



THE WORSHIP OF GOD
All Saints Sunday
November 1, 2020

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Martin
Senior Minister

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

How Lovely, Lord, Is Your Abiding Place
Mr. Rick Massengale, organ

Hal Hopson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Martin

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

Rejoice in God's Saints

HANOVER

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Dr. Martin and **People**

O Lord, open my mouth,
and my lips will declare your praise.

***HYMN**

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE

*For all the saints, who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might;
thou, lord, their captain in the well fought fight:
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!*



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*From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia! Alleluia!*

***INVITATION, CONFESSION AND PARDON**

Dr. Martin and **People**

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,
who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another.
So now, let us rise in body or spirit and confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Let us pray together:

Gracious God, have mercy on us.

We confess thick tongues and awkward lives; we are slow to sing your praise.

**Yet, we plead, Lord, in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown, those things done and left undone.**

**Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and the glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

All pray in silence.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are a forgiven people. Glory to God!

Alleluia! Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love:

"The peace of Christ be with you." "And also with you."

ANTHEM

Jerusalem, My Happy Home

Mark Shepperd

*Jerusalem, my happy home, when shall I come to thee?
When shall my sorrows have an end? Thy joys when shall I see?*

*Thy gardens and thy gallant walks continually are green;
There grow such sweet and pleasant flowers as nowhere else are seen.*

*There trees forevermore bear fruit and evermore do spring;
There evermore the angels dwell and evermore do sing.*

*O Christ, do Thou my soul prepare for that bright home, of love
That I may see Thee and adore with all thy saints above.*

***PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

Dr. Martin and **People**

Prepare our hearts, O Lord, to accept your word.

Silence in us any voice but your own;

that hearing we may also obey your will;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***SCRIPTURE LESSON**

1 John 3:1-3

Dr. Martin

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. ²Beloved, 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. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Children of God

Dr. Martin

HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**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.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.

... And so,
in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice,
in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

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

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
that we may be for the world the body of Christ,
redeemed by his blood.
Renew our communion with all your saints,
especially those whom we name before you—

*THE NAMING OF THE SAINTS

Mr. Bill Webb

Silence may be kept for the remembrance of names.

We remember with thanksgiving the saints of our church who this year passed from the church on earth to the church triumphant.

Joan Alexander	November 22, 2019
Ilene Ayers	December 8, 2019
Sandy Choisnet	December 24, 2019
Rebecca Greenburg	December 31, 2019
Bill McKibben	January 20, 2020
Jack Wheeler	January 22, 2020
Norma Simmons	February 5, 2020
Mary Pierson	February 11, 2020
Ben Free	March 16, 2020
Mike Fowler	April 19, 2020
Rebecca Benefield	May 9, 2020
Ned Waller	July 4, 2020
Jane Ginn	July 15, 2020
Marjorie Nix	July 25, 2020
Ken Broady	August 4, 2020
William Rainouard	August 5, 2020

and all the Saints gone before us who we now name in our hearts.

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,
strengthen us to run with perseverance the race that is set before us,
looking to Jesus, the Pioneer and Perfecter of our faith.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ,
one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,
until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

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. Amen.

COMMUNION

*You are invited to contribute to the benevolence fund as you exit to assist those in need.
Please take communion at your seat and dispose of element containers as you exit the sanctuary.*

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Dr. Martin and **People**

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us.
Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

***HYMN**

Fairest Lord Jesus

ST. ELIZABETH

*Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature, O thou of God and man the Son,
Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, thou my soul's glory, joy, and crown.*

*Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.*

*Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, and all the twinkling starry host:
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels heaven can boast.*

*Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations! Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!*

***BENEDICTION**

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*May the peace of Christ go with you wherever he may send you.
May he guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm.
May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you.
May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our arms.*

POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune "Cebell"

Henry Purcell

Mr. Rick Massengale, organ

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

*Please exit by the chancel only.
Place bulletin in recycling bin or take it with you.
Offerings will be received by the chancel as you exit.*

Please remember in your prayers:

Billy Arnold
Van Askew
Carolyn Broady
Annelle Burch
Joe Byers

Quentin Cash
Colton Cauthen
Richard Clayton
Summer Dorsey
Howard Dunham

Margaret Grainger
Martha Hale
Cindy Jennings
Doris Kerlin
Lurlene Perry

Claudia Rhodes
Norma Saunders
Mabel Wilbanks
Brad Wilkinson



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