



All Saints Day



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1 Service Sunday, 10:30 Worship
All Saints Day
Communion Sunday

Awakening joyful service guided by our still speaking God!

*If this is your first time with us, or if you have come to this sacred space your entire life, we are glad to be on this journey of faith with you. Trinity believes that **whoever you are, and wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!** To enhance your worship experience, we have large print bulletins and hearing support devices available.*

Please ask an usher or greeter for assistance.

Enter to worship today but stick around to see what God is doing in this place!

*Congregational responses in bold print. * Denotes standing as you are able.*

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All Saints Day originated sometime in the 4th Century and was originally celebrated on the first Sunday after Pentecost. During the 800s the date of the celebration of All Saints Day was moved to November 1 and at that time it was celebrated by the whole church. All Saints Day is a time when the church honors those who died as witnesses of the Christian Faith. These were faithful people who refused to deny Christ. There were many thousands of early Christian martyrs and over the years there are countless others who witnessed to Christ. Today, in many of our churches, the names of deceased members from the past year are read during the service on All Saints Day.

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TIME OF SHARING/GREETING

PRELUDE MUSIC – “Abide with Me” – Lyte/Monk

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

On this All Saints Day

**we remember and celebrate saints of yesterday and of today;
faithful people who set their hopes on Christ and
who with their lives, praised God.**

May our hearts and minds be open to new realities in Christ.

We want to be counted among saints who will inherit your kingdom.

Today we lift up and remember:

*(A candle will be lit as each name is read. Each flame will remind us
of our connections with each other and our connection
which remains with those who have died.)*

Members of Trinity

Galia Kendlehart
Jean Proctor

Jacqueline Moore
Juene McGlaughlin

Marion Smith
Paul Kendelhart

Friends and Family of Trinity

Jay Black Ruth Marie Hallman Dolores P. Taylor Clay Myatt

PRAYER

**May we, in this hour, commit ourselves
to living lives that are pleasing to God.
May we like these saints, dedicate our lives
to the mission and ministry of Jesus Christ.
May we live today guided by the Holy Spirit so that we too,
may find peace and eternal rest someday. Amen.**

***HYMN #299 “For All the Saints”**

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
“May the Peace of Christ be with you!”**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgive us Lord for our failure to live with integrity.

We want to sing your praises, O God.

We want to show with our lives our love for you.

We want you to be pleased with us. But there are times O God,
when we forget your promise; that those who love you will receive the kingdom.
There are times when popularity, to be approved of by our friends and family;
to be “somebody” in the eyes of the world is so enticing.

**Sometimes the desire to protect ourselves from criticism
outweighs the greater need to speak to the injustices we see all around.**

In those moments, O God, we forget about people like ourselves who
sacrificed everything because they did not fail to show their love for you.
Remind us dear Lord, that we too can live with that kind of integrity.

Be patient with us. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENT OF PRAYER

KYRIE

Kyrie, Kyrie, Kyrie eleison

Kyrie, Kyrie, Kyrie eleison

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Beloved in Christ, God has such love for us and knows the intent of our hearts. Be assured that God cares and has already forgiven whatever needs to be forgiven. Amen.

ANTHEM (10:30)

“This Is God’s Commandment”

Words by J. P. Williams; Music by J. M. Martin

Senior Choir

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Revelation 21:1-6a

Then 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. ²And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And 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; ⁴he 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.” ⁵And 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.” ⁶Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.

Mark 12:38-44

As he taught, he said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, ³⁹and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! ⁴⁰They devour widows’ houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.” ⁴¹He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴²A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. ⁴³Then he called his disciples and said to them, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. ⁴⁴For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

SERMON

PRAYER/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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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. Amen.

HYMN #330 "Let Us Break Bread Together"

(Remain Seated).

*CELEBRATION OF OUR GIFTS

Let us take the time to reflect on all the ways in which
we have been blessed by those we remember today.

May our giving honor their legacy and love of God.

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE #382 V1

*Come, we who love God's name, and let our joys be known;
Together God's great love proclaim, together God's great love proclaim,
And thus surround the throne, and thus surround the throne.
We're marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion;
We're marching onward to Zion, the beautiful city of God.*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**May our gifts reflect the many blessings of our Saints we honor.
May we too, strive to support God's Realm in all we do. Amen.**

GATHERING AROUND THE TABLE

(All are invited to commune. We use gluten free bread and grape juice)

INVITATION

We gather around this holy table at the invitation of our God
and in communion with generations past and generations yet unborn.

We come in praise of God, always and forever.

We have been made holy in Christ.

At this table,
we are mindful of the virtuous and
godly living of saints that have become an inspiration for us.
**Through them may we come to know
the inexpressible joys God prepares
for those who love God.**

COMMUNION PRAYER

At your table, O God, we receive the gift of bread and cup.
These are the symbols you provide that remind us of your love.
We thank you, Almighty God, for creating the gift of life.

We thank you for the life and ministry of Jesus and
for the sustaining work of the Holy Spirit.
We thank you for faithful living of saints for all centuries.
We thank you for the witness of those who gave their lives in your service.

In the presence of this cloud of witnesses,
we gather around this table of compassion and grace. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION/PRAAYER OF CONSECRATION

We remember that on the night of betrayal and desertion,
Jesus gathered with his disciples for the Passover meal.

He blessed and broke the bread, saying:

“This is my body which is broken for you.

Do this in remembrance of me.”

We remember that in the same way Jesus took the cup, after supper,
and looked forward to your reign, saying:

“This cup is the new covenant in my blood.

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

Eternal God we stand in sacred community with all the faithful
and before these gifts of your love. We ask you to send your Holy Spirit
on this bread and wine on our gifts, and on us. Strengthen your universal church
that it may be the champion of peace and justice in all the world.
Restore the earth with your grace that is able to make all things new. Amen.

** Service of Word and Sacrament I, Book of Worship UCC*

SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

(Please come forward as the Usher directs you up the center aisle.

We will form a semi-circle around the Communion Table.

You will be individually served the bread first and then the cup.

After we commune, the pastor will offer a benediction and you will leave the chancel area placing your cups in the tray provided, then return to your seat.)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We thank you, Most Holy God, for refreshment at your table where along with your saints we receive all Christ’s gifts. Provide for your church on earth a strong faith and increased love for one another. Give us the grace to praise you with our lives in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

***HYMN #597 “Shall We Gather at the River”**

***FINAL BLESSING**

For Those Who Walked With Us

-Jan Richardson

For those
who walked with us,
this is a prayer.

For those
who have gone ahead,
this is a blessing.

For those
who touched and tended us,
who lingered with us while they lived,
this is a thanksgiving.

For those
who journey still with us in the shadows of awareness,
in the crevices of memory, in the landscape of our dreams,
this is a benediction.

***POSTLUDE MUSIC**

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Worship Elements:

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Usher

Greeters

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Tech Team

For All the Saints

William W. How, 1864; alt.

1. For all the saints who from their la-bors rest,
who to the world their stead-fast faith con-fessed,
your name, O Je-sus, be for-ev-er blessed.
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

2. You were their rock, their ref-uge, and their might:
you, Christ, the hope that put their fears to flight;
'mid gloom and doubt, you were their one true light.
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

3. Still may your peo-ple, faith-ful, true, and bold,
live as the saints who no-bly fought of old,
and share with them a glo-rious crown of gold.
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

4. Ringed by this cloud of wit-ness-es di-vine,
we fee-bly strug-gle, they in glo-ry shine;
yet in your love our faith-ful lives en-twine.
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

5. And when the strife is fierce, the war-fare long,
steals on the ear the dis-tant tri-umph song,
then hearts are brave a-gain, and faith grows strong.
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Heb. 12:1

African-American spiritual

1. Let us break bread to-gether on our knees;
let us break bread to-gether on our knees.
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris-ing sun,
My God, have mer-cy on me.

2. * Let us drink wine to-gether on our knees;
let us drink wine to-gether on our knees.
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris-ing sun,
My God, have mer-cy on me.

3. Let us praise God to-gether on our knees;
let us praise God to-gether on our knees.
When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris-ing sun,
My God, have mer-cy on me.

* "Share the cup" *may be substituted for* "drink wine."

Acts 2:42

Shall We Gather at the River

Robert Lowry, 1864; alt.

1. Shall we gath-er at the riv-er,
where bright an-gel feet have trod,
with its crys-tal tide for-ev-er
flow-ing by the throne of God?

Refrain:

Yes, we'll gath-er at the riv-er,
the beau-ti-ful, the beau-ti-ful riv-er,
Gath-er with the saints at the riv-er
that flows by the throne of God.

2. On the mar-gin of the riv-er,
wash-ing up its sil-ver spray,
we will walk and wor-ship ev-er,
all the hap-py gold-en day.

Refrain:

3. As we reach the shin-ing riv-er,
lay we ev-ery bur-den down;
grace our spir-its will de-liv-er,
and pro-vide a robe and crown.

Refrain:

4. Soon we'll reach the shin-ing riv-er,
soon our pil-grim-age will cease;
soon our hap-py hearts will quiv-er
with the mel-o-dy of peace.

Refrain:

Rev. 22:1-5

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