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All Saints' Day



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WORDS OF PREPARATION

Q. What do you understand by “the communion of the saints”?

A. First, that believers one and all, as members of this community, share in Christ and in all His treasures and gifts. Second, that each member should consider it a duty to use these gifts readily and joyfully for the service and enrichment of the other members.

– *The Heidelberg Catechism, Q & A 55*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

†VOLUNTARY

Elegy

C. Hubert H. Parry

†INTROIT

Before the Throne of God Above

Vikki Cook/Charitie Lees Bancroft

¹ Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea
A great High Priest whose name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me
My name is graven on His hands
My name is written on His heart
I know that while in heav'n He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

² Behold Him there the risen Lamb
My perfect spotless righteousness
The great unchangeable I Am
The King of glory and of grace
One with Himself I cannot die
My soul is purchased with His blood
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Saviour and my God

WELCOME & MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

Red Cross Blood Drive
Jim Cato

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Hebrews 12:1

Pastor: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,

People: Let us lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us.

Pastor: In the name of Jesus, our one Lord and Savior, let us worship God.

*†OPENING HYMN

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

CORONATION

¹ All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him Lord of all!
Bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him Lord of all!

³ Let every kindred, every tribe
on this terrestrial ball
to him all majesty ascribe,
and crown him Lord of all!
To him all majesty ascribe,
and crown him Lord of all!

² Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
ye ransomed from the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace,
and crown him Lord of all!
Hail him who saves you by his grace,
and crown him Lord of all!

⁴ O that with yonder sacred throng
we at his feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song,
and crown him Lord of all!
We'll join the everlasting song,
and crown him Lord of all!

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Sheila Akin (8:30)
George Armistead (11:00)

FIRST LESSON

Revelation 7:9–17

⁹ 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, ¹⁰ and crying out with a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

¹¹ 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, ¹² saying, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

¹³ Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, “Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?” ¹⁴ 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.

¹⁵ “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.

¹⁶ They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat.

¹⁷ 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.”

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CALL TO CONFESSION

The Rev. Joshua Rodriguez (8:30)
The Rev. R. Adam DeVries (11:00)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in the faith. Forgive our indifference to your will. You have commanded us to speak, but we have been silent. You have called us to do what is just, but we have been fearful. Have mercy on us, your faithless servants. Keep before us faithful people for us to follow so that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, we may grow in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to the praise of your holy name.

A moment for silent confession.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE OF GRATITUDE

Gloria Patri

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, Amen.**

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. AMEN.

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

St. COLUMBA

The King of love my shep - herd is, whose
Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow my
Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but
And so through all the length of days thy
good - ness fail - eth³ nev - er; I
ran - somed soul he lead - eth, and
yet in love he sought me, and
good - ness fail - eth ne - ver; Good
noth - ing lack if I am his and
where the ver - dant pas - tures grow, with
on his his shoul - der gent - ly laid, and
Shep - herd, may I sing thy praise with -
he is mine for - ev - er.
food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
in thy house for - ev - er.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 15:1-10

¹ Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear him. ² And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This man receives sinners and eats with them." ³ So he told them this parable: ⁴ "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? ⁵ And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. ⁶ And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' ⁷ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

⁸ “Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? ⁹ And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ ¹⁰ Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

A Reckless & Determined Love

Dr. Ryan V. Moore

“Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost!” – Luke 15:9

ANTHEM

God Is Love

Harold Stover

God is love, whose mercy brightens
all the path in which we rove.
Bliss God wakes, and woe God lightens;
God is wisdom, God is love.

Chance and change are busy ever;
We decay, and ages move,
But God’s mercy waneth never;
God is wisdom God is love.

E’en the hour that darkest seemeth
will God’s changeless goodness prove;
from the mist God’s brightness streameth;
God is wisdom. God is love.

God with earthly cares entwineth
hope and comfort from above;
Everywhere God’s glory shineth;
God is wisdom, God is love.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE

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 **O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle; they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

⁴ **And when the strife is fierce, the warfare
long, steals on the ear the distant triumph
song, and hearts are brave again, and arms
are strong.**

Alleluia! Alleluia!

⁵ **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!**

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

The congregation will be seated and will be dismissed by pew following the recessional.

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

Three Fold Amen

DANISH

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Valet will ich der geben

J.S. Bach

** Those who are able, please stand.*

† Latecomers may be seated.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Paul Gilliland by his wife Beth and daughter Allison.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Ryan Moore, PhD – *Pastor*

Adam DeVries, MDiv – *Associate Pastor for Youth & Their Families*

Joshua Rodriguez, MDiv – *Associate Pastor for Young Adult Ministry*

Peter Rogahn, MM – *Organist & Assistant Director of Music*

We're Glad You're Here! – Please use a Connect Card to let us know your needs or what is new with you. We would love to hear from you! When you leave, please place in the basket in the narthex.

Mother and Infant Quiet Room – If you need a quiet place for nursing or calming your baby, we invite you to use our family room located in the Nursery Wing.

Audio Bluetooth Capabilities – Connect your personal device by downloading the WaveCAST app, join WiFi network “FPC Guest” Password: GreenRock-81, select First Pres Sanctuary, plug in your headphones, and make sure you turn up the volume.

Giving – To contribute to the mission of First Presbyterian Church of Nashville, you may either text “GIVE” to (707) 475-3005 or visit fpcnashville.org/generosity.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Music Notes — Today's organ voluntaries were selected for All Saints Sunday. English composer Charles Hubert Hastings Parry (1848–1918) wrote, *Elegy*, for his brother-in-law Sydney Herbert, 14th Earl of Pembroke's, funeral in 1913. Its poignant melody begins in the manner of a stately funeral procession. Another contrasting theme soars in a way characteristic of English melodies.

The closing voluntary, *Valet will ich der geben* was written by Johann Sebastian Bach. Although Christians often sing this tune to the hymn, "All Glory, Laud, and Honor," the original melody was a Lutheran chorale. Clergyman Valerius Herberger wrote this chorale in Selsia, Poland during the plague of 1613. The hymn is a hopeful prayer, looking forward to being in God's presence after death. Bach's powerful setting is forceful and filled with conviction, providing hope for all during difficult times.

Generosity Campaign — To make your commitment, place your card in the basket at worship, mail it to the church, or visit fpcnashville.org/generosity to contribute online. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

Children's Ministry Family Advent Devotions — Nursery – 6th Grade can order Advent Devotional kits provided by the Children's Ministry. DIY bags including devotions, stickers, coloring pages, family activities and more will be ready the week of November 16 for pick up. Register at fpcnashville.org/featured-events.

EVENTS

Trunk or Treat — Today from 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. | FPC Front Drive

Join us for games, photobooth, family hayride, and contests! Out of an abundance of caution, no food will be served, but there will be plenty of goodies! Cars will be decorated and kids are invited to collect treats trunk-to-trunk. We will be outside and social distancing. Facemasks that meet health guidelines are required for entry, so make your mask part of your costume!

Worship on the Porch — Sundays in November beginning Nov. 8 | 4:00 p.m. | Sanctuary Front Porch

No Worship on the Porch following Trunk or Treat today. But by popular demand, Worship on the Porch will resume on November 8 through the end of the month with a **new time of 4:00 p.m.** Bring your chairs or blankets to spread out and your masks. In case of inclement weather, the worship service will be moved into the sanctuary.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Thanksgiving Eve Service — Wednesday, November 25 | 5:30 p.m. | Sanctuary

1st Sunday of Advent — November 29 | Sanctuary | Communion | Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Christmas Tree Lighting — December 6 | 4:30 p.m. | Front of Sanctuary

MISSIONS

Volunteers Needed for Room In The Inn — To keep the experience safe for our visitors and volunteers this year, Room In The Inn has moved to the FPC Tyne House and will serve seven men. Many new safety protocols will be in place. To learn more about the new safety measures and sign up for this important and fulfilling opportunity, visit missions.fpcnashville.org/current-mission-opportunities or contact missions@fpcnashville.org.

Blood Drive — Sunday, November 15 | 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. | Courtenay Hall

Patients in local Nashville area hospitals are in desperate need of the life-saving blood products that can only come through the generosity of donors like you. Blood collections are down significantly as we continue to face the coronavirus epidemic. Visit fpcnashville.org to learn more about safety measures and sign up.

For more information on events and mission opportunities, visit fpcnashville.org or sign up for our weekly Parish News email by emailing communications@fpcnashville.org.

PLEASE INCLUDE IN YOUR PRAYERS

Mary Baker	Don Fisher	Bob Jackson	Shelby Eaker Quinley and her family
Mary Helen Bailey	Mary Francis	Bill and Susan Kirby	Mary Evelyn Reese
Kristin Batten	Lewis Frost	Jeff Koch	Trey Russell
Lauren Brinkley	Carolyn Gehlman	Kaye Knox	Mike Shampain
Nat Carswell	Jimmy Gibson	Bob Loflin	Trish Simpson
Merry Lynn Cato	Anne Gordon	Emily Love	Eric Skinner
Jim and Nancy Cawood	Carolyn Gustafson	Ben and Anna Lovell and families	Lucas Spickard
Alice Christian	Lynn Hardison	Bracey Mayo	Ed Stone
Tim Coomer and family	Willie Hardison	Liz McConnell and family	Marsha Stubbs
Andrea Cooper	Harry Hassall	Tom McDonald	David Thomas
Chip Crabb	Ann Hayes	Jason Kenneth Meler and his family	Martha Thompson
Lipscomb Davis	Mary Howard Hayes	Sherri Middendorf	Overton Thompson
Suzie DeYoung	Phyllis Heard	Noah Mudd	Robin Thompson
Burton Dietz	Ashley Higgins	Drew Peacock	Peter van Lingen
Michael DiTraglia	Laura Hobson	Sister (Kathleen) Pugh	Janice and Bud Wendell
Kathryn Downs	Sandy Holland		Lynda Wimberly
Diane and Larry English	Annie Evelyn Hollins		Tom Wright
	Tim Ishii		

Please pray for the leaders of our nation and world and community and for their wise and compassionate decisions; for those most vulnerable to illness; for those without homes and no safe place to go; for those whose economic livelihood is in jeopardy; for those without childcare for their children while they work; for doctors and nurses and all those caring for the sick; for medical researchers seeking treatment and means of prevention of COVID-19 and its complications. Please pray for our city, state and nation, for the healing of deep wounds and for God's spirit of peace, justice, mercy, mutual respect and love to rest upon and between all people.

HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?

Prayer request cards can be found on the tables when your leave and deposited in the offering baskets or the prayer request boxes located in the narthex and at the Hospitality Center. Church officers meet weekly to lift up prayer requests to God.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

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WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday at 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. | Sanctuary

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