

All Saints' Sunday

November 7, 2021

8:45 and 11:00 a.m.

MISSION STATEMENT

To know and love God as He is revealed to us in Jesus Christ, to bring others to His saving love, and to serve the world in His name.



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. JOHN IN THE WILDERNESS

(Established 1836)
Flat Rock, North Carolina

Welcome and Reminders

We welcome you warmly to St. John in the Wilderness and invite you to share in our songs, prayers, and eucharistic feast. If you do not have a church family at this time, then we invite you to join in this fellowship of faith as we share life together as the Body of Christ. While we are broken and incomplete in many ways, we find God making us whole through this parish community. Fill out a card in your pew and put it in the offering plate or talk to an usher, greeter, or member of the clergy to learn more about St. John. It is wonderful to be with you today!

Reminders for Worship

- We are asking everyone to wear a mask in Sunday worship at least through November 18, and we encourage mask wearing for other indoor church activities.
- If you find out that you have COVID-19 and that you might have brought it to this service, please call the church office and ask for the Rector.
- You will find hand-sanitizer in the pews and with the ushers. Please use it after the Peace and before receiving Communion.
- Please participate in the service by singing and praying with us. At the time of the Peace, please take a few moments to leave your pew and greet others in the name of our Lord.

Holy Eucharist, Rite II

8:45 and 11:00 a.m.

Prelude: Voluntary in A minor

Georg P. Telemann

CJ Waldrop and Charlie Smith, trumpets

Welcome and Announcements

Entrance Hymn: No. 287 For all the saints, who from their labors
vs. 1-4, 7 and 8

Sine Nomine



1 For all the saints, who from their la - bors rest, who
2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might:____
3 O may thy sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,____
4 O blest com - mun - ion, fel - low - ship di - vine!____



thee____ by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
thou, Lord, their Cap - tain in the well - fought fight;____
fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old, and
We feeb - ly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet



Name, O____ Je - sus, be for ev - er blessed.
thou, in the dark - ness drear, the one true Light.
win, with____ them, the vic - tor's crown of gold.
all are____ one in thee, for all are thine.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*7 But lo! there breaks a yet more glo - rious day; the
 *8 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through
 saints tri - umph - ant rise in bright ar - ray; the
 gates of pearl streams in the count - less host
 King of glo - ry pass - es on his way.
 sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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Acclamation and Response

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

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

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.

Gloria Hymnal S-280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly

King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray

Collect of the Day

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.

People **Amen**

First Lesson: Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them. In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble. They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them forever. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 24

Simplified Anglican Chant

The Psalm will be read responsively by whole verse at 8:45 and chanted at 11:00.

Jerome Webster Meachen
(b. 1930)



1. The earth is the Lord's and all that is **IN IT**,
the world and all who dwell there**IN**.

2. For it is he who founded it upon the **SEAS**
and made it firm upon the rivers of the **DEEP**.
3. "Who can ascend the hill of the **LORD**?
and who can stand in his holy **PLACE**?"
4. "Those who have clean hands and a pure **HEART**,
who have not pledged themselves to falsehood,
nor sworn by what is a **FRAUD**.
5. They shall receive a blessing from the **LORD**
and a just reward from the God of their **salvation**."
6. Such is the generation of those who **SEEK HIM**,
of those who seek your face, O God of **JACOB**.
7. Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting **DOORS**;
and the King of glory shall come **IN**.
8. "Who is this King of **GLORY**?"
"The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in **BATTLE**."
9. Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting **DOORS**;
and the King of glory shall come **IN**.
10. "Who is he, this King of **GLORY**?"
"The Lord of hosts, he is the King of **GLORY**."

Second Lesson: Revelation 21:1-6a

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: No. 293 I sing a song of the saints of God

Grand Isle



1 I sing a song of the saints of God, _____
2 They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, and _____
3 They lived not on - ly in a - ges past, there are



pa - tient and brave and true, who _____ toiled and _____ fought and _____
his love _____ made them strong; and they fol - lowed the right, for _____
hund-reds of thou-sands still, the _____ world is _____ bright with the



lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew. And _____
Je - sus' sake, the _____ whole of their good lives long. And _____
joy - ous saints who _____ love to do Je - sus' will. You can



one was a doc - tor, and one was a queen, and one was a shep -
one was a sold - ier, and one was a priest, and one was _____ slain
meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains,



herd - ess on the _____ green: they were all of them saints of _____
by a fierce wild _____ beast; and there's not an - y rea - son -
or in shops, or at tea, for the saints of _____ God are just



God— and I mean, God help - ing, to be one too.
no, not the least, why I should-n't be one too.
folk like— me, and I mean to be one too.

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Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel: John 11:32-44

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew

that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

After the Gospel, the Reader says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Fr. Josh Stephens

Prayers of the People

Deacon or other leader

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, 'Lord, have mercy.'

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming; and for the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness we may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

Here and after every petition the People respond

Lord, have mercy.

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one; for those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, for José, our Bishop, for Josh, our Rector, for Sandy, our Deacon, for our vestry and staff, and for the ministry of each of us, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the peace of the world, especially for the people of Afghanistan, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples. For those in positions of public trust, especially Joe, our President, and Roy, our Governor, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who live and work in this community. For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer, for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

For our enemies and those who wish us harm, and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O Lord.

For this congregation, for those who are present and for those who are absent, for our families, friends, and neighbors. We pray for Chuck, Vanessa, Joanne, Tom, Eleanor, Trip, Susie and Rosie, Katherine, Lois, Dave and Nancy, Kristi, Mary, Mackenzie, JoAnn, Rebecca, Mike, Helen, Dianne, Mary, Ann, and John. Are there others? That being freed from anxiety and sickness, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, blessed St. John, and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord our God.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect, or the following Doxology

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Welcoming New Members of St. John in the Wilderness

At the conclusion of the Prayers of the People, the new members come forward to the altar area and turn to face the congregation. From the lectern, a member of the congregation then presents the group to the rector and people:

Presenter: I present N. for membership in The Episcopal Church of St. John in the Wilderness.

Celebrant: Do you desire to be members of this parish family?

New Member(s): I do.

Celebrant: Will you share in the body of Christ at St. John as a community of prayer, sacrament, formation, fellowship, and service?

New Member(s): I will with God's help.

Celebrant: As the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body -- Jews or Greeks, slaves or free -- and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.
(1 Corinthians 12:12-13, 26-27).

Inspired by your example, let us join together as the Body of Christ by renewing our own baptismal covenant.

The Celebrant then moves to the altar to address the new members, and the entire congregation, who respond to each question together.

Celebrant Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People I do.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

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

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sin,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People I will with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People I will with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will with God's help.**

The members now turn to face their new church family.

Celebrant: Let us welcome the newest members of The Episcopal Church of St. John in the Wilderness.

People and Celebrant:

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

As the new members return to their pews, the congregation welcomes them by sharing the peace with them.

Join us in welcoming the following new members this All Saints' Sunday: Jason Blackwell and Athena Brooks, Len and Susan Conapinski, George Grzenda and BJ McKee, Jerry and Meg Holt, Bess, Mike, Knowlton, and Channing Lee, William "Bill" Logan, Jill and Mark Owen, Piff Piffarerio, Mary Stroman, Doug and Laura Thiel, Jim Wagner, The Revs. Stephen and Patricia Askew, Charles Murray and Cathy Taylor-Murray, and Harry and Janelle Walker.

A Prayer for Those Celebrating Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries in November
(Prayer 50 on page 830 of *The Book of Common Prayer*)

O God, our times are in your hands. Look with favor, we pray on your servants who are celebrating birthdays or wedding anniversaries this month. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Offertory

The ushers pass the offering plates and present the gifts of the congregation at the Lord's table

Offertory Music: 8:45P Prelude on "for the Beauty of the Earth"
11:00 O Thou, Whose All Redeeming Might

Donna N. Robertson
David Blackwell

O, THOU, WHOSE ALL-REDEEMING MIGHT
8th century hymn
translated by R M Benson SSJE

O Thou, whose all-redeeming might crowns every saint in glory bright,
On this commemoration day hear us, good Jesu, while we pray.

Contending for thy holy name thy servants earned their saintly fame,
Which pious hearts with praise revere in constant memory year by year.

Earth's fleeting joys they counted naught, for higher, truer joys they sought,
And now, with Angels round thy throne, unfading treasures are their own.

O grant that we, most gracious God, may follow in the steps they trod;
And, freed from every stain of sin, as they have won may also win.

To thee, O Christ, our loving King, all glory, praise, and thanks we bring;
Whom with the Father we adore, and Holy Ghost for evermore. Amen.

Offertory Response: Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Old 100th

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

The people remain standing. The Sursum Corda is said at 8:45 and sung at 11:00.

The musical notation is presented in four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff is for the Celebrant and the People. The second staff is for the Celebrant and the People. The third staff is for the Celebrant. The fourth staff is for the People.

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. 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.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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:

Celebrant and People

Sanctus

Hymnal S-129

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est._____

The people 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.

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:

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.

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

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

The Celebrant continues

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

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The ushers immediately begin releasing the congregation to share in the Eucharistic feast. We are not drinking from the chalice or practicing intinction, but the chalice will be presented to you visually and verbally. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Communion Hymn: 623 O what their joy and their glory must be

O quanta qualia

1 O what their joy and their glo - ry must be,
2 Tru - ly "Je - ru - sa - lem" name we that shore,
3 There, where no trou - bles dis - trac - tion can bring,
4 Now, in the mean - while, with hearts raised on high,
5 Low be - fore him with our prais - es we fall,

1 those end - less Sab - baths the bless - ed ones see;
2 ci - ty of peace that brings joy ev - er - more;
3 we the sweet an - thems of Zi - on shall sing;
4 we for that coun - try must yearn and must sigh,
5 of whom, and in whom, and through whom are all;

1 crown for the val - iant, to wea - ry ones rest:
 2 wish and ful - fill - ment are not sev - ered there,
 3 while for thy grace, Lord, their voic - es of praise
 4 seek - ing Je - ru - sa - lem, dear na - tive land,
 5 of whom, the Fa - ther; and in whom, the Son;

1 God shall be all, and in all ev - er blest.
 2 nor do things prayed for come short of the prayer.
 3 thy bless - ed peo - ple e - ter - nal - ly raise.
 4 through our long ex - ile on Bab - y - lon's strand.
 5 through whom, the Spi - rit, with them ev - er One.

Words: Peter Abelard (1079-1142); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt.

Music: *O quanta qualia*, melody from *Antiphoner*, 1681; harm. John Bacchus Dykes (1823-1876)

Sending Out of Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant: With whom will you share this communion?

Eucharistic Visitors respond with the names of those to whom they will go.

Celebrant: 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.

People: We who are many are one body, because we share one bread and one cup.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

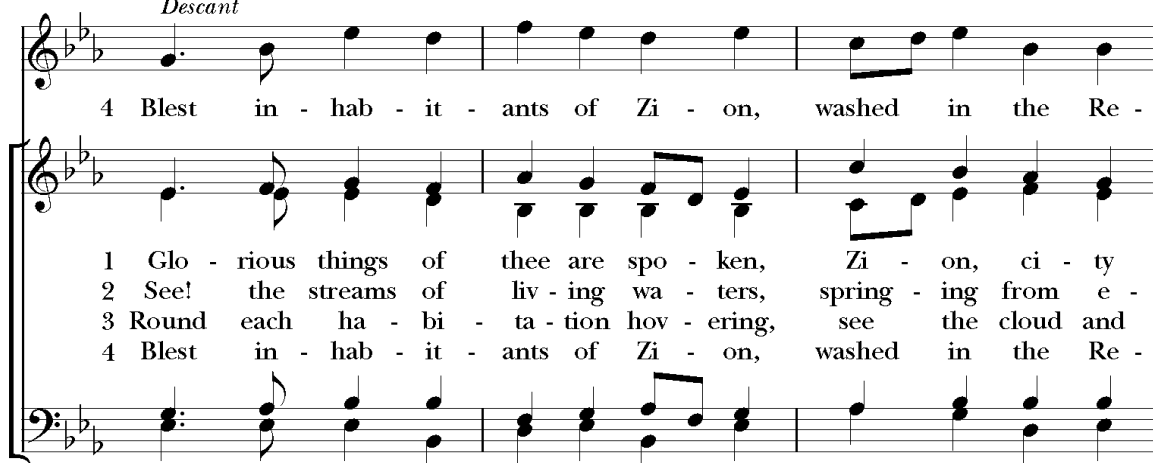
Celebrant and People

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.

Blessing

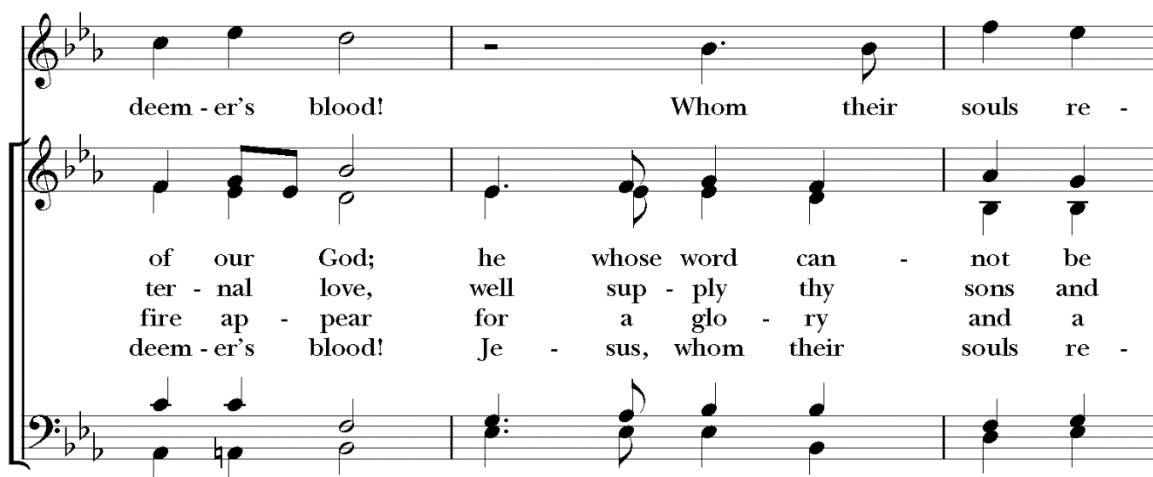
May God give you grace to follow his saints in faith and hope and love; and the blessing
of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with
you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal Hymn: No. 522 Glorious things of thee are spoken Austria
arrangement for choir, congregation, two trumpets and organ - Robert Powell

Descant

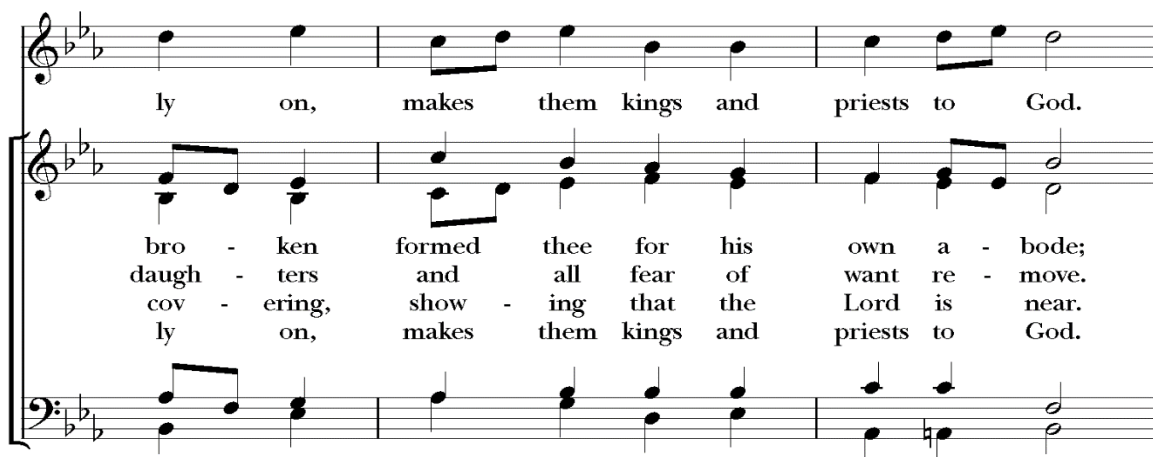
4 Blest in - hab - it - ants of Zi - on, washed in the Re -

1 Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, ci - ty
2 See! the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e -
3 Round each ha - bi - ta - tion hov - ering, see the cloud and
4 Blest in - hab - it - ants of Zi - on, washed in the Re -



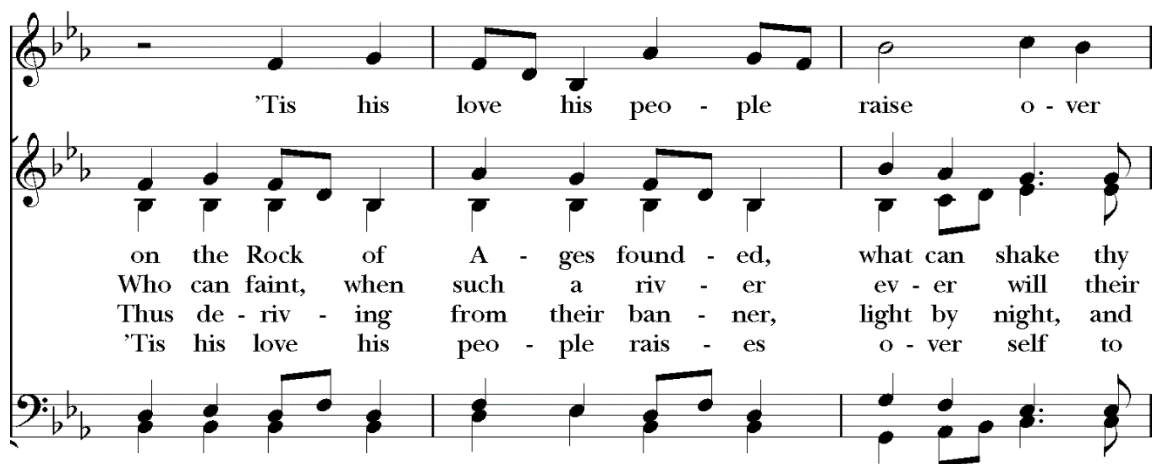
deem - er's blood! Whom their souls re -

of our God; he whose word can - not be
ter - nal love, well sup - ply thy sons and
fire ap - pear for a glo - ry and a
deem - er's blood! Je - sus, whom their souls re -



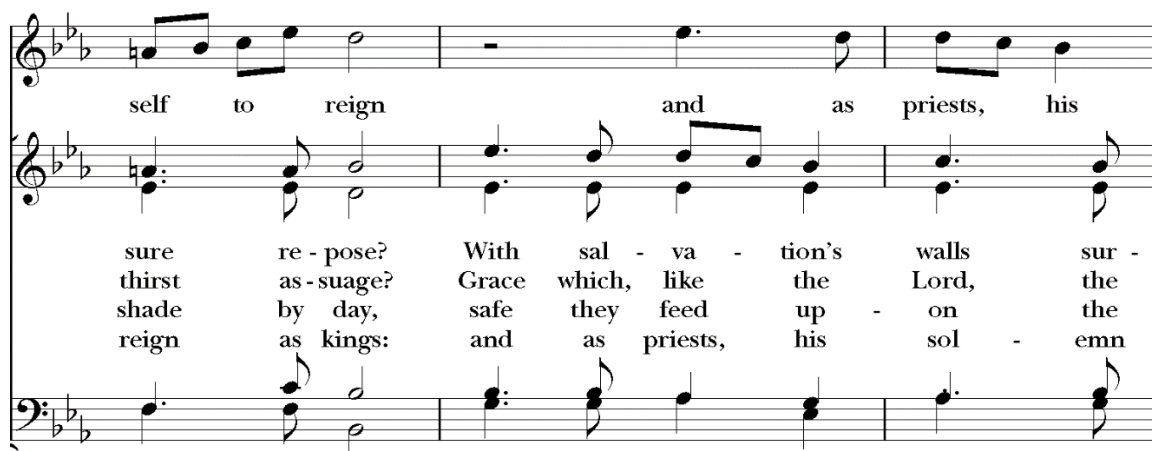
ly on, makes them kings and priests to God.

bro - ken formed thee for his own a - bode;
daugh - ters and all fear of want re - move.
cov - ering, show - ing that the Lord is near.
ly on, makes them kings and priests to God.



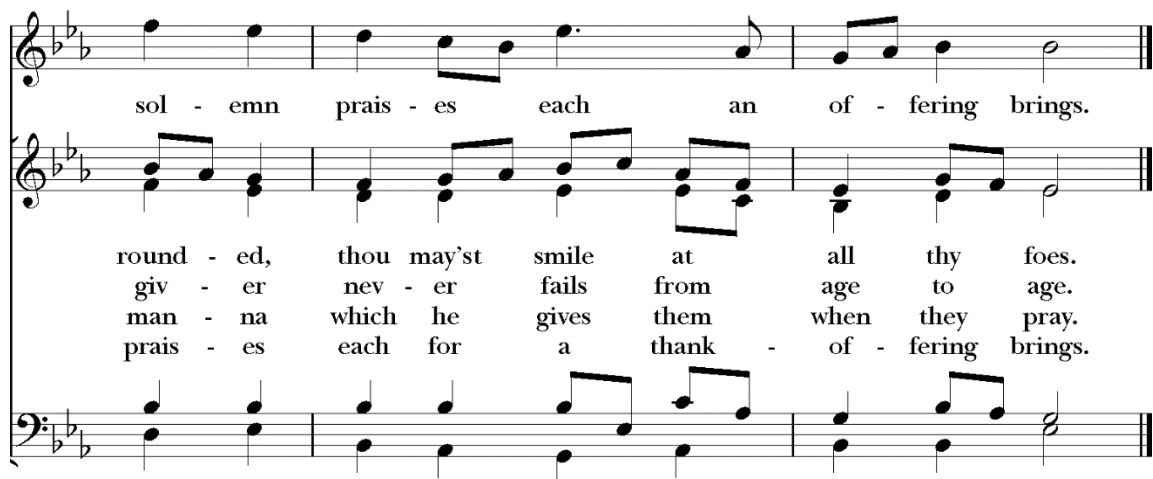
'Tis his love his peo - ple raise o - ver

on the Rock of A - ges found - ed, what can shake thy
Who can faint, when such a riv - er ev - er will their
Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner, light by night, and
'Tis his love his peo - ple rais - es o - ver self to



self to reign and as priests, his

sure re - pose? With sal - va - tion's walls sur -
thirst as - suage? Grace which, like the Lord, the
shade by day, safe they feed up - on the
reign as kings: and as priests, his sol - emn



sol - emn prais - es each an of - fering brings.

round - ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.
giv - er nev - er fails from age to age.
man - na which he gives them when they pray.
prais - es each for a thank - of - fering brings.

We welcome CJ Waldrop and Charlie Smith to our liturgy today. They are students of Dr. Gary Malvern at Furman University. Please thank them as you leave the service this morning.

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, may dismiss the people with these words

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Prayers of the People is that part of our liturgy which offers particular intercessions and thanksgivings to God. **Worshippers, wherever they are in the church, are encouraged to offer aloud or silently their own such prayers during the appropriate part of the Prayers of the People.** As we pray, please remember **those who are ill or with other needs:** Vanessa Wittman, Joanne Adams, Tom Joiner, Eleanor Flowers, Trip Mildren, Susie and Rosie, Katherine Gee, Lois Karcher, Dave and Nancy VonHolle, Kristi, Mary McCarty, Mackenzie Nosra, JoAnn Ebbs, Mary Stroman, Dianne Nowak, Ann Stringfield, Helen Aschenbrener, Chuck King, and John Gulbrandsen.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Fran and Jim MacDonald by Susan, James, and Inna MacDonald AND in loving memory of Brian and Gladys McCarty, father and mother of Mary Alice McCarty.

TO OUR VISITORS! We welcome you with all our hearts! You are also invited to come forward at the time of Communion to receive a blessing or the Sacrament. All baptized Christians are encouraged to receive Communion, including infants and children. If you are not baptized, please come forward and kneel at the altar while crossing your arms over your chest to receive a special blessing, and we invite you to talk to the priest at any time about entering discernment for being baptized. Won't you join with Christ and his Church on this journey of faith?

If you do not have a church home at this time, then we hope you will make St. John in the Wilderness your church family. We find that through sharing life together as the Body of Christ, we are made whole and renewed daily. Talk to an usher or member of the clergy about joining this parish, or you are welcome to simply fill out a card in your pew and put it in the offering plate. We welcome you!

WE GIVE THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR MINISTRY TO OUR CHURCH

	November 7, 2021		November 14, 2021	
	8:45	11:00	8:45	11:00
Lay Readers.	John/M. Barker	E. Christenbury	Robin Howe	Ginger Quarles
Acolyte	Jasmine Pharr		Elaine Howe	Julianna Savage
Ushers	Greg Newbold	Bettie Orr	Clint Adams	David Christenbury
	Debby Staton	John Bell	George Grzenda	Karen Conley
Greeters	Patrice German	Anna Kinsey	Brenda Hillyer	Karen Conley
	Dottie Dalzell		Mary Boys	
Cart Driver	Mark Owen	Chris Kanipe		Mike Covell
Eucharistic Visitors	Dick Zecher		Dick Zecher	
Altar Guild	Michael Jeffery	Marti Snith	Robin Howe	Lynn Savage
	Sandra Jeffery	Candace Lewis	Elaine Howe	Julianna Savage
	Traci Tindal	Kathy Newbold		
Opening Gatekeeper	Dick Zecher		Dick Zecher	
Closing Gatekeeper	Marie Hyder		Marie Hyder	
Flower Guild	Bay Chamberlain		Galen Reuther	Jim Wagner

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Worship Services 8:45 & 11:00am

Children's Sunday School: 10:00am (during school year only)/Adult Sunday School: 10:00am

Holy Eucharist & Healing Service – Wednesdays 10:30am in the Parish Hall Office Hours- 8:30am-3:30pm M-F

In case of pastoral emergencies:

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Terry Enslin
Marie Hyder
Gibson Sims
Dick Zecher

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John Barker
Elizabeth Christenbury
Jennifer Shelton
Lynn Wiescholek

PARISH OFFICERS

Margaret Barker, Clerk of the Vestry

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Christian Formation: Mary Anne Inglis

Communications & Publicity: Joey Popp

Finance: Susan MacDonald

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Community Engagement, Evangelism, and Newcomers
(CEEN):

Outreach:

Personnel: Margaret Barker

Stewardship: David Christenbury

OTHER COMMITTEES AND MINISTRIES

Acolytes: Lynn Savage

Altar Guild: Kathy Newbold, Cathryn Harrell

Chefs of St. John: Jim Vint

Churchyard Trustees: Pete Petersen

Docents: E.R. Haire, Jr.

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Episcopal Church Women: Kathy Newbold

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Flower Guild: Bay Chamberlain

Flower Memorials: Gaston Motes

Funeral Reception Ministry: Brenda Hillyer

Garden Guild: Jerry & Jan Tanner

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