

Opening Hymn; 293

Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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.

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.

Lord, open our lips

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: **O come, let us adore him.**

Psalm 67:1-5

O God, be merciful to us and bless us, *show us the light of your countenance and come to us. Let your ways be known upon earth, * your saving health among all nations. Let the peoples praise you, O God; * let all the peoples praise you. Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, * for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth. Let the peoples praise you, O God; * let all the peoples praise you.

Psalm 145:1-5, 18-22

- 1 I will exalt you, O God my King, * and bless your Name for ever and ever.
- 2 Every day will I bless you * and praise your Name for ever and ever.
- 3 Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; * there is no end to his greatness.
- 4 One generation shall praise your works to another * and shall declare your power.
- 5 I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty * and all your marvelous works.
- 18 The LORD is righteous in all his ways * and loving in all his works.
- 19 The LORD is near to those who call upon him, * to all who call upon him faithfully.
- 20 He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; * he hears their cry and helps them.
- 21 The LORD preserves all those who love him, * but he destroys all the wicked.
- 22 My mouth shall speak the raise of the LORD; * let all flesh bless his holy Name for ever and ever.

First Lesson Haggai (1:15b-2:9)

In the second year of King Darius, in the seventh month, on the twenty-first day of the month, the word of the LORD came by the prophet Haggai, saying: Speak now to Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, and say, Who is left among you that saw this house in its former glory? How does it look to you now? Is it not in your sight as nothing? Yet now take courage, O Zerubbabel, says the LORD; take courage, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; take courage, all you people of the land, says the LORD; work, for I am with you, says the LORD of hosts, according to the promise that I made you when you came out of Egypt. My spirit abides among you; do not fear. For thus says the LORD of hosts: Once again, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land; and I will shake all the nations, so that the treasure of all nations shall come, and I will fill

this house with splendor, says the LORD of hosts. The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the LORD of hosts,. The latter splendor of this house shall be greater that the former, says the LORD of hosts; and in this place I will give prosperity, says the LORD of hosts.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle H: A Song of Hosea Hosea 6:1-3

Come, let us return to our God, * who has torn us and will heal us. God has struck us and will bind up our wounds, * after two days revive us, On the third day restore us, * that in God's presence we may live. Let us humble ourselves, let us strive to know the Lord, * whose justice dawns like morning light, its dawning as sure as the sunrise. God's justice will come to us like a shower, * like spring rains that water the earth.

Second Lesson Thessalonians (2:1-5,13-17)

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you. But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

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Canticle 17: The Song of Simeon

Lord, you now have set your servant free * to go in peace as you have promised: For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, * whom you have prepared for all the world to see: A light to enlighten the nations, * and the glory of your people Israel. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: * as it was in the beginning, is now and ever will be. Amen.

The Holy **Gospel** of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (20:27-38)

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies. leaving a wife but no children. the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her." Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon Community of Divine Love

Sermon Music

Here follows the Nicene Creed, all standing

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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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.

The Prayers

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray.

Collects

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

Collect for All Saints

O Almighty God, who 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 indescribable joys which you have prepared for those who truly love you: through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting.

The Prayers of the People

Our God is the God of the living and not of the dead. Even as we dwell in the midst of death, we are heartened by God's promises and turn to God in confident supplication, saying: Lord, hear our prayer.

(As the Spirit moves you, please take turns reading one or more of the petitions. Please observe a short silence at the indicated times.)

O God, promised of the living, when your glory appears our joy will be full. That until that day Christian communities may give testimony in word and deed that they are children of the resurrection, we pray to our God. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

That those who suffer affliction and loss may find their lives transformed in the hope of a new age, we pray to our God. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

That the persecuted and those who suffer injustice and contempt may be protected by God's grace from the evil of persons and systems, we pray to our God. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

That those who have suffered pain in their marriages and those who live with separated parents may find God's peace and promise in the heart of the church, we pray to our God. Lord, hear our prayer.

That in its response to Christ's word, the church may bring obedience to the Spirit and concern for the troubled to its consideration of the ethical questions of our times, we pray to our God. Lord, hear our prayer.

That the dead may rest in God's bosom, with Sarah and Abraham, with Moses and Miriam, and with all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, we pray to our God. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

That our children on the field of battle, and all who are threatened by violence of arms be kept safe in God's loving care, we pray to our God. Lord, hear our prayer.

(Here other intercessions may be offered.)

We offer Prayers for Susie and Jennifer. Lord, hear our prayer.

O God, promised of the ages, in the midst of all anxieties and fears we ask you to hear us, as we make supplication for those whose lives need hope, until that day when your glory appears and our joy will be full. We make our prayer in the name of Jesus, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Then all may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

Offertory Hymn: 238

Prayer over the gifts: Gracious God, your word to us is food indeed. Receive all we offer you this day, and let your loving-kindness be our comfort, for the sake of Jesus Christ, your living Word. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **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 in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that we might rejoice in their fellowship, and run with endurance the race that is set before us; and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades away. 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 sing

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel. Holy and gracious Father:

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial . . .

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**.

Let us pray in the words of the One whose coming is certain and whose day draws near:

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

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world, give us your peace.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation or other suitable words.

The holy gifts of God for the holy people of God: Draw near with awe and faith, with praise and thanksgiving.

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Living God, in the eucharist you fill us with new hope. May the power of your love, which we have known in word and sacrament, continue your saving work among us, and bring us to the joy you promise. Let us pray. Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

God, who from the death of sin raised you to new life in Christ, keep you from falling and set you in the presence of his glory; and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

Knowing that all of our community cannot share the Eucharist in person, we affirm that the true mystical communion of Christ and His Church is a bond of spirit and heart, grounded in faith. Therefore, we commit ourselves to this deep bond of the Spirit in union with Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Blessing

Closing hymn #232 (verses 1,2,3 & verse for All Saint's Day)

Awaiting the day when the sun of righteousness shall dawn with its healing rays, go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

