

SEEKING GOD TOGETHER

PRELUDE For All the Saints (*G.Krapf*)

**WELCOME & CONGREGATIONAL LIFE
PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Acknowledgment of Territory/Every Child Matters
Martha Bailkowski

INTROIT When Painful Mem'ries (*R.Duck/S.A.Morris*)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, you saints of God,
let us praise and worship the God
who has brought us together today.

We have come.

Our hearts are ready to give God praise.

Come, you saints of God,
you who are 'set apart'
to carry out God's work in the world.

We have come.

We are ready to do God's will.

Come, you saints of God,
remember all those who have gone before us,
the faithful who have carried the torch of faith
and lit the way.

We have come.

We remember those who have helped us

On our journey and accompany us still.

In the communion of saints, let us worship God.
(*Sue Webb, Faith Centennial U.C., Selkirk, Ont.*)

***HYMN** For All the Saints (*see pg 7*)

PRAYER FOR RENEWAL

**We remember today those who have been as saints to us;
those who have died: those who were part of our living
and those who live on in our lives. God of the elements,
You inhabit each of us: family and friends and strangers
are at home in us, stars and planets dance in our bones
and blood. God of eternity, comfort your people, living
and dying. Quicken us with wonder, salt us with justice
and integrity, welcome us with love so that we may love.
God in Community-Holy in One, we pray. Amen.**

(*R.Burgess, Acorns & Archangels, adpted.*)

WORDS OF GRACE

Our God walks with us in all aspects of our living
and our remembering.

Thanks be to God!

SUNG RESPONSE Dance With the Spirit (*J.Strathdee*)

MV 156 **Dance with the Spirit early in the mornin',
walk with the Spirit throughout the long day.
work and hope for the new life abornin',
listen to the Spirit to show you the way.**

FINDING GOD TOGETHER

SCRIPTURE 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12 Janice Nolan
(Your faith and love are growing abundantly.)

ANTHEM Who Knows Where the Seasons Go? (*L.Nickel*)

GOSPEL Luke 19:1-10 *p.82 Pew Bible NT*
(Jesus dines with Zacchaeus.)

Come to the quiet...a time for reflection

SERMON

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At the conclusion of today's reflection, you will be invited
to come forward to light a candle for the saints in your life...
for those who have gone before us and for those who are
with us still.

***HYMN** Blest Are They (*see pg 7*)

SHARING GOD'S LOVE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY Angel's Serenade (*G.Braga*)
Marina & Mehraeen Safari, violins

***DEDICATION** Take, O Take Me as I Am (*Belle/Maule*)

MV 85 **Take, O take me as I am;
summon out what I shall be;
set your seal upon my heart,
and live in me. (*sing twice*)**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

PRAYER SHAWL BLESSING

PRAYER PRELUDE Spirit of Life (*C.McDade*) **VU 381**

Spirit of Life, come unto me.

Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.

Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;

move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.

Roots hold me close; wings set me free;

Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

(*See page 8*)

***HYMN** Three Things I Promise (*Wren/Damon*) MV 176

Three things I promise, Holy God, in age and youth,
in life and death: to bless your name and cling to Christ,
and listen for the Spirit's breath.

Your love unfolded time and space, and life, and all
that life became, and so, with thankful heart and voice,
through good and ill, I bless your Name.

I follow, serve, and cling to Christ amid our culture's
tides and trends, for here your Name is most revealed:
Majestic Love, and Best of Friends.

Enlivened as the Spirit moves to cleanse, awaken,
and renew, I pray that justice, peace, and truth, may seed
and grow in all I do.

If I should live when vigour fades, and family and friends
are gone, three acts of loving faith remain when days are
slow, and work is done.

Revive and guide me, Living God, as day by day, until
my death, I bless your Name, and cling to Christ, and
listen for the Spirit's breath.

*** COMMISSIONING**

Like the saints before us,
each one of us has special talents and gifts
with which to serve.

**We go now to discern our gifts,
to share them with our neighbours,
with our communities and with the world,
in love and peace.**

SUNG BLESSING Go Now In Peace (*Price/Besig*)
Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know God will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there surrounding us with love.
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.

POSTLUDE Fuga in g BWV 578 (*J.S.Bach*)



Remembrance Sunday—November 6th

Members of the congregation are invited to bring
wartime memorabilia for the worship table—photos
medals, uniforms, etc for display.



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ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

October 30, 2022

11:00 AM

*We join hands with the living who are learning
to love. We honour the dead whose vision still lives.*

*We pause with the angels in remembrance.
(Elizabeth Baxter, Acorns and Archangels, Iona.)*

For All the Saints VU 705

For all the saints, who from their labours rest, all who by faith before the world confessed, your name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Hallelujah, hallelujah!

You were their rock, their fortress, and their might: you were their captain in the well-fought fight; you, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Hallelujah, hallelujah!

O blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one within your great design. Hallelujah, hallelujah!

The golden evening brightens in the west; soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest; sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Hallelujah, hallelujah!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day the saints triumphant rise in bright array: as God to glory calls them all away. Hallelujah, hallelujah!

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: Hallelujah, hallelujah!

Blest Are They VU p.896-897

Blest are they, the poor in spirit, theirs is the kingdom of God. Blest are they, full of sorrow, they shall be consoled.

Rejoice and be glad! Blessed are you, holy are you! Rejoice and be glad! Yours is the kingdom of God.

Blest are they, the lowly ones, they shall inherit the earth. Blest are they who hunger and thirst, they shall have their fill. **R**

Blest are they who show mercy, mercy shall be theirs. Blest are they, the pure of heart, they shall see God. **R**

Blest are they who seek peace; they are the children of God. Blest are they who suffer in faith, the glory of God is theirs. **R**

Blest are you who suffer hate, all because of me. Rejoice and be glad yours is the kingdom; shine for all to see. **R**

Lords Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be they name.
They kingdom come,
they 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

