

GRACE EPISCOPAL church



The Solemnity of All Saints

Sunday, November 2, 2025

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WE are a diverse community united by our commitment to Jesus Christ and our desire to live the Christian life. Our prayers and the Sacraments help us find Christ in church and in the world. Seeing Christ in each other and in the faces of strangers, we are inspired to reach out in love and service.

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WELCOME to all who are joining with us virtually as we celebrate *ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY*. We hope you feel at home with us and that you find the love, peace, inspiration, and strength to meet the challenges of your daily life.

We hope that you will take part in our worship by making the Peoples' responses as indicated and joining in the hymn-singing.

If you would like more information about Grace Church, or the Episcopal Church, please communicate with our Rector, The Rev. Rowena Kemp, or make an appointment with her to discuss any questions you have.

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Solemn High Mass, 10:30 A.M.

Propers of All Saints ~ Yr C

Mass Setting: *Missa "Sine Nomine"*

Ludovico Viadana (d. 1627)

This setting of the Ordinary of the Mass will be sung by the choir.

Voluntary: Prelude in E minor

Nicolaus Bruhns (d. 1697)

THE PROCESSION

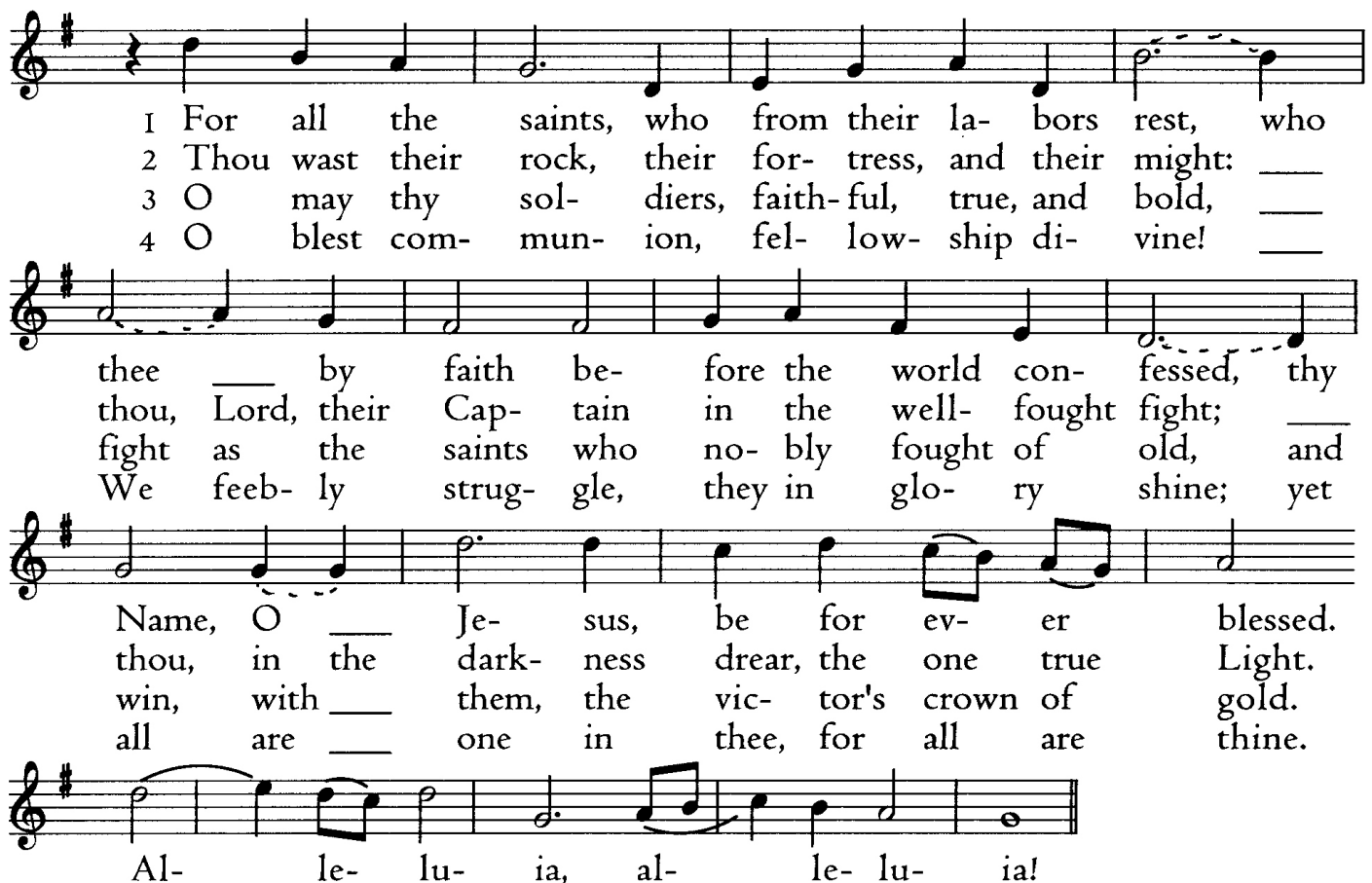
Celebrant: Let us go forth in peace.

People: In the Name of Christ. Amen.

Hymn 287, vv. 1-4 (*sung by all*)

"For all the saints"

Sine Nomine



1 For all the saints, who from their labors rest, who
2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might: _____
3 O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold, _____
4 O blest communion, fellowship divine! _____

thee _____ by faith before the world confessed, thy
thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight; _____
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old, and
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet

Name, O _____ Jesus, be for ever blessed.
thou, in the darkness drear, the one true Light.
win, with _____ them, the victor's crown of gold.
all are _____ one in thee, for all are thine.

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

Station at the Font

Celebrant: The righteous shall be had in everlasting remembrance.

People: The memory of the just is blessed.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY, everlasting God, who in the hearts of thy saints lightest up the flame of thy love; grant unto our souls the same faith and charity which thou gavest them; that as we rejoice in their triumphs, so we may profit by their examples; through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Hymn 287, vv. 5 & 6 (*choir*)

5 And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long, steals on the ear the distant triumph song, and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia, alleluia!

6 The golden evening brightens in the west; soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest; sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia, alleluia!

Station at the Rood Beam

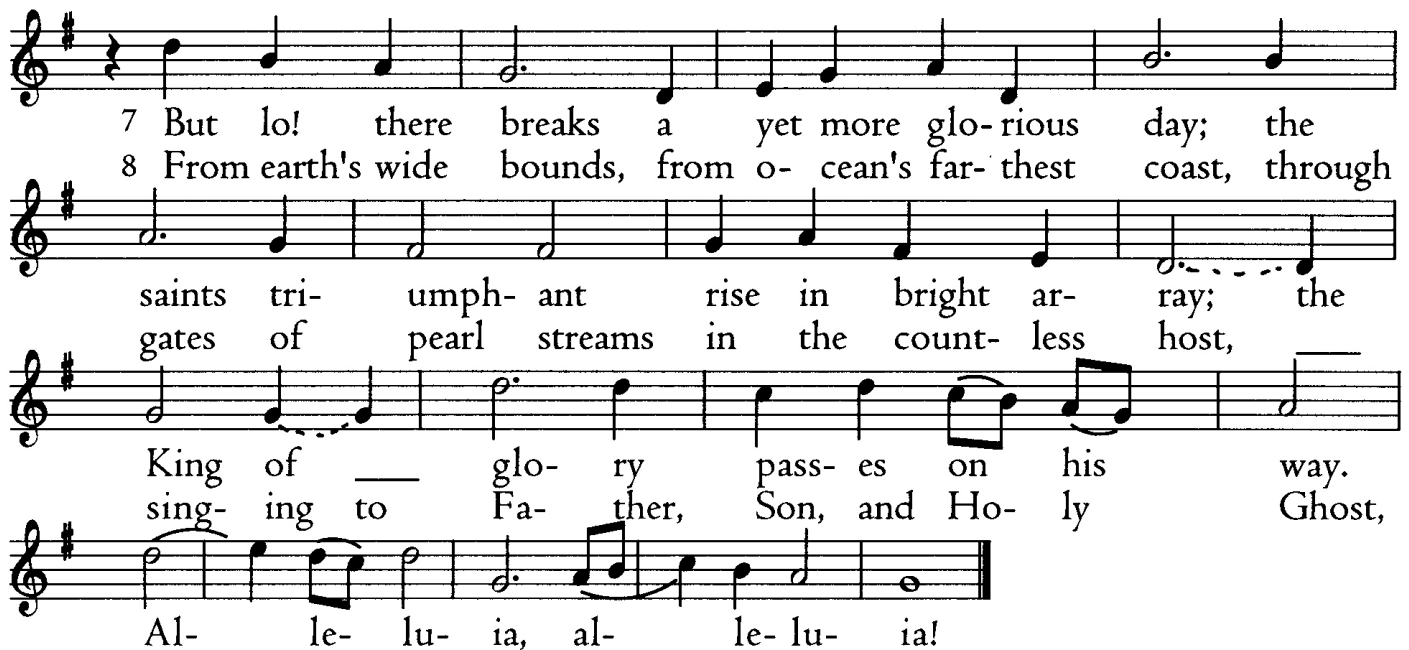
Celebrant: Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness.

People: And let thy saints sing with joyfulness.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY GOD, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world unto himself: Mercifully grant that we, who glory in the mystery of our redemption, may have grace to take up our cross and follow him; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

Hymn 287, vv. 7 & 8 (*sung by all*)



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!

Concluding Collect at the High Altar

O Almighty God, who hast compassed us about with so great a cloud of witnesses: Grant that we, encouraged by the good example of thy servants, may persevere in running the race that is set before us, until at length, through thy mercy, we may with them attain to thine eternal joy; through Jesus Christ, the author and perfecter of our faith, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*



THE WORD OF GOD

Introit (*choir*) *Gaudeamus*

Mode I

REJOICE we all together in the Lord, celebrating a holy-day in honour of all the Saints, in whose solemnity the angels rejoice, and sing praises unto the Son of God.

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: ✠ Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

ALmighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Summary of the Law

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

THOU shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Kyrie eleison (*choir*)

L. Viadana

KYRIE ELEISON. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.
[Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.]

Gloria in excelsis (*choir*)

L. Viadana

GLORIA in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis. Laudamus te. Benedicimus te. Adoramus te. Glorificamus te. Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam. Domine Deus, Rex coelestis. Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili unigenite Jesu Christe: Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris. Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostrum. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis. Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, tu solus Dominus, tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe. Cum Sancto Spiritu in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

[Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.]

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The LORD be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

O Almighty God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord: Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys which thou hast prepared for those who unfeignedly love thee; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

The Old Testament: Daniel 7: 1-3, 15-18 [NRSV]

A Reading from the Book of Daniel.

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.

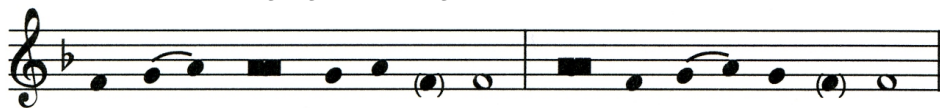
People's Response: Thanks be to God.

The Gradual: Psalm 149

Cantate Domino

Tone VI

(Congregation sings the italicized verses)



- 1 O SING unto the LORD | a new song;
 * *let the congregation / of sãints praise him.*
- 2 *Let Israel rejoice in him / that made him,*
 * *and let the children of Sion be joy- / ful in their king.*
- 3 Let them praise his Name in | the dance;
 * let them sing praises unto him | with tãbret and ^ harp.
- 4 *For the LORD hath pleasure in / his people,*
 * *and helpeth / the mœek-hearted.*
- 5 Let the saints be joyful | with glory;
 * let them | rejoice in their ^ beds.
- 6 *Let the praises of God be in / their mouth;*
 * *and a two-edg- / èd swòrd in their ^ hands;*
- 7 To be avenged of | the nations,
 * and to re- | buke thë peoples;
- 8 *To bind their kings / in chains,*
 * *and their nobles / with links of iron;*
- 9 To execute judgment upon them†; as it is | written,
 * *Such ho- / nour häve all his ^ saints.*

The New Testament Lesson: Ephesians I: 11-23 [NRSV]

A Reading from the Book of Ephesians.

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.

People's Response: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia (*people's part in italics*) *Venite ad me*

Tone VI

Cantor: Al-le-lu-ia.

People: Al-le-lu-ia.

Choir: COME UNTO ME, all ye that labour and are heavy laden: and I will give you rest.

People: Al-le-lu-ia.

The Holy Gospel: St. Luke 6: 20-31 [RSV]

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: ✠ Glory be to thee, O LORD.

AND he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said: "Blessed are you poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you that hunger now, for you shall be satisfied. Blessed are you that weep now, for you shall laugh. Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you and revile you, and cast out your name as evil, on account of the Son of man! Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets. But woe to you that are rich, for you have received your consolation. Woe to you that are full now, for you shall hunger. Woe to you that laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep. Woe to you, when all men speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets. But I say to you that hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. To him who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from him who takes away your cloak do not withhold your coat as well. Give to every one who begs from you; and of him who takes away your goods do not ask them again. And as you wish that men would do to you, do so to them."

The Gospel of the LORD.

People's Response: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev. Marta S. Rivera Monclova, PhD, *Curate*



The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Celebrant: Dearly beloved, I call upon you to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and all his works, and promised to serve God faithfully in his holy Catholic Church.

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Response: I do.

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: 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.

Celebrant: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: 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.

Celebrant: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: I will, with God's help.

Celebrant: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: I will, with God's help.

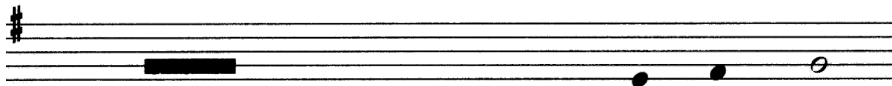
Celebrant: May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Amen.*



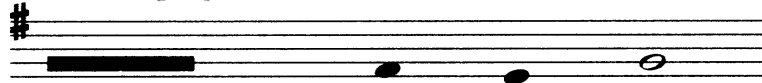


The Prayers of the People

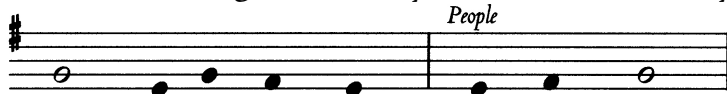
Form IV



Leader: Let us pray for the Church and | for the world.



Grant almighty God, that all who confess thy Name may be united in thy truth, live together in thy love, and reveal thy glory / in the world. *(Silence)*



Lord, in thy mer - cy *People* hear our prayer. *(Sung after every intercession)*

Leader: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the / common good. *(Silence)*
Lord, in thy mercy *People: hear our prayer.*

Leader: Give us all a reverence for the earth as thine own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to thy hon-/or and glory. *(Silence)*
Lord, in thy mercy *People: hear our prayer.*

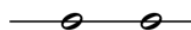
Leader: We pray for an increase in the membership of this parish; that we may have the hands and hearts to carry / out thy will. *(Silence)*
Lord, in thy mercy *People: hear our prayer.*

Leader: We commend to thy gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad [*especially N.*]. Defend them day by day with thy heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of thine abiding presence wherever / they may be. *(Silence)*
Lord, in thy mercy *People: hear our prayer.*

Leader: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit *(pause)*; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of / thy salvation. *(Silence)*
Lord, in thy mercy *People: hear our prayer.*

Leader: We commend to thy mercy all who have died, that thy will for them may be fulfilled *(pause)*; and we pray that we may share with all thy saints in thine e-/ternal kingdom. *(Silence)*
Lord, in thy mercy *People: hear our prayer.*

Celebrant: Lord, hear the prayers of thy people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *People*



A - men.

Confession of Sin and Absolution

Deacon: Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: draw near with faith, and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

People: Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, ✠ pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Comfortable Words

Celebrant: Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

COME unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *Matthew 11: 28*

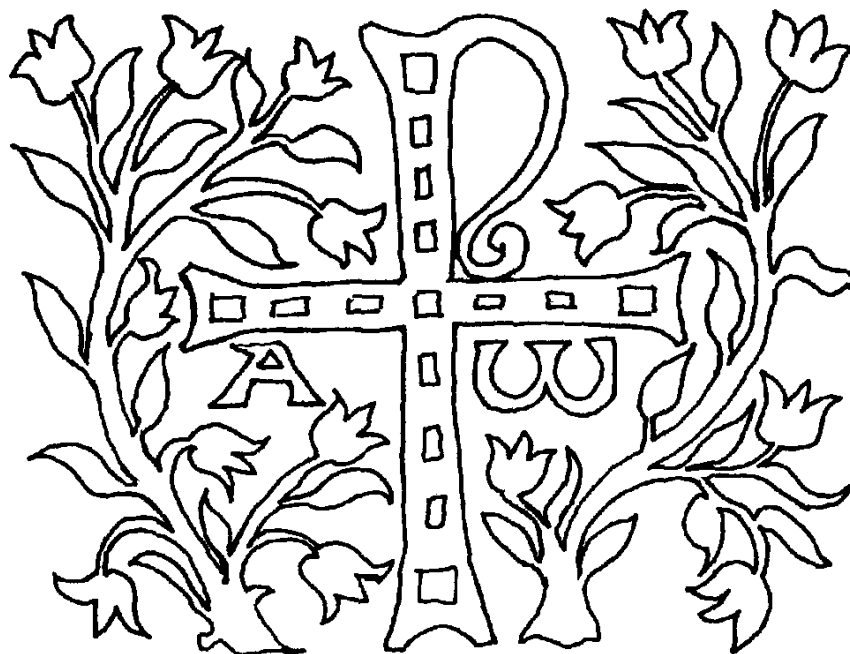
GOD so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3: 16*

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the LORD be always with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the Name of the Lord.





THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

Celebrant: Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good thy vows unto the Most High. *Psalm 50: 14*

Offertory (choir) *Justorum animae*

Mode I

THE souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there no torment shall ever touch them. In the sight of the unwise they seemed to have died, but however they are in peace, alleluia.

Hymn 656 (sung by all)

"Blest are the Pure in Heart"

Franconia

1 Blest are the pure in heart, for they shall see our God; the
 2 The Lord, who left the heavens our life and peace to bring, to
 3 he to the low - ly soul will still him - self im - part and
 4 Lord, we thy pres - ence seek; may ours this bless - ing be; give

se - cret of the Lord is theirs, their soul is Christ's a - bode.
 dwell in low - li - ness with us, our pat - tern and our King;
 for his dwell - ing and his throne will choose the pure in heart.
 us a pure and low - ly heart, a tem - ple fit for thee.

Presentation of the alms and oblations

Celebrant: All things come of thee, O LORD,

People: And of thine own have we given thee.

Orate

Celebrant: Pray that this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

People: May the LORD receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his holy Name, both to our benefit and that of all his holy Church.

Sursum corda

Celebrant: The LORD be with you. *People:* And with thy spi - rit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts. *People:* We lift them up un - to the LORD.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.

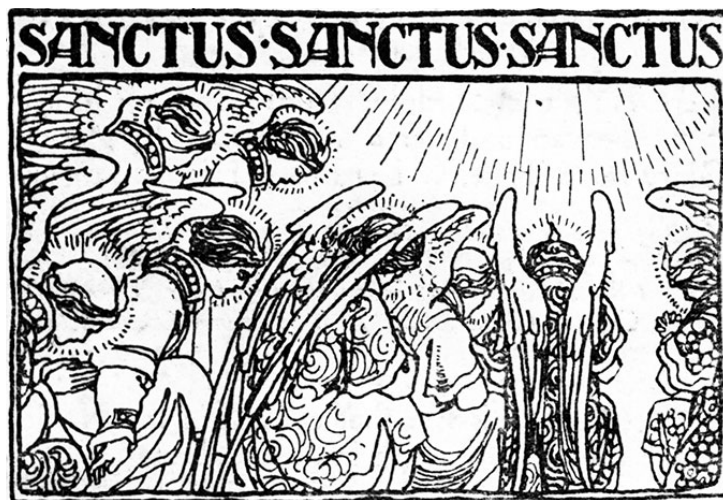
People: It is meet and right so to do.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant says,

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

WHO, in the multitude of thy saints, hast compassed us about with so great a cloud of witnesses, that we, rejoicing in their fellowship, may run with patience the race that is set before us; and, together with them, may receive the crown of glory that fadeth not away.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,



Sanctus and Benedictus (*choir*)

L. Viadana

SANCTUS, sanctus, sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. ✠ Benedictus, que venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

[Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest. ✠ Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.]

ALL glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender
A mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our
redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect,
and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and
did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of
that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks,
he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is
given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ✠

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to
them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is
shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it,
in remembrance of me." ✠

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly
beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make
here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee,
the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed
passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering
unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the
same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty
goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy
gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our
Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be
partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of
praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and
death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole
Church, may obtain remission of our sins and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be
a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all
others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most
precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, ✠ be filled with thy grace and heavenly
benediction, and made one body with him that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any
sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing
our merits but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

BY whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be
B unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

People

● — ○ — ○ — +
A- men.



The Lord's Prayer (*sung by all*)

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Fa-ther, who art in hea-ven, hal-low-ed be thy Name,
thy king-dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in hea-ven.
Give us this day our dai-ly bread. And for-give us our tres-pas-ses,
as we for-give those who tres-pass a-gainst us. And lead us not in-to
temp-ta-tion, but de-liv-er us from e-vil. For thine is the king-dom,
and the power, and the glo-ry, for ev-er and ev-er. A-men.

The Fraction

Celebrant
Al-le-lu-ia. Christ our Pass-o-ver is sac-ri-ficed for us.
People
There-fore let us keep the feast. Al-le-lu-ia.

Agnus Dei (*choir*)

L. Viadana

AGNUS DEI, qui tollis peccata mundi miserere nobis. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi dona nobis pacem.

[O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.]

Prayer of Humble Access (*said by all*)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Invitation to Communion

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

People: LORD, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof; but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.

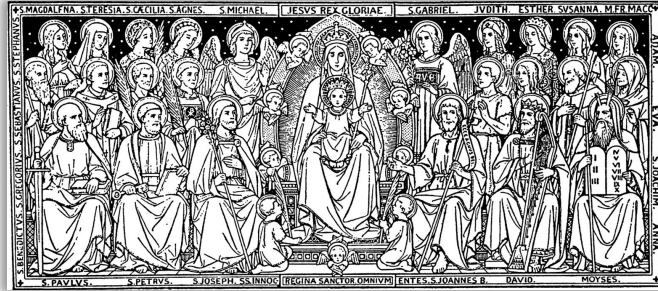
Communion (*choir*) *Beati mundo corde*

Mode I

BLESSED ARE THE PURE IN HEART, for it is they that shall see our God. Blessed are the peace-makers, for they shall be called the children of God. Blessed are they who suffer persecution for righteousness sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Prayer of Spiritual Communion (*said by those worshipping virtually*)

IN UNION, O Dear LORD, with the faithful at every Altar of Thy Church, where Thy blessed Body and Blood are being offered to the Father, I desire to offer Thee praise and thanksgiving. I present to Thee my soul and body, with the earnest wish that I may ever be united to Thee. And since I cannot now receive Thee sacramentally, I beseech Thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to Thee, and embrace Thee with all the affections of my soul. O let nothing ever separate me from Thee. Let me live and die in Thy love. Amen.



Motet (*choir*)

Tomas Luis de Victoria (d. 1611)

Quam gloriosum est regnum, in quo cum Christo gaudent omnes sancti; amicti stolis albis, sequuntur Agnum, quocumque ierit.

[O how glorious is the kingdom wherein all the saints rejoice with Christ; clothed in white robes they follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth.]

Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion

Celebrant: Let us pray.

People: Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these Holy Mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical Body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The All Saints Blessing

MAY ALMIGHTY GOD, to whose glory we celebrate this festival of all the Saints, be now and evermore your guide and companion in the way. *Amen.*

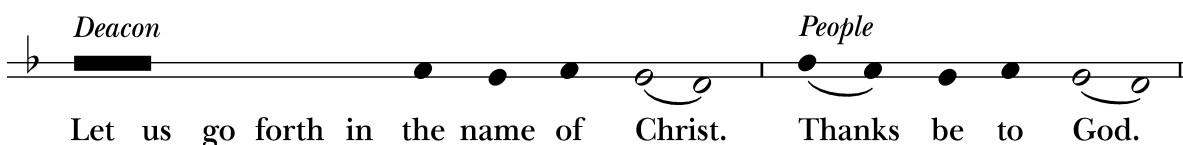
MAY GOD, who has bound us together in the company of the elect, in this age and in the age to come, attend to the prayers of his faithful servants on your behalf, as he hears your prayers for them. *Amen.*

MAY GOD, who has given us, in the lives of his saints, patterns of holy living and victorious dying, strengthen your faith and devotion, and enable you to bear witness to the truth against all adversity. *Amen.*

AND THE BLESSING OF GOD ALMIGHTY, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

The Dismissal

Hymnal S I74



Celebrant: The LORD be with you.

People: And with thy spirit.

Celebrant: The Beginning of the holy Gospel according to John.

People: ✠ Glory be to thee, O LORD.

IN THE BEGINNING was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him: and without Him was not anything made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men: and the light shineth in the darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that light, but was sent to bear witness of that light.

That was the true light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.



(Here genuflect) AND THE WORD WAS MADE FLESH, *(Here rise)* and dwelt among us: and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the Only-begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

People: Thanks be to God.



Salve Regina (*choir*)

Mode V

SALVE REGINA, mater misericordiæ: Vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra salve. Ad te Sclamamus, exsules filii Hevæ. Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes in hac lacrimarum valle. Eia ergo, advocata nostra, illos tuos misericordes oculos ad nos converte. Et Jesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui, nobis post hoc exsilium ostende. O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria.

[Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile show us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.]



THE ANGELUS

Celebrant: The Angel of the LORD announced unto Mary.

People: And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.

Celebrant: Hail Mary, full of grace, the LORD is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

People: Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Celebrant: Behold the handmaid of the LORD.

People: Be it unto me according to thy word.

Celebrant: Hail Mary, full of grace, the LORD is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

People: Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

(Here genuflect) Celebrant: And the Word was made flesh.

(Here rise) People: And dwelt among us.

Celebrant: Hail Mary, full of grace, the LORD is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

People: Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

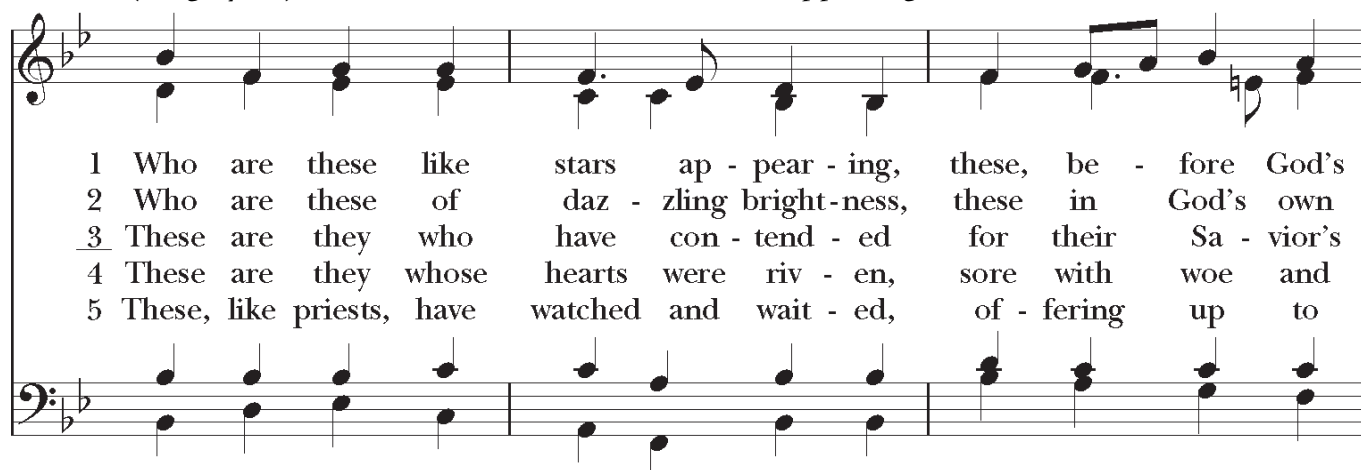
Celebrant: Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.

People: That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

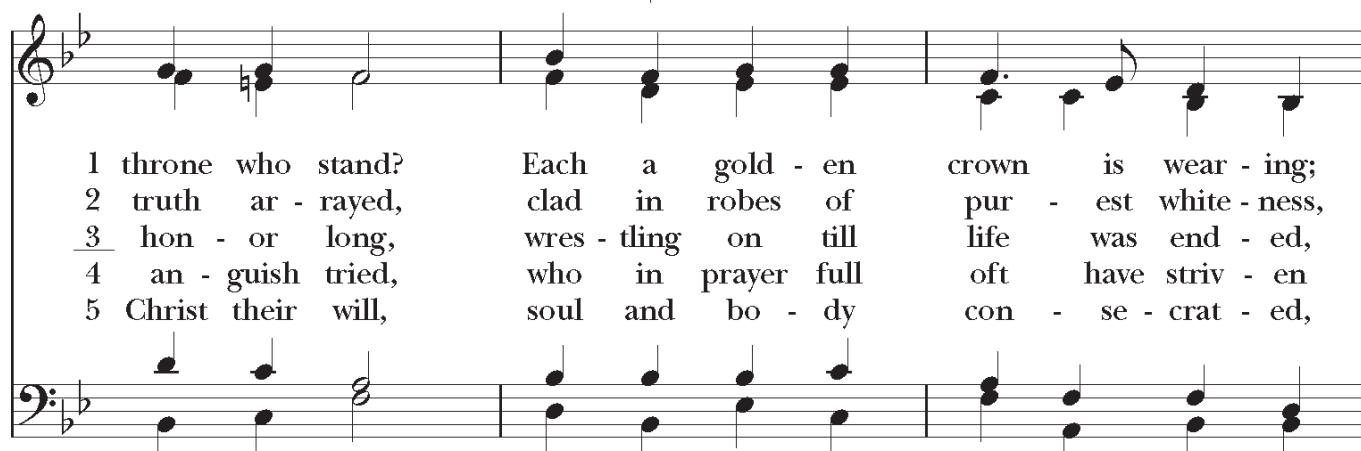
Celebrant: Let us pray.

WE beseech thee, O LORD, pour thy grace into our hearts, that, as we have known the Incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his ✠ Passion we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection, through the same Christ our LORD. *Amen.*

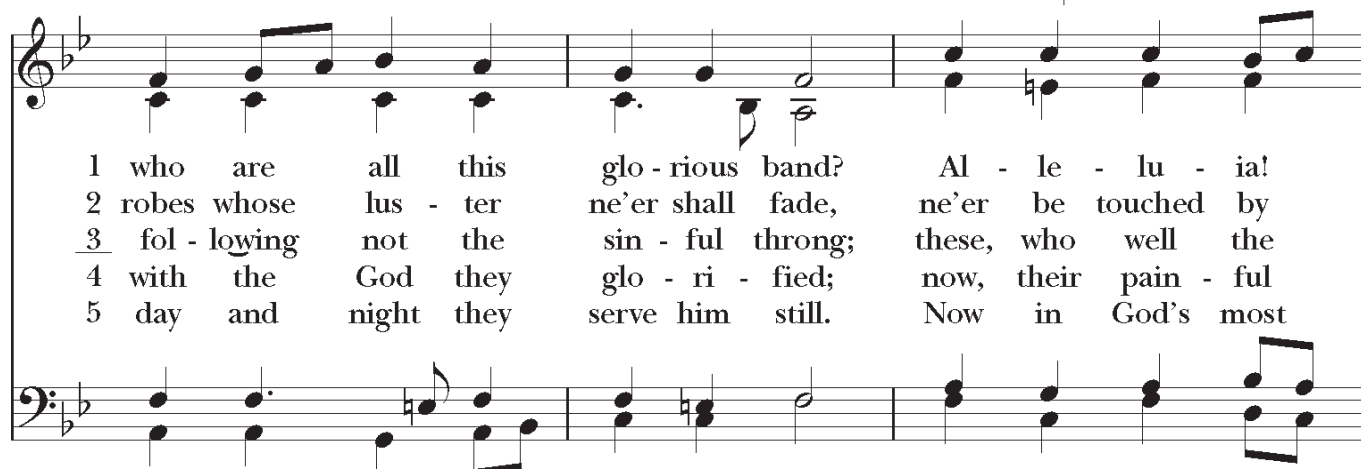




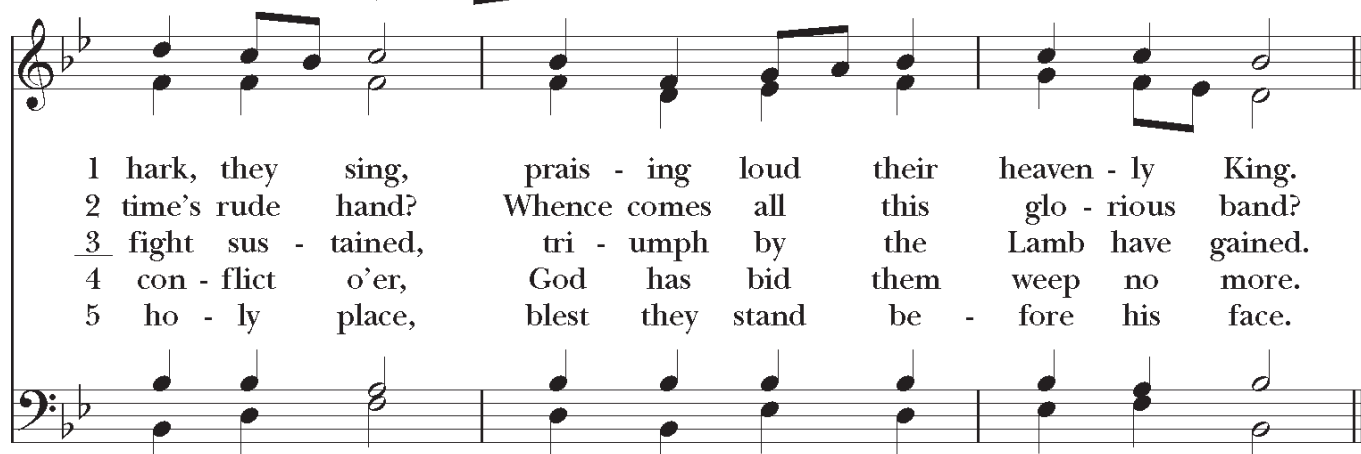
1 Who are these like stars ap - pear - ing, these, be - fore God's
 2 Who are these of daz - zling bright-ness, these in God's own
 3 These are they who have con - tend - ed for their Sa - vior's
 4 These are they whose hearts were riv - en, sore with woe and
 5 These, like priests, have watched and wait - ed, of - fering up to



1 throne who stand? Each a gold - en crown is wear - ing;
 2 truth ar - rayed, clad in robes of pur - est white - ness,
 3 hon - or long, wres - tling on till life was end - ed,
 4 an - guish tried, who in prayer full oft have striv - en
 5 Christ their will, soul and bo - dy con - se - crat - ed,



1 who are all this glo - rious band? Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 robes whose lus - ter ne'er shall fade, ne'er be touched by
 3 fol - lowing not the sin - ful throng; these, who well the
 4 with the God they glo - ri - fied; now, their pain - ful
 5 day and night they serve him still. Now in God's most



1 hark, they sing, prais - ing loud their heaven - ly King.
 2 time's rude hand? Whence comes all this glo - rious band?
 3 fight sus - tained, tri - umph by the Lamb have gained.
 4 con - flict o'er, God has bid them weep no more.
 5 ho - ly place, blest they stand be - fore his face.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF THOSE WHO HAVE JOINED THE GREATER COMMUNION OF SAINTS

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November 2, 2025 – All Saints’ Day, tr. (C)
The Nicene Creed: Week 8

To commemorate the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea, the Rt. Rev. Matthew Gunter, bishop of Wisconsin, has written a series of reflections on the Nicene Creed and its relevance for contemporary Episcopalians.

That doesn’t leave much room for doubt.

The issue is not about doubt or judging those who struggle with this or that aspect of the Creed. I have no problem with honest struggle with the Creed – historical or otherwise. I have my share, though as I’ve said elsewhere, there are implications of the Creed that I struggle with more than things like the virginal conception or bodily resurrection (the Sermon on the Mount for starters). Thankfully, it is not up to us to believe this or that bit of the Creed on our own. As we sometimes pray, “regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church” (1979 Book of Common Prayer, p. 395). Sometimes others believe for us. In spite of any personal doubts, the Creed is the standard of Church teaching. At the very least, it is what Christians aspire to believe and conform their lives to – however inadequately.

Doubts, whether about orthodoxy (right belief and worship) or orthopraxy (right behavior), arise when one way of understanding how the world works and how God engages the world comes into conflict with another. But that cuts both ways. Questioning the virginal conception and the bodily resurrection, for example, is unsettling to one way of understanding things. Believing that we live in a world where such things have happened is unsettling to others.

We might also wonder why we hold doubt in such high esteem. Are we prepared to doubt everything?

Conclusion

The Nicene Creed offers the foundation of a way of understanding the nature of reality and the God at the heart of it all. It presents a powerful, provocative, and evocative vision of God, humanity, and creation. The deepest truth about reality is personal and relational. The world in which we live is not an accident, but a creation delighted in by its Creator. In spite of human rebellion, sin, and brokenness; in spite of our failure to live lives of complete love and truth; that Creator, who is merciful, has entered into the mess we have made, bringing deliverance, forgiveness, healing, and transformation. It does not answer all questions and was not meant to. But those whose imaginations have been shaped by the Creed and have sought to inhabit the world it describes have found that it opens up thrilling vistas of life and hope. It is worth celebrating.



Grace Church Veterans Day Celebration

"Mess after Mass" November 9, 2025



Please come and join us as we remember all the men and women who currently serve or have served in the Armed Forces of the United States at a celebratory brunch that will follow the 10:30 a. m. Mass.

We invite all Veterans, friends and family to bring pictures or other memorabilia to be placed on display in Nason Hall.



WW I

WW II

KOREA

VIETNAM

IRAQ

AFGHANISTAN

Also at the brunch, we will acknowledge and celebrate all the members of the Coffee Cheergivers Club who have so generously and deliciously provided God's bounty at every Sunday's Coffee Hour.



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November 2 The Solemnity of All Saints ~ ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

FOR PASTORAL ASSISTANCE

THE REV. ROWENA KEMP welcomes hearing from you. Please don't hesitate to contact her if there's something you'd like to discuss, and please contact her immediately should there be an illness, hospitalization, or any other pastoral emergency that she should know about. [For such emergencies, please note Rev. Rowena's cell phone number: 203-209-4178.]

PEOPLE AND PLACES TO KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

A reminder: Tori Burns manages this list for us, and prayer requests need to be renewed after 2 weeks. Please communicate all prayer requests & updates with her (860-539-8790); (tburns@gracehartford.org).

- *Bishops and Clergy:* Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury designate; Sean, Presiding Bishop; Jeffrey and Laura, Bishops of ECCT; Rowena, Jerry, Annika, and Joseph, our priests, and Marta, our curate.
- *Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:* **We pray for an increase in the membership of this parish, that we may have the hands and hearts to carry out thy will;** for the Episcopal Church in CT & the Anglican Communion; Emmanuel, Weston; Christ & Holy Trinity, Westport; the health & well-being of persons employed by The Episcopal Church; and the Presiding Bishop & the President of the House of Deputies. *Church of the Province of West Africa.*
- *World & Community Concerns:* For peace throughout the world, especially between Iran, Israel, and Gaza, and in the Middle East; in Sudan; and between Russia and Ukraine; for Christians being persecuted around the world, particularly in China and Palestine; for those who are suffering because of extreme climate; for the hungry and poor in our midst; and the volunteers who serve *A Place of Grace* food pantry.
- *Serving Our Country in the Military (especially those associated with Grace Church):* Brian, Spencer, Bradley, Curtis, Jordan, John, Carrington, William, Noel, James, Ryan, Michael, Karl, Alec, Jeff, David, Tom, Michael, and Charles.
- *Thanksgiving and Celebrations:* We give thanks and ask for thy blessings upon Christine Grant (Mon.), whose birthday we celebrate this week.
- *Sick or in need:* The Burns Family; The Vance Family; Stephen & Ratana; Adrienne & Kenneth; Peter; Veronica & the Rovetti Family; Kathy; Nancy; Lucy; Jane; Paulo Junior; Felix & Carmen; Mark; Jerry; Tom & Elaine; Ellen; Sally; Errol, Norma & the Kemp Family; Barbara; Nigel, Kraig & Deidre; Mary; Josephine, Melissa, Jaden, Tay, Soraya & Rapael; Linda, Tiffany & the Galarza Family; Kristen & Quintin; Julia, Mike, André & Maria; Soncia; Tom; Gail; Camden; Joan; David; Neil; Lea; Megin; Kathy; Patti; Delores; Nancy; Marcolina; Sr. Linda; Leonard; Joy; Cori and the Mackey Family; Judy; Jane; Bill, Carolyn & Susan; McJohn; Doreen; Ted; Kanata; Betty & John; Mary & Lou; Nelda Sue; Diane; Michael; Mark & Diane; Jean; and all victims of natural and man-made disasters.
- *The Deceased:* We pray for the repose of Bonnie Burns, Lee Vance, Archbishop Drexel Gomez, CPWI, all soldiers and civilians killed in war or civil strife, and in memory of Kathleen Crooks, Ruth Billyou, Francis Menard, Mary Beatrice Phillips, and all those remembered in our All Saints' & All Souls' Memorials.

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## THIS WEEK AT GRACE

**Sunday, November 2** *The Solemnity of All Saints ~ ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY*

8:00 a.m.: Low Mass

10:30 a.m.: Procession and Solemn High Mass (*also on YouTube*)

**Monday, November 3** *Commemoration of All Faithful Departed ~ ALL SOULS' DAY*

6:00 p.m.: REQUIEM MASS FOR ALL FAITHFUL DEPARTED (*also on YouTube*)

**Tuesday, November 4**

10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.: Office Hours

**Wednesday, November 5**

10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.: Office Hours

4:30 p.m.: **Grace Kids**

7:00 p.m.: **Choir Rehearsal**

**Thursday, November 6** *Feria*

10:00 a.m.: "*A Place of Grace*" food pantry distribution

**Friday, November 7** *Willibrord, Archbishop of Utrecht, Missionary to Frisia, 739*

1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.: Office Hours

**Sunday, November 9** *The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost ~ Proper 27*

8:00 a.m.: Low Mass

10:30 a.m.: Solemn High Mass (*also on YouTube*)



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## ALL SOULS' DAY

REQUIEM MASS WITH CHOIR

6:00 P.M. MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2025



We invite you to bring in photos of your loved ones who have gone ahead. We'll put them on the altar in St. Martin's Chapel for both the All Saints' and All Souls' Commemorations.