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GATHERING . . . WORD . . . SENDING

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PRELUDE . . . *“For All the Saints”*

WELCOME

SINGING BOWL

INVOCATION

P: In all our weakness and strength,

All: we come to be your people, O God.

*P: Strong in faith and eager with questions, singing our praise and
whispering our prayers,*

All: we come to be your people, O God.

*P: Filled with saintly determination yet mindful of our human
limitations,*

All: we come to be your people, O God.

*P: Made strong in your endless love for us, we know ourselves to
be yours and*

All: we come to be your people, O God.

P: May we truly become your people today.

All: Amen.



CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We remember, O God...

All: The countless saints of history who have blazed a trail of courage through time,

L: We remember, O God...

All: the healing words of comforters, the remarkable acts of fearless ones.

L: We remember, O God...

All: The supreme love of Jesus, the blessing of his Spirit,

L: the reminder of his words, the sharing of his suffering,

All: the glory of his resurrection.

L: We remember in every time and place the saints of God who have shown us the Lord.

All: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses... let us worship God with joy!

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross.

P: Beloved, we are God's children now,

All: but what we will be in the fullness of our time has not been revealed.

P: What we do know is this:

All: we will be like Jesus the Christ and saints of God.

P: Jesus hungered and thirsted for righteousness...

All: We pray, may we be more like Jesus.

Silence for Reflection

P: Beloved, through the love shown to us by Jesus, we can be sure that we are God's children now. The Spirit of Christ is among us and the nature of Christ is revealed within us. We are becoming more and more like Christ each day.

All: Therefore, let us live joyfully as God's people; saints and instruments of God's way.

LITANY

L: Holy Being, who called us all into life, holy is your name in all the earth.

All: We thank you this day for all who have shown us your way.

L: Abraham and Sarah heard your call and ventured new places, even when they were old.

All: We listen for your call today.

L: Miriam and Moses danced and led your people from suffering toward a new promise.

All: We await a vision of your burning fire today.

L: Deborah fought, Samuel prayed and they led in different ways.

All: We are preparing to lead this day.

L: David and Bathsheba sinned and were forgiven.

All: We confess our sin and long for your grace today.

L: Amos spoke and Esther stood tall for the sake of justice.

All: We open ourselves to your strength today.

L: Mary and Joseph accepted your call.

All: We attend to your word this day.

L: Peter and Paul, Magdalene and Lydia, and saints through the ages picked up their cross.

All: We pray that we might faithfully follow today.

L: Holy Being, who called us to into life through the saints in our lives, be born anew to us,

All: that we might serve all your saints;

L: the hungry and thirsty, the sick and imprisoned,

All: the naked and forgotten; to honor your holy name in all the earth. Amen.



THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

L: Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: 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 Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

GATHERING . . . WORD . . . SENDING

INTRODUCTION TO THE WORD

Reader: Hear the word of God,

All: that we might walk in holiness all our days.

Reader: Receive the word of God,

All: that it might be at work within us.

Reader: Heed the word of God,

All: that we may become its servant.

READING . . . *Joshua 3:1-17*

Early in the morning Joshua rose and set out from Shittim with all the Israelites, and they came to the Jordan. They camped there before crossing over. At the end of three days the officers went through the camp and commanded the people, "When you see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God being carried by the levitical priests, then you shall set out from your place. Follow it, so that you may know the way you should go, for you have not passed this way before. Yet there shall be a space between you and it, a distance of about two thousand cubits; do not come any nearer to it." Then Joshua said to the people, "Sanctify yourselves; for tomorrow the LORD will do wonders among you." To the priests Joshua said, "Take up the ark of the covenant, and pass on in front of the people." So they took up the ark of the covenant and went in front of the people.

The LORD said to Joshua, "This day I will begin to exalt you in the sight of all Israel, so that they may know that I will be with you as I was with Moses. You are the one who shall command the priests who bear the ark of the covenant, 'When you come to the edge of the waters of the Jordan, you shall stand still in the Jordan.'" Joshua then said to the Israelites, "Draw near and hear the words of the LORD your God." Joshua said, "By this you shall know that among you is the living God who without fail will drive out from before you the Canaanites, Hittites, Hivites, Perizzites, Girgashites, Amorites, and Jebusites: the ark of the covenant of the LORD of all the earth is going to pass before you into the Jordan. So now select twelve men from the tribes of Israel, one from each tribe. When the soles of the feet of the priests who bear the ark of the LORD, the LORD of all the earth, rest in the waters of the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan flowing from above shall be cut off; they shall stand in a single heap."

When the people set out from their tents to cross over the Jordan, the priests bearing the ark of the covenant were in front of the people. Now the Jordan overflows all its banks throughout the time of harvest. So when those who bore the ark had come to the Jordan, and the feet of the priests bearing the ark were dipped in the edge of the water, the waters flowing from above stood still, rising up in a single heap far off at Adam, the city that is beside Zarethan, while those flowing toward the sea of the Arabah, the Dead Sea, were wholly cut off. Then the people crossed over opposite Jericho. While all Israel were crossing over on dry ground, the priests who bore the ark of the covenant of the LORD stood on dry ground in the middle of the Jordan, until the entire nation finished crossing over the Jordan.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Reader: By the word, God calls us into covenant.

All: May the divine word work within us.

Reader: May we be receptive students of it.

All: May it show us the call of service in Christ's holy Church.

CHILDREN'S TIME . . . *Pastor Tim*

HOMILY . . . *Pastor Tim*

A BLESSING OF THE SAINTS

All are invited to light candles at home
in honor of the saints in our lives.

SINGING BOWL

P: For those whom we remember best as our teachers and role models, for giving us values and goals,

All: We give thanks, O Lord.

L: For those who have lived with us, loved us, shared our trials and still allowed us to become who we are,

All: We give thanks, O Lord.

P: For those who visit the lonely and clothe the naked and feed the hungry, not because it is an injunction from above, but because it is a joyous thing to do,

All: We give thanks, O Lord.

L: For those who taught us to love mostly by loving us, expecting nothing in return,

All: We give thanks, O Lord.

P: For all those who actually forgive and forget.

All: We give thanks, O Lord.

L: For all the saints who live beyond us, who challenge us to change the world with them,

All: We give thanks, O Lord.

P: For those who are genuinely funny and give cheer to life and good humor to day-by-day perceptions,

All: We give thanks, O Lord.

L: For those who unselfishly share all their blessings and not only their leftovers,

All: We give thanks, O Lord.

P: For those who now surround us and share our secrets, for those who wish to know us better, for those who by being part of our community of saints give us courage and hope to live,

All: We give thanks, O Lord.

L: God of the new Creation, we remember the saints who are in the church triumphant,

All: You are the hope of all creation, merciful God, and we lift our prayers to you, trusting in the name that is above every name, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

SPECIAL MUSIC . . . “Vocalise” – Sergei Rachmaninoff
performed by Leilani Camara and Dean Sieglaff

P: For all the saints we give you thanks, O God.

All: Amen.

SINGING BOWL

OFFERING

OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: Gracious God, with these gifts we also offer to you our lives and our love, in grateful thanks for your grace that surrounds us every day.

All: Use these gifts and us for your purpose, that your love may be known in all of the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

L: Longing for Christ's reign to come among us, we pray for the outpouring of God's power on the church, the world, and all in need. Lord of all the saints, we praise you for evangelists and martyrs whose sacrifices witness to your gospel across time and space. Inspire us by their courage to carry our faith to new people and places around us. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

L: Lord of every nation, guide this country—red states and blue states, rural voters and urban voters, young and old—as we share in another national election. Kindle hearts eager to understand our common needs and seek our common good. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

L: Lord of every blessing, your Son's blessing came to those living with poverty, grief, hunger, thirst, and persecution. Shape our vision of the saints to match his own. Awaken in us your call to serve all who suffer. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

L: Hear now the prayers of our hearts said silently or aloud.

Here other prayers may be offered.

L: Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

L: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

All: 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 forever. Amen.

GATHERING . . . WORD . . . SENDING

BENEDICTION

P: Go on your way rejoicing; surrounded as you are by such a great cloud of witnesses, take courage as you face each new challenge, and comfort when you pick yourself from a fall. In whatever good you choose to do, precede it with hope, accompany it with prayer, and follow it with thanksgiving.

All: The blessing of God Most Wonderful, whom the saints have trusted, are with us now and forever. Amen.

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace to care, to share, to serve all.

All: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE . . . “Give Thanks for Saints”

SINGING BOWL

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