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All Saints' Sunday

Mass ~ Rite II ~ Year A

November 1, 2026, 10:30 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.

Opening Voluntary

Introit: *Gaudeamus*

Rejoice we all, and praise the LORD, celebrating a holy day in honour of all the Saints: in whose solemnity the angels are joyful, and glorify the Son of God. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous: for it becometh well the just to be thankful. Glory be…

[Standing.]

Processional Hymn "For all the saints" Hymnal 287

Opening Salutation

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

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

Celebrant: There is one Body and one Spirit;

People: There is one hope in God's call to us;

Celebrant: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People: One God and Father of all.

Gloria in Excelsis [Sung at 10:30 a.m.] Hymnal S280

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: 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.***

[Seated.]

The 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,
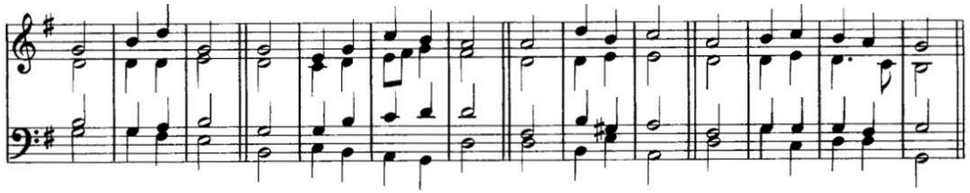
"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

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: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm 1 ***Benedicam Dominum***



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.

If you have been baptized with water in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit; you are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

Communion Verse: *BLESSED are the pure in heart, for they shall see God:*
Blessed are the peace-makers, for they shall be called the children of God.
Blessed are they that are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. (Choir)

Communion Hymn "Jerusalem the golden" Hymnal 624

The Post-communion Prayer *[Kneel as able.]* BCP 365-6

Celebrant: Let us pray.
Celebrant and People

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.

The Blessing

May Almighty God, to whose glory we celebrate this festival of all the Saints,
be now and evermore your guide and companion in the way. ***Amen.***

May God, who has bound us together in the company of the elect, in this age and the age to come, attend to the prayers of his faithful servants on your behalf, as he hears your prayers for them. ***Amen.***

May God, who has given us, in the lives of his saints, patterns of holy living and victorious dying, strengthen your faith and devotion, and enable you to bear witness to the truth against all adversity. ***Amen.***

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. ***Amen.***

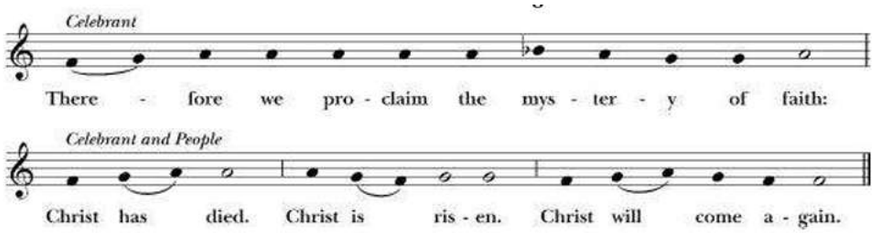
Closing Hymn "Ye holy angels bright" Hymnal 625

The Dismissal BCP 366

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People: Thanks be to God.

Concluding Voluntary

Scripture readings are from the New Revised Standard Version.



The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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.***

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer [Sung at 10:30 a.m. Hymnal S119.]

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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem: *Agnus Dei* [Sung at 10:30 a.m.] Hymnal S163

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
grant us your peace.

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

3 Proclaim with me the ˈgreatness of the ˈLORD; *
let us exˈalt his ˈName toˈgether.

4 I sought the ˈLORD, and heˈanswered me *
and delivered meˈout ofˈall myˈterror.

5 Look uponˈhim and beˈradiant, *
and let not yourˈfacesˈbe aˈshamed.

6 I called in my affliction and theˈLŌRDˈheard me *
andˈsaved me fromˈall myˈtroubles.

7 The angel of the LORD encompassesˈthose whoˈfear him, *
andˈhëˈwill deˈliver them.

8 Taste and see that theˈLORD isˈgood; *
—ˈhappy areˈthey whoˈtrust in him!

✝ 9 Fear the LORD, you thatˈare hisˈsaints, *
forˈthose whoˈfear him lackˈnothing.

10 The young lions lack andˈsufferˈhunger, *
but those who seek the LORD lackˈnothingˈthat isˈgood.
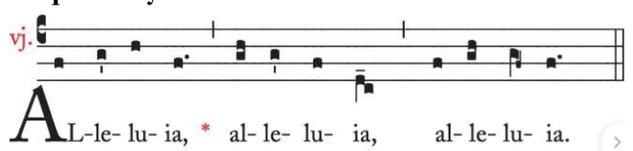
22 The LORD ransoms theˈlife of hisˈservants, *
andˈnone will beˈpunished whoˈtrust in him.

The Epistle 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: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

The Sequence Hymn "Who are these like stars appearing" Hymnal 286



Verse: *Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden: and I will give you rest. (choir)*

✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Saint Matthew 5:1-12

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."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon *[Seated.]* Fr. Benjamin George-Thoms
The Presentation of the Candidate Prayer Book 301
The Baptismal Covenant Prayer Book 304
Prayers for the Candidate Prayer Book 305
Thanksgiving over the Water Prayer Book 306
The Baptism Prayer Book 307
The Peace

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Offertory

Verse: *THE souls of the righteous are in the hand of God; and there shall no torment touch them: in the sight of the unwise they seemed to die, but they are in peace, alleluia (Choir)*

Anthem: *Hark, Ten Thousand Harps and Voices* Robert J. Powell

Hark, ten thousand harps and voices
Sound the note of praise above!
Jesus reigns, and Heav'n rejoices,
Jesus reigns, the God of love;
See, He sits on yonder throne;
Jesus rules the world alone.
Hallelujah! Amen!

Jesus, hail! Whose glory brightens
All above, and gives it worth;
Lord of life, Thy smile enlightens,
Cheers, and charms
Thy saints on earth;
When we think of love like Thine,
Lord, we own it, love divine.

King of glory, reign forever!
Thine an everlasting crown.
Nothing from Thy love shall sever
Those whom Thou hast made
Thine own:
Happy objects of Thy grace,
Destined to behold Thy face.

Savior, hasten Thine appearing;
Bring, O bring the glorious day,
When, the awful summons bearing
Heaven and earth shall pass away;
Then with all the saints we'll sing,
Glory, glory to our king!
Hallelujah! Amen!

Hymn: "I sing a song of the saints of God" Hymnal 293

The Great Thanksgiving
The Eucharistic Prayer (Prayer B) Prayer Book 367

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.

[Kneel as able.]
Celebrant
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.
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 and Benedictus: Holy, holy, holy [Sung at 10:30 a.m.] Hymnal S129

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

[Kneel as able, stand.]
The Celebrant continues:

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words, the Celebrant holds or lays a hand upon the bread; and at the words concerning the cup, he holds or lays a hand upon the cup or any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it do this for the remembrance of me."

Memorial Acclamation Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Celebrant and People

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