

ALL SAINTS' DAY



The Twenty-third Week after Pentecost SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2023





At Church of the Savior, our vision is to grow in "Loving God, Loving Others, Loving Life." We hope you sense God's presence and our warm welcome. We'd love to meet you in the foyer after the service. --Fr. Kevin and Mtr. Karen

About Our Worship: We use an Anglican liturgy. Liturgy simply means that everyone gets to participate, so please join in as you feel comfortable.

Children's Worship: Nursery is available for children 6 months through 4 years. Children's Worship rooms are available for children Kindergarten through 2nd Grade, and 3rd to 5th Grade. You may choose to keep children with your family, and coloring pages will be available to all.

Assisted Listening or Noise Cancelling Headphones: Pick up a loop in the livestream booth (the door to the right of the fireplace in the Fireside Room). An usher can guide you there. Noise cancelling headphones are available at the info table for those who might be sensitive to noise.

Today we celebrate All Saints' Day: The Feast of All Saints is a day set aside by the church to remember and celebrate the saints of the church. We may immediately think of the most well-known saints like Francis of Assisi or Monica (mother of Augustine), but this feast is also meant to remind us that all who are saved are the saints of God. And so we also celebrate the less-well-known saints around us who have mentored us in our faith or whose lives point us towards God. As we celebrate the saints, let us pray in the words of the collect for this feast that God will "give us grace so to follow [His] blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that [He] has prepared for those who truly love you."

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Please enjoy a few moments of silence during the prelude to prepare for worship.

THE WORD OF GOD

PROCESSIONAL

You may stand.

For All the Saints

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!

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!

- Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. All: And blessed be his Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.
 - All: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Come People of The Risen King

Come people of the Risen King, Who delight to bring Him praise; Come all, and tune your hearts to sing To the Morning Star of grace. From the shifting shadows of the earth, We will lift our eyes to Him, Where steady arms of mercy reach, To gather children in.

Rejoice, rejoice! Let ev'ry tongue rejoice! One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!

Come those whose joy is morning sun, And those weeping through the night; Come those who tell of battles won, And those struggling in the fight. For His perfect love will never change, And His mercies never cease, But follow us through all our days, With the certain hope of peace.

Come young and old from ev'ry land, Men and women of the faith; Come those with full or empty hands – Find the riches of His grace. Over all the world, His people sing – Shore to shore we hear them call The truth that cries through ev'ry age, "Our God is all in all." Children from kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to follow the acolyte to Children's Worship during the next song.

GLORIA



Celebrant: The Lord be with you. All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical Body of your Son: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

Please be seated.

THE FIRST READING

REVELATION 7:9-17

⁹ After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰ And they cried out in a loud voice:

"Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb."

¹¹ All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹² saying:

"Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!"

¹³ Then one of the elders asked me, "These in white robes—who are they, and where did they come from?"

¹⁴ I answered, "Sir, you know."

And he said, "These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵ Therefore,

"they are before the throne of God and serve him day and night in his temple;
and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.
¹⁶ 'Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst.
The sun will not beat down on them,' nor any scorching heat.
¹⁷ For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd;
'he will lead them to springs of living water.' 'And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'"

Reader: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

- ¹ I will bless the LORD at all times; * his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
- ² I will glory in the LORD; * let the humble hear and rejoice.
- ³ Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; * let us exalt his Name together.
- ⁴ I sought the LORD, and he answered me * and delivered me out of all my terror.
- ⁵ Look upon him and be radiant, * and let not your faces be ashamed.
- ⁶ I called in my affliction and the LORD heard me * and saved me from all my troubles.
- ⁷ The angel of the LORD encompasses those who fear him, * and he will deliver them.
- ⁸ Taste and see that the LORD is good; * happy are they who trust in him!
- ⁹ Fear the LORD, you that are his saints, * for those who fear him lack nothing.
- ¹⁰ The young lions lack and suffer hunger, * but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.
- ²² The LORD ransoms the life of his servants, * and none will be punished who trust in him.

¹⁰ Now there was a believer in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord spoke to him in a vision, calling, "Ananias!"

"Yes, Lord!" he replied.

¹¹ The Lord said, "Go over to Straight Street, to the house of Judas. When you get there, ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul. He is praying to me right now. ¹² I have shown him a vision of a man named Ananias coming in and laying hands on him so he can see again."

¹³ "But Lord," exclaimed Ananias, "I've heard many people talk about the terrible things this man has done to the believers in Jerusalem! ¹⁴ And he is authorized by the leading priests to arrest everyone who calls upon your name."

¹⁵ But the Lord said, "Go, for Saul is my chosen instrument to take my message to the Gentiles and to kings, as well as to the people of Israel. ¹⁶ And I will show him how much he must suffer for my name's sake."

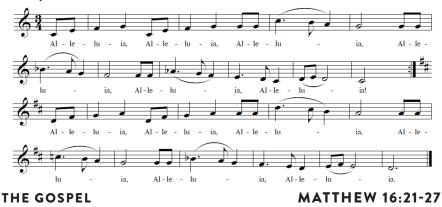
¹⁷ So Ananias went and found Saul. He laid his hands on him and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road, has sent me so that you might regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸ Instantly something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he got up and was baptized.

⁴ We went ashore, found the local believers, and stayed with them a week. These believers prophesied through the Holy Spirit that Paul should not go on to Jerusalem.

¹⁰ Several days later a man named Agabus, who also had the gift of prophecy, arrived from Judea. ¹¹ He came over, took Paul's belt, and bound his own feet and hands with it. Then he said, "The Holy Spirit declares, 'So shall the owner of this belt be bound by the Jewish leaders in Jerusalem and turned over to the Gentiles.'" ¹² When we heard this, we and the local believers all begged Paul not to go on to Jerusalem.

¹³ But he said, "Why all this weeping? You are breaking my heart! I am ready not only to be jailed at Jerusalem but even to die for the sake of the Lord Jesus." ¹⁴ When it was clear that we couldn't persuade him, we gave up and said, "The Lord's will be done."

Reader: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God. You may stand.



Deacon: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

²¹ From then on Jesus began to tell his disciples plainly that it was necessary for him to go to Jerusalem, and that he would suffer many terrible things at the hands of the elders, the leading priests, and the teachers of religious law. He would be killed, but on the third day he would be raised from the dead.

²² But Peter took him aside and began to reprimand him for saying such things. "Heaven forbid, Lord," he said. "This will never happen to you!"

²³ Jesus turned to Peter and said, "Get away from me, Satan! You are a dangerous trap to me. You are seeing things merely from a human point of view, not from God's."

²⁴ Then Jesus said to his disciples, "If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross, and follow me. ²⁵ If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake, you will save it. ²⁶ And what do you benefit if you gain the whole world but lose your own soul? Is anything worth more than your soul? ²⁷ For the Son of Man will come with his angels in the glory of his Father and will judge all people according to their deeds.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord. All: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

ALLELUIA

Please be seated.

THE SERMON



The Suffering God Appoints

Kevin Miller Rector

1. Suffering in itself is not good, but _____

2. It's natural to want to prevent suffering, but _____

3. It's natural to compare our appointed suffering with others', but _____

We take a few minutes of silence to reflect, pray, and listen for what God may be saying.

THE NICENE CREED

You may stand.

Celebrant: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:

All: 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. Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy, All: Hear our prayer.

The celebrant concludes the Prayers of the People.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Please sit or kneel for a time of silence.

- All: 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.
- Celebrant: 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.

THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you. All: And also with you.

At this time, parents should pick up their children from the nursery and Children's Worship.

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant: Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

THE OFFERTORY

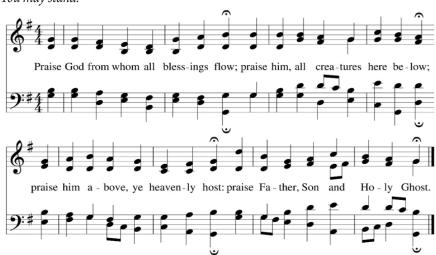
Nearer My God To Thee

Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee, E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me! Still all my song shall be: nearer, my God, to Thee. Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee.

There let the way appear, steps unto heav'n; All that Thou sendest me, in mercy giv'n; Angels to beckon me nearer, my God, to Thee. Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee.

Or, if on joyful wing cleaving the sky, Sun, moon, and stars forgot, upward I fly, Still all my song shall be: nearer, my God, to Thee. Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee.

THE DOXOLOGY



You may stand.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
 - All: And also with you.
- Celebrant: Lift up your hearts. All: We lift them to the Lord.
- Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.
- Celebrant: 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 forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:



Celebrant: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Celebrant: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:



Celebrant: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

Celebrant: All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ:

All: 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.

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sing



- Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; All: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!
- Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Please join us for Communion: all who are baptized and seeking to follow Jesus are welcome. If that doesn't describe you, simply say "Blessing," or cross your arms, and the minister distributing bread will pray a short prayer for God's favor on your life. The first tray contains wine; the second contains grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. If you would like to receive prayer, a prayer minister is available in the foyer.

COMMUNION SONGS

During the Eucharist, you may light a candle as a sign of thanksgiving and remembrance for those who have helped us come close to God. Children are welcome to light a candle with the assistance of an adult.

Lord Jesus Christ, Your Light Shines

Lord Jesus Christ, your light shines within us, Let not my doubts nor my darkness speak to me. Lord Jesus Christ, your light shines within us. Let my heart always welcome your love.

This I Believe

Our Father everlasting, the all creating One, God Almighty. Through Your Holy Spirit, conceiving Christ the Son, Jesus our Savior.

I believe in God our Father, I believe in Christ the Son. I believe in the Holy Spirit, our God is three in One. I believe in the resurrection, that we will rise again. For I believe in the Name of Jesus.

Our judge and our defender, suffered and crucified, forgiveness is in You. Descended into darkness, You rose in glorious life, forever seated high.

I believe in You, I believe You rose again. I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord.

I believe in life eternal, I believe in the virgin birth. I believe in the saints' communion and in Your holy Church. I believe in the resurrection, when Jesus comes again. For I believe in the Name of Jesus.

Christ Be All Around Me

As I rise, strength of God, go before, lift me up; As I wake, eyes of God, look upon, be my sight.

As I wait, heart of God, satisfy and sustain; As I hear, voice of God, lead me on, be my guide, be my guide.

Above and below me, Before and behind me; In ev'ry eye that sees me, Christ, be all around me. (Repeat)

As I go, hand of God, my defense, by my side; As I rest, breath of God, fall upon, bring me peace, bring me peace.

Your life, Your death, Your blood was shed for ev'ry moment, ev'ry moment.

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When the Saints Go Marching In

O when the saints go marching in, O when the saints go marching in, O Lord, I want to be in that number when the saints go marching in.

O when the trumpet sounds its call, O when the trumpet sounds its call, O Lord, I want to be in that number when the trumpet sounds its call.

O when they crown Him Lord of all, O when they crown Him Lord of all, O Lord, I want to be in that number when they crown Him Lord of all.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

You may be seated.

Celtic Benediction

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you, Wherever he may send you. May he guide you through the wilderness, Protect you through the storm. May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you, May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.

THE DISMISSAL

- Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia. Alleluia.
 - All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Journey into Savior

If you are new-ish to Savior, or want to learn more about the church and about Anglicanism, mark your calendars for our next "Journey into Savior" seminar: November 7th from 6-9 PM at Fr. Kevin and Mtr. Karen's home. The seminar takes place in a new, one-evening format and prepares you for membership. Dinner will be provided. Contact Fr. Kevin if you are interested in attending.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Nursery & Children's Worship: We provide Nursery for children 6 months through 4 years and two Children's Worship rooms. Kindergarten through 2nd Grade may attend Young Children in Worship, and 3rd to 5th Grade may attend Following Jesus.

Youth: Tonight: conversation with Fr. Kevin about sex and relationships, Future dates: November 18; December 2.

UPCOMING SERMONS

What We Have to Look Forward To

November 11, Kevin Miller, New and Improved Earth November 18, Kevin Miller, New and Improved Relationships November 25, Robert Gallagher, New and Improved Body

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Thank you for supporting this ministry of "Loving God, Loving Others, Loving Life."

This Year's Giving Goal: \$365,000 As of October 28:

Budgeted Giving Goal = \$305,078 Actual Giving = \$246,098 Over/(Under) = (\$58,980)

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