

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, November 6, 2022

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

THEME: Cultivating Generosity – Part 3



“In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, destined according to Christ’s purpose who accomplishes all things.” Ephesians 1:11

*GATHERING*

*Prelude:* Aria on "For All the Saints" David Cherwien

Greeting and Welcome to Worship

\*Call to Worship:

Leader: Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for,

People: **The conviction of things not seen.**

Leader: By faith our ancestors trusted in God’s ways;

People: **By faith they waited for what was promised.**

Leader: We are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,

People: **Who lead us to Jesus, the pioneer and protector of our faith.**

Leader: We gather in this moment, in communion with our God,

People: **And with the love and encouragement of all who have led the way.**

\* Hymn of Praise #326 – “For All the Saints” (see download)

**Prayer of Confession**

Call to Confession:

Come to me, all you who labor and are heavily burdened, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and

you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light. Let us

confess our sins against God and neighbor.

Unison Prayer for Forgiveness

**All: Almighty God, we confess we have committed the same sins as our**

**ancestors. We have ignored Your ways and settled for empty words and actions.**

**We have forgotten to love our neighbors and instead have taken advantages of**

**systems of privilege and oppression for ourselves. We have failed to heed the**

warnings of the prophets, of times past and present. But there is still time, O God. We know there is still time to turn back to You. There is still time to make reparations for the wrongs of the past and present. There is still time to do justice and pursue peace. There is still time to forgive and seek reconciliation whenever possible. God, lead us into this time: a time of healing and hope, a time of restoration. Forgive us, restore us, and send us out to share the Gospel, the Good News of Your love for the world.

(A Time for Silent Confession)

Leader: Through Christ our Lord we pray.

People: **AMEN**

**Assurance of Pardon**

\* Hymn of Response: #654 – “In the Lord I’ll Be Ever Thankful”

In the Lord, I’ll be ever thankful, in the Lord I will rejoice!

Look to God; do not be afraid. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near. Lift up your

voices, the Lord is near. [sing three times]

*PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD*

*Anthem:* “The Journey” Joseph Martin  
Chancel Choir

A Moment with the Children

(Children and Youth then depart for Sunday School)

New Testament Reading: Ephesians 1:11-23

Leader: This is the word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon **Who Is a Saint? (An Account of Testimony and Intercession)**

\*Hymn of Response: #726 – “Will You Come and Follow Me” (see download)

*RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD*

\* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles’ Creed**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus

Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the

Virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, And he will

come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints, The forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

\* **DOXOLOGY** Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. AMEN

Prayer of Thanksgiving:

**God of all generations, as we worship today, we offer our whole selves to you, all that we have and all that we are. Like your saints who have gone before us, we pray that you will help us be bold in our mission and in our witness. May we who have been given so much give freely, ministering in your compassion to the multitudes near to us and far from us; so that one day we may stand amidst the multitude that gathers at your heavenly throne. We pray this in the name of our Savior and Redeemer, Christ our Lord. AMEN**

\*Call to Prayer: Hymn #469 “Lord, Listen to Your Children” (sing twice)  
(see download)

Announcements and Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

\*Closing Hymn: #757 “Today We All Are Called” (see download)

Charge and Benediction

Silent Prayer (be seated)

*Postlude:* “Eternal Father, Strong to Save” Thomas Chesterton

The End of Worship

The Beginning of Service

\*Those who wish may stand

Rev. James Shuler, Interim Pastor

Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

**Prayers of the Congregation**

**Prayer Family this week: R. Scott & Cathy A. Shenk**

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