

The Holy Eucharist

The Feast of All Saints



Communion of Saints – watercolour, by the American Artist Elise Ritter

The Cathedral Church of Saint George

November 2, 2025 • 10:30 a.m.

WELCOME TO ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL

Welcome to worship at St George's Cathedral. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here! Sunday School is offered for children. Leaders may direct them to the library at the conclusion of the Gathering Hymn. Please join us for refreshments and fellowship following the service. We are so glad that you are here!

THE FEAST OF ALL SAINTS

The custom of commemorating all the saints of the Church as a single celebration dates back to at least the third century. The early history of the Church is filled with stories of the heroic faith of these witnesses to Christ's truth and love. The stories of these saints — those baptized Christians of all ages and in all walks of life — are models for all Christians throughout history. On this All Saints' Sunday we hold up holy men and women in the Church who have lived lives of faithful and joy-filled service. At the Lord's table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled in our lives.

*The flowers on the high altar are given to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of John McNicholas from Gillian.*

*The flowers on the nave altar are given to the Glory of God and in memory of
Helen M. Kirkpatrick with love from her children Jane, Anne and Jim*

The Gathering of the Community

The people's responses are in bold.

Gathering Hymn | Sung by all, standing as able.



For all the saints who from their labours rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesu, be for ever blest. *Alleluia.*

2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their
might;
thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness, still their one true light.
Alleluia.

3 O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win, with them, the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia.

4 O blest communion, fellowship divine!
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. *Alleluia.*

Sine Nomine

R. Vaughan Williams 1872-1958

5 And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph-song,
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.
Alleluia.

6 The golden evening brightens in the west;
soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest:
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. *Alleluia.*

7 But lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in bright array:
the King of glory passes on his way. *Alleluia.*

8 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.*

W. Walsham How 1823-1897

The people remain standing as able for the Land Acknowledgment and are seated for the Notices.

Welcome & Land Acknowledgment

The people stand as able.

The Opening Acclamation

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
People

Almighty God,
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.

Gloria in Excelsis | Sung by all.



1. Glo - ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



2. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you,



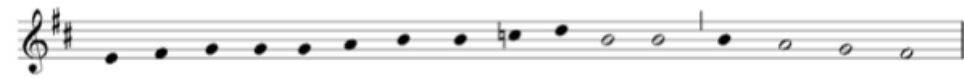
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



4. you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us;



5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect of the Day

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 people are seated.

The Proclamation of the Word

The First Lesson | Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another. As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: "As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever - forever and ever."

Reader The word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 149

O sing unto the Lord a new song : let the congregation of saints praise him.
2 Let Israel rejoice in him that made him : and let the children of Sion be joyful in their King.
3 Let them praise his Name in the dance : let them sing praises unto him with tabret and harp.
4 For the Lord hath pleasure in his people : and helpeth the meek-hearted.
5 Let the saints be joyful with glory : let them rejoice in their beds.
6 Let the praises of God be in their mouth : and a two-edged sword in their hands;
7 To be avenged of the heathen : and to rebuke the people;
8 To bind their kings in chains : and their nobles with links of iron.
9 That they may be avenged of them, as it is written : Such honour have all his saints.

The Second Lesson | Letter of Paul to the Ephesians 1:11-23

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory. I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn | Sung by all, standing as able.



Let saints on earth in concert sing
with those whose work is done;
for all the servants of our King
in heaven and earth are one.

4 E'en now to their eternal home
there pass some spirits blest;
while others to the margin come,
waiting their call to rest.

2 One family, we dwell in him,
one church, above, beneath;
though now divided by the stream,
the narrow stream of death.

5 Jesu, be thou our constant guide;
then, when the word is given,
bid Jordan's narrow stream divide,
and bring us safe to heaven.

3 One army of the living God,
to his command we bow:
part of the host have crossed the flood,
and part are crossing now.

Dundee
Melody in *Scottish Psalter* 1615

Charles Wesley 1707-88
and others

The Holy Gospel | Luke 6:20-31

Gospeller The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Then Jesus looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets. "But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you."

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.

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

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

The Sermon | *Who make up the Communion of Saints?* – Eric Friesen

Silence may be kept. The people stand as able.

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

People **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. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped 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 people may adopt a posture of prayer, as they wish.

The Prayers of the People

Confession & Absolution

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. Most merciful God,

People 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.

People Amen.

The people stand as able.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace.

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The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn | Sung by all, standing as able



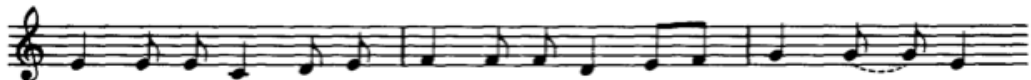
1 I sing a song of the saints of God, —
2 They loved their Lord so — dear, so dear, and —
3 They lived not on - ly in a - ges past, there are



pa - tient and brave and true, who — toiled and — fought and —
his love — made them strong; and they fol - lowed the right, for —
hund - reds of thou - sands still, the — world is — bright with the



lived and died for the Lord they — loved and knew. And —
Je - sus' sake, the — whole of their good lives long. And —
joy - ous saints who — love to do Je - sus' will. You can



one was a doc - tor, and one was a queen, and one was a shep -
one was a sold - ier, and one was a priest, and one was — slain
meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains,



herd - ess on the — green: they were all of them saints of —
by a fierce wild — beast: and there's not an - y rea - son —
or in shops, or at tea, for the saints of — God are just



God — and I mean, God help - ing, to be one too.
no, not the least, why I should - n't be one too.
folk like — me, and I mean to be one too.

Grand Isle
John Henry Hopkins b. 1940

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The Prayer Over the Gifts

Celebrant 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.

People **Amen.**

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.**

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.

Choir *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.”

People Therefore, Father, according to his command,
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.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

People **Our Father, in heaven, hallowed be your name, your**
kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us this day 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.

The Breaking of the Bread

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

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

The Communion

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Agnus Dei

Choir O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: grant us thy peace.

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion in this Church. Please move to the rail at the direction of the ushers. You may receive the bread in open and outstretched hands, responding: "Amen." Gluten-free wafers are available; please make your need known to the minister. If you prefer not to receive wine from the common cup, you may simply touch the base of the chalice, again responding: "Amen." Should you wish to receive a blessing, please indicate that to the priest by crossing your arms over your chest.

The Prayer after Communion

Celebrant 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.

People **Amen.**

The people stand as able.

Celebrant Glory to God,

People **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.

The Blessing

Celebrant Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who journey with us. And so make haste to love, and be swift to be kind; And may the God who travels with us, the God of pilgrimage, the God of Hope, bless, care and keep you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and always

People **Amen.**

The Dismissal

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

Closing Hymn | Sung by all, standing as able.



Who are these, like stars appearing,
These before God's throne who stand?
Each a golden crown is wearing;
Who are all this glorious band?
Alleluya, hark! they sing,
Praising loud their heavenly King.

2 Who are these of dazzling brightness,
These in God's own truth arrayed,
Clad in robes of purest whiteness,
Robes whose lustre ne'er shall fade,
Ne'er be touched by time's rude hand--
Whence comes all this glorious band?

3 These are they who have contended
For their Saviour's honour long,
Wrestling on till life was ended,
Following not the sinful throng;
These, who well the fight sustained,
Triumph through the Lamb have gained.

4 These are they whose hearts were riven,
Sore with woe and anguish tried,
Who in prayer full oft have striven
With the God they glorified;
Now, their painful conflict o'er,
God has bid them weep no more.

5 These like priests have watched and waited,
Offering up to Christ their will,
Soul and body consecrated,
Day and night to serve him still:
Now, in God's most holy place
Blest they stand before his face.

All Saints
Melody from *Geistreiches Gesangbuch* Darmstadt 1698

Heinrich Schenck 1657-1727
tr. Frances Elizabeth Cox 1812-97

Postlude

The postlude concludes our worship service, sending us forth into the week ahead. You may choose to remain seated for the duration or depart following the closing hymn.

This Week's Service Schedule

Midweek Eucharist | Wednesday, 12:15pm

Choral Evensong | Wednesday, 7:00pm

Coventry Litany of Reconciliation | Friday, 12:00pm

Choral Evensong for the Octave of All Souls | Saturday, 3:00pm

Sung by Caelis Academy Ensemble with Matthew Larkin, director

Remembrance Sunday | Sunday, November 9

8am Said Eucharist | 10:30am Choral Eucharist *with the Act of Remembrance*

The Rev. Claire Bramma, *preacher*

The Rev. Canon Peter Case, *presider*

WISDOM 3:1-9; PSALM 116:1-8; 1 PETER 1:3-9; JOHN 6:37-40

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EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER: Eucharistic Prayer #3

SERVICE MUSIC: *Mass of the Holy Trinity*, Jonathan Tuuk

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

at St George's Cathedral

The First Sunday of Advent | Sunday, November 30

8am Holy Eucharist 10:30am Choral Eucharist
4:30pm Advent Lessons & Carols

Wednesday, December 3

7pm Choral Evensong

The Second Sunday of Advent | Sunday, December 7

8am Holy Eucharist 10:30am Choral Eucharist

The Third Sunday of Advent | Sunday, December 14

8am Holy Eucharist 10:30am Choral Eucharist

Wednesday, December 17

6pm G.F. Handel's *Messiah*

The Fourth Sunday of Advent | Sunday, December 21

8am Holy Eucharist 10:30am Choral Eucharist
4:30pm Christmas Lessons & Carols

Christmas Eve | Wednesday, December 24

4pm Family Service 7pm Holy Eucharist
9:30pm Choral Eucharist

Christmas Day | Thursday, December 25

10am Holy Eucharist

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We acknowledge that in Kingston we are situated on traditional territory of the Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, and Huron Wendat peoples. We seek a new relationship with the original peoples of this land, one rooted in and based upon honour and deep respect.

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