



# **Sunday, November 2, 2025**

## **All Saints Sunday**

### **Introduction**

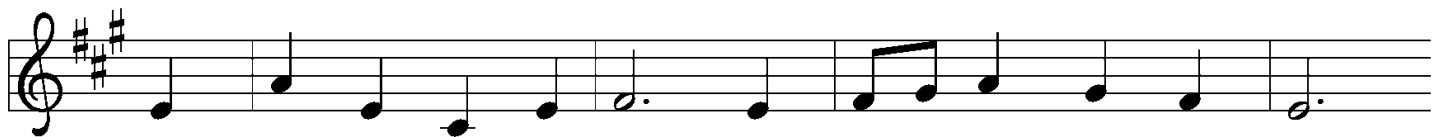
In holy baptism God makes saints out of sinners. In holy communion God forgives the sins of all the saints. In worship today we give thanks for all the saints "who from their labors rest." In the same breath we petition our God for the strength to hear and to heed the admonitions of Jesus in today's gospel. Sealed by the Spirit and sustained by the Savior's body and blood, we live with joy as God gives us breath, to the praise of God's glory.

**Prelude...** "Come Now Is the Time to Worship"

### **Announcements**

### **Preparation for Worship – Silent Prayer**

## Gathering Hymn.... "Rise Up! Oh Saints of God"



- 1 Rise up, O saints of God! From vain am - bi - tions turn;
- 2 Speak out, O saints of God! De - spair en - gulf's earth's frame;
- 3 Rise up, O saints of God! The king-dom's task em - brace;
- 4 Give heed, O saints of God! Cre - a - tion cries in pain;
- 5 Com - mit your hearts to seek the paths which Christ has trod;



Christ rose tri - um - phant that your hearts with no - bler zeal might burn.  
as heirs of God's bap - tis - mal grace, the word of hope pro - claim.  
re - dress sin's cru - el con - se - quence; give jus - tice larg - er place.  
stretch forth your hand of heal - ing now, with love the weak sus - tain.  
and, quick - ened by the Spir - it's pow'r, rise up, O saints of God!

Text: Norman O. Forness, b. 1936

Music: FESTAL SONG, William H. Walter, 1825-1893

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## Remembering the Saints

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.

On this day of Celebration of All Saints, we hear again the words from the Revelation to St. John:

"I heard a voice from heaven saying, "Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord henceforth." "Blessed indeed," says the Spirit, "that they may rest from their labors for their deeds follow them."

Today we remember with thanksgiving all those who have left the legacy of faith. They were created by God to offer praise and thanksgiving forever. God gave them new life through Jesus in Holy Baptism. They were nourished in the company of God's people at the Holy Table. God's mercy summoned them to the nearer presence of the Holy One so that they may continue in God's joyful service forever.

Dan Bonar

Charlie Boyd

Pam Landon

Gabriele Laudenschlager

Phil Pounds

Ardie Senft

Ted Stump

Maria Tillotson

James Tonnerson

*(The bell will toll for each of these saints)*

In joyful expectation of the resurrection to life, we remember before you, O Lord these members of our household of faith who have gone before us in the faith during this past year.

and so **we offer you thanks, Lord God, for their gift of faith and we hold fast to the certainty of your promise.**

We remember also, others we know who have died since our last celebration of All Saints. We remember those who have died tragically from violence and neglect, and those from disease and tragedy—and so in joyful expectation of the resurrection, we name them in our hearts before you... (the bell will toll seven times remembering these saints) ...

and so **We offer you thanks, loving God, for these saints, for their gift of faith and we pray that you might hold us fast to the certainty of your promise in Jesus Christ.**  
**Amen.**

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**  
**Amen.**

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore

declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.

## Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

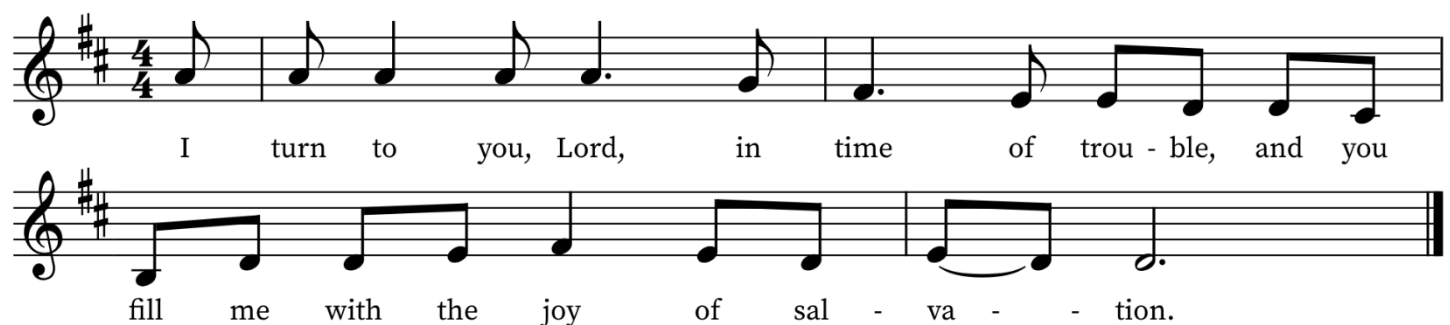
**And also with you.**

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## Psalm 32 Turn to You, Lord, in Time of Trouble

*Refrain*



*1-2 Blessed is he whose fault is taken away, whose sin is covered. Blessed the man to whom the LORD imputes not guilt, in whose spirit there is no guile. Refrain.*

*5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, my guilt I covered not. I said, "I confess my faults to the LORD," and you took away the guilt of my sin. Refrain.*

*11 Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, you just; exalt, all you upright of heart. [all you upright of heart.] Refrain.*

## **First Reading: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18**

*The book of Daniel was written in the second century BCE, when the Syrian king Antiochus Epiphanes was severely persecuting the Jews. Daniel's vision of the four beasts proclaims that human kings will come and go, but the kingdom will ultimately belong to God and to God's people.*

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: "As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever."

**HERE ENDS THE READING.**

## **Second Reading: Ephesians 1:11-23**

*After giving thanks for the faith of the Ephesians, the writer of this letter prays that they might understand the wisdom, hope, and power of God that is embodied in Jesus Christ.*

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory. I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a

spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

**HERE ENDS THE READING.**

**Choir Anthem.....** "This is My Song"

**Gospel: Luke 6:20-31**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

*In echoes of the prophet Isaiah and Mary's song of praise, Jesus reveals surprising things about who enjoys blessing and who endures woe. He invites his disciples to shower radical love, blessing, forgiveness, generosity, and trust even on enemies and outsiders.*

Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. "Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets."But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. "Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. "Woe to you when all speak well of

you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.  
"But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again. Do to others as you would have them do to you."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon**

# Sermon Hymn..... "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to  
2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry  
4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less



earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy  
trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us  
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,  
find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;  
ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,



pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with  
Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as  
till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our



thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.  
its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.  
crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788

Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887

## **The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
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,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
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.

**Amen**

## Prayers of Intercession

Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

*A brief silence.*

God of all that is, delight in the praises of your people and revive the spirit of your church. Move through us with boldness so that we proclaim the gospel of Christ throughout the world. Renew and revive pastors, deacons, and lay leaders.

Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

God of the beginning, give us the courage to advocate for environmental policy that will ensure a viable future for generations to come. Restore desolate places to health and flourishing.

Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

God of all our days, guide the leaders of governments, nations, municipalities, and all those seeking office. Accompany election officials and volunteers. Dismantle injustice and oppression wherever it is found.

Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

God of comfort in troubled times, we pray for those in need of protection and care (*We pray especially for Amanda, Jeff, Eric, Barbara, Lizzy, Christi, Debbie, Adrian, Katie, Angelika, Danica, Jenna, Dave, Joy, Frank, Kyle, Tyler, John, Tom, Robert, Pat, Cherrie, Gene, Shirley, Jana, Kathie, Del, Georgia, Regan, Kristen, Janet, Bob, Michael, Peter, Brian and the people of Jamaica*).

Trusting that you are constant in mercy, protect those who seek safety and solace.

Lord, in your mercy,

**hear our prayer.**

God of what is yet to come, encourage and inspire those who give their time, talent, and treasure in service to your church. By their commitment, further the work of ministry in this place and uplift your gospel.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

God of time and space, we give thanks for the faithful departed (*especially Dan, Charlie, Pam, Gabrielle, Phil, Ardie, Ted, Maria and James*). Sustain us in hope of our eternal unity in Christ.

Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **Sharing of the Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## **Offering**

**Offering Song..... "Jesus Your Name"**

## **Offering Prayer**

God of healing and hope, you bless those who are hungry, promising to fill them with good things. Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts.

Nourish us with the abundance of your feast and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **Thanksgiving at the Table**

In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

## **The 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 ever.  
Amen.**

## **Distribution**

*We will be using the intinction method for distribution. You will be handed bread and asked to dip the bread in the chalice. Gluten-free bread and grape juice are available. Please make your way forward by the center aisle, returning down the side. If mobility is a problem for you, please notify an usher and you will be served at your seat.*

## **Invitation to Communion**

There is a place for you at the table of God. Come, receive the food that does not perish, a taste of life eternal.

## **Communion Song..... "Above All"**

## **Post Communion Prayer**

God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world.

Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name.

**Amen.**

## **Blessing**

The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you, God the Son save you, and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead. The holy Trinity bless you ✝ and grant you a faithful and courageous heart now and forever.

**Amen.**

# Sending Hymn..... "Oh When The Saints Go Marching In"



1 Oh, when the saints go march - ing in, oh, when the  
2 Oh, when the Lord in glo - ry comes, oh, when the  
3 Oh, when the new world is re - vealed, oh, when the  
4 Oh, when they gath - er round the throne, oh, when they  
5 And on that hal - le - lu - jah day, and on that



saints go march - ing in, O Lord, I want to be in that  
Lord in glo - ry comes, O Lord, I want to be in that  
new world is re - vealed, O Lord, I want to be in that  
gath - er round the throne, O Lord, I want to be in that  
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Text: African American spiritual

Music: WHEN THE SAINTS, African American spiritual

## Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**