



# A Liturgy of the Word All Saints & All Souls Sunday

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The full service or the sermon can be viewed on the website.

## Processional Hymn

1 All hail the power of Jesus' name!  
Let angels prostrate fall.  
Bring forth the royal diadem,  
and crown him Lord of all.  
Bring forth the royal diadem,  
and crown him Lord of all!

2 O seed of Israel's chosen race  
now ransomed from the fall,  
hail him who saves you by his grace,  
and crown him Lord of all.  
Hail him who saves you by his grace,  
and crown him Lord of all!

3 Let every tongue and every tribe  
responsive to his call,  
to him all majesty ascribe,  
and crown him Lord of all.  
To him all majesty ascribe,  
and crown him Lord of all!

4 Oh, that with all the sacred throng  
we at his feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song  
and crown him Lord of all.  
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and crown him Lord of all.

Author: Edward Perronet (1780)

## Call to Worship

In all our weakness and strength,  
with our youth-filled spirits and mortal bodies,  
**we come to be your people, O God.**

Strong in faith and eager with questions,  
singing our praise and whispering our prayers,  
**we come to be your people, O God.**

Filled with saintly determination  
yet mindful of our human limitations,  
**we come to be your people, O God.**

Made strong in your endless love for us,  
we know ourselves to be yours and  
**we come to be your people, O God.**  
**May we truly become your people today.**





*Introductory Rite*

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you**

Praise the Lord:  
**Praise God, you servants of the Lord.**

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:  
**Blessed be God's Name, now and forever.**

*Harvest Hymn - in place of Gloria*

Praise the Lord! ye heavens adore him  
Praise him angels in the height  
Sun and moon, rejoice before him  
Praise him, all ye stars of light

Praise the Lord! for he hath spoken  
Worlds his mighty voice obeyed  
Laws which never shall be broken  
For their guidance he hath made

All creation join the song of praise  
Let every tongue declare His mighty ways  
And we will sing of Your goodness and mercy  
All of our days!

Praise the Lord! for he is glorious  
Never shall his promise fail  
God hath made his saints victorious  
Sin and death shall not prevail

Glory, Glory  
All glory to You Lord!

Praise the God of our salvation!  
Hosts on high, his power proclaim  
Heaven and earth, and all creation  
Laud and magnify his Name

*Words and music by Eric J. Marshall*



*Collect for Purity*

*Let us pray.*  
**Almighty God,**  
**to whom all hearts are open,**  
**all desires known,**  
**and from whom 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.**



*The Kyrie*

by Ven Moses Thabethe

**Hosi, Hosi hi tsetselele x3  
Kriste, Kriste hi tsetselele x3  
Hosi, Hosi hi tsetselele x3**

*The Penitence*

*Let us confess our sins, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments and to live in love and peace with our neighbour.*

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
In penitence we confess  
That we have sinned against you  
Through our own fault  
In thought, word and deed  
And in what we have left undone.  
For the sake of your Son, Christ our Lord  
Forgive us all that is past  
And grant that we may serve you  
In newness of life  
To the glory of your name. Amen.**

*Absolution*

**Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy on you: pardon your sins and set you free from them; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The Collect*

**God of holiness,  
Your glory is proclaimed in every age:  
As we rejoice in the faith of your saints,  
Inspire us to follow their example  
With boldness and joy;  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
One God, now and for ever. Amen.**

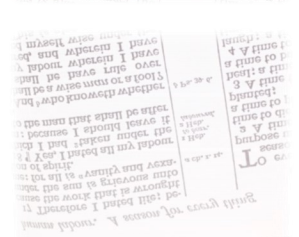
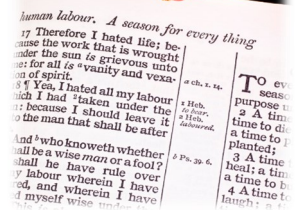
*The Word of God*

Isaiah 25: 6-9

**Psalm 23:**

*Sung by: Ven. Moses Thabethe*

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;  
He makes me lie in pastures green.  
He leads me by the still, still waters,  
His goodness restores my soul.





And I will trust in You alone,  
And I will trust in You alone,  
For Your endless mercy follows me,  
Your goodness will lead me home.

He guides my ways in righteousness,  
And He anoints my head with oil,  
And my cup, it overflows with joy,  
I feast on His pure delights.

And though I walk the darkest path,  
I will not fear the evil one,  
For You are with me, and Your rod and staff  
Are the comfort I need to know.

**Revelation 21: 1-6a**

*Gospel Acclamation*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Lord your words are spirit and life  
You have the words of lasting life

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

*Gospel Reading*

**John 11: 32-44**

*The Sermon*

by Ven. Moses Thabethe

*Affirmation of Faith*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
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,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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.**

### *Prayers of Intercession*

*Let us pray to God, whose great saints have witnessed to his glory.*

*We pray for the universal Church:*

God of power and love, may your Church, built on the foundation of the saints, be faithful to the teaching of Christ so that it reflects his likeness. Lord, as you enkindle the flame of your love in the hearts of the saints, grant to our minds the same faith and power of love; that, as we rejoice in their triumphs, we may benefit by their examples.

**Lord, kindle the flame of your love in our hearts; in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

*We pray for creation, human society and those in authority:*

Loving God, creator of all that is, we pray for those who represent us in government. May they be men and women of integrity, guided by a desire for public service and a love of the truth. May they also be just and compassionate, so that our nation may be led in ways of justice and mercy.

**Lord, kindle the flame of your love in our hearts; in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

*We pray for our community:*

Lord, make us the community of St Michael's into instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love. Where there is injury, pardon. Where there is doubt, faith. Where there is despair, hope. Where there is darkness, light. Where there is sadness, joy. May we not so much seek to be consoled as to console, not so much to be understood as to understand, not so much to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we awake to eternal life.

**Lord, kindle the flame of your love in our hearts; in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

*We pray for those who suffer:*

Lord Jesus Christ, in the Garden of Gethsemane you shared with everyone who has ever been afraid. You conquered fear with love and returned saying 'Do not be afraid'. In the light of your love, death has lost its sting, and so has fear. May your love be the key that releases us from suffering and fear.

**Lord, kindle the flame of your love in our hearts; in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

*For the communion of saints:*

Lord, give us grace to follow in the footsteps of the saints, as they followed in the footsteps of your holy Son. Keep alive in us the memory of those dear to ourselves whom you have called to yourself; and grant that every remembrance which turns our hearts from things seen to things unseen may lead us always upwards to you, until we come to our eternal rest.

**Lord, kindle the flame of your love in our hearts; in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

### *Prayer for Offering*

Generous God, we give you thanks for your steadfast love which has inspired so many lives to give generously, too.  
Bless the gifts we bring, and bless our lives  
so that our discipleship will also be marked by generosity of heart  
and hands that witnesses to your love,  
through Jesus Christ's our Lord. **Amen.**

### *The Lord's Prayer*

**Ons vader wat woon in die hemel,  
geheilig sy u naam, laat u ryk kom,  
u wil geskied, soos in die hemel so ook op die aarde  
gee ons vandag ons dag se brood  
en vergeef ons al ons skulde,**





net soos ons vergewe die wat teen ons sondig.  
Laat kom ons nie in die versoeking,  
maar verlos ons van die bose.  
Van u is die ryk en die sterkte en die ere, vir ewig en ewig, Amen.

### *Prayer of Thanksgiving*

Father of all,  
we give you thanks and praise,  
that when we were still far off  
you met us in your Son and brought us home.  
Dying and living, he declared your love,  
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.  
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;  
we who drink his cup bring life to others;  
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.  
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,  
so we and all your children shall be free,  
and the whole earth live to praise your name;  
through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### *Final Blessing*

The Lord be with you  
**All And also with you.**

God keep you in the fellowship of his saints;  
Christ protect you by the ministry of the angels;  
the Spirit make you holy in God's service;

And the blessing of God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

### *Dismissal*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
**In the name of Christ. Amen**

### *Recessional Hymn*

Glorious things of thee are spoken,  
Zion, city of our God;  
he whose word cannot be broken  
formed thee for his own abode;  
on the Rock of Ages founded,  
what can shake thy sure repose?  
With salvation's walls surrounded,  
thou may'st smile at all thy foes.





See the streams of living waters,  
springing from eternal love,  
well supply thy sons and daughters,  
and all fear of want remove;  
who can faint while such a river  
ever flows their thirst t'assuage?  
Grace, which like the Lord, the giver,  
never fails from age to age.

Round each habitation hov'ring,  
see the cloud and fire appear  
for a glory and a cov'ring,  
showing that the Lord is near;  
thus deriving from their banner  
light by night and shade by day,  
safe they feed upon the manna  
which he gives them when they pray.

Saviour, if of Zion's city  
I, thro' grace, a member am,  
let the world deride or pity,  
I will glory in thy name;  
fading is the worldling's pleasure,  
all his boasted pomp and show;  
solid joys and lasting treasure  
none but Zion's children know.

Author: John Newton (1779)



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