infinite circle whose center is everywhere  
and whose circumference is nowhere,  
and be changed from glory into glory, with and by you,  
one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **AMEN.**

*The Presider then continues*

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

**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 forever. Amen.**

## **Breaking of the Bread**

*A period of silence is kept.*

*The Presider says*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*The Presider continues*

These are the Gifts of God.  
**And we are the people of God.**

And in union and solidarity with your faithful people  
who are not able to be present at this table, we pray together:

**Strengthen and sustain us with your grace. Lord Christ,  
and let us never be separated from you.**

Come spiritually into all of our hearts. Lord Christ.

**May we live in you, and you in us, in this life and in the life to come.  
Amen.**

*All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion.*

*After Communion, the Presider says*

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 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.**

## **Blessing**

*A priest blesses the people, saying*

You are the body of Christ.

May you have the heart of Christ, tender for mercy.

May you have the eyes of Christ to see a world in need.

May you have the feet of Christ to bring good news.

And may the blessing of the Holy One who made you,

✠ Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer be with you today and always. **Amen.**

## **Closing Hymn**

*I sing a song of the saints of God*

Hymnal 293





1 I sing a song of the saints of God,——  
2 They loved their Lord so—— dear, so dear, and——  
3 They lived not on - ly in a - ges past, there are



pa - tient and brave and true, who—— toiled and—— fought and——  
his love—— made them strong; and they fol - lowed the right, for——  
hund-reds of thou-sands still, the—— world is—— bright with the



lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew. And——  
Je - sus' sake, the—— whole of their good lives long. And——  
joy - ous saints who—— love to do Je - sus' will. You can



one was a doc - tor, and one was a queen, and one was a shep -  
one was a sold - ier, and one was a priest, and one was—— slain  
meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains,



herd - ess on the—— green: they were all of them saints of——  
by a fierce wild—— beast; and there's not an - y rea - son——  
or in shops, or at tea, for the saints of—— God are just



God— and I mean, God help - ing, to be one too.  
no, not the least, why I should-n't be one too.  
folk like—— me, and I mean to be one too.

## Dismissal

*A minister says*

And now, my siblings in Christ, I bid you go in peace  
to love and serve our Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**



## Postlude

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### **CONTINUING OUR DONATIONS OF FOOD AND FUNDS TO FAITH IN ACTION**

Faith in Action provides leadership in collecting donations to support households in need in the Chelsea and Dexter areas. They are in need of our continuing help. You may bring your donations to FIA, or to Nancy who will see that they get there. **If you bring food directly to FIA**, please let Nancy know, so she can continue to keep our records of donation. If you write a check, please make it to *Faith In Action*. The **next Food Drive at the church** will be **Sunday, November 21**. Please leave your donations at the church on that day.

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**Our Sunday School program**—dormant for a number of years—is in need of materials. Donations will be gratefully accepted! A list of needed items can be found here: [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/3hRmTDi?ref=cm\\_sw\\_em\\_r\\_un\\_un\\_wMACWbqc9XGH](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/3hRmTDi?ref=cm_sw_em_r_un_un_wMACWbqc9XGH) If you have questions, please contact Kathy O. Thanks to anyone who can help with this!

**A reminder** that our Social Time is still active every Tuesday evening from 7:00-7:30 on Zoom! The link can be found on the church web site calendar, and also here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86367804283?pwd=eW9jelFKTTdaaUlXR0ZxMEc1NlM3Zz09>  
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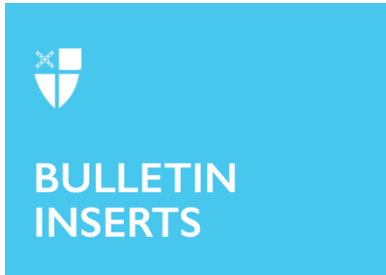
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### **Upcoming Commemorations**

- November 7 Willibrord, Bishop and Missionary, 739  
8 Ammonius, Hermit, c.403; and, Gregory the Great, Bishop of Rome, 604  
9 Richard Rolle, Walter Hilton, and Margery Kempe, Mystics, 1379, 1396, and c.1440

- 10 Leo of Rome, Bishop, 461
- 11 Martin of Tours, Bishop, 397
- 12 Charles Simeon, Priest, 1836

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## All Saints' Day

All Saints' Day, celebrated November 1 or the nearest Sunday afterward, is characterized by the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) as a Principal Feast, "taking precedence over any other day or observance" (BCP, 15). The day is set aside to remember and commend the saints of God, especially those who are not recognized at other points in the church year.

According to *Holy Women, Holy Men*, in the tenth century, it became customary to recognize on a single day "that vast body of the faithful who, though no less members of the company of the redeemed, are unknown in the wider fellowship of the Church" (*Holy Women, Holy Men*, p.664). Over time, the day became associated with special remembrances of an individual's family and friends.

While several churches abandoned the commemoration during the Reformation, the Feast of All Saints was retained on the Anglican liturgical calendar. All Saints' Day began to assume the role of general commemoration of the dead: all Christians, past and present; all saints, known and unknown.

Because of the day's association with the remembrance for the dead, many churches publish a necrology. This reading of the names of the congregation's faithful departed may include prayers on their behalf. Such prayers are appropriate, as the Catechism reminds us, "because we still hold [our departed] in our love, and because we trust that in God's presence those who have chosen to serve him will grow in his love, until they see him as he is" (BCP, p.862).

The day is often characterized by joyful hymns, including such favorites as "For All the Saints," "Who Are These Like Stars Appearing," and "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God." These hymns share motifs of rest, fellowship, and continued, joyful service to God—salient indeed on this day, as we remember "those of dazzling brightness, those in God's own truth arrayed, clad in robes of purest whiteness, robes whose luster ne'er shall fade"!

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