

Sunday, November 1st, 2020 Service – Online Faith Presbyterian Church All Saints Day On Earth as in Heaven: God's Call for Justice 4



PRELUDE "Saints Bound for Heaven" - Scott

INTROIT *"When the Saints Go Marching In" - Traditional*

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

- One: See how God loves us!
- All: God loves us enough to swallow up death forever.
- One: See how Christ loves us!
- All: Christ loves us enough bring us messengers of healing.
- One: See how the Spirit loves us!
- All : The Holy Spirit loves us enough to offer us words of hope we can trust.
- One: We are the saints who are the living body of Christ, the Church.
- All: Praise the Lord! Praise the name of the Lord!

OPENING HYMN *"Thy Word, Is a Lamp Unto My Feet"* #458

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

When I feel afraid, and I think I've lost my way, Still you're there right beside me Nothing will I fear as long as you are near. Please be near me to the end.

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

Interlude 1 ~ Remembering the Saints ~

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Creator of the mountain and the valley, keeper of the forest and the desert,

companion along the smooth path and the rocky road, guide us toward the light and comfort in the shadows: We come before you and one another, with all of our beauty and with all of our needs, all of our certainties and all of our anxieties, our deepest regrets and our highest hopes. We come longing to be changed and transformed into the image of love.

Let us pray together this prayer of confession:

All: Merciful Spirit,

help us to forgive ourselves; and

help us to forgive one another

for the ways we have loved wrongly,

and for the unlovely things we have done

out of insecurity and fear.

(time for silent reflection)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsively) Word of Assurance

- One: Even in the deep and shadowed places we are not alone. In the hard times we are nurtured, renewed, and made whole. God is with us in this journey.
- All: Spirit rejoices with us along the way. For all the extraordinary and subtle ways that love prevails, thanks be to God! Amen.

CHILDRENS TIME - Debbie Wood

- Interlude 2 ~ Remembering the Saints ~
- SPECIAL MUSIC Hope Struse, piano and Hannah Struse, violin
- Interlude 3 ~ Remembering the Saints ~

SCRIPTURE – THE PROPHETS Micah 3: 5-12

⁵ Thus says the LORD concerning the prophets who lead my people astray, who cry "Peace" when they have something to eat, but declare war against those who put nothing into their mouths. ⁶ Therefore it shall be night to you, without vision, and darkness to you, without revelation. The sun shall go down upon the prophets, and the day shall be black over them; ⁷ the seers shall be disgraced, and the diviners put to shame; they shall all cover their lips, for there is no answer from God. ⁸ But as for me, I am filled with power, with the spirit of the LORD, and with justice and might, to declare to Jacob his transgression and to Israel his sin. ⁹ Hear this, you rulers of the house of Jacob and chiefs of the house of Israel, who abhor justice and pervert all equity, ¹⁰ who build Zion with blood and Jerusalem with wrong!

¹¹ Its rulers give judgment for a bribe, its priests teach for a price, its prophets give oracles for money; yet they lean upon the LORD and say, "Surely the LORD is with us! No harm shall come upon us."
¹² Therefore because of you Zion shall be plowed as a field; Jerusalem shall become a heap of ruins, and the mountain of the house a wooded height.

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. Thanks be to God.

SCRIPTURE - GOSPEL

Matthew 23: 1-12

23 Then Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples, ² "The scribes and the Pharisees sit on Moses' seat; ³ therefore, do whatever they teach you and follow it; but do not do as they do, for they do not practice what they teach. ⁴ They tie up heavy burdens, hard to bear, and lay them on the shoulders of others; but they themselves are unwilling to lift a finger to move them. ⁵ They do all their deeds to be seen by others; for they make their phylacteries broad and their fringes long. ⁶ They love to have the place of honor at banquets and the best seats in the synagogues, ⁷ and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have people call them rabbi. ⁸ But you are not to be called rabbi, for you have one teacher, and you are all students ⁹ And call no one your father on earth, for you have one Father—the one in heaven. ¹⁰ Nor are you to be called instructors, for you have one instructor, the Messiah. ¹¹ The greatest among you will be your servant. ¹² All who exalt themselves will be humbled, and all who humble themselves will be exalted.

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Servants as Leaders" On Earth as in Heaven: God's Call for Justice, Part 4

Interlude 4 ~ Remembering the Saints ~

Closing Litany

One: Lord God, we give you thanks for all your saints who have witnessed to your love through the centuries and have entered into your presence.
 Many: We thank you for those whose lives have provided a witness to us and who have passed their faith on, leading us to this place and this time.
 All: We give thanks for all who have given us encouragement, challenge and guidance.
 One: They will hunger no more and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them nor any scorching heat.
 All: Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever. Amen!

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

CLOSING HYMN "For All The Saints" #326 Verses 1, 2, and 5

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!

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!

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!

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE "In the Lord, I'll Be Ever Thankful" #654 (sing twice)

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.

POSTLUDE *"When the Saints Go Marching In" -* Traditional

Liturgy created by Rev. Thom Shuman, lectionaryliturgies.org

All Saints Day – November 1, 2020 Faith's Cloud of Witnesses



Mary Redick Al Stalcup William Krueger Margaret Tyner Kenneth Johnston Lyle Jevons **Barbara** Potter Timi Caldwell Marian Zerkle Gaytha Bradley Ruth Krueger Laura Kincaid Mary Brown Jo Ready **Dorothy Wickman** Helen Rhodes Ina Hughes Helen Baxter Elmer Bertossa Hubert Kelley Nona Eckhardt **Dorothy Boyd** Fred Davidson **Retta Kelley** Woodie Wilson **Betty Wilson** Elsie Nelson Ken Wilson Sybill Freiss Tom Adair **Trudy Adair** Norm Leisgang

Interlude 2

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Interlude 3

Harold McLean Elsa Emmons Milt Emmons Ward Hart Ruby Derr Vernon Weimar Jean Weimar Berniece Wilcox Bud Derr Sarah M. McCormick Rita Tuck Lucille Goddard **Cliff Brown** Frank Heinrich Cameron Vise Mary Eaton **Gladys Vise** Ray Willcox Charlotte McGhee Ron Vaughn Margaret McCormick Loren Oshel Nancy Hughes Jerry Petranek Marwin Brown Don Miller Don Moyers Elva Emrie Yvonne "Missy" Faulkner Shirley Juds Bill McCleary Mary Lewis Beatrice Latta

Interlude 4

Fred Austin Duane Diehl Maxine Oshel **Tom Shupert** Andy Anderson Corinne Gandy Gloria Leisgang **Bill Waynick** Virginia Gannon Nancy MacCollum Isabella Nicoll George Rivest Lee Shiles **Teresa Lopshire Cody** Carolyn McLean **Bill George** Joanne Anderson Helen Bothwell-Himes Gail Gonzales Corinne Fox Mary Key Beale Patricia Phillips Peg Wilson Jay Cross **Bill Jarboe** Marian Miller Mary Jane Coble Ruth Shilling Marjory Shupert Eloise Bergtholdt David MacCollum Virginia Studer Mary Davis



Participants:

The Reverend Renée Rico – Preacher Elder Sonny Coble and Ruth Van Otten – Worship Leaders Elders Heather Carter, Fred Whitley, George Wheat – Lead voices for hymns Hope and Hannah Struse – Special Music Elder Debbie Wood – Children's Time Janis Wheat – Piano and Organ Elder Paul Hay – Video/Tech Elder Judy Mayhew – Photo

ZOOM COFFEE HOUR Happens at 11:15 a.m.

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