

Sunday, November 1, 2020: All Saints Sunday

*They are before the throne of God, and he who sits upon the throne will shelter them with his presence. (Revelation 7:15)*

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**Welcome!!** During this unique time in history, services will look a bit different than normal and will likely be different for quite a while. We want to care for the whole parish during this time and one way to care for one another is keeping each other safe. As such, we ask you to follow these guidelines while worshiping with us:

* **Experiencing Cough, Fever, or Other Symptom/s?** Go home immediately andplease stay home for fourteen days following the end of your symptoms.
* **Wear a Mask.** All parishioners must wear a mask to all services (as per City of Edmonton bylaw 19408). Exceptions to this include children under the age of two and those with a medical condition where wearing a mask is not possible. Masks may be removed when taking communion but must be replaced immediately following. If you do not have a mask, we have cloth masks available in the foyer.
* **Maintain Physical Distance.** At all times, please remain a minimum of six feet (three seat spaces) from all other individuals not part of your family unit. You will find tape on the floor six feet apart in multiple locations to help you maintain this distance. Please also maintain physical distance outside.
* **Listen to the Ushers.** There will be ushers inside and outside to help direct these new procedures. Please heed their direction as they are trying to keep everyone safe and healthy.
* **Sign-In Upon Arrival.** Please sign-in with the designated usher when you arrive onsite. This will help us track who is in attendance just in case we do have to notify the parish if someone tests Covid positive following a service.
* **Sanitize Hands Frequently.** Please sanitize your hands upon entry and before taking communion. You may also sanitize as often as you would like during the service. Please also try to refrain from touching surfaces and your face.
* **Refrain from Singing.** At this time, congregational singing is not allowed by the government of Alberta. Please listen to the lyrics being sung by the leader/s and meditate upon them. You may also hum along to the music as long as your mouth remains closed.
* **Recycle Bulletins.** Please do not leave bulletins in the pews. A recycle bin is available at the exit door. You may also take the bulletin home.
* **Use of Washroom.** The only washroom available at this time is located at the back of the Sanctuary (just North of the Main Entry doors). Please wipe down all surfaces (including toilet and handle, counter, and faucet) following use.
* **Parts of Building Closed.** At this time, the only accessible parts of the building are the Sanctuary, Sanctuary washroom, and alley foyer. All other rooms are closed for use including the main washrooms, hall, basement, and chapel. Please do not access any closed section of the building without permission.

ST. PAUL’S COVID-19 RESPONSE

**Opening Song: *Holy, Holy, Holy***

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty  
Early in the morning  
Our song shall rise to Thee  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty  
God in three persons  
Blessed Trinity

Holy, holy, holy  
All the saints adore Thee  
Casting down their golden crowns  
Around the glassy sea  
Cherubim and seraphim  
Falling down before Thee  
Which wert and art

And evermore shalt be

Holy, holy, holy  
Though the darkness hide Thee  
Though the eye of sinful man  
Thy glory may not see  
Only Thou art holy  
There is none beside Thee  
Perfect in power, in love, and purity

Holy, holy, holy  
Lord God Almighty  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name  
In earth and sky and sea  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty  
God in three persons  
Blessed Trinity

**The Gathering of the Community**

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,

**All: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.**

Celebrant: 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.

**People:** **Amen**.

**The Reading of Scripture**

First Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

*After this I 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."*

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle: 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.*

*Prayer: Hear us, Lord, when we cry to you. Calm our bodies and minds with the peace which passes understanding, and make us radiant with the knowledge of your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.*

Second Reading: 1 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.*

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

**Processional Chorus – *Exalted***

Exalted, He is exalted  
On high, He is exalted  
For great is the Lord  
Let all the nations say  
Exalted

He is exalted

**The Gospel Reading**

Reader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.

**People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Gospel Reading: 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 the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 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.”*

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

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

**Worship Through Song**

***Exalted***

Blessing and honor, glory and power  
Unto the Lord be praise  
Sing with the chorus

Resounding before us  
Holy is His name, His name

Exalted, He is exalted  
On high, He is exalted  
For great is the Lord  
Let all the nations say  
Exalted, He is exalted

***It’s Your Blood***

It's Your blood that cleanses me  
It's Your blood that gives me life  
It's Your blood that took my place  
In redeeming sacrifice  
Washes me whiter than the snow  
Than the snow  
My Jesus, God's precious sacrifice

It's the blood of the Lamb  
It's the blood of the Lamb  
It's the blood of the Lamb  
That can cleanse the deepest stain  
Washes me whiter than the snow  
Than the snow  
My Jesus, God's precious sacrifice

***Who You Say We Are***

Oh, how great is the love  
The Father has lavished on us  
That we should be called

The children of God  
Oh how great was the cost  
The Father was willing to pay  
So we could be called

The children of God

And all that we can say

Is thank You, thank You  
And all that we can say

Is thank You, thank You  
We are Your sons

We are Your daughters  
Hallelujah, we are who You say we are  
So we lift our hands and cry Abba Father  
Hallelujah, we are who You say we are  
Hallelujah, we are who You say we are

Oh how great is Your amazing grace  
That took us as orphans and slaves  
And made us Your heirs

And gave us Your name  
There's nothing more

That we could ever do  
You finished it all on the cross  
And rose from the grave

And brought us with You

And all that we can say

Is thank You, thank You  
And all that we can say

Is thank You, thank You  
We are Your sons

We are Your daughters  
Hallelujah, we are who You say we are  
So we lift our hands and cry Abba Father  
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**Listening Time**

**Sermon by the Rev. Dr. Myron B. Penner – Sermon Notes:**

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**Affirmation of Faith – Brother and Teacher**

Celebrant: Let us confess our faith, as we say,

**All: We trust in God, Spirit of life, Creator of all that is and all that is to come; who surrounds us and fills us; who speaks the Word of life in us; and so we listen. We listen to Jesus, Revealer of God, our brother and teacher; who lived in prayer and in love. Listening to God’s voice and doing God’s will, he gave his life in love; but God raised him to life that is eternal; and so we follow him. We follow in the power of the Holy Spirit, God alive in us, for the sake of the healing of the world. We trust in the power of forgiveness, the reality of resurrection, the gift of the universal Church as the body of Christ, and the mystery of eternal life. Amen.**

**Prayers of the People**

Leader: Let us pray in faith to God our Father, to his Son Jesus Christ, and to the Holy Spirit, saying, “Lord, hear and have mercy.” For the Church of the living God throughout the world, including those in the St. Paul’s Cycle of Prayer: Sivanesan, Gladys, Rebecca, and Ruth Thangiah; Francis and Jennifer Bossé; Gene and Kay Wannamaker; and Amanda Wannamaker; as well as all of those in the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, let us ask the riches of his grace.

**All: Lord, hear and have mercy.**

Leader: For all who proclaim the word of truth, let us ask the infinite wisdom of Christ.

**All: Lord, hear and have mercy.**

Leader: For all who have consecrated their lives to the kingdom of God, and for all struggling to follow the way of Christ, let us ask the gifts of the Spirit.

**All: Lord, hear and have mercy.**

Leader: For Elizabeth our Queen, for Justin the Prime Minister of this country, and for all who govern the nations, that they may strive for justice and peace, let us ask the strength of God.

**All: Lord, hear and have mercy.**

Leader: For scholars and research-workers, that their studies may benefit humanity, let us ask the light of the Lord.

**All: Lord, hear and have mercy.**

Leader: For all who have passed from this life in faith and obedience, let us ask the peace of Christ.

**All: Lord, hear and have mercy. Amen.**

**Confession of Sin**

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

*Silent Confession*

Celebrant:Almighty God,

**All: Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, you made all things, and you call everyone to account. With shame we admit that we have sinned against you, in what we have thought, said, and done, and we deserve your judgment. We turn from our sins and are truly sorry for them. Have mercy on us, most merciful Father. For the sake of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us all that is past. Enable us to serve and please you in new life, to your honour and glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

**People:Amen.**

**The Peace**

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

**People: And also with you.**

**Offertory Song: *My Heart is Filled***

My heart is filled with thankfulness  
To Him who reigns above  
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace  
Whose every thought is love  
For every day I have on earth  
Is given by the King  
So I will give my life my all  
To love and follow Him

**Prayer Over the Gifts**

Celebrant: Holy and mighty God,

**All: 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. Amen.**

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.**

Celebrant: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with so great a cloud of witnesses, that we, rejoicing in their fellowship, may run with patience the race that is set before us, and together with them receive the crown of glory that never fades away. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all who have served you in every age, we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

**All:** ***(Said)*** **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.**

Celebrant: We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, 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.” Therefore, Father, according to his command,

**All: we remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant: and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

**People: Amen.**

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

**All: *(Said)* Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant: “I am the bread which has come down from heaven,” says the Lord.

**All: Give us this bread for ever.**

Celebrant: “I am the vine, you are the branches.”

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**The Communion**

*Please listen carefully to the verbal instructions given. You are welcome to receive communion or come forward for a blessing. Gluten-free wafers are also available. Please sanitize your hands as you approach the front of the church. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please fold your arms over your chest. If you would like to make an offering, please do so after you take the bread.*

**Lamb of God**

***(Said by congregation)* Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy on us.**

**Communion Music – *May We Cause Your Face to Shine***

May we cause Your face to shine

May we cause Your heart to sing

May we bring You pleasure Lord

In everything

(*Chorus*) May our worship rise to You

As incense to the throne

Giving glory, glory to You

And You, O Lord alone

As we lift up holy hands

As we feel You drawing nigh

As we look with love upon

You hear our cry (*To Chorus*)

We present our bodies, Lord

As a living sacrifice

Please accept our offering now

And use our lives (*To Chorus*)

**Prayer After Communion**

Celebrant: Lord of hosts,

**All: 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.** **Amen.**

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**

**Congregational Announcements *(Rev. Myron)***

***Missionary of Month – International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church (Video)***

*To learn more about the Persecuted Church, please view the “Facts on Christian Persecution” Leaflet available at the entry door (or attached in the same email as this bulletin).*

**Closing Song: *There is a Higher Throne***

There is a higher throne  
Than all this world has known  
Where faithful ones from every tongue  
Will one day come  
Before the Son we'll stand  
Made faultless through the Lamb  
Believing hearts find promised grace  
Salvation comes

(*Chorus*) Hear heaven's voices sing  
Their thunderous anthem rings  
Through emerald courts

And sapphire skies their praises rise  
All glory, wisdom, power  
Strength, thanks, and honour are  
To God our King who reigns on high  
Forever more

And there we'll find our home  
Our life before the throne  
We'll honour Him in perfect song  
Where we belong  
He'll wipe each tear-stained eye  
As thirst and hunger die  
The Lamb becomes our Shepherd King  
We'll reign with Him

(*To Chorus*)

**The Dismissal**

Celebrant: Go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

**All: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**Community Corner for November 1**

**REMEMBRANCE DAY 2020** – although many of the annual ceremonies have been cancelled for live attendance, there will be a number of online options for you to take the time and reflect on November 11, 2020. To learn more about the many aspects of Remembrance Day, visit <https://www.legion.ca/remembrance/remembrance-day>

**YES, WE ARE HOSTING GINGERBREAD NIGHT!** Gingerbread houses via ZOOM on November 27, 6-8 pm! Can’t miss what has become a great tradition. Do you have a family you are cohorting with? Plan to spend this evening together. Sign up November 1-22, cost is $10/house. Pick up your house at the church November 15-26 during office hours, or before or after the service. Can’t pick up? Let us know and we will arrange a drop off the week of November 23. Zoom links will be sent out that week as well. Photos of finished works will be posted on the church website for everyone to enjoy. Contact Michelle or RJ to register.

A big **THANK YOU** to everyone for making my transition into this new outreach position so fantastic. Please contact me at [michelle@stpauls-anglican.ca](mailto:michelle@stpauls-anglican.ca) if you have beefs or bouquets about how things have gone so far, or ideas, hopes and dreams about outreach in Grovenor and beyond!

**Virtual Gingerbread House Making – November 27, 6-8PM**

St. Paul’s will be hosting a Gingerbread Making Evening through Zoom on Friday, November 27 from 6:00-8:00PM. Please see this week’s Community Corner for more information.

**Virtual Advent Study –– Tuesdays at 7:00PM starting December 1**

Over the season of Advent, Rev. Myron will be leading a virtual book study on Tuesday evenings (starting December 1) using the Douglas Harink book, *Resurrecting Justice: Reading Romans for the Life of the World.* Books will be available at a cost of $10 (a significant rebate from the retail cost). If you would like to take part in this study, please let RJ know no later than October 31, 2020. Zoom link will be sent to those who have registered.

**Online Children’s Ministry – 11:30 AM on Sunday Mornings**

Children’s Ministry has started back up through Zoom. Parents and Children can sign on to a Zoom session at 11:30AM on Sunday mornings. Link can be found on the website on the Events Page (Event called “Children’s Ministry Zoom”).



**Anglican Cycle of Prayer:**

Diocese of the Arctic: the Rt. Rev. David Parsons, Bishop; the Rt. Rev. Annie Ittoshat, the Rt. Rev. Lucy Netser, the Rt. Rev. Joey Royal, Suffragan Bishops. St. Matthias, Edmonton: David Tiessen (s. Leanne), Rector; Eric Kregel (s. Catherine), Priest-inCharge, Filipino Congregation; Joanne Webster (s. Jeremy), Associate Priest; Paul Bachmann (s. Anne Marie), Honorary Assistant; Tracey Ross, Office Manager. Buyé Diocese, Rusengo Parish: Sylvere Ndururutse, Rector. Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation.

**Next Week’s Ministry Teams:**

Music: Jodi and Team

Service Team: Parker and Heritage Teams

Reader/Prayers: Francis and Jennifer

**This Week’s Ministry Teams:**

Music: Andrew and Team

Service Team: Green and Tilburn Teams

Reader/Prayers: Andrew and Nancy

**St. Paul’s Cycle of Prayer:**

Sivanesan, Gladys, Rebecca,   
and Ruth Thangiah;

Francis and Jennifer Bossé;

Gene and Kay Wannamaker;  
Amanda Wannamaker

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Barb Dixon, *Vestry Member*

John Green, *Vestry Member*

Deanna Kalles, *Vestry Member*

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Carol Rudat, *Vestry Member*

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