November 7, 2021: All Saints Sunday

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C Amen.

677 For All the Saints

1 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!

2 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!

3 Oh, 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!
       Alleluia! Alleluia!

4 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine!
   We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
   Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.
       Alleluia! Alleluia!
And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
   Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

But, lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day:
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of Glory passes on His way.
   Alleluia! Alleluia!

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!

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Kyrie

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Gloria in Excelsis

1 To God on high be glory
   And peace to all the earth;
   Goodwill from God in heaven
   Proclaimed at Jesus’ birth!
   We praise and bless You, Father;
   Your holy name, we sing—
   Our thanks for Your great glory,
   Lord God, our heav’ly King.

2 To You, O sole-begotten,
   The Father’s Son, we pray;
   O Lamb of God, our Savior,
   You take our sins away.
   Have mercy on us, Jesus;
   Receive our heartfelt cry,
   Where You in pow’r are seated
   At God’s right hand on high—

3 For You alone are holy;
   You only are the Lord.
   Forever and forever,
   Be worshiped and adored;
   You with the Holy Spirit
   Alone are Lord Most High,
   In God the Father’s glory.
   “Amen!” our glad reply.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.
Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

First Reading

Revelation 7:9–17

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Revelation 7:14b; Psalm 84:5

Epistle

1 John 3:1–3

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. These things are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 5:1–12

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

After the reading.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Eighth Commandment
What is the 8th Commandment?
You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

What does this mean?
We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor,
betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him,
and explain everything in the kindest way.

Sit

932 Jesus Sat with His Disciples
1 Jesus sat with His disciples
   On a mountainside one day;
   As the crowds of people gathered,
   He began to teach and say:
   “Blessèd are the poor in spirit,
   Heaven’s kingdom they will share.
Blessèd are the sad and mourning,
Joy and comfort will be theirs.

2 “Blessèd are the meek and humble,
   All the earth to them is willed.
Those who hunger to be holy,
   They are bless’d and will be filled.
Yes, the merciful are blessèd,
   Mercy will to them be shown.
And the pure in heart are blessèd,
   They have eyes for God alone.
3 “Blessèd are God’s sons and daughters,
    Making peace where there is strife.
Blessèd are the persecuted,
    Who for righteousness lose life;
Their reward is great in heaven,
    In the kingdom up above—
So be glad to share My suff’ring
    And rejoice to know My love.”


Sermon

Prayer of the Church

P ... let us pray to the Lord:
C Lord, have mercy.

The prayers end with:

P Keep us in fellowship with all Your saints, O Lord, and bring us at last to the joy of
Your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and
reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C Amen.

Preface

P The Lord be with you.
C And also with you.
P Lift up your hearts.
C We lift them to the Lord.
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P It is truly good, right, and salutary... evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth adored;
Heav’n and earth with full acclaim shout the glory of Your name.
Sing hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna to the Lord;
Truly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Lord’s Prayer

C 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.
The Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

Agnus Dei

1 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray.

2 O Jesus Christ, true Lamb of God, You take the sin of the world away; Have mercy on us, Jesus Christ, And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Sit

676 Behold a Host, Arrayed in White

1 Behold a host, arrayed in white,
   Like thousand snow-clad mountains bright!
   With palms they stand;
   Who is this band
   Before the throne of light?
   These are the saints of glorious fame,
   Who from the great affliction came
   And in the flood
   Of Jesus’ blood
   Are cleansed from guilt and shame.
   They now serve God both day and night;
   They sing their songs in endless light.
   Their anthems ring
   As they all sing
   With angels shining bright.

2 Despised and scorned, they sojourned here;
   But now, how glorious they appear!
   Those martyrs stand,
   A priestly band,
   God’s throne forever near.
   On earth they wept through bitter years;
   Now God has wiped away their tears,
   Transformed their strife
   To heav’nly life,
   And freed them from their fears.
   They now enjoy the Sabbath rest,
   The heav’nly banquet of the blest;
   The Lamb, their Lord,
   At festive board
   Himself is host and guest.
O blessed saints in bright array
Now safely home in endless day,
   Extol the Lord,
   Who with His Word
Sustained you on the way.
The steep and narrow path you trod;
You toiled and sowed the Word abroad;
   Rejoice and bring
   Your fruits and sing
Before the throne of God.
The myriad angels raise their song;
O saints, sing with that happy throng!
   Lift up one voice;
   Let heav’n rejoice
In our Redeemer’s song!

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733 O God, Our Help in Ages Past

1 O God, our help in ages past,
   Our hope for years to come,
   Our shelter from the stormy blast,
   And our eternal home:

2 Under the shadow of Thy throne
   Thy saints have dwelt secure;
   Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
   And our defense is sure.

3 Before the hills in order stood
   Or earth received her frame,
   From everlasting Thou art God,
   To endless years the same.

4 A thousand ages in Thy sight
   Are like an evening gone,
   Short as the watch that ends the night
   Before the rising sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
   Soon bears us all away;
   We fly forgotten as a dream
   Dies at the op’ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
   Our hope for years to come,
   Be Thou our guard while troubles last
   And our eternal home!

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The Dismissal

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart ✛ in peace.

C Amen.

Nunc Dimittis

1 O Lord, now let Your servant
   Depart in heav’nly peace,
   For I have seen the glory
Of Your redeeming grace:
A light to lead the Gentiles
Unto Your holy hill,
The glory of Your people,
Your chosen Israel.

2 All glory to the Father,
   All glory to the Son,
   All glory to the Spirit,
   Forever Three in One;
   For as in the beginning,
   Is now, shall ever be,
   God’s triune name resounding
   Through all eternity.

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Post-Communion Collect

C  Amen.

Benedicamus

A  Let us bless the Lord.

C  Thanks be to God.

Benediction

P  The Lord bless you and keep you.
   The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
   The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C  Amen.

669 Come, We That Love the Lord

1  Come, we that love the Lord,
   And let our joys be known;
   Join in a song with sweet accord,
   Join in a song with sweet accord
   And thus surround the throne,
   And thus surround the throne.
   Refrain

ref  We’re marching to Zion,
    Beautiful, beautiful Zion;
We’re marching upward to Zion,
    The beautiful city of God.

2  Let those refuse to sing
   Who never knew our God;
   But children of the heav’nly King,
   But children of the heav’nly King
   May speak their joys abroad,
   May speak their joys abroad.
   Refrain

3  The hill of Zion yields
   A thousand sacred sweets
   Before we reach the heav’nly fields,
   Before we reach the heav’nly fields,
   Or walk the golden streets,
   Or walk the golden streets.
   Refrain

4  Then let our songs abound,
   And ev’ry tear be dry;
   We’re marching through
   Emmanuel’s ground,
   We’re marching through
   Emmanuel’s ground
   To fairer worlds on high,
   To fairer worlds on high. Refrain

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