

ALL SAINTS' DAY

November 3, 2024, at 11:15 am & Livestreamed Online

BAPTISM & HOLY EUCHARIST

THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude

Virginia Chamber Brass

Kurt Dupuis and Lawrence Oates, trumpets ~ Karin Berkley, french horn David Sciannella, trombone ~ Paul Erion, tuba ~ William Richards, timpani

Introit Praise! Arnold B. Sherman (b. 1948)

The Genesis Ringers

Please stand as you are able.

Hymn 287 *verses 1–4*

For all the saints, who from their labors rest

Sine Nomine

Opening Acclamation

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

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

There is one Body and one Spirit;

There is one hope in God's call to us;

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

One God, Creator of all.

Collect of the Day

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Savior: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

A Prayer for the Election

O God, on the eve of this election, look with compassion on the people of these United States. Take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

First Reading seated Revelation 21:1-6a

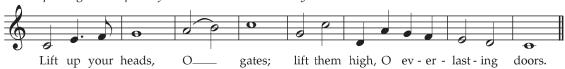
I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

For the Word of God in scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us, **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 24:1-7

Carl P. Daw, Jr. (b. 1944) and Kevin R. Hackett (b. 1956)

The People sing the antiphon after it has been introduced by the Choir and where indicated in the text.



The earth is God's and all that is in it, * the world and all who dwell therein.

For it is God who founded it upon the seas * and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.

"Who can ascend the hill of the Most High, * and who can stand in God's holy place?" *Antiphon*

"Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, * who have not pledged themselves to falsehood, nor sworn by what is a fraud.

They shall receive a blessing from the Holy One * and a just reward from the God of their salvation." *Antiphon*

Such is the generation of those who seek God, * of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors, * and the One who reigns in glory shall come in. *Antiphon*

Hymn 293 *verses* 1 & 2

I sing a song of the saints of God

Grand Isle

Verse 3 *will be sung at the conclusion of the Gospel.*

The Gospel John 11:32-44

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Hymn 293 *verse 3*

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Sermon The Rev. Ledlie I. Laughlin

Please be seated at the invitation of the preacher. A period of silence will be observed after the sermon.

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

The Congregation may be seated.

Presider The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents I present Ella Jeannette Donohue to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Presider asks the parents and godparents

Presider Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents I will, with God's help.

Presider Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ? *Parents and Godparents* I will, with God's help.

Then the Presider asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the child

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the

creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer I do.

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer I do.

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do

The Presider addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in her life in Christ?

The Congregation responds We will.

Presider Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers? I will, with God's help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord? I will, with God's help.

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ? I will, with God's help.

Will you cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect the beauty and integrity of all creation? I will, with God's help.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself? I will, with God's help.

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being? I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidate

The Presider then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for this person who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

- *Leader* Deliver her from the way of sin and death.
- People Loving God, hear our prayer.
- *Leader* Open her heart to your grace and truth.
- People Loving God, hear our prayer.
- Leader Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
- People Loving God, hear our prayer.
- *Leader* Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
- People Loving God, hear our prayer.
- *Leader* Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.
- People Loving God, hear our prayer.
- Leader Send her into the world in witness to your love.
- People Loving God, hear our prayer.
- Leader Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.
- People Loving God, hear our prayer.

The Presider continues

Grant, O God, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

God be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to our Sovereign God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Loving God, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Presider touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE BAPTISM

The People may be seated. The candidate is presented by name to the Presider, who pours water upon her, saying

N., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

A candle, lighted from the Paschal candle, is given to the newly baptized with these words

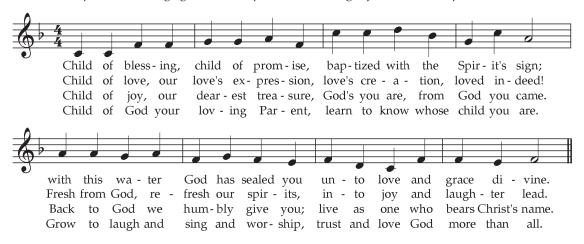
N., receive the light of Christ as a sign that you have passed from darkness into light. Shine as God's light in the world in the power of God's Spirit. **Amen.**

Hymn standing

Child of blessing, child of promise

Stuttgart

The Presider sprinkles the congregation with baptismal water, a sign of our renewed baptismal covenant.



— Text: Ronald Cole-Turner (b. 1948)

Presider Let us pray.

Loving God, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

The Presider then marks the sign of the cross on the person's forehead using Chrism, saying

N., you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Presider and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

Peace The Presider says to the People

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

All greet one another in the name of Jesus Christ.

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

At the Offertory

The Holy Spirit inspires us to give generously, to extend Christ's mission in this place and the wider world. Please visit http://tinyurl.com/GivetoSCEC to make your offering, or you can text to give using your phone. Text SCEC and AMOUNT to 73256 (QR code in Connections) and you will receive a text with instructions.

Anthem

As stars adorn the night-veiled sky
The St. Columba Singers

William Bradley Roberts (b. 1947)

Commissioned by St. Columba's Church on the occasion of its 150th anniversary.

As stars adorn the night-veiled sky, arrayed like jewels rare and bright, so shine God's saints in ev'ry age to give the world new hope, new light.

The light saints bear is not their own but shines through them as gift and sign: to show how God can use and bless frail human means for ends divine.

Through saints we glimpse the light of Christ, the Morning Star that crowns the night, whose rising heralds God's new day, the promised dawn of life and light.

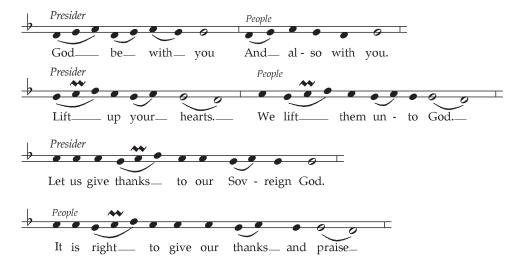
That light is ours to claim and share, not merely praise or gaze upon: for all who are baptized become light-bearers through the Risen One.

The saints inspire and challenge us our holy calling to embrace: to bear Christ's light in our own day, to be the vessels of God's grace.

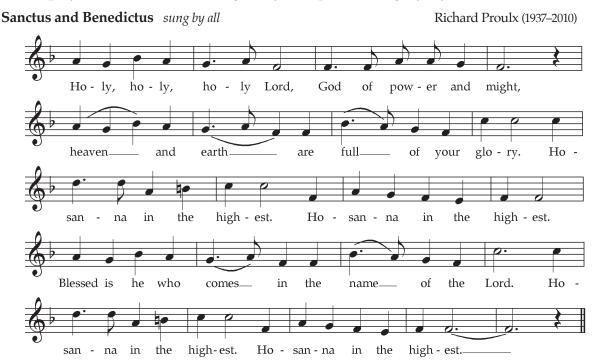
-Text: Carl P. Daw (b. 1944)

Please stand as you are able as the offering is brought forward and blessed.

The Great Thanksgiving



It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth. For in the multitude of your saints, you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that we might rejoice in their fellowship, and run with endurance the race that is set before us; and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades away. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Creator of all.

Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Jesus' death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

The People respond



The Lord's Prayer



Breaking of the Bread

The bread is broken and silence observed.

Fraction Anthem

The disciples knew the Lord Jesus

Jack Warren Burnam (b. 1946)

The People sing the refrain with the Choir and where indicated in the text.



The bread which we break, Alleluia, is the communion of the Body of Christ. *Refrain* One body are we, Alleluia, for though many we share one bread. *Refrain*

Invitation to Communion

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Whoever you are, wherever you find yourself on the journey of faith, you are welcome at Christ's table.

Communion

Christ welcomes all to communion. ■ Receive the bread in open and outstretched hands and sip the wine, guiding the chalice to your lips. ■ If you do not want to sip the wine, it is also perfectly appropriate to receive the bread only. We do not allow dipping the bread into the wine. ■ Respond to communion by saying "Amen." ■ If you prefer a blessing, cross your hands over your chest. ■ Gluten-free wafers are available at each communion station. ■ Baptism is offered several times a year; speak to a priest to learn more.

Anthem

Tantum ergo The St. Columba Singers Maurice Duruflé (1902–1986)

Tantum ergo sacramentum veneremur cernui, et atiquum documentum novo cedat ritui; praestet fides supplementum sensuum defectui.

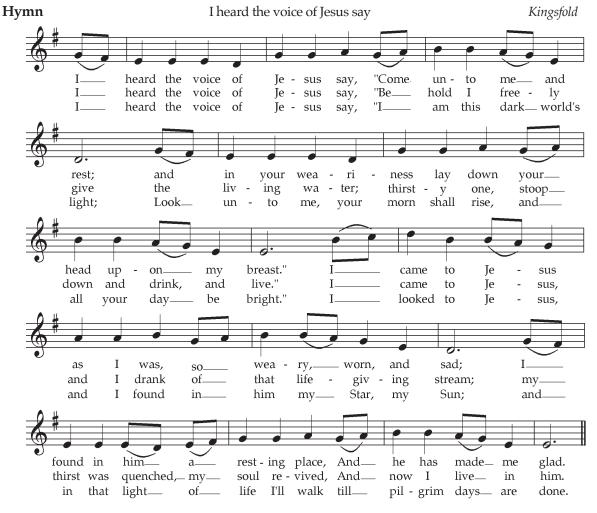
Genitori genitoque laus et jubilatio, salus honor virtus quoque sit et benedictio. Procedenti ab utroque compar sit laudatio. Amen.

Let us therefore, bowing low, venerate so great a Sacrament, and let the old law give way to the new rite; let faith afford assistance to the deficiency of the senses.

To the Begetter and the Begotten let there be praise and jubilation, salvation and honor, and power and blessing.

And to the One proceeding from both let there be equal praise. Amen.

— Text: Att. Thomas Aquinas (1225?–1274)



— Text: Horatius Bonar (1808–1889), alt. Music: English folk melody; adapt. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)

Prayer after Communion standing as you are able

Let us pray.

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Savior. Amen.

Presider As we are gathered, fed, and sent by God, let us ask ourselves: With whom can I share the Good News? Whom will I invite to join us at this table?

Sending Forth of Eucharistic Ministers when scheduled

In the name of St. Columba's we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that *N*. may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

We who are many are one body, as we all share one bread, one cup.

Blessing

The People respond Amen.

Hymn 618

Ye watchers and ye holy ones

Lasst uns erfreuen

John Bennett (1735–1784)

Dismissal

The People respond Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude Trumpet Voluntary

Virginia Chamber Brass arr. David Marlatt (b. 1973)

Kurt Dupuis and Lawrence Oates, trumpets ~ Karin Berkley, french horn David Sciannella, trombone ~ Paul Erion, tuba ~ William Richards, timpani

Liturgical Note

Today we celebrate All Saints' Day, a day that remembers and honors the faithful who came before us, and a time for Baptism as we join with the faithful of the present age.

Land Acknowledgement

We meet today on the traditional land of the first people of Nacotchtank, who were custodians of the land for thousands of years, caring for and nurturing it. We give thanks for their stewardship and lament the ways the Nacotchtank were removed from their ancestral home. We pray for all who live on this land and pay our respects to the native leaders past, present, and emerging.

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