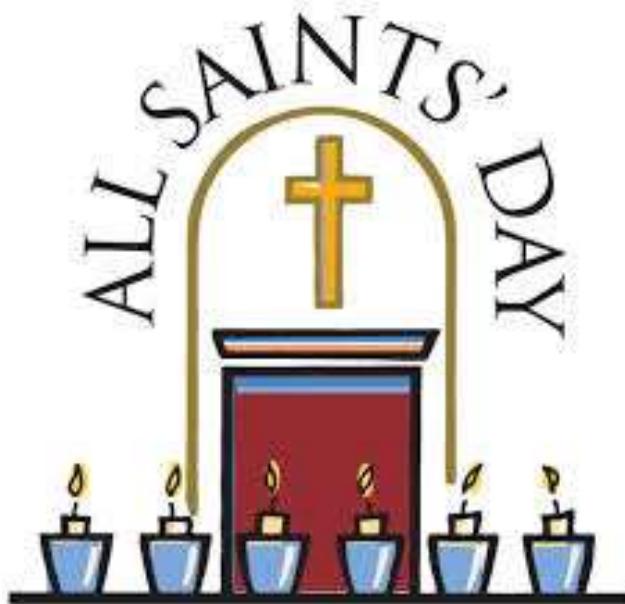


November 2nd, 2014
21st Sunday after Pentecost
All Saints and All Souls Sunday
10:00 am



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All Saints' Day (also known as All Hallows or Hallowmas) directs our attention to the richness of Christian history and the varied experiences of the grace of God by lifting up the lives of the saints. On All Hallows Evening (October 31), All Saints Day (November 1), and All Souls Day (November 2) the Church celebrates not only the martyrs and saints, but all the people of God, living and dead, who together form the mystical body of Christ. We remember the saints of the past and of the present, and we give thanks for their lives and find strength in their faith.

Call to Silence

As today's service begins, a gong will sound, calling us to stillness before God. As its sounds fade away, we stand to sing our processional hymn.

Processional Hymn: #276 For All the Saints

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

For all the saints who went before us
who have spoken to our hearts and touched us with your fire,
we praise you, O God.

For all the saints who live beside us
whose weaknesses and strengths are woven with our own,
we praise you, O God.

For all the saints who live beyond us
who challenge us to change the world with them,
we praise you, O God.

~ Janet Morley.

Remembering the Saints

At this time, we remember the saints of our community. As the light is passed from the Paschal Candle to the candles of the congregation, we will read the names of those who, over the past year, have passed from their life with us, into the presence of the living God. This will be followed by a time of silence in which we remember the saints in our own lives, and will conclude with "An Improvisation on Brother James' Air".

Collect

God of mercy and compassion, where you speak there is light and life; where you act there is justice and love. Inspire your children with the fire of your love, that we may serve you by serving one another and so bring your love to all the earth. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Children's Time

Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

After this I 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 worshipped God, singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever 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 centre 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.

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 34:1-10,22, page 744 (BAS, green book)

Reading: 2 Corinthians 8: 16-24

But thanks be to God who put in the heart of Titus the same eagerness for you that I myself have. For he not only accepted our appeal, but since he is more eager than ever, he is going to you of his own accord. With him we are sending the brother who is famous among all the churches for his proclaiming of the good

news; and not only that, but he has also been appointed by the churches to travel with us while we are administering this generous undertaking for the glory of the Lord himself and to show our goodwill. We intend that no one should blame us about this generous gift that we are administering, for we intend to do what is right not only in the Lord's sight but also in the sight of others. And with them we are sending our brother whom we have often tested and found eager in many matters, but who is now more eager than ever because of his great confidence in you. As for Titus, he is my partner and co-worker in your service; as for our brothers, they are messengers of the churches, the glory of Christ. Therefore, openly before the churches, show them the proof of your love and of our reason for boasting about you.

Response: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn: #286 Give Me the Wings of Faith

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:1-12

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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

Glory to you, Lord Jesus 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.

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Prayers of the People

The Peace

Offertory Hymn: #583 When God Restored Our Common Life

The Prayer over the Gifts:

God of freedom, **accept all we offer you this day. May we embrace the law of your service and know the glorious liberty of the children of God. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

The Eucharistic Prayer

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 thanks and praise.**

Holy are you, O Lord, and great is your majesty. All the saints in heaven and on earth sing your praises.

For in the beginning, you prepared the worlds by your holy Word, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. You laid out your holy plan of creation and redemption, that all who might know you would have faith, not in things seen, but in things not seen.

By faith, Noah and his family built the ark and were saved from the flood. By faith, Enoch of old was taken straight into heaven.

By faith, Abraham and Sarah obeyed your calling and moved to a place promised but not seen, to a family promised, but only later fulfilled. By faith, Moses brought your chosen people, the Israelites, from slavery into freedom and led them to your holy mountain.

By faith, the prophets Isaiah and Jeremiah held to your promise of a Messiah who would come to save your people. By faith, Mary and Joseph awaited the day of your promise, until you brought forth that savior, our Lord Jesus Christ, your only-begotten Son. In him is the fulfillment of the faith and hope of all the saints. In him our salvation is won and your love revealed.

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.

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.

In heaven and on earth, O God, the saints and angels unite around your holy altar to proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

We recall his life-giving passion and death, his glorious resurrection and ascension. We look for his coming again to raise us and all the faithful departed to live together eternally in fellowship with him.

Send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be the body and blood of him who is the hope and salvation of the living and the dead. Send your Holy Spirit upon us that we might know his presence, and through them, be united in prayer and praise with all those who have gone before us.

Join us in one holy communion of saints, one great cloud of witnesses, with St. Peter and St. Paul, with St. John and St. Mary Magdalene, and with all the blessed dead whose lives of faith in unseen things continue to inspire us, as together we lift our voices to you, O God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, in eternal glory, now and forever. **Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, let us 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 for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat, whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.

So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.

The Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

All are welcome to join us at the Lord's Table, including children.

If you prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Prayer after Communion

Heavenly Father, **bring to perfection within us the communion we share in this sacrament. May the unity we know this day live in our community and family. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.**

Glory to God, whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn: #524 O Christ, the Great Foundation

The Dismissal of the Community

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Postlude: "The Power of Life" by Mons Leidvin Takle

Prayers

- In our worldwide Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Church of Cuba and their clergy, The Rt. Rev. Ulises Prendes.
- In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle we pray for Christ Church, Fort MacLeod and their clergy, The Rev. Pilar Gateman and for the Diocesan Archives.
- In our Companion Diocese in the Windward Islands we pray for Holy Trinity, Castries with St. Mary LaCaye, St. Lucia and their clergy, The Ven. Randolph Evelyn.
- In our Parish, we pray for Pastoral Care Committee: Joan Siddall, co-ordinator and the team members and for Stephen Ministry: Wendy Both and her team of Stephen Ministers.
- In our own parish let us ask for God's healing love to uphold and sustain all who are in any kind of need, especially: Alan Manship, Sylvia Stanley, Phyllis Bowness, Jennifer Wiebe, Mary Wojna, Margaret Fawcett, Connie Hill, Margaret Cull, Olive Holgate, Allan Knobbe, Howie Dawe, Joy Tufts, Doug, Judy and Emily Rousell and family, Maria Dalla Costa, Kolby Thomson, Ruth Elford, Alison James, Laurie Arsenault, Kenneth Robertson, Tracey (Janzen) Grenier, Virginia Goodman, Ernie Rice, Edith Lenko, Nellie Werth, Marguerite Dimmer, Joan Brisbane, Chad McGregor, Peggy Brookes, Mariam Jacobs, Eileen Williams, Andrew Howe, Helene Mahaffey, Linda Redel..
- Today we remember the family of Helene Mahaffey on her passing October 31st. Funeral arrangements will be announced at a later date.

Flowers are given this morning to the glory of God by Mrs. Dorothy Wiens in memory of Walter and her parents; by Caron Ross in appreciation of her loving parents, Diane and Warren Ross and by Arnold and Eileen Williams in loving memory of mother and grandmother, Beryl Gumbs.

Pam Milne is Warden on Duty.

Today's Services of Holy Communion

8:00 am (Book of Common Prayer)

Preacher and Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

Deacon: Wendy Both

10 am (Book of Alternative Services)

Preacher and Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

Lay Reader: Lynne Smith

Deacons: The Rev. David Ney and The Rev. Julianne Hendrickson

Organist: Chris Fullerton

