

# Welcome to All Saints Day

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## Hymn of Invocation: 676 Behold a Host, Arrayed in White

- 1 Behold a host, arrayed in white,  
Like thousand snow-clad mountains bright!  
    With palms they stand;  
    Who is this band  
Before the throne of light?  
These are the saints of glorious fame,  
Who from the great affliction came  
    And in the flood  
    Of Jesus' blood  
Are cleansed from guilt and shame.  
They now serve God both day and night;  
They sing their songs in endless light.  
    Their anthems ring  
    As they all sing  
With angels shining bright.
  
- 2 Despised and scorned, they sojourned here;  
But now, how glorious they appear!  
    Those martyrs stand,  
    A priestly band,  
God's throne forever near.  
On earth they wept through bitter years;  
Now God has wiped away their tears,  
    Transformed their strife  
    To heav'nly life,  
And freed them from their fears.  
They now enjoy the Sabbath rest,  
The heav'nly banquet of the blest;  
    The Lamb, their Lord,  
    At festive board  
Himself is host and guest.
  
- 3 O blessèd saints in bright array  
Now safely home in endless day,  
    Extol the Lord,  
    Who with His Word  
Sustained you on the way.  
The steep and narrow path you trod;  
You toiled and sowed the Word abroad;  
    Rejoice and bring  
    Your fruits and sing  
Before the throne of God.  
The myriad angels raise their song;  
O saints, sing with that happy throng!  
    Lift up one voice;  
    Let heav'n rejoice  
In our Redeemer's song!

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*Stand*

*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Kneel/Stand*

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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 justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{✠}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

*Stand*

## Service of the Word

### Psalm

### Kyrie

LSB 152

**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

**C** Amen.

### Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 154

**A** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.

**C** Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:

We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,

You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## First Reading

*Revelation 7:2–17*

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

## Gradual

*Revelation 7:14b; Psalm 84:5*

## Epistle

*1 John 3:1–3*

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Alleluia and Verse

*LSB 156*

- C** Alleluia.  
Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of eternal life.  
Alleluia, alleluia.

## Holy Gospel

*Matthew 5:1–12*

- P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.
- C** Glory to You, O Lord.
  
- P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C** Praise to You, O Christ.

*Sit*

## Hymn of the Day: 677 For All the Saints

- 1 For all the saints who from their labors rest,  
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,  
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;  
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;  
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 3 Oh, may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,  
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old  
And win with them the victor's crown of gold!  
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 4 Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine!  
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 5 And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long,  
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song,  
And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 6 The golden evening brightens in the west;  
Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;  
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

7 But, lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day:  
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;  
The King of Glory passes on His way.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

△ 8 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:  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

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## Sermon "Garments and Blood"

*Stand*

## Apostles' Creed

### Prayer of the Church

**P** Let us pray to the Lord, our God and Father, who raised Jesus from the dead.

... let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**P** Keep us in fellowship with all Your saints, O Lord, and bring us at last to the joy of Your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Stand*

### Offertory

LSB 159

**C** What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?  
I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.  
I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord.  
I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people,  
in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

### Lord's Prayer

LSB 162

*Stand*

### Closing Collect

**A** Let us pray.  
Lord Jesus, when You were lifted up on the cross, the entire world experienced birth pains as the cosmos was rocked as Your death gave birth to a new creation. Focus our eyes on Your holy cross that we may see it as a tree of life preparing us for Your final coming in judgment as the Son of Man; for You live and reign with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

### Benediction

LSB 166

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

**C** Amen.

### Hymn to Depart: 554 O Jesus, King Most Wonderful

1 O Jesus, King most wonderful!  
O Conqueror renowned!  
O Source of peace ineffable,  
In whom all joys are found:

- 2 When once You visit darkened hearts,  
Then truth begins to shine,  
Then earthly vanity departs,  
Then kindles love divine.
- 3 O Jesus, light of all below,  
The fount of life and fire,  
Surpassing all the joys we know,  
All that we can desire:
- 4 May ev'ry heart confess Your name,  
Forever You adore,  
And, seeking You, itself inflame  
To seek You more and more!
- 5 Oh, may our tongues forever bless,  
May we love You alone  
And ever in our lives express  
The image of Your own!

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