

Opening Music
Announcements
Call to Worship

Psalm 149 1912 Psalter

Praise ye the Lord among His saints,
New songs of gladness sing;

**Let Zion's children praise and bless
Their Maker and their King.**

This is the glorious judgment giv'n:
His saints shall rule the earth;

**Then bless the Lord, His glory tell,
And celebrate His worth.**

Hymn Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing **400**
Prayer Patricia Ramsden (slightly altered)

**Lord, speak for your servants listen.
We listen for a word of grace, a word of love.
We listen for a word of wisdom.
We listen for a word that reassures us
you are still there.
Speak Lord for I am listening. Amen**

Scripture

Choir For All the Saints **2283**

Sermon

Prayer to Follow Christ All Saints FotW

**God of the covenant,
who calls all people to reconciliation,
you have made us members
of the very body of Christ;
yet we persist in wounding that body with
our divisions, our suspicions, and our neglect.
Forgive us, and teach us to nurture unity & peace.
For the sake of Jesus Christ
and the world he came to save; Amen.**

Silent Prayers

Words of Assurance Ps. 145:19, 21 FotW

The psalmist declares that
God hears the cry of the beloved and saves them.
Be assured: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**Praise the Lord,
and bless God's holy name forever.**

Hymn God forgave my sin in Jesus' name **389**
Shared Prayers Book of Common Prayer

**Eternal Lord God, you hold all souls in life:
Give to your whole Church
in paradise and on earth
your light and your peace;
and grant that we, following the good examples
of those who have served you here
and are now at rest,
may at the last enter with them
into your unending joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Holy Communion **15-16**

The Lord's Prayer

Closing Music Take my life, and let it be **399**
Benediction All Saints FotW

Love your enemies, pray for those who oppose you,
answer evil with good, give to those in need;
for yours is the kingdom of God.

2 Thess. 2:16-17 FotW

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself,
and God our parent,
who loves us and, through grace,
gives us eternal comfort and good hope,
comfort your hearts and strengthen them
in every good deed and word.

AMEN

Postlude O God of Every Nation **435**

Calendar

Nov 23 – Reign of Christ / Thanksgiving Sunday
Nov 30 – First Sunday of Advent

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Developing the Discipline of Gratitude

From: Spiritual Practice Feature by Frederic and Mary Ann Brussat
<https://www.spiritualityandpractice.com/practices/features/view/28813>
24 Ways to Practice Thanks-giving

Today: Express your gratitude in a note or a phone call to a person whose service in daily life nurtures your faith. Thank God for this saint in your life.

(from Nov. 1 All Saints Day)

Nov. 3: Show your gratitude for the gifts of nature by incorporating some of them — leaves, twigs, acorns, rocks, sand — into a table centerpiece.

Nov. 4: Find a special way to express your gratitude to a part of your body; for example, give your feet a good massage. *Added: Give thanks for the opportunity to have a voice in our “participatory democracy”.*

Nov. 5: Convey to your pets how grateful you are to have their company in your daily life.

Nov. 6: Write a letter of appreciation to an author whose book has been an inspiration to you. Send it through his/her website.

Nov. 7 (Traditional Veteran’s Day in the United States): Give thanks for peace, and the peacemakers in your life.

Nov. 8: Pass on a gift that you have received but that is sitting unused in a closet. Keeping gifts in circulation is a sign of gratitude.

Nov. 9: After seeing a movie or watching a TV program that touches your soul, say a prayer of thanks for the writer, director, actors, and actresses.

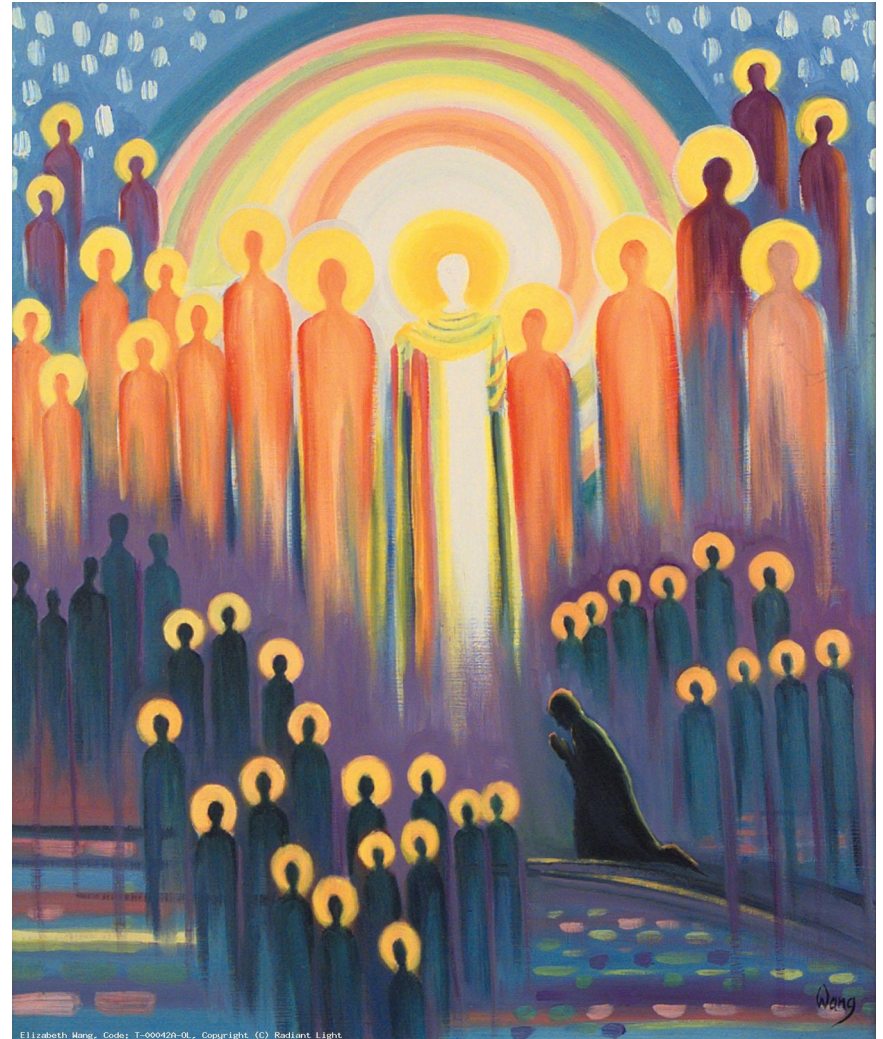
Nov. 10: Write a letter to a relative in which you acknowledge the special role he or she plays in your family circle. If possible, include an invitation to Thanksgiving dinner.

We will continue with suggestions until the Season of Advent.

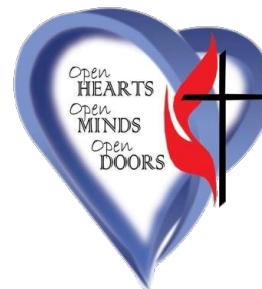
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November 2, 2025 - All Saints Sunday



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Reflecting on and Praying with the Lectionary All Saints Sunday & Sunday November 2

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Lectionary

All Saints,

Dan. 7:1-3, 15-18
Psalm 149
Ephesians 1:11-23
Luke 6:20-31

Complementary

Nov 2

Hab. 1:1-4; 2:1-4
Psalm 119:137-144

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

Luke 19:1-10

Semicontinuous

Nov 2

Is. 1:10-18
Ps. 32:1-7

Questions for Reflection

How will it change the way we treat one another—or even ourselves—if, like the psalmist declares, we bless God's name every day rather than cling to the negative or complain about the things that do not go as planned?

The writer of Second Thessalonians implores his readers to
"hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us,
either by word of mouth or by our letter" (2 Thess. 2:15).

Identify some traditions you should hold on to.

Are there traditions we should reclaim?

What about traditions that have served their purpose
and can be let go?

What are the traditions of the church?

We each have our own ideas and visions of what happens to us after we die. When the opponents of Jesus tried to trick him by asking a convoluted question about what heaven is like after we die, Jesus replied by saying that God is not the God of the dead but of the living because we are always alive to God
(Luke 20:38).

How does that inform our sense of Christian community,
of the communion of saints, and of life everlasting?

Who are the saints
that have accompanied you in the life of faith?

Morning Prayer

God of life, for this new day we give thanks.

May we bear witness to the gift of life in all we say and do,
from the flowers that bloom to the critters that creep,
from the friends we seek out to the strangers we encounter.

As the birds sing out their praises,
may we, too, make a joyful noise.

May our words and our actions reveal your good news.

Help us to be inspired & awed by your extraordinary creation.
Amen.

God of blessing, thank you for a new day to live for you.
In the company of all the saints in heaven and on earth,
I rise to sing your praise.
Make me a worthy companion of my ancestors in faith,
and let me love others as I have been loved. Amen.

Holy One, I want to see you today
in this world with my own eyes.
Even though your greatness is unsearchable,
today I want to meditate on
your wondrous works all around me.
Give me the eyes of faith through which to see you.
Renew me, that I may praise you with a new song. Amen.

Evening Prayers

Creator of the stars of night, thank you for the gift of rest.
Forgive what wrong I have done today,
and heal any wounds I have caused.
Grant me, I pray, a peaceful rest,
that I may rise with the sun to serve you with joy. Amen.

Holy God, you have indeed done marvelous things;
we thank you.
Throughout this day we were challenged and found hope;
we were surprised by the places & people
who give witness to you.
Be with us and those we love this night.
Comfort those who are uneasy or afraid.
Guide us through the night to the dawn of a new day
filled with hope and promise. Amen.

God, thank you for guiding my steps on your paths today.
Where my feet may have slipped, forgive me.
You have wondrously shown me your steadfast love
through the course of this day.
Now let me fall asleep in the shadow of your wings,
for I have seen today that you are my redeemer,
the living God. Amen.