



**St. Michael's**  
Episcopal Church  
COLORADO SPRINGS

November 1, 2023  
All Saints' Service

**Prelude**

"Litany for All Saints"

by Franz Schubert,  
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**Opening Hymn**

"For all the saints"

Hymn #287 v. 1-4

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| 1 For all the saints, who from their labors rest,<br>who thee by faith before the world confessed,<br>thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blessed.<br>Alleluia, alleluia!                        | 3 O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,<br>fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,<br>and win, with them, the victor's crown of gold.<br>Alleluia, alleluia! |
| 2 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might:<br>thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;<br>thou, in the darkness drear, the one true Light.<br>Alleluia, alleluia! | 4 O blest communion, fellowship divine!<br>We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;<br>yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.<br>Alleluia, alleluia!                 |

**Opening Acclamation**

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg 355

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

**Collect of Purity**

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg 355

*People* **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.**

**Trisagion** (*Repeat 3 times*)

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg 356

**Holy God,  
Holy and Mighty,  
Holy Immortal One,  
*Have mercy upon us.***

## Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

**People** **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 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.**

## A Reading from the Revelation to John (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 worshipped God, singing,

“Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom  
and thanksgiving and honour  
and power and might  
be to our God for ever 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 centre 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.**

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

### The Gospel

*Deacon*  
*People*

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew (5:1-12)  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

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."

*Deacon*  
*People*

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Sermon**

The Rev. Matt Holcombe

*There will be a day when all will bow before him, there will be a day when death will be no more.  
Standing face to face with he who died and rose again, holy, holy is the Lord.*

### Litany of the Saints

We give thanks to you, O Lord our God, for all your servants and witnesses of time past: for Abraham, the father of believers, and Sarah his wife; for Moses, the lawgiver, and Aaron, the priest; for Miriam and Joshua, Deborah and Gideon, and Samuel with Hannah his mother; for Isaiah and all the prophets; for Mary, the mother of our Lord; for Peter and Paul and all the apostles; for Mary and Martha, and Mary Magdalene; for Stephen, the first martyr, and all the martyrs and saints in every age and in every land. In your mercy, O Lord our God, give us, as you gave to them, the hope of salvation and the promise of eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the first-born of many from the dead. All you holy saints:

#### Pray for us

O God, whose days are without end, and whose mercies cannot be numbered: Make us, we pray, deeply aware of the shortness and uncertainty of human life; and let your Holy Spirit lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days; that, when we shall have served you in our generation, we may be gathered to our ancestors, having the testimony of a good conscience, in the communion of the Catholic Church, in the confidence of a certain faith, in the comfort of a religious and holy hope, in favor with you, our God, and in perfect charity with the world.

All you holy saints:

#### Pray for us

O God, the King of saints, we praise and glorify your holy Name for all your servants who have finished their course in your faith and fear: for the blessed Virgin Mary; for the holy patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs; and for all your other righteous servants, known to us and unknown; and we pray that, encouraged by their examples, aided by their prayers, and strengthened by their fellowship, we also may be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light. All you holy saints:

#### Pray for us

Lord Jesus Christ, by your death you took away the sting of death: Grant to us your servants so to follow in faith where you have led the way, that we may at length fall asleep peacefully in you and wake up in your likeness; for your tender mercies' sake. All you holy saints:

#### Pray for us

### Necrology

Father of all, we pray to you for those we love, but see no longer, especially those we now name aloud and in our hearts. *(Here the names are read aloud)*

Grant them your peace; let light perpetual shine upon them; and, in your loving wisdom and almighty power, work in them the good purpose of your perfect will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### The Peace

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

*People* **And also with you.**

### Offertory *(Instrumental)*

“How lovely is thy dwelling place”

Hymn 517 *Brother James's Air*

## The Doxology

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**

## The Great Thanksgiving, Prayer B

The Book of Common Prayer Pg. 367

*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 God thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* It is a right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.  
*(An appropriate Proper Preface is offered here and the service continues as follows.)*

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

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

*Celebrant* We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of 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 Savior 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 before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

*People* **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, O 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 may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all of your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of 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 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 say,

### **The Lord's Prayer**

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 364

**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.**

### **Breaking of the Bread**

The Book of Common Prayer Pg. 364

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**People** **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, feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All are welcome to receive communion at St. Michael's. You may receive the wine by sipping from the common cup or use the practice of intinction/ dipping of the bread into the wine. At the altar rail, you may kneel or stand, and place one hand in the other, like a manger or bowl. Once you receive the bread, you may consume it, or wait for the cup. When the wine comes to you, you may dip your wafer into the wine and then consume and return to your pew. If you would like to sip from the common cup, please assist the chalice bearers by guiding the chalice to your lips with one hand. If you would like to receive a blessing only, simply cross your arms in an X form across your chest and a priest will offer you a blessing.*

**Celiac friendly:** Please come to the left side (as you face the altar) and let the clergy know if you would like to receive a gluten free host and wine.

**Communion Hymn**

"O what their joy and glory must be"

Hymn 623

- 1 O what their joy and their glory must be,  
those endless Sabbaths the blessed ones see;  
crown for the valiant, to weary ones rest:  
God shall be all, and in all ever blest.
- 2 Truly "Jerusalem" name we that shore,  
city of peace that brings joy evermore;  
wish and fulfillment are not severed there,  
nor do things prayed for come short of the prayer.
- 3 There, where no troubles distraction can bring,  
we the sweet anthems of Zion shall sing;  
while for thy grace, Lord, their voices of praise  
thy blessed people eternally raise.
- 4 Now, in the meanwhile, with hearts raised on high,  
we for that country must yearn and must sigh,  
seeking Jerusalem, dear native land,  
through our long exile on Babylon's strand.
- 5 Low before him with our praises we fall,  
of whom, and in whom, and through whom are all;  
of whom, the Father; and in whom, the Son;  
through whom, the Spirit, with them ever One.

**Post Communion Prayer**

The Book of Common Prayer, Pg. 498

Almighty God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

**Final Blessing****Closing Hymn**

"For all the saints"

Hymn #287 v. 5-8

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5 And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,<br/>steals on the ear the distant triumph song,<br/>and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong.<br/>Alleluia, alleluia!</li> <li>6 The golden evening brightens in the west;<br/>soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest;<br/>sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.<br/>Alleluia, alleluia!</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7 But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;<br/>the saints triumphant rise in bright array;<br/>the King of glory passes on his way.<br/>Alleluia, alleluia!</li> <li>8 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,<br/>through gates of pearl streams in the countless host<br/>singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,<br/>Alleluia, alleluia!</li> </ol> |
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**Dismissal**

*Deacon*

Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia!

*People*

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Postlude**

“Sine nomine”

by Paul Leddington Wright

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