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**The Feast of All Saints
Holy Eucharist & Renewal of Baptismal Vows
10 a.m.**

A Litany for the Saints

Cantor Holy ones, pre-sent at our be-gin-nings: *People* STAND HERE BE-SIDE US!

Cantor Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, Jacob and Rachel and Leah, makers of the covenant, forebears of our race:

People **STAND HERE BESIDE US!**

Cantor Elizabeth and Simeon, Joseph, Monica and Helen, exemplars in the love and care of children:

People **STAND HERE BESIDE US!**

Cantor John the baptizer, who prepared the Way:

People **STAND HERE BESIDE US!**

Cantor Holy ones who showed the good news to be the way of life:

People **STAND HERE BESIDE US!**

Cantor Thomas the doubter; Thaddeus the Augustine of Canterbury; Francis Xavier; all who carried the Gospel to distant places:

People **STAND HERE BESIDE US!**

Cantor Bernard and Dominic; Catherine of Siena, challenger of popes; John and Charles Wesley, preachers in the streets; all whose power of speaking enlivened the written word:

People **STAND HERE BESIDE US!**

Cantor Holy ones who gave their lives to the care of others:

People **STAND HERE BESIDE US!**

Cantor Peter of the keys, denier of the Lord; Ambrose of Milan, who answered the Church's summons; Hilda, abbess at Whitby; all faithful shepherds of the flock:

People **STAND HERE BESIDE US!**

Cantor Luke the physician; Francis who kissed the leper; Florence Nightingale; Teresa of Calcutta; all who brought to the sick and suffering the hands of healing:

People **STAND HERE BESIDE US!**

<i>Cantor</i>	Holy ones who proclaimed God's love through works of art:
<i>People</i>	STAND HERE BESIDE US!
<i>Cantor</i>	Cecilia, whose song was not silenced by the martyr's blade; Hildegard of Bingen, the sybil of the Rhine; Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart; Aretha Franklin; all who made to the Creator's praises in the language of the soul:
<i>People</i>	STAND HERE BESIDE US!
<i>Cantor</i>	David and the Psalmists; John Milton, Thomas Merton, Maya Angelou, Mary Oliver; all poets of the celestial vision:
<i>People</i>	STAND HERE BESIDE US!
<i>Cantor</i>	Zaccheus the tree-climber; Therese of Lisieux, the little flower; Dorothy Day; all cultivators of holy simplicity:
<i>People</i>	STAND HERE BESIDE US!
<i>Cantor</i>	Holy ones haunted by the justice and mercy of God:
<i>People</i>	STAND HERE BESIDE US!
<i>Cantor</i>	Paul the apostle, transfixed by noonday light; Augustine of Hippo, God's city planner; Thomas Aquinas and Richard Hooker; Karl Barth and James Cone; all who saw God at work and wrote down what they saw:
<i>People</i>	STAND HERE BESIDE US!
<i>Cantor</i>	Julian, the anchoress of Norwich; Meister Eckardt; Bernadette of Lourdes; all who were called to see the face of our Lord:
<i>People</i>	STAND HERE BESIDE US!
<i>Cantor</i>	Sojourner Truth and Harriet Tubman, leading people to freedom; Pauli Murray, poet, priest and prophet; all whose love for God was beyond containment:
<i>People</i>	STAND HERE BESIDE US!
<i>Cantor</i>	Holy ones who died in witness to the Christ:
<i>People</i>	STAND HERE BESIDE US!
<i>Cantor</i>	Stephen, deacon and first martyr, stoned in Jerusalem
<i>People</i>	STAND HERE BESIDE US!
<i>Cantor</i>	Justin, Ignatius and Polycarp, who refused the incense to Caesar:
<i>People</i>	STAND HERE BESIDE US!
<i>Cantor</i>	Perpetua, Felicity, Blandina, and their companions, torn by beasts in the arena:
<i>People</i>	STAND HERE BESIDE US!

<i>Cantor</i>	Thomas Cranmer, Hugh Latimer, and Nicholas Ridley, burned in Oxford:
<i>People</i>	STAND HERE BESIDE US!
<i>Cantor</i>	Those whose deaths give witness to the injustice of our time:
<i>People</i>	STAND HERE BESIDE US!
<i>Cantor</i>	Maximilian Kolbe and Dietrich Bonhoeffer; put to death for their witness:
<i>People</i>	STAND HERE BESIDE US!
<i>Cantor</i>	Jonathan Daniels and Martin Luther King Jr.; struck down for the cause of civil rights:
<i>People</i>	STAND HERE BESIDE US!
<i>Cantor</i>	Martyrs of Columbine and Sandy Hook; Charleston and Pulse; and all whose lives have been cut short by gun violence:
<i>People</i>	STAND HERE BESIDE US!
<i>Cantor</i>	Holy ones of every time and place:
<i>People</i>	STAND HERE BESIDE US!
<i>Cantor</i>	Glorious company of heaven:
<i>People</i>	STAND HERE BESIDE US!
<i>Cantor</i>	Great cloud of witnesses:
<i>People</i>	STAND HERE BESIDE US!

Opening Acclamation

<i>Presider</i>	Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
<i>People</i>	Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.
<i>Presider</i>	There is one Body and one Spirit.
<i>People</i>	There is one hope in God's call to us.
<i>Presider</i>	One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism.
<i>People</i>	One God and Father of all.
<i>Presider</i>	The Lord be with you.
<i>People</i>	And also with you.
<i>Presider</i>	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.**

Please be seated for the readings.

The First Reading

Revelation 7:9-17

After the reading:

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm

Psalm 34:1-10, 22

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| <p>¹ I will bless God at all times, *
and praise shall ever be in my
mouth.</p> | <p>⁷ The angels encompass those who fear
God, *
and God will deliver them.</p> |
| <p>² I will glory in the Most High; *
let the humble hear and rejoice.</p> | <p>⁸ Taste and see that God is good; *
happy are they who trust in the
Most High!</p> |
| <p>³ Proclaim with me the greatness of God; *
let us exalt God's Name together.</p> | <p>⁹ Fear the Most High, you that are God's
saints, *
for those who fear God lack nothing.</p> |
| <p>⁴ I sought, and God answered me *
and delivered me out of all my
terror.</p> | <p>¹⁰ The young lions lack and suffer hunger, *
but those who seek God lack nothing
that is good.</p> |
| <p>⁵ Look upon the Most High and be
radiant, *
and let not your faces be ashamed.</p> | <p>²² O God, you ransom the life of your
servants, *
and none will be punished who trust
in you.</p> |
| <p>⁶ I called in my affliction and God heard
me *
and saved me from all my troubles.</p> | |

The Second Reading

1 John 3:1-3

After the reading:

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Hymn

I sing a song of the saints of God

Hymnal #293

As the Gospel is processed, you may greet the Good News with a touch, a bow or a kiss.



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.

Words: Lesbia Scott (1898-1986), alt. Music: *Grand Isle*, John Henry Hopkins (1861-1945).

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 5:1–12

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

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

After the Gospel is proclaimed:

Clergy The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

All stand, as able.

Presider Dear people of God: on this solemn feast, let us together with the whole Church in heaven and on earth, recommit our lives to Christ and again be washed in those blessed waters, remembering that they not only cleanse us of our sins but unite us in our common life with all the saints in heaven and on earth.

The water of baptism signifies our eternal covenant with God. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to Christ, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

We pray you, O God, sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit, that all who are cleansed from sin and born again may continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Presider Let us renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we renounce Satan and all his works, and promise to serve God faithfully in this 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, maker of heaven and earth.**

<i>Presider</i>	Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
<i>People</i>	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.
<i>Presider</i>	Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
<i>People</i>	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.
<i>Presider</i>	Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
<i>People</i>	I will, with God's help.
<i>Presider</i>	Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
<i>People</i>	I will, with God's help.
<i>Presider</i>	Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
<i>People</i>	I will, with God's help.
<i>Presider</i>	Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
<i>People</i>	I will, with God's help.
<i>Presider</i>	Will you strive for justice and peace among all people and respect the dignity of every human being?
<i>People</i>	I will, with God's help.
<i>Presider</i>	Will you strive to safeguard the integrity of God's creation, and respect, sustain and renew the life of the Earth?
<i>People</i>	I will, with God's help.
<i>Presider</i>	May Almighty God, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, and called us to ministry in Jesus Christ, keep us in eternal life by grace; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Prayers

Presider Let us now pray for the Holy Spirit to strengthen and guide us in the path of the saints.

Intercessor Creator Spirit, wellspring of our lives; as the refreshing rain falls on the just and unjust alike:

People **Refresh us with your mercy, who know our own injustice.**

Intercessor As a stream flows steadily on, defying all the odds of stone and water:

People **Flow over every boundary and border that separates us from each other.**

Intercessor As the waters of our baptism washed us and welcomed us:

People **Renew us now in newness of life and unity of love.**

Intercessor As we were once held in the waters of our mother's womb:

People **Hold us in the power and peace of your abiding presence.**

Intercessor As you were in the ebb and flow, as the beginning becomes the ending, and the ending a new beginning, be with us, ever-present God. And I invite you to name whatever people, sorts or conditions, are on your hearts this day, either silently or aloud.

The People offer their intercessions and thanksgivings. The Presider concludes with the following Collect.

Presider Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

As a sign of our union with Christ, the saints, and one another in baptism, the Ministers asperge the people.

Hymn During Asperges

Healing river of the Spirit

Voices Together #642



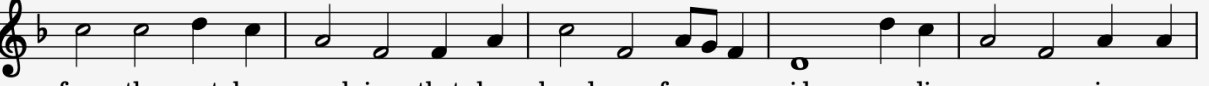
Heal - ing riv - er of the Spi - rit, bathe the wounds that liv - ing
Well-spring of the heal-ing Spi - rit, stream that flows to bring re -
Liv - ing stream that heals the na - tions, make us chan - nels of your

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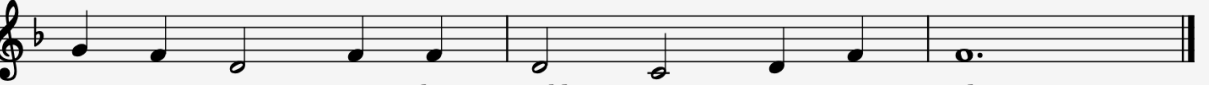
brings, Plunge our pain, our sin, our sad - ness deep be - neath your sa - cred springs, Wea - ry
lease, as we gain our selves, our sens - es, may our lives re - flect your peace. Grate-ful
pow'r. All the world is town by con - flict; wars are rag - ing at this hour. Sav - ing

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from the rest-less search-ing that has lured us from your side, we dis - cov - er in your
for the flood that heals us, may your church en - act your grace, As we meet both friend and
Spi - rit, move a - mong us; guide our wind-ing hu-man cours, till we find our way to -

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pre - sence peace that world can - not pro - vide.
strang - er, may we see our Sav - ior's face.
geth - er, flow - ing home - ward to our source.

The Peace

Presider The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The People share a sign of God's peace with one another.

Offertory Procession

Presider: All are invited to come forward as we offer not only ourselves, but the gifts from our lives: bread and wine, funds, and other food that supports the Interfaith Council's food bank. This presentation begins from the waters of baptism and continues to the altar.



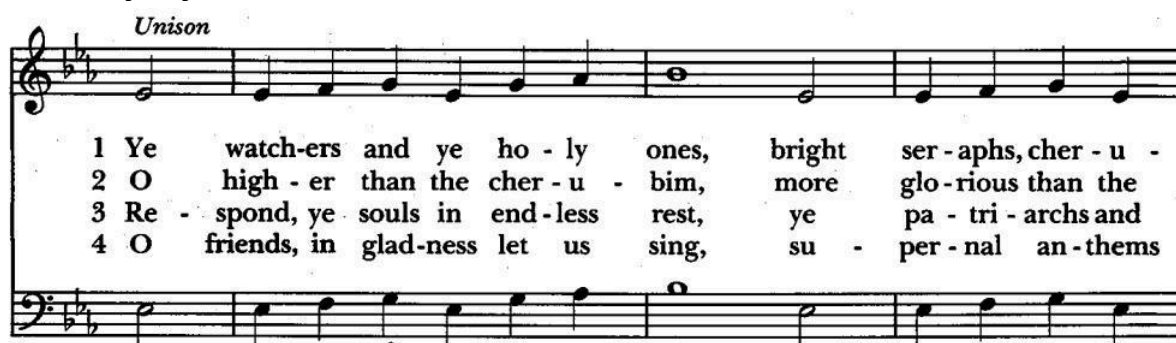
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Offertory Hymn

Ye watchers and ye holy ones

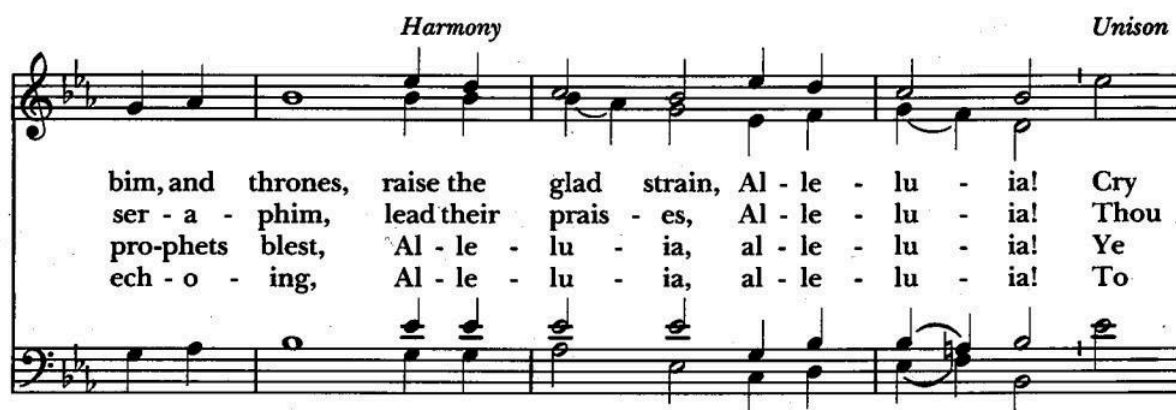
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Unison

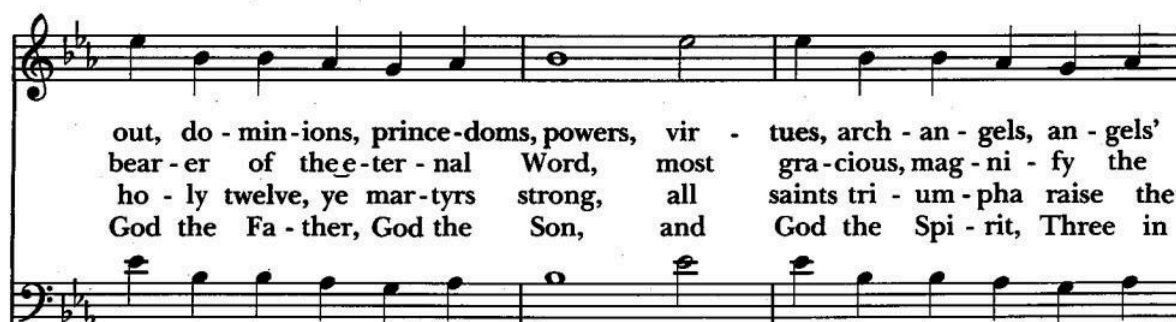


1 Ye watch-ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright ser - a - phs, cher - u -
 2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more glo - rious than the
 3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye pa - tri - archs and
 4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su - per - nal an - thems

Harmony *Unison*



bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Al - le - lu - ia! Cry
 ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou
 pro - phets blest, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Ye
 ech - o - ing, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! To



out, do - min - ions, prince - doms, powers, vir - tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels'
 bear - er of the e - ter - nal Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the
 ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyrs strong, all saints tri - um - pha raise the
 God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in

Harmony



choirs, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 Lord, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 song, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 One, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

Unison

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - - ia!

Words: John Athelstan Laurie Riley (1858-1945)

Music: *Lasst uns erfreuen*, melody from *Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengeseng*, 1623;
 adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

88. 44. 88 with Refrain

The In-Gathering & Blessing of Stewardship Gifts

The Presider takes the gifts and places them on the altar.

Presider All things come from you, O Lord.

People **And of your own have we given to you.**

Presider Let us pray.

God of abundance, who has planted us in this congregation and sustains us day by day, grow us in your grace, that we may become more fully the people you have called us to be; that we may flourish by your faith in us, and that we may accomplish your will with the gifts you have given us. Let our many gifts of time, talent, and treasure, be blessed to our use, and us to your service; in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. And let all God's people say...

People **AMEN!**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer D

All stand, as able. Children in the congregation are welcome to come forward.

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is truly right to glorify you, Holy One, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

Sanctus

Santo, santo, santo

Wonder, Love, and Praise, 785

The musical score for the Sanctus is written for a two-part setting (Soprano and Alto) and includes a basso continuo line. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is simple and homophonic, with the lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are in English and Spanish. The score is divided into two systems. The first system contains the first two lines of the Sanctus, and the second system contains the next two lines. The lyrics are: San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zon te a - do - ra! Mi Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My cor - a - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to e - res Se - ñor. heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, Lord.

San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zon te a - do - ra! Mi
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My

cor - a - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to e - res Se - ñor.
heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, Lord.

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Words: Variation on a traditional liturgical text. Music: Composer of melody unknown; arr. based on a two-part version as taught by Pablo D. Sosa (b. 1933).

Presider Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this wine, we praise you and we bless you:

All **We praise you. We bless you. We give thanks to you. And we pray to you, Lord our God.**

The Presider prays that the gifts and People may be sanctified by God. When the Eucharistic Prayer is concluded, the People respond in a loud voice, 'AMEN!'

Presider As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now sing:

Celebrant: As our Sa-vior Christ has taught us we now pray, Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your name, —

your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in hea - ven.

Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we for -

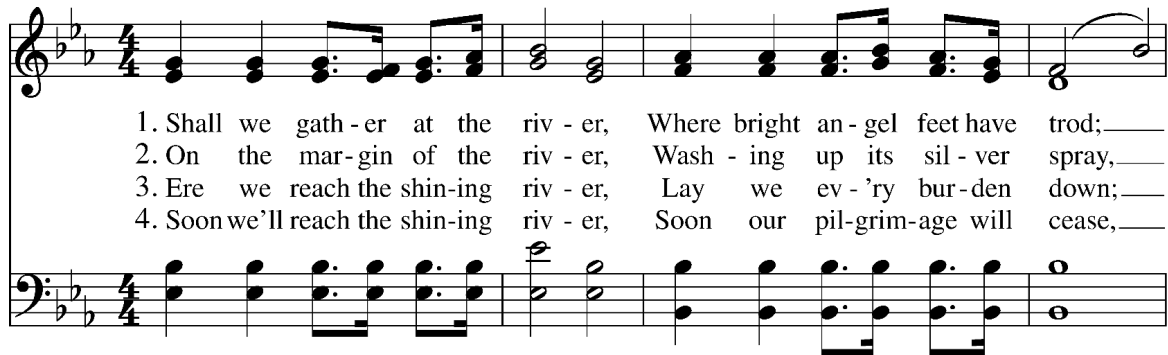
give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of trial and de - liv - er us from e - vil.

For the king - dom, the power and the glo - ry are yours, now and for e - ver. A - men.

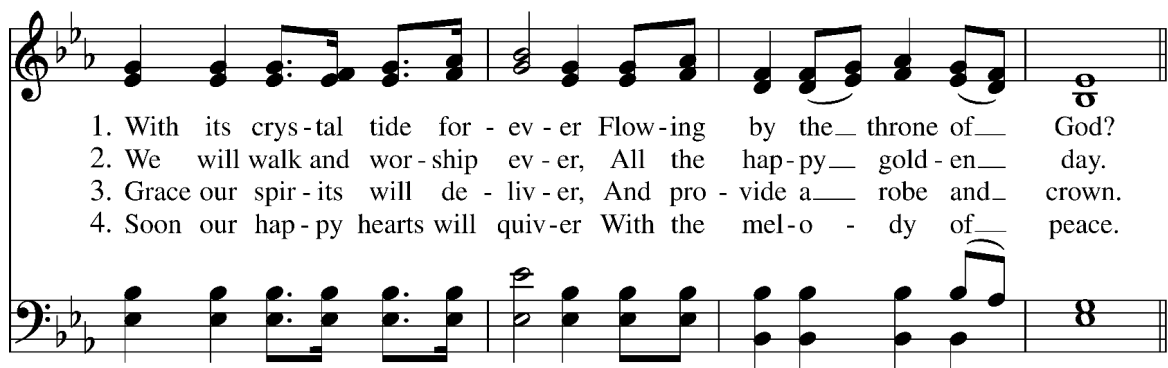
Presider Behold what you are.
 People **May we become what we receive.**

The Presider invites the People to receive the Communion of our Lord. All are welcome to receive Communion or a blessing.

Communion Hymn *Shall We Gather At The River Lift Every Voice & Sing #141*



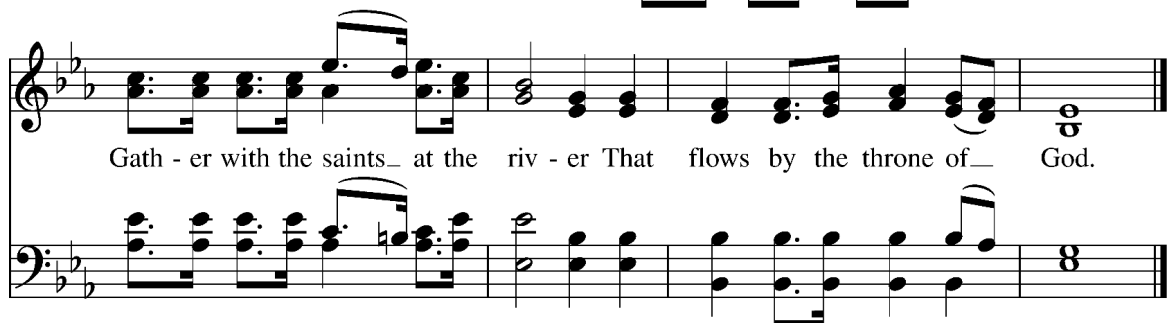
1. Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, Where bright an - gel feet have trod;____
 2. On the mar - gin of the riv - er, Wash - ing up its sil - ver spray,____
 3. Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, Lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down;____
 4. Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, Soon our pil - grim - age will cease,____



1. With its crys - tal tide for - ev - er Flow - ing by the__ throne of__ God?
 2. We will walk and wor - ship ev - er, All the hap - py__ gold - en__ day.
 3. Grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, And pro - vide a__ robe and__ crown.
 4. Soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er With the mel - o - dy of__ peace.



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.

Words: Robert Lowry (1826-1899). Music: Robert Lowry.

Those gathered at home are invited to pray the following prayer as those in-person receive.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered this day, we offer you praise and thanksgiving for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory. We believe that you are truly present in Word and Sacrament, and, since we cannot at this time receive communion, we pray you to come into our hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with all our hearts, souls, and minds. Let nothing separate us from you; let us serve you in this life until, by your grace, we come to unending peace in your glorious kingdom. Amen.

Post-Communion Prayer

<i>Presider</i>	Let us pray.
<i>All</i>	Almighty God,
	we thank you that in your great love
	you have fed us with the spiritual food
	and drink of the Body and Blood
	of your Son Jesus Christ,
	and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet.
	Grant that this Sacrament may be to us
	a comfort in affliction,
	and a pledge of our inheritance
	in that kingdom where there is no death,
	neither sorrow nor crying,
	but the fullness of joy with all your saints;
	through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Presider offers a blessing, and the People respond, 'Amen.'

Going-Forth Hymn

For all the saints

Hymnal #287



1 For all the saints, who from their la - bors rest, who
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might:____
 3 O may thy sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,____
 4 O blest com - mun - ion, fel - low - ship di - vine!____



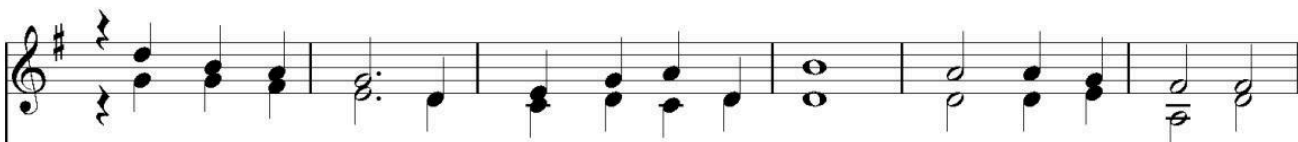
thee____ by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
 thou, Lord, their Cap - tain in the well - fought fight;____
 fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old, and
 We feeb - ly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet



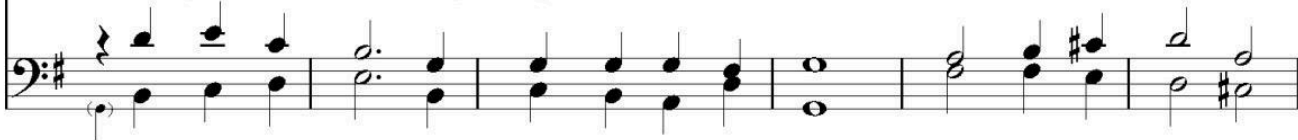
Name, O____ Je - sus, be for ev - er blessed.
 thou, in the dark - ness drear, the one true Light.
 win, with____ them, the vic - tor's crown of gold.
 all are____ one in thee, for all are thine.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



*5 And when the strife is fierce, the war-fare long, steals on the ear the
 *6 The gold - en eve - ning bright-ens in the west; soon, soon to faith-ful



dis - tant tri - umph song, and hearts are brave a - gain, and arms are
war - riors com - eth rest; sweet is the calm of par - a - dise the

strong. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
blest.

*7 But lo! there breaks a yet more glo - rious day; the
*8 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through

saints tri - umph - ant rise in bright ar - ray; the
gates of pearl streams in the count - less host

King of glo - ry pass - es on his way.
sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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The Dismissal is given, and the People respond in a loud voice, 'Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!'

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These are the Saints depicted by row:

1st Row left to right) Fannie Lou Hamer, St. Francis of Assisi, Dr. James Cone, St. Joseph and Baby Jesus, Fyodor Dostoevsky, Maya Angelou

2nd Row) Desmond Tutu, Pauli Murray, Henri Nouwen, Mother of God: Our Lady of the Oppressed, Mary Oliver, Frederick Douglass.

3rd Row) Bayard Rustin, Our Lady: Protectress of the Most Vulnerable, Mary Magdalene, Nicholas Black Elk, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Madonna and Child (the Madonna scroll)

4th Row) St. Thérèse of Lisieux, Dorothy Day, James Baldwin, Thomas Merton, Fred Rogers, Ruth and Naomi.

5th Row) J.R.R. Tolkien, Pope Francis, Marsha P. Johnson, Mother St. John Fontbonne, Rev. Dr. Martin. Luther King Jr., St. Hildegard of Bingen.

6th Row) St. Mark, Mahalia Jackson, Gustavo Gutierrez, John Lewis, St. Patrick, St. Dulce of the Poor.



Welcome to The Episcopal Church of the Advocate

We're glad you chose to worship with us today.

At the Advocate, we welcome you—just as you are. We believe that all of us are made in God's image, and it is our work to see and celebrate that image in each other. So we welcome all ages and stages of life and faith to worship together, trusting that God's love is bigger than anything that may appear to divide us.

Our work looks like: gathering for worship, joyfully praising God, singing, praying, and sharing the bread and wine that makes Jesus present to us. It looks like everyone gathering for lunch after the later service, and getting to know one another well. And once we are fed and inspired, it looks like going out into the world as people transformed, with compassion, to work for justice and to share a vision of what community can be.

We encourage you to participate fully in our worship today, in the way that is right for you: singing, praying, and being present together. Worshipers of all ages need to move around sometimes, and we welcome that. If caregivers need to leave the Chapel to help someone become re-centered, please return when you're ready. If you have something to say, please say it with respect for those around you who may be listening or praying. The best time to speak is when everyone is speaking. The best time to be quiet is when only one person is speaking. If your need today is to be silent, please know that response is also welcome.



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We encourage parents and caregivers to help young children engage in the service. You might point out what is going on ("She's reading a story from the Bible," or "Here's the hymn we're singing now"). You might hold the Liturgy Guide or Hymnal so your child may follow along, or even move your finger under the lines. Most importantly, sing, pray and respond yourself: your child will learn to participate by following your example.

We encourage all adults to affirm our children, and anyone who may worship differently from you, with comments such as, "It was wonderful to worship with you today," or, "I'm so glad to see you today." This honors the personhood, rather than the behavior, of the individual.

Children often can't distinguish between being laughed "at" or laughed "with," so we try to accept their contributions for what they are: an integral part of our common life and work.

We have an interesting story to tell, and we want to share it with you. You may discover more about our history, our worship, our property and our mission to the community on our website and our social media pages.



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