

2 On the margin of the river,
washing up its silver spray,
we will walk and worship ever,
all the happy golden day. *Refrain*

Text and Music: Robert Lowry, 1826-1899.

DISMISSAL

Now that we have heard the story and know the story...

Let us go into the world to tell the story and live the story!

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

For All the Saints

Douglas E. Wagner

Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams; Arr. Douglas E. Wagner. Arr. © 2013 Lorenz Publishing Co.



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ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

WELCOME

PRELUDE I Sing a Song of the Saints of God Hugh S. Livingston, Jr.

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Please stand as you are able. The assembly speaks the bold print.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved.

Amen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy One, we confess that we are not awake for you. We are not faithful in using your gifts. We forget the least of our siblings. We do not see your beautiful image in one another. We are infected by sin that divides your beloved community. Open our hearts to your coming, open our eyes to see you in our neighbor, open our hands to serve your creation. Amen.

Beloved, we are God's children, and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us. Through + Jesus you are forgiven, by Jesus you are welcome, in Jesus you are called to rejoice!

Let us live in the promises prepared for us from the foundation of the world.

Amen.

REFLECTIVE MUSIC Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones ELW 424 (vv 1, 3)

- 1 Ye watchers and ye holy ones, bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones, raise the glad strain: "Alleluia!" Cry out, dominions, principedoms, pow'rs, archangels, virtues, angel choirs: "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!

Text: J. Athelstan Riley; Music: Geistliche Kirchengesange, Kohn, 1623. Text © Oxford University Press

- 5 The golden evening brightens in the west; soon, soon to faithful servants cometh rest; sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

PEACE The peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you.

Spoken in place. Waving is permitted.

A PRAYER IN THANKSGIVING FOR OFFERING

God of all goodness, generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant. Amen.

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.

SENDING

BLESSING

REFLECTIVE MUSIC Shall We Gather at the River ELW 423 (vv 1, 2)

- 1 Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod, with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God? Refrain Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river; gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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 CHURCH

After each petition Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

For All the Saints **ELW 422 (v 1)**

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!

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REMEMBERING THE SAINTS

Garrett Bakhsh	Frederick Hettenbach	Frances McDonough	James Schaefer
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James Hedgespeth	Joseph McCauley	June Santoro	Irma Wolbert

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The assembly may be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING

Revelation 7:9-17

After this I 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."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalms 34:1-10, 22

Psalm is read responsively. The assembly speaks the bold print.

I will bless the LORD at all times;
the praise of God shall ever be in my mouth.

**I will glory in the LORD;
let the lowly hear and rejoice.**

Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD;
let us exalt God's name together.

**I sought the LORD, who answered me
and delivered me from all my terrors.**

Look upon the LORD and be radiant,
and let not your faces be ashamed.

**I called in my affliction, and the LORD heard me
and saved me from all my troubles.**

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear the LORD
and delivers them.

**Taste and see that the LORD is good;
happy are they who take refuge in God!**

Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD,
for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.

**The lions are in want and suffer hunger,
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.**

O LORD, you redeem the life of your servants,
and those who put their trust in you will not be punished.

SECOND READING

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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia

**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

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.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly may be seated.

SERMON

Please stand as you are able.

REFLECTIVE MUSIC

Blest Are They

ELW 728 (vv 1-3)

1 Blest are they, the poor in spirit;
theirs is the kingdom of God.
Blest are they, full of sorrow;
they shall be consoled.

Refrain

Rejoice and be glad!
Blessed are you, holy are you.
Rejoice and be glad!
Yours is the kingdom of God!

2 Blest are they, the lowly ones;
they shall inherit the earth.
Blest are they who hunger and
thirst;
they shall have their fill. **Refrain**

3 Blest are they who show mercy;
mercy shall be theirs.
Blest are they, the pure of heart;
they shall see God. **Refrain**

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**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.**