

## Hymn at the Closing

1. **Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;  
the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide!  
when other helpers fail, and comforts flee,  
help of the helpless, O abide with me.**
2. **Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;  
change and decay in all around I see;  
O thou who changest not, abide with me.**
3. **I need thy presence every passing hour;  
what but thy grace can foil the tempter's power?  
who like thyself my guide and stay can be?  
through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.**
4. **I fear no foe with thee at hand to bless;  
ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still, if thou abide with me.**
5. **Hold thou thy Cross before my closing eyes;  
shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies:  
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;  
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.**

Words: Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847)  
Tune: *EVENTIDE*, by W. H. Monk (1823 - 89)

## The Dismissal *The Presbyter*

Neither death nor life  
can separate us from the love of God  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**All Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

Malcolm Archer (b. 1952)

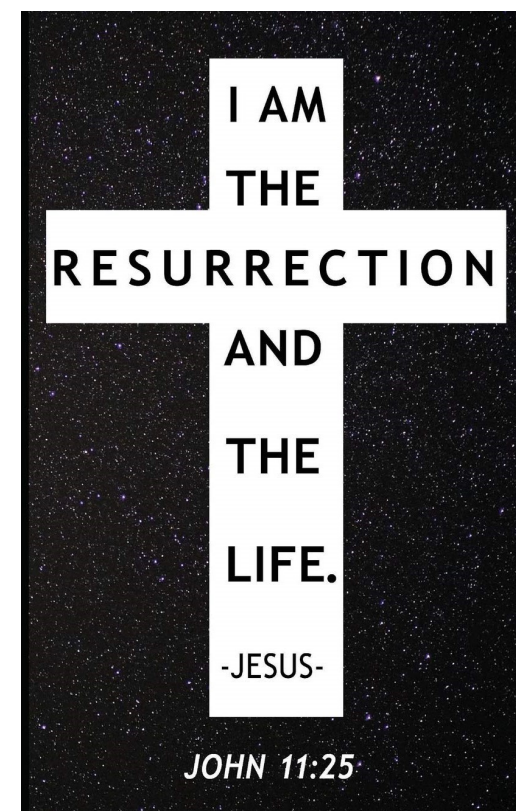


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## Commemoration of the Faithful Departed



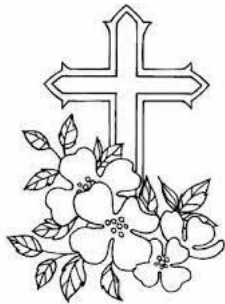
## All Souls' Day

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021 • 7 pm

*Welcome*

### *About today's commemoration*

The observance of All Souls' Day is an extension of the Feast of All Saints'. From very early times, the word "saint" was most associated with persons of heroic sanctity, whose deeds were recalled with gratitude by later generations. By the tenth century, it became customary to set aside another day — on which the Church remembered that vast body of the faithful who, though no less members of the company of the redeemed, are unknown in the wider fellowship of the Church. It then became a day for particular remembrance of family members and friends. In keeping with this practice, we will recall by name those who have been a part of the broader Cathedral community who died over this past year. We remember the many whom we may not know by name who have died during the course of the pandemic.



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Lord God, creator of all,  
you have made us creatures of this earth,  
but have also promised us a share in life eternal.  
According to your promises,  
may all who have died in the peace of Christ  
come with your saints to the joys of your kingdom,  
where there will be neither sorrow nor pain,  
but life everlasting.

*All* **Alleluia. Amen.**

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**OUR FATHER,  
who art in heaven,  
hallowed be Thy name;  
Thy Kingdom come;  
Thy will be done; in earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive them that trespass against us,  
and lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil:  
For Thine is the Kingdom,  
the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

*All stand*

### **The Blessing** *The Presbyter*

May God give you His comfort and His peace, His light and His joy,  
in this world and the next; and the blessing of God almighty, the  
† Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain  
with you always. **Amen.**

## The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

*The Presbyter says*

Jesus said: 'This is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me and I will raise them up at the last day.'

Let us pray

Lord God, creator of all, you have made us creatures of this earth, but have also promised us a share in life eternal. According to your promises, may all who have died in the peace of Christ come with your saints to the joys of your kingdom, where there will be neither sorrow nor pain, but life everlasting.

We name before you in our hearts today all those we know and love but see no longer, praying for those whose names lie on our altar, and especially this year for those who have died of COVID-19, as we light this candle in remembrance of them all.

*A candle is lit in remembrance of those who have died of COVID-19 and all the departed.  
A solo is sung*

Pie Jesu Domine,  
dona eis requiem,  
requiem sempiternam.

*Merciful Lord Jesus,  
grant them rest,  
rest everlasting.*

*From 'Requiem' by Gabriel Fauré (1845 - 1924)*

*Silence is kept and then the Presbyter continues*

This is the will of him that sent me,  
that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me,  
**All and I will raise them up at the last day.**

## The Gathering

Voluntary

Prelude on the tune, 'Eventide'

Charles H. H. Parry (1848 - 1918)

*All keep silence and prepare for worship*

Invocation

Soft as the voice of an angel,  
breathing a lesson unheard,  
hope with a gentle persuasion  
whispers her comforting word:  
Wait till the darkness is over,  
wait till the tempest is done,  
hope for the sunshine tomorrow,  
after the shower is gone.

*Whispering hope, oh, how welcome thy voice,  
making my heart in its sorrow rejoice.*

Septimus Winner (1827 - 1902)

*All stand*

Opening Sentence  
*The Presbyter*

*Presbyter* Grace, mercy and peace  
from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ  
be with you

*All* **and also with you.**

1. **The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;  
He makes me down to lie  
In pastures green;  
He leadeth me The quiet waters by.**
2. **My soul He doth restore again,  
And me to walk doth make  
Within the paths of righteousness,  
E'en for His own name's sake.**
3. **Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,  
Yet will I fear no ill;  
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod  
And staff my comfort still.**
4. **My table Thou hast furnishèd  
In presence of my foes;  
My head Thou dost with oil anoint,  
And my cup overflows.**
5. **Goodness and mercy all my life  
Shall surely follow me;  
And in God's house forevermore,  
My dwelling place shall be.**

Words: Psalm 23  
Tune: CRIMOND, Jessie Irvine (1836 - 1887)

**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.**

Sit

Homily

The Revd Avinash Rangayya

Greeting of Peace

The Presbyter offers a greeting of peace

All sit

The Presbyter addresses the congregation, saying

We meet this day to remember before God all the faithful departed, to give thanks for their lives, and to pray for their rest, that trusting in the promises of our Saviour, they may be brought with us, at the last, into the splendour of eternal life.

Jesus says:  
Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.  
Not as the world gives do I give you.  
Do not let your hearts be troubled,  
neither let them be afraid.  
The peace of the risen Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**  
Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

While remaining in your place, share the sign of peace with a namaste with your neighbour

## The Gospel of Christ

Alleluia

'It is the will of him who sent me,' says the Lord,  
'that I should lose none of all that he has given me,  
but raise them up on the last day.' *cf John 6.39*

*All* **Alleluia**

*The Gospeller* The Lord be with you  
*All* **and also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

*All* **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

JESUS said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who hears my word  
and believes him who sent me has eternal life, and does not come un-  
der judgment, but has passed from death to life.

"Very truly, I tell you, the hour is coming, and is now here, when the  
dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will  
live. For just as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son  
also to have life in himself; and he has given him authority to execute  
judgment, because he is the Son of Man."

*John 5:24-27*

*The Gospeller* This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.  
*All* **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

*Remain standing for the Creed and recite together*

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit:  
Lord, have mercy.

*All* **Lord, have mercy.**

You bring pardon and peace to the broken in heart:  
Christ, have mercy.

*All* **Christ, have mercy.**

You make one by your Spirit the torn and divided:  
Lord, have mercy.

*All* **Lord, have mercy.**

May almighty God have mercy on you,  
forgive you your sins,  
and bring you to everlasting life.

*All* **Amen.**

## Liturgy of the Word

### The Collect

*Read by the Presbyter*

Everlasting God, our maker and redeemer,  
grant us, with all the faithful departed,  
the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion  
and glorious resurrection,  
that, in the last day,  
when you gather up all things in Christ,  
we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*All* **Amen.**

*The congregation reads the verses in bold text*

Psalm 130 • *De profundis*

Out of the depths I cry to you, Lord;

<sup>2</sup> **Lord, hear my voice.**

**Let your ears be attentive  
to my cry for mercy.**

<sup>3</sup> If you, Lord, kept a record of sins,  
Lord, who could stand?

<sup>4</sup> **But with you there is forgiveness,  
so that we can, with reverence, serve you.**

<sup>5</sup> I wait for the Lord, my whole being waits,  
and in his word I put my hope.

<sup>6</sup> **I wait for the Lord  
more than watchmen wait for the morning,  
more than watchmen wait for the morning.**

<sup>7</sup> Israel, put your hope in the Lord,  
for with the Lord is unfailing love  
and with him is full redemption.

<sup>8</sup> **He himself will redeem Israel  
from all their sins.**

*All stand*

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
And to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:  
World without end. Amen.*

*Sit*

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Corinthians

WHAT I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. Listen, I will tell you a mystery! We will not all die, but we will all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. For this perishable body must put on imperishability, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When this perishable body puts on imperishability, and this mortal body puts on immortality, then the saying that is written will be fulfilled: "Death has been swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord, because you know that in the Lord your labour is not in vain.

*1 Corinthians 15:50-58*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*All stand for the Gospel*