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We believe in sharing love and grace with God and one another.

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

Sunday, November 2, 2025

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Glenda Curry, Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama The Rt. Rev. Brian Prior, Assisting Bishop The Reverend Candice B. Frazer, Rector The Reverend David Hall, Interim Associate Rector

Organist/Choirmaster: Becky Taylor

LECTOR: Evans Bailey

LEMs: Nan Barganier, Rachel Wishum,

"Smitty" Smith
VERGER: Ellen Brooks
ACOLYTES: TEAM MARK:

Alden Pate, Addie Liveoak, Wren Mielke,

Penelope Daniel

AV CREW: Jason Pate, Camera
ALTAR GUILD: Pat Bamman, McDonald
FLOWER GUILD: Richard Norris

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II ~ 10:30 AM LIVESTREAM

Voluntary For all the saints (L. Sowerby) Introit Blest are they (D. Haas)

Hymn **618** *Ye watchers and ye holy ones (Lasst uns erfreuen)*



Words: John Athelstan Laurie Riley (1858-1945). By permission of Oxford University Press. Music: *Lasst uns erfreuen*, melody from *Auserlesene Catholische Geistliche Kirchengeseng*, 1623; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958). By permission of Oxford University Press.

THE WORD OF GOD

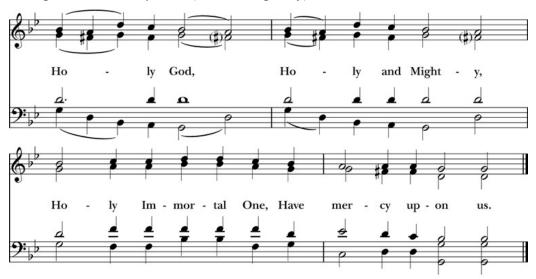
Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

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

The Celebrant says

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*.

Trisagion **S102** *Holy God* (A. Archangelsky)



Music: Ver. Hymnal 1982, after Alexander Archangelsky (1846-1924). Setting: Copyright © Church Publishing Inc.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you. People And also with you.

Celebrant 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 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*.

THE FIRST LESSON: DANIEL 7:1-3,15-18

A reading from the book of Daniel.

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: "As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom for ever—for ever and ever."

Reader The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.



1 Hallelujah!

Sing to the / Lord a / new song; * sing his praise in the conre- / gation of • the / faith- /ful.

- 2 Let Israel re-/joice in his / Maker; *
 let the children of Zion be / joy ful / in their / King.
- 3 Let them praise his / Name in the / dance; * let them sing praise to / him with / timbrel and / harp.
- 4 For the Lord takes / pleasure in his / people * and adorns the / poor with / vic to / ry.
- 5 Let the faithful re-/joice in/triumph; * let them be/joy-ful/on their/beds.
- 6 Let the praises of God be / in their / throat * and a two-edged / **sword** / in their / hand;
- 7 To wreak / vengeance on the / nations * and / punishment on the / **peo** / ples;
- 8 To bind their / kings in / chains * and their / nobles with / links of / iron;
- 9 To inflict on them the / judgment de- / creed; * this is glory for all his faithful people. / Hal le / lu / jah!

THE EPISTLE: EPHESIANS 1:11-23

A reading from Paul's letter to the Ephesians.

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN 293 *I sing a song of the saints of God (Grand Isle)*



Words: Lesbia Scott (1898-1986), alt. Music: Grand Isle, John Henry Hopkins (1861-1945).

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 6:20-31

Celebrant: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,

for yours is the kingdom of God.

"Blessed are you who are hungry now,

for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,

for you will laugh.

"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets."

"But woe to you who are rich,

for you have received your consolation.

"Woe to you who are full now,

for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,

for you will mourn and weep.

"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon: The Rev. Candice B. Frazer

The 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, 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.*

Form IV

The Prayers of the People are according to Form IV, found on page 388. (Pause for a count of four.)

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray for Sarah, the Archbishop of Canterbury select; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Glenda and Brian our bishops; and Candice and David, our clergy.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray for Donald, our President; Kay, our Governor; Steven, our Mayor.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We pray for the safety of our armed forces both here and abroad, we pray for peace throughout the world, in our country, in our home and in our heart; and we give thanks for Ascension Day School and our capitol campaign The Way, The Truth, and The Life, and we pray for the discernment for the 13th bishop of Alabama.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray especially Brett, Paul, Kenneth, Bob, Brittney, Debbie, Violet and Family, Andi, Janet, George, Ann, Sue & Bill, Ann, Betty, Sophie, Hugh, Marion, Ginny, Lila, Bruce, Anne.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

We commend to your mercy all who have died <u>especially for those in whose memory the altar flowers are given: Clair Virginia Lawrence Tiling, John Walter Dzuirlik</u> and those on our Roll of Remembrance that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy *Hear our prayer*.

[Stay until the priest has finished the collect.]

The Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *Silence may be kept.*

Minister and People

Most merciful God, we confess that 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 are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest, stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Announcements

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Offertory Anthem Magnificat (H. Sumsion) The text of the Anthem is found in the Book of Common Prayer, at page 65.

Presentation The Doxology (Old 100th)

All things come of thee, O Lord, And of thine own have we given thee. Amen.

The Holy Communion The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

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.

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 you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

The people stand or kneel.

Sanctus S130 Holy, holy, holy (F. Schubert) Ho ly, ho ly, ho ly Lord, God of power and might, Ho ho ly, Lord, ly, ho God of power and might, hea-ven and earth are full, full Ho of glo your ry. na in the high est. Ho san san na in the high est. Bless - ed is he who comes_ in the name of the Lord. Ho - san the high est. Ho - san - na in the high est.

Music: From *Deutsche Messe*, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937). Copyright © 1985 GIA Publications, Inc.

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.

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

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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 he 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Memorial Acclamation S135



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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.

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, andwith him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN*.

The Celebrant then continues
And now, as our Savior
Christ has taught us,
We are bold to say
Officiant and People

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.

A period of silence is kept.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.*

Fraction Anthem S164 Jesus, Lamb of God (F. Schubert)



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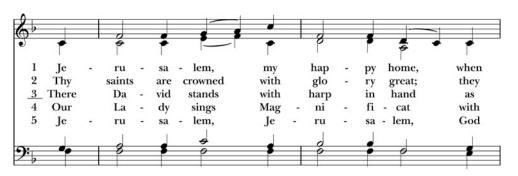
The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymn Hymnal 1982: 625 Ye holy angels bright



Words: Richard Baxter (1615-1691); rev. John Hampden Gurney (1802-1862). Music: *Darwall's 148th*, melody and bass John Darwall (1731-1789); harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889), alt.; desc. Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947).

Communion Hymn 620 Jerusalem, my happy home





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Lay Eucharistic Commission

In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

All: We who are many, are one body because we all share in one bread, one cup.

The Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says Let us pray.

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.

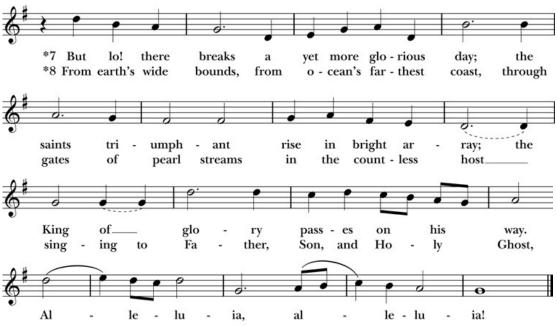
The Blessing

The priest blesses the people, saying

May God give you grace to follow his saints in faith and hope and love; and the blessing of God Almighty the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen

Processional Hymn 287 For all the saints (Sine Nomine)





Words: William Walsham How (1823-1897). Music: Sine Nomine, Ralph Vaughn Williams (1872-1958).

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia. Alleluia. *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Voluntary Sine Nomine (J. Weaver)

ROLL OF REMEMBRANCE

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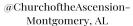
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