

Welcome! As our Lord Jesus Christ said, Peace be with you. Wherever you come from and wherever you are on your journey of faith, we are glad you are with us. Let us enter into God's presence together.

Feast of All Saints

November 5, 2023

10:00 a.m.

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Prelude

*“For All the Saints”
“Elegy”*

**Gerhard Kraphf
Samuel Coleridge-Taylor**

Opening Hymn..... *“For all the saints”* **Hymnal #287**
Stanzas 1, 2, 4, 8

THE WORD OF GOD

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

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

The Celebrant may say

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Canticle

Hymnal S280

The Collect

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: 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 Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

Children's Time

A Reading from the Revelation to John (7:9-17)

After this I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

"For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;
for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 34

The refrain is first sung by a cantor, then repeated by all.

Taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord. Oh,

taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

The verses are sung by cantors. All sing the refrain where indicated.

- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times.
Praise shall always be on my lips;
my soul shall glory in the Lord;
for God has been so good to me. **Refrain**

- 2 Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us all praise God's name.
I called the Lord, who answered me;
from all my troubles I was set free. **Refrain**

- 3 Worship the Lord, all you people.
You'll want for nothing if you ask.
Taste and see that the Lord is good;
in God we need put all our trust. **Refrain**

Text and music: James E. Moore Jr., b. 1951, based on Ps. 34

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A Reading from the First Letter of John (1 John 3:1-3)

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn..... “Blessed Jesus, at thy wordHymnal #440

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon

The Rev Bob Bagley

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Please respond to the bidding, “Lord, in your mercy” with “**Hear our prayer.**”

Remembrance of the Faithful Departed

Cantor: Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with your saints
where sorrow and pain are no more, neither dying, but life everlasting.

People:



All of us go down to the dust, yet e-ven at the grave we make our song:



Al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al - le - lu-ia, al-le - lu - ia.

Text: Kontakion for the Departed, Eastern Byzantine Rite, attrib. Thesphanes (d. c. 842)
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Names of the faithful departed are spoken.

Cantor: You alone, O God, are immortal, the creator and maker of all that breathes;
And we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth we shall return.
For when we were created, you said,
“You are dust, and to dust you shall return.”

People (sung as above):

**All of us go down to the dust, yet even at the grave we make our song:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

The Peace *All stand.*

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Look who gathers at Christ's table!
Hear the stories that they bring.
Some are weeping; some are laughing;
some have songs they want to sing.
Others ask why they're invited,
burdened by the wrong they've done.
Christ insists they all are welcome.
There is room for ev'ryone.

Clouds of light surround the table;
ancient followers appear,
saints confessing how they wrestled
with their guilt, their doubt and fear.
Peter tells of his denying
Christ was ever in his sight;
Paul relates his fruitless efforts
to obliterate the light.

Their sad stories are repeated
in a thousand different ways,
but they share one thing in common:
they all end in thanks and praise
for the host who has invited
north and south and east and west
to converge around this table,
where all life is fed and blest.

Bring your joy and bring your sadness,
and prepare to be surprised
by the host whose hands are wounded,
who will open wide your eyes
when he blesses bread and breaks it—
truth and manna from above!—
and then passes wine that wakens
in your heart the taste of love.

Celebrant All things come of Thee, O Lord
People And of Thine own have we given Thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

Please stand

Book of Common Prayer 361

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

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, 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:

Sanctus

Hymnal S129

The people may stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: 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 Father of all . . . Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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

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 Father, now and forever. **AMEN.**

The Lord’s Prayer

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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem..... “*Christ our Passover*” **Hymnal S155**

Communion

*In the Episcopal Church, all are welcome at the table of the Lord.
If you have been baptized in any Christian tradition, you may receive communion. If you have not been baptized, you are welcome to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you would like to receive a blessing.*

Communion hymn

In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful, in the Lord I will re -
joyce! Look to God, do not be a - fraid. Lift up your
voic - es, the Lord is near. Lift up your voic - es, the Lord is near.

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Music: Jacques Berthier

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Communion hymn *"I sing a song of the saints of God"* **Hymnal #293**

Post-communion Prayer

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, 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 Lord. Amen.

Blessing

Closing Hymn *"Ye watchers and ye holy ones"* **Hymnal #618**

Dismissal

We welcome you to St. Luke’s in the name of the Risen Lord. Please join us for fellowship in Simpson Hall immediately following the service – coffee, juice and snacks are available.

TODAY’S MINISTERS

ACOLYTE: Roger Mertins

ALTAR GUILD: Tricia Frost, Debbie Bruno

FIRST READER: Hazel Dickfoss

SECOND READER: David Lang

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Mick Burke

CANTOR: Jenna Meola

PARISH PERSON OF THE DAY: Roger Mertins

USHERS: Brian Paulhus, David Lang

TODAY’S COFFEE HOUR HOST: Parish Pot luck

NEXT WEEK’S COFFEE HOUR HOST: Birthday Sunday

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For our Parish

For the Churches of the World

La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico

St. Marc’s Church & school in Jeanette, Haiti

Cadnet Edneron and Charline Irossaint

For the Episcopal Ministries in Racine

Congregations of St. Luke’s and St. Michael’s

Diocese of Milwaukee Hospitality Center

Racine Vocational Ministry

The DeKoven Center

Those who are Sick or in need or Homebound

Debbie, Bethany, Laandan, Tony, Christi, Chris, Ron, Bob, Lisa, Jean, Jason, Ed, Pam, Jack, Gerald, Neil, Olivia, Bill, Kathie, Ty, Michael, Julie, Katie, Leah, Sally, Michelle

Homebound: Jeanne, Barbara, Shirley

For Recent Immigrants to Racine
Khalid, Christiana, Ayo, Ako, and those arrived from Afghanistan

Special Offering

Cash or checks in the offering that are not designated for regular needs will be given to the following **Hospitality Center**. Thank you for your generous support of this ministry.

Today's **Altar Flowers** are given by Cindy Ganzel to the glory of God and given in thanksgiving for the birthday of her nephew, Joseph Menghe.

Salvation Army Angel Tags

The people of St. Luke's have participated in the Salvation Army Angel Tree program for close to 40 years. Local families are referred to the Salvation Army for help providing Christmas gifts. Angel tags are printed for each child in a family and include age, gender, and desired Christmas gift.

- You can help by taking an Angel tag, purchasing a gift, and returning it to St. Luke's by Sunday, December 10, 2023.
- Suggested amount to spend is \$25. Please return all gifts unwrapped and leave in the sacristy!
- If you would like to participate but are unable to shop, please contact Cindy Ganzel and she will gladly shop on your behalf

The gifts will be taken to the Salvation Army in Racine by the deadline for pickup by the Angel families. Thank you for helping to brighten the life of a Racine child this Christmas!

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