

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY  
NOVEMBER 7, 2021

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, FALLS CHURCH, VA



PRELUDE

*Sing with All the Saints in Glory*  
Setting: Walter Pelz

WELCOME

ENTRANCE HYMN (Stand) #671

*Sing with All the Saints in Glory*

- 1 Sing with all the saints in glory,  
Sing the resurrection song!  
Death and sorrow, earth's dark story,  
To the former days belong.  
All around the clouds are breaking;  
Soon the storms of time shall cease;  
In God's likeness we awaken,  
Knowing everlasting peace.
- 2 Oh, what glory, far exceeding  
All that eye has yet perceived!  
Holiest hearts for ages pleading  
Never that full joy conceived.  
God has promised, Christ prepares it;  
There on high our welcome waits.  
Ev'ry humble spirit shares it,  
Christ has passed the\_ eternal gates.
- 3 Life eternal! Heav'n rejoices:  
Jesus lives who once was dead.  
Shout with joy, O deathless voices!  
Child of God, lift up your head!  
Life eternal! Oh, what wonders  
Crowd on faith; what joy unknown,  
When, amid earth's closing thunders,  
Saints shall stand before the throne!

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

EXHORTATION

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*(We observe a moment of silence for self-reflection.)*

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS*

Let us then confess our sins to God our Father

**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.**

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.

**Amen.**

*KYRIE*

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In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house and for all who offer their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**Amen.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE*

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**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:**

**Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

*THE PRAYER 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.**



*THE LITURGY OF THE WORD*

*FIRST LESSON (Be seated)*

Revelation 7:9-17

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying, "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, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

"Therefore they are before the throne of God,  
and serve him day and night in his temple;  
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.  
They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;  
the sun shall not strike them,  
nor any scorching heat.  
For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd,  
and he will guide them to springs of living water,  
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*PSALM 149 (Read responsively)*

Praise the LORD! Sing to the LORD a new song!  
**His praise in the assembly of the saints!**

Let Israel be glad in his Maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!  
**Let them praise his name with dancing, making melody to him with tambourine and lyre!**

For the LORD takes pleasure in his people;  
**He adorns the humble with salvation.**

Let the saints exult in glory; let them sing for joy on their beds.

**Let the high praises of God be in their throats and two-edged swords in their hands,**

To execute vengeance on the nations and punishments on the peoples,  
**To bind their kings with chains and their nobles with fetters of iron,**

To execute on them the judgment written!  
**This is honor for all his saints. Praise the LORD!**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

*SECOND LESSON*

1 John 3:1-3

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*ALLELUIA VERSE (Stand) #677 Sts. 1-3*

*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!**

*GOSPEL*

Mark 12:38-44

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the 12<sup>th</sup> chapter  
**Glory to You, O Lord.**

In his teaching [Jesus] said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and like greetings in the marketplaces and have the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, who devour widows' houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

And he sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box. Many rich people put in large sums. And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny. And he called his disciples to him and said to them, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all

those who are contributing to the offering box. For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to You, O Christ.**

*SERMON*

*HYMN OF THE DAY (Stand) #677 Sts. 4-8*

*For All the Saints*

- 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!**
- 5 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!**
- 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!**
- 7 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!**
- 8 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!**

*APOSTLES' CREED*

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*OFFERING*

*PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH*

*In our time of prayer, we remember with thanksgiving those who have gone before us with the sign of faith. God gave new life to them through Holy Baptism, nourished them in the company of His people at His holy table, and in His mercy summoned them to His eternal presence so that they may continue to serve Him forever.*

*Those members of St. Paul's receiving Christian burial this past year:  
May-Britt Alexis, Gladys Hane, Jim Hickey, Paul Provance, Stan Stringer*

*also in our prayers are the former members and loved ones of our parishioners  
who died this past year:*

*Francoise Bardout, Darlene (Laemmerzahl), Bruce Marshall, Pat Sebring*

Let us pray to the Lord, our God and Father, who raised Jesus from the dead.

*The response to each petition will be:*

*"Lord, in your mercy,"*

*"hear our prayer."*



*THE LITURGY OF HOLY COMMUNION*

*PREFACE TO HOLY COMMUNION (Stand)*

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The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

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

*SANCTUS*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:**

**Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.**

**Hosanna. Hosanna.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING*

Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, 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, forever and ever. Amen.**

*THE WORDS OF OUR LORD*

*PAX DOMINI*

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**Amen.**

*AGNUS DEI*

**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

*DISTRIBUTION (Be seated)*

*The Communion Assistant will come forward to receive first, then those from the pulpit side – by order of pew, front to back. Communicants will come up the center aisle and return via the side aisle. When all from the pulpit side have communed, the baptismal font side will commune in the same manner. Distancing must be maintained between all communicants. We ask that the wine be consumed away from the tray table. Empty cups should be dropped into the baskets.*

*COMMUNION MUSIC*

*Organ Sonata No. 2 2. Ruhig Bewegt (peaceful moving)*

*Paul Hindemith*

*NUNC DIMITTIS (Stand)*

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**Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled.**

**My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people:**

**A light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

*POST-COMMUNION COLLECT*

*BENEDICTION*

*SENDING HYMN #670*

*Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones*

- 1 Ye watchers and ye holy ones,  
Bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones,  
Raise the glad strain: "Alleluia!"  
Cry out, dominions, principedoms, pow'rs,  
Virtues, archangels, angels' choirs:  
"Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"**

**2 O higher than the cherubim,  
More glorious than the seraphim,  
Lead their praises: "Alleluia!"  
Thou bearer of the\_ eternal Word,  
Most gracious, magnify the Lord:  
"Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"**

**3 Respond, ye souls in endless rest,  
Ye patriarchs and prophets blest:  
"Alleluia, alleluia!"  
Ye holy Twelve, ye martyrs strong,  
All saints triumphant, raise the song:  
"Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"**

**4 O friends, in gladness let us sing,  
Supernal anthems echoing:  
"Alleluia, alleluia!"  
To God the Father, God the Son,  
And God the Spirit, Three in One:  
"Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!"**

*ANNOUNCEMENTS (Be seated)*

*DISMISSAL*

*POSTLUDE*

*For All the Saints  
Setting: Arthur Hutchinson*

Those serving:

Sunday, November 7, 8:30 a.m.:

Greeter: Steve Berg

Comm. assist: Jim Easterly

Reader: Aaron Siebrass

10:30 a.m.:

Greeter: Jim Easterly

Comm. assist: Dan Buuck

Reader: Dan Buuck

## Worship Notes

Thank you for worshipping with us at St. Paul's! In worship Christ is present among His gathered people and the Holy Spirit is poured out through Word and Sacrament.

If you have a need or concern that you would like us to lift up in prayer, you may fill out a yellow **Prayer Request Card** and give it to the greeter or pastor. **Restrooms** can be found both downstairs and near the parking lot entrance. Parents can take their children to the **Cry Room** as needed, but we love to have them with us in worship. Before you leave, we ask that you fill out a **Fellowship Card** and place it in the offering box at the sanctuary entrance.

In **the Lord's Supper**, Jesus gives us his true body and blood. This meal forgives our sins and strengthens our faith. The Supper is for baptized Christians who have been taught the faith, examined themselves and share with us in confession. If you are not communing, you may still come forward for a blessing (bow your head or cross your arms). If you're not sure whether you should commune, please speak first to one of our pastors.

We pray that God's love and care be evident to you in our gathering, and that He gladden your heart and give peace to you this day!

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