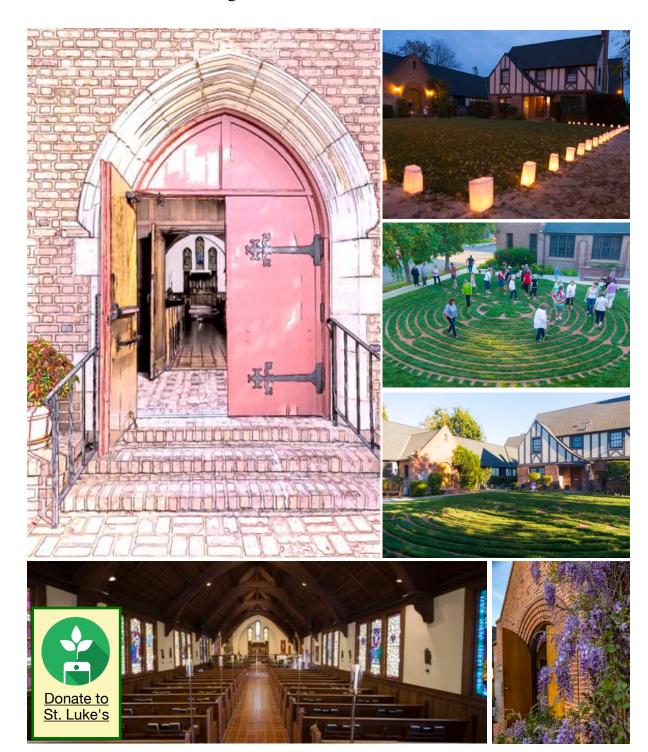
# Digital Worship: All Saints' Day Sunday, November 1, 2020







## **Adapted from Daily Morning Prayer, Rite Two**

#### Hymn #287

For All The Saints

Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling.

Psalm 43:3

## **Collect of the Day**

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: 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*.



#### **Confession of Sin**

The Officiant says to the people
Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Officiant and People together.

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*.

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. *Amen*.

#### **Transition Collect**

Almighty God, look graciously on the people of St. Luke's Church. Be with us in this season of transition. Walk with us and guide us that we may be genuine in our self-reflection, tireless in our commitment, patient in our discernment, loving in our communion, open in our search, and daring in our faith. We thank you for the gifts, talents and skills with which you have blessed us. We thank you for the experiences that have brought us to this moment. Help us accept change as a gift of your direction for our journey in this transition. Instill in us a vision for our parish; that, guided by your Holy Spirit, we will be united in love and joyfully accomplish this mission, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen* 

#### The Lessons

## A Reading from Revelation 7:9-17

After this I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

"For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat;

for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

### Psalm 34:1-10, 22

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.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.

Amen

## A Reading from First of Letter of John 3:1-3

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### Hymn #656

Blest Are The Pure In Heart

#### The Gospel According to Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Here ends the reading.

#### The Sermon, The Rev. Carren Sheldon

#### The Nicene Creed

Officiant and People together, all standing
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,

<sup>&</sup>quot;Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

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.

#### The Lord's Prayer

The People stand or kneel
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

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 into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### The Prayers of the People

Deacon or other leader

With all our heart and mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Hear our prayer."

Let us pray for God's people across the world. God of love Hear our prayer

Let us pray for the Earth that we may treat her gently God of love Hear our prayer

Let us pray for our family, our friends, and our neighbors. God of love Hear our prayer

Let us pray for those who are sad, or scared, or suffering God of love Hear our prayer Let us pray for those who have died. God of love Hear our prayer

All this All Saint's Day we remember especially...

O Almighty God, who has encompassed us about the great cloud of witnesses: Grant that we, encouraged by the good example of your servants, may persevere in running the race that is set before us, until at length through your mercy, we may with him attain to your eternal joy; through Jesus Christ, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen* 

#### **Prayer for Mission**

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose 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 their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen*.

The Officiant then concludes with:

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Amen*. *Ephesians 3:20,21* 

#### **#Hymn 293**

I Sing A Song Of The Saints

Postlude: Fanfare For The Common Man

Aaron Copland, arr. by Richard Lloyd

#### **Announcements**

#### Would You Like to Contribute to our Digital Sunday Services?

We would like to expand our digital Sunday services to include digital altar flowers and digital coffee hour. If you are able, we would love to see photos from your garden or a favorite recipe you'd be willing to let us post. Email contributions to Shannon at <a href="mailto:swingbug@mac.com">swingbug@mac.com</a>. If you haven't had a chance to check out our digital services yet, please join us on Sunday morning at <a href="http://www.stlukeswoodland.org/celebrate/sermons/">http://www.stlukeswoodland.org/celebrate/sermons/</a> Our services are archived on our website so you can tune in whenever you like.

### Donating to St. Luke's

If you are looking for a way to pay your pledge while we are not able to gather, we suggest you use Tithely, available via our <u>website</u>. If you need help with Tithely, you can contact Karen Poquette at <u>kpandsp@pacbell.net</u>. You can also just mail a check to the office if you're more comfortable with that.



## Weekly Church Events You Can Attend Digitally (all events currently offered on Zoom)

- Monday 5pm: Book Study
  Currently reading "The Wisdom Jesus" by Cynthia Bourgeault, and starting in September, "Joy Unspeakable" by Barbara A. Holmes.
  Please contact Mairic James to join: metamairic@gmail.com or (617) 435-6597
- Wednesday 7pm: Bible Study
  Beginning May 12th, A Journey with Matthew: The 50 Day Bible
  Challenge. Please contact Margaret Wisehart to join:
  margaretwisehart@yahoo.com
- Wednesday 3:30pm: Book Study
  Please contact Barbara Shreve to join: <u>barb.shreve@gmail.com</u>

- Thursday 6:30pm: Queer Alliance
  St. Luke's welcomes sisters, brothers and non-binary Queers in search of a faith community that supports everyone's unique path on the spiritual journey. Please join us for our weekly Zoom gatherings
  Thursdays at 6:30 PM by emailing Mairic at Metamairic@gmail.com.
- Saturday 4pm: Centering Prayer
  We'll gather, sit together in Centering Prayer for 20 minutes, watch a video, or hear a reflection and then discuss. Please contact Mairic James to join: <a href="mairie@gmail.com">metamairie@gmail.com</a> or (617) 435-6597
- Sunday Ipm: Weekly Peace
  We want to see your smile, hear your voice, and share The Peace knowing you are with us In Christ as we navigate these unchartered, tumultuous waters together. Please contact Mairic James to join: <a href="mairic@gmail.com">metamairic@gmail.com</a> or (617) 435-6597

### Additional Groups

- Becoming the Beloved Community Racial Reconciliation, 4th Tuesdays at 6:15 pm Contact LeAnn at leannherig@gmail.com
- Micah Forum, 2nd Tuesdays at 6:00 pm Contact LeAnn at <a href="mailto:leannherig@gmail.com">leannherig@gmail.com</a>
- Daughters of the King, Second Saturday at 9:30 am Contact Barbara Shreve at barb.shreve@gmail.com
- Resource Navigators, First Monday at 3:30 pm Contact Loran Vetter at lfvetter@sbcglobal.net

Do you participate in a regular online meeting at the church not listed here? Email Shannon for inclusion in the calendar at swingbug@mac.com