

SERVICE OF WORSHIP All Hallows' Eve Tuesday, October 31, 2023, 10:30 p.m.



Fra Angelico, The Forerunners of Christ with Saints and Martyrs, early 15th century

Tonight is the eve of All Saints' Day, the festival in the Church that recalls the faith and witness of our siblings in Christ throughout all ages. Tonight's service celebrates our continuing communion with them and memorializes the recently deceased. The early Church followed the Jewish custom that a new day begins at sundown; therefore, the observation of feasts and festivals in the Church still begins the night before. The night before All Saints' (or All Hallows') became known as All Hallows' Eve, or Halloween. While we celebrate and commemorate the faithful departed, our Scripture readings tonight point to Jesus, for it is by faith in him that we step from darkness into light and from death into life.

Gathering

The service begins in the Memorial Garden. The ushers will distribute candles.

*Greeting

Minister: Light and peace in Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Opening Prayer | In unison:

Lord Christ, your saints have shown your light to the world in every generation: grant that we who follow in their footsteps may be worthy by your grace to enter with them into that heavenly country, where you live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

*Procession of the Saints | The congregation will silently follow the crucifer and worship leaders inside, bearing the light with them. The choir sings from the triforium and transepts while the congregation processes into the chancel to be seated. If the chancel fills, please sit in the chairs at the front of the nave.

*Introit

Funeral Ikos

John Tavener (1944–2013)

Why these bitter words of the dying,
O brethren, which they utter as they go hence?
I am parted from my brethren.
All my friends do I abandon, and go hence.
But whither I go, that understand I not,
neither what shall become of me yonder;
only God who hath summoned me knoweth.
But make commemoration of me with the song:
Alleluia.

But whither now go the souls? How dwell they now together there? This mystery have I desired to learn, but none can impart aright. Do they call to mind their own people, as we do them? Or have they forgotten all those who mourn them and make the song:

Alleluia.

We go forth on the path eternal, and as condemned, with downcast faces, present ourselves before the only God eternal. Where then is comeliness? Where then is wealth? Where then is the glory of this world? There shall none of these things aid us, but only to say oft the psalm: Alleluia.

If thou hast shown mercy unto man, O man, that same mercy shall be shown thee there; and if on an orphan thou hast shown compassion, the same shall there deliver thee from want. If in this life the naked thou hast clothed, the same shall give thee shelter there, and sing the psalm: *Alleluia*.

Youth and the beauty of the body fade at the hour of death, and the tongue then burneth fiercely, and the parched throat is inflamed.

The beauty of the eyes is quenched then, the comeliness of the face all altered, the shapeliness of the neck destroyed; and the other parts have become numb, nor often say: *Alleluia*.

With ecstasy are we inflamed if we but hear that there is light eternal yonder; that there is Paradise, wherein every soul of righteous ones rejoiceth.

Let us all also enter into Christ, that all we may cry aloud thus unto God: Alleluia.

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

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You may extinguish your candles.

*Confession and Words of Assurance | In unison:

Almighty and most merciful Father,

We have wandered and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We have offended against your holy laws.

We have left undone those things that we ought to have done, and we have done those things that we ought not to have done; there is no health in us.

But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us sinners.

Spare those who confess their faults.

Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to us in Christ Jesus our Lord.

And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may live a disciplined, righteous, and godly life, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

The minister speaks words of assurance.

*Peace | All exchange signs and words of God's peace.

Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination | In unison:

O Living God, bring us forth from death to life, so that as the scriptures are read and your word is proclaimed, we, like all of your saints, may be brought to a sure and living faith in your lordship; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Lesson | NT page 235 in pew Bibles.

Revelation 7:9-17

Lector: The word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Witness of the Saints

St. Monica (c. 332–387)

Musical Response | Please join the choir in singing the hymn printed at the back.

Christ, Mighty Savior

INNISFREE FARM arr. Zebulon Highben

Witness of the Saints

The Venerable Bede (c. 672–735)

Musical Response

Pie Jesu Mårten Jansson

Pie Jesu Domine, dona eis requiem.

Merciful Lord Jesus, grant them rest.

-Western Requiem Mass

Second Lesson | NT page 225 in pew Bibles.

1 John 3:1-3

Lector: The word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Witness of the Saints

St. Anthony of Kiev (c. 983–1073)

Musical Response | Please join the choir in singing the hymn printed at the back.

Jerusalem, My Happy Home

LAND OF REST

Witness of the Saints

Sr. Thea Bowman (1937–1990)

Musical Response

Steal Away

arr. Joseph Jennings

Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus.

Steal away, steal away home.

I ain't got long to stay here.

My Lord, he calls me, he calls me by the thunder.

The trumpet sounds within-a my soul.

I ain't got long to stay here.

Green trees are bending, poor sinner stands a-trembling.

The trumpet sounds within-a my soul.

I ain't got long to stay here.

—Black spiritual

*Gospel Lesson | NT page 4 in pew Bibles.

Matthew 5:1-12

Lector: The word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Response
*Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

He rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Call to Prayer

Minister: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Minister: Let us pray.

Prayers of the People | The congregation responds to each petition:

People: Hear our prayer.

Thanksgiving and Holy Communion

*The Great Thanksgiving | Word and Table Service I, found on page 9 at the front of the hymnal. The "Holy, holy, holy" will be sung by the choir.

*The Lord's Prayer | All are encouraged to pray the Lord's Prayer in the language of their choosing. The English version is number 895 in the hymnal.

Sharing of the Bread and Wine | All who love Christ, earnestly repent of their sins, and seek to be at peace with God and neighbor are invited to receive Communion. Bread and wine are used for communion. You may receive wine by dipping or drinking from the cup. If you desire gluten-free bread, it is available from the server near Memorial Chapel. If you will not receive Communion, you are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.

Communion Music

Pastorale

*Prayer After Thanksgiving | In unison:

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. We praise you that through this meal you assure us that we are living members of the Body of Christ and heirs of your eternal kingdom. 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.

Sending Forth
*Benediction

*The Sharing of the Light | The choir sings while candles are lit.

O Nata Lux Kerry Andrew

O nata lux de lumine,
Jesu redemptor saeculi,
Dignare clemens supplicum
laudes preces que sumere.
Qui carne quondam contegi dignatus es pro perditis,
Nos membra confer effici tui beati corporis.

O born light of light,
Jesus, redeemer of the world,
mercifully deem worthy and accept
the praises and prayers of your supplicants.
You who once deigned to be clothed in flesh for the sake of the lost,
grant us to be made members of your holy body.

—Hymn for Lauds on Transfiguration

*Sending Hymn | UMH 711

For All the Saints SINE NOMINE

*Closing Procession | At the hymn's conclusion, the crucifer and torches will lead a candlelight procession out of the chancel, signifying the light of Christ shining in the world. Please feel free to remain in the chancel for the organ postlude if you would prefer. Should you need to leave, please do so quietly and respectfully.

Aria, Opus 51

Flor Peeters (1903–1986)

TODAY IN WORSHIP

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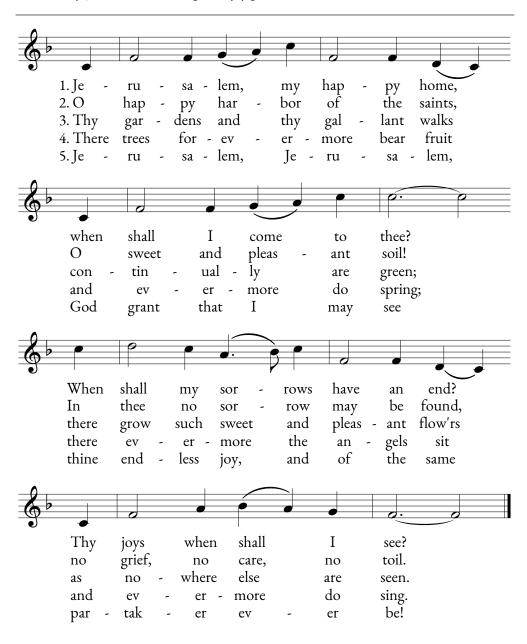
Text: Mozarabic, 10th cent.

trans. Alan McDougall, 1895–1964; para. Anne LeCroy

Music: Richard Wayne Dirksen, 1921-2003

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Text: F. B. P., 16th cent.

Music: North American traditional

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