ALL SAINTS SUNDAY C – NOVEMBER 6, 2022

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Jesus, Master, + have mercy on us.

Amen.

Holy Spirit, empower us to confess our sins, and trust in God.

God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

We continually create idols.

We exalt ourselves.

We ignore our neighbors.

We are captives of Sin and cannot free ourselves.

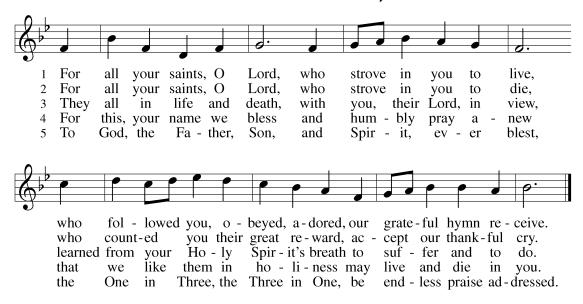
Brother Jesus, Good Physician, be our balm and cleansing bath, redeem us and save us, so we may rightly worship God, live lives of humble gratitude, and love our neighbor as ourselves.

Beloved in Christ, I assure you that: God is the Father of Mercies. Jesus is our Savior and Redeemer.

There is a Balm in Gilead.

In Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven. May God Almighty strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen**.

ENTRANCE HYMN LBW#176 "For All Your Saints, O Lord"



GREETING (LBW p. 78)

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

HYMN OF PRAISE (LBW P. 81)



PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

FIRST READING: DANIEL 7:1-3, 15-18

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: "As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 149



Hallelujah! Sing to the LORD a new song,

God's praise in the assembly | of the faithful.

Let Israel rejoice | in their maker;

let the children of Zion be joyful | in their ruler.

Let them praise their maker's | name with dancing; let them sing praise with tambou- | rine and harp.

For the LORD takes pleasure | in the people and adorns the | poor with victory. R

Let the faithful re- | joice in triumph; let them sing for joy | on their beds.

Let the praises of God be | in their throat and a two-edged sword | in their hand,

to wreak vengeance | on the nations and punishment | on the peoples,

to bind their | kings in chains and their nobles with | links of iron,

to inflict on them the judg- | ment decreed; this is glory for all God's faithful ones. | Hallelujah! R

SECOND READING: EPHESIANS 1:11-23

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (LBW p. 83)



GOSPEL: LUKE 6:20-31

The holy gospel according to Luke the 6th chapter.



Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,

for yours is the kingdom of God.

"Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,

for you will laugh.

"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

"But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

"Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,

for you will mourn and weep.

"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you."

The gospel of the Lord.



SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY WOV#690 "Shall We Gather at the River"



- Shall we gath er at the riv er, where bright an gel feet have trod,
- On the mar gin of the riv er, wash ing up its sil ver spray, Ere we reach the shin-ing riv er, lay we ev 'ry bur den down;
- Soon we'll reach the shin-ing riv er, soon our pil-grim-age will cease;



with its crys-tal tide for-ev-er flow-ing by the throne of God? we will walk and wor - ship ev - er, all the hap - py gold - en day. grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, and pro-vide a robe and crown. soon our hap-py hearts will quiv-er with the mel-o - dy 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

APOSTLES' CREED (LBW p. 85)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. 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 into hell.* 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 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. Amen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

United with your saints across time and place, we pray for our shared world.

Holy One, your church rests on the faithful who came before us. Give bishops, pastors, deacons, and lay leaders the will to carry the church forward and discern your will for the future. Lord, in your mercy,

receive our prayer.

Holy One, the earth is yours and all that dwells within it. Care for places ravaged by natural disasters (especially). Quell raging fires and halt destruction caused by flooding. Lord, in your mercy,

receive our prayer.

Holy One, you raise up leaders to guide your people. Kindle in them a passion to care for others, a desire to seek the common good, and the courage to love their enemies. Lord, in your mercy,

receive our prayer.

Holy One, you bless those who are poor, hungry, and reviled. Provide food, housing, and security to all who are vulnerable or in crisis. May those who have more than enough give generously. Lord, in your mercy, receive our prayer.

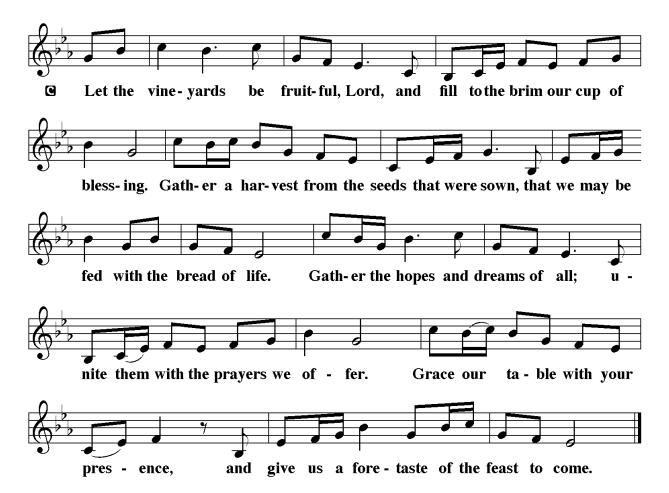
Holy One, hold us in community with one another. Nurture a spirit of abundant hospitality and intentional inclusion among us, welcoming the gifts of adults and children. Inspire creative visions for our life together. Lord, in your mercy, receive our prayer.

Holy One, we remember in thanksgiving all those who have died. (Here the names of those who have died in the previous year may be read.) Wipe away our tears and comfort us with the promise of everlasting life in you. Lord, in your mercy, receive our prayer.

Accept these prayers, gracious God, and those known only to you; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

OFFERING (LBW p. 86)



OFFERING PRAYER (LBW p. 87)

Merciful Father,

we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (LBW p. 88) DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

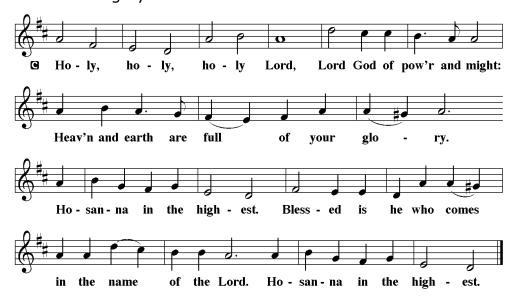
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE (LBW p. 90)

Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.

In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

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.
Again, 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.

LORD'S PRAYER (LBW p. 91)

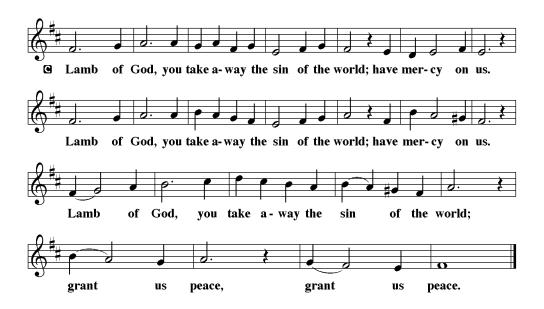
Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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 and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

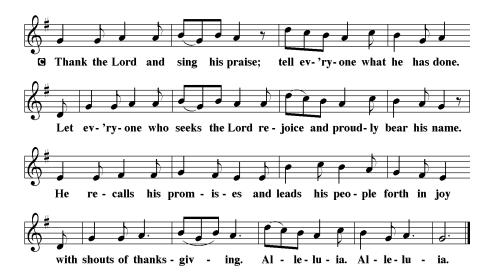
Taste and see that the Lord is good.

COMMUNION (LBW p. 92)



The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (LBW P. 94)

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

BLESSING

Have hope!

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning.

Great is your faithfulness O God! Amen.

SENDING HYMN LBW#174 "For All the Saints"



DISMISSAL

Go in peace, pray always, do not lose heart!

Thanks be to God.

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