

Thought for the Week

"God, who foresaw your tribulation, has specially armed you to go through it, not without pain but without stain." - C.S. Lewis

Gathering and Welcome

Sharing Joys and Concerns

***Call to Worship**

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

P. **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.**

L. O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold fight as the saints who nobly fought of old, and win with them the victor's crown of gold.

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

L. Alleluia, Alleluia!

All: Alleluia, Alleluia!

Opening Prayer

God of mercy and truth, through the waters of our baptism you have made us your own. From the wandering wilderness of our existence, you lead us to the river's shore, part the waters, and bring us to where we can abide with you in peace. We pray that our lives and the work of our hands may please you and accomplish your will for creation. Amen.

Responsive Psalm 34:1-10, 22

L: I will bless the LORD at all times; God's praise shall continually be in my mouth.

P: **My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the afflicted hear and be glad.**

L: O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt God's name together!

P: **I sought the Lord, who answered me, and delivered me from all my fears.**

L: Look to God and be radiant; so your faces shall never be ashamed.

P: **The poor cried out, and the Lord heard, and saved them out of all their troubles.**

L: The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear God, and delivers them.

P: **O taste and see that the Lord is good! Happy are those who take refuge in God!**

L: O fear the Lord, you his holy ones, for those who fear God have no want.

P: **The young lions suffer want and hunger, but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.**

All: **The Lord redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in God will be condemned.**

Affirmation of Faith

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;* the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be
World without end. Amen

The Church Proclaims the Word

Scripture Reading: Revelations 7:9-17; Matthew 5:1-12

Reader: The Word of God for the People of God

Response: Thanks be to God

Message

The "Great Ordeal"

The Rev Dr Dianne Carpenter

Organ Music for Reflection

Faith of Our Fathers

Response to the Word

Invitation

Confession and Pardon

Beloved God, who was known to our mothers and fathers, and even to our spiritual forebears, have mercy on us. We do not always love as you would have us love. We

do not always do as you would have us do. In our stubbornness, we turn from you when we should turn toward you. Hold us, dear One - comfort us when we mourn the passing of friends and family, and help us to know that they are rejoicing in your presence. We praise you for the grace you shower on us, constantly forgiving our errors, especially the ones that we don't share with any but you. Hear now the silent fears and worries of our hearts. ***

Prayers of the People

Prayer for the Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Lord, you have given to us so much. Help these gifts be used for ministries of hope and healing throughout your world. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Responses: 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.
Christ has died, Christ is Risen, Christ will Come again. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Communion

The Church Goes Forth

All Saints Prayer

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of your son Christ our Lord. Grant us grace so to follow your holy saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys, which you have prepared for those who sincerely love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Benediction

"God Be With You"

God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you,
with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.

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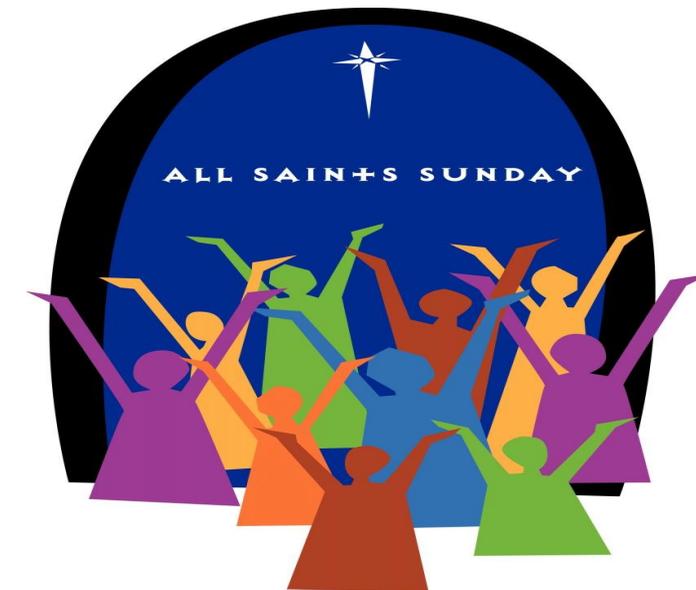
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