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## All Saints Sunday

**November 7, 2021**

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### Mission Statement

Inspired by Christ, we dedicate ourselves to grow together in faith through active stewardship and ministry to one another and our communities.

### 10:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST

Prelude Instrumental Music "For All the Saints"  
Arrival of Liturgical Party

Processional Music

### The Gathering of the Community

Greeting

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God,  
*People* **To you all hearts are open, all desires known and from you no secrets are hidden. 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.**

Collect of the Day

**Almighty God, whose people are knit together in one holy Church, the mystical Body of your Son, grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you; through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.**

### **The Proclamation of the Word**

First Reading Isaiah 25:6-9

John Shaw

6 On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,  
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.  
7 And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations;  
8 he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,  
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken.

9 It will be said on that day,

Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

This is the Lord for whom we have waited let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 24

Rev MaryLynn

1 The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, \*  
**the world and all who dwell therein.**

2 For it is he who founded it upon the seas \*  
**and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.**

- 3 “Who can ascend the hill of the Lord? \*  
**and who can stand in his holy place?”**
- 4 “Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, \*  
**who have not pledged themselves to falsehood, nor  
sworn by what is a fraud.**
- 5 They shall receive a blessing from the Lord \*  
**and a just reward from the God of their salvation.”**
- 6 Such is the generation of those who seek him, \*  
**of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.**
- 7 Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; \*  
**and the King of glory shall come in.**
- 8 “Who is this King of glory?” \*  
**“The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in  
battle.”**
- 9 Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; \*  
**and the King of glory shall come in.**
- 10 “Who is he, this King of glory?” \*  
**“The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.”**

Second Reading Revelation 21:1-6

John Shaw

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup> And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup> And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them;

<sup>4</sup> he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.”

<sup>5</sup> And the one who was seated on the throne said, “See, I am making all things new.” Also he said, “Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.” <sup>6</sup> Then he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

The word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel John 11:32-44

Rev MaryLynn

<sup>32</sup>When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." <sup>33</sup>When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. <sup>34</sup>He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." <sup>35</sup>Jesus began to weep. <sup>36</sup>So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" <sup>37</sup>But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

<sup>38</sup>Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. <sup>39</sup>Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." <sup>40</sup>Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. <sup>42</sup>I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." <sup>43</sup>When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" <sup>44</sup>The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

The Gospel of Christ.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## Homily

Music after the Homily "How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

Celebrant      Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,  
**All                I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of  
                          heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.**

**Prayers of the People**

Jacky Beckford-Henriques

We Pray For Our Clergy

Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Anne, our Metropolitan; Linda, our Primate; Todd, our Bishop; Mark, National Indigenous Archbishop; Martinez, Bishop of Amazonia; Megan our Deanery Archdeacon; Stephen our Regional Dean

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world, for this gathering, for our bishop N, and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

Almighty and everlasting God, by your Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified. Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in our vocation and ministry we may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

I ask your prayers for peace, for goodwill among nations, and for the well-being of all people. Silence

Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth, that justice and peace may increase, until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Gracious God, the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer, hear the cry of those in misery and need. In their afflictions show them your mercy, and give us, we pray, the strength to serve them, for the sake of him who suffered for us, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

I ask your prayers for the mission of the Church. Pray for the coming of God's kingdom among all nations and peoples.

O Lord our God, you have made all races and nations to be one family, and you sent your Son Jesus Christ to proclaim the good news of salvation to all people. Pour out your Spirit on the whole creation, bring the nations of the world into your fellowship, and hasten the coming of your kingdom. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

I ask your prayers for those who have died in the peace of Christ, and for those whose faith is known to God alone. Pray that God may be glorified in all his saints.

O God, the giver of eternal life, we give you thanks and praise for the wonderful grace and virtue declared in all your saints. Grant to us, and to all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, a share in the victory of our Lord Jesus Christ and fulness of joy in the fellowship of all your saints. All this we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us give thanks to almighty God for all his goodness.

You are worthy, O Lord our God, to receive glory and honour and power.

**You are worthy to receive blessing and praise, now and for ever.**

For yours is the majesty, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

Today we pray for: Karen, Mike, Linda, Vesta, Claudette, Wayne, Roberta, Anne, John, Brian, Eurette, Michael, Phil, Kay, Marcia

(Silence for reflection)

The Flowers in the Church today are in memory of a loving husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather. Bob would have been celebrating his 85th birthday this month. We will miss celebrating this milestone with him. Emily Berti and family.

## Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ,  
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;  
God welcomes sinners  
and invites them to the table.  
Let us confess our sins,  
confident in God's forgiveness.

*Silence is kept.*

Celebrant Most merciful God,  
**All 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 neighbours 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 upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in eternal life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Peace

*Celebrant* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

"A moment of acknowledgement"

Instrumental Music "Mozart Alleluja" Allan Lee  
(Offertory box at the back of the church on your way home today)

## Prayer over the Gifts

**Holy and mighty God, we give you thanks for the triumph of  
Christ in the lives of all his saints. Receive all we offer you  
this day, and help us, like them, to run our course with faith,  
that we may come to your eternal kingdom. We ask this in the  
name of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

Celebrant      The Lord be with you.

**People      And also with you.**

Celebrant      Lift up your hearts.

**People      We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant      Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People      It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendour of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day, and, beholding your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your name, as we sing (say),

**All      Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power; your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love.

You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Saviour. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfil your purpose he gave himself up to death and, rising from the grave, destroyed death and made the whole creation new.

And that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for

those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfilment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end:

at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate the memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

**We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

Father, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and this cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ to the praise of your name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember all who minister in your Church.

Remember all your people, and those who seek your truth.

Remember Jan Whitehead. Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, St George all the saints who have found favour with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son

Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and glory are yours, almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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 trespasses,  
As we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not in to temptation,  
But deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
The power, and the glory,  
For ever and ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant      We break this bread  
                    to share in the body of Christ.

**All                We, being many, are one body,  
                    for we all share in the one bread.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.

**Have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.

**Have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.

**Grant us peace.**

**The Communion**

Instrumental Music    "Worthy Is the Lamb"

*All who are baptized and believe in our Lord Jesus Christ, without regard for age or background, are welcome to come forward and receive the Holy Eucharist. If you should choose not to receive, please come forward, cross your arms over your chest, and receive a blessing.*

Prayer after Communion

**Lord of hosts, we praise your glory reflected in your saints. May we who share at this table be filled with the joy of your eternal kingdom, where Jesus is Lord, now and for ever.**

Celebrant      Glory to God,  
**All              Whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Blessing

Postlude Instrumental Music    “Sing to the King”  
Dismissal

<b>Readings for Next Week</b>	
Wisdom 3:1-9	Psalm 116:1-8
1 Peter 1:3-9	John 6:37-40

### **You were asking...**

The Thanksgiving donations totaled \$3150 this year.

### **Share the Warmth**

We will be collecting warm winter outwear for adults this year. Coats, boots, mitts, hats, scarves and snowpants. This year we will be donating these items to Emmanuel United Church in Waterloo as they minister to the homeless. Please put your donations in bags and label what they are. You can place them under the coat racks and let Rev. MaryLynn know that they are there. She will collect the bags each Sunday and Wed. following our service. Many thanks.

### **Church Calendars**

Church calendars for 2022 are available from the office for \$5. There is an envelope in the box with the calendars for your payment.

**Evensong November 14 at 7:00 pm**

Canon Linda Nixon will be here on November 14 at 7:00 to preach about Transformational Creation. All are welcome to join us.

**Blue Christmas Service**

December 12 at 4pm, you are invited to attend a service to celebrate the lives of Parish members who have passed away in the last four years.

**Bible Studies**

Please note Bible Studies are held Wednesday evening at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall or Fireside Room. The Thursday bible study is held at 1:30pm in the Parish Hall or Fireside room. All are welcome.

## All Saints Day

The All Saints festival likely began in the 4<sup>th</sup> century when some churches in the Far East began to celebrate “The Feast of the Martyrs of the World”. Later several western churches engaged in this festival sometimes celebrating in April or May. All this changed in the early Middle Ages when the Roman Catholic church assigned it a new date in November. This group also decided that the celebration would be for all saints.

So this leads to a question. “Who are saints?” One answer would be that saints are devoted Christians who in their own extraordinary ways showed their love and devotion to Christ. These are people who allowed the Holy Spirit to act in their lives and were intentional about helping the oppressed and needy to receive justice. They provided support for those who were grieving and an encouraging message to sinners who were searching for forgiveness. Each of them served the people of their generation. Their extraordinary sanctified lives became an example for others down through the generations. They are individuals who had spiritual vitality, anointed ministry and worked towards healthy relationships.

In the post-modern church, we believe that our lives have eternal consequences. We believe that these people can be healthy examples of the kind of lives we might want to achieve through the grace of Jesus Christ. Or as one author stated, “It is the churches conviction – a conviction often expressed in the Anglican tradition – that the saints continue to be our partners and fellow servants before the face of God’s glory.” It is our hope and prayer that saints are praying for us and that our mutual human journey entitles ourselves to be considered all members of the body of Christ.



# ADVENT

*“Preparing for Christ”  
Retreat*

*December 11, 2021  
9:00 am - 12:00*

*Facilitator: Fr Stephen  
Sign up in the Narthex*

## **St. George's OUTREACH NEWS BYTES**

**– a community working together to do God's work**

Collaborate to lead initiatives supporting our community.

Aid to greater KW area

Reaching those in need in the world around us

Environment of caring

Our Outreach activities have been modified to meet the challenges created by the Covid virus but still allow us to make a difference to those that require our support.

### **FOSTER CHILDREN**

In September Outreach paid our financial commitment to support two Foster children through the Children Believe organization; an example of how we provide support to those in need in the world around us.

### **SHARE THE WARMTH**

We are running our Share the Warmth program this year. Please check your closets for gently used Adult winter outerwear; coats, snow pants, hats, mitts and scarves. **Donations can be dropped off at the church Sunday, Nov 7<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, Nov 14<sup>th</sup>.**

Donated clothing will be given to Emmanuel United Church and House of Friendship.

### **COMBINED BELLS OF CHRISTMAS & ANGEL TREE**

Later in November we will be holding a combined Bells of Christmas and the Angel Tree event. Bells will be on our Christmas tree for parishioners to purchase a small gift for a senior from Winston Park. Similar to last year financial and grocery voucher donations will be accepted to support some families and youth through our Angel Tree.

More details will be provided in a couple of weeks.

**THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT. WE ARE TRULY MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY THANKS TO YOU!!!!**

All members of our parish, family and friends are welcome to participate in our many Outreach projects. **ALL ARE WELCOME!!** See the Outreach bulletin board in the Narthex to see additional information and how you can participate in assisting us to fulfill our mandate.