

Feast of All Saints
9:00 & 11:15 a.m.

1 November 2026

St. John's Episcopal Church
Tallahassee, Florida

All Saints' Sunday

All Saints' Day is one of the seven Principal Feasts of the Church Year. It occurs annually on November 1. On this day, we celebrate the glorious company of all the saints, commemorating those noble souls who have given us an example of righteousness and have been the lights of the world in their generations.

Saints' Shields

Centuries ago, artists of the Church began to create coats of arms representing the saints, using the 12th century artistic rules and symbolism of heraldry. Today our sanctuary is decorated with shields representing numerous saints from across the ages. Each shield tells a story. For more information about the shields, scan this code.

The Necrology

We also remember today those whose funerals took place at St. John's since last All Saints Day. The following names will be read during today's Eucharistic Prayer.

Virginia Jane Bacon
LiAnne Douglas
Jan Patrick Garnier
Marjorie Greene
Kirk Headley-Perdue
Elva Hinnant
Richard Hinners
Hilda May Hunter
Addison Franklin Marshall
Terry Nelson, Sr.
Josephine Newton
Michael Obrecht
Louis Perkins
Leslie Roraback
Michele Shapley
David Watson
Glen Yaege

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them. May their souls, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

All Souls Service – 4 p.m. Today

While All Saints' Day remembers primarily those whose lives are well known to the history of the Church, All Souls' Day commemorates the wider body of the faithful departed: those near and dear to each of us who are no less a part of the company of the redeemed. All Souls is typically observed on Nov. 2; we will observe it later today as an extension of our Allhallowtide services.

Join us this afternoon at 4 p.m. in the sanctuary for a special All Souls Requiem Mass in which we will remember the lives of all our beloved. The service will include the music of Fauré's *Requiem*, an *ofrenda* with photos of loved ones, and a reading of the full necrology of names submitted earlier by St. John's parishioners.

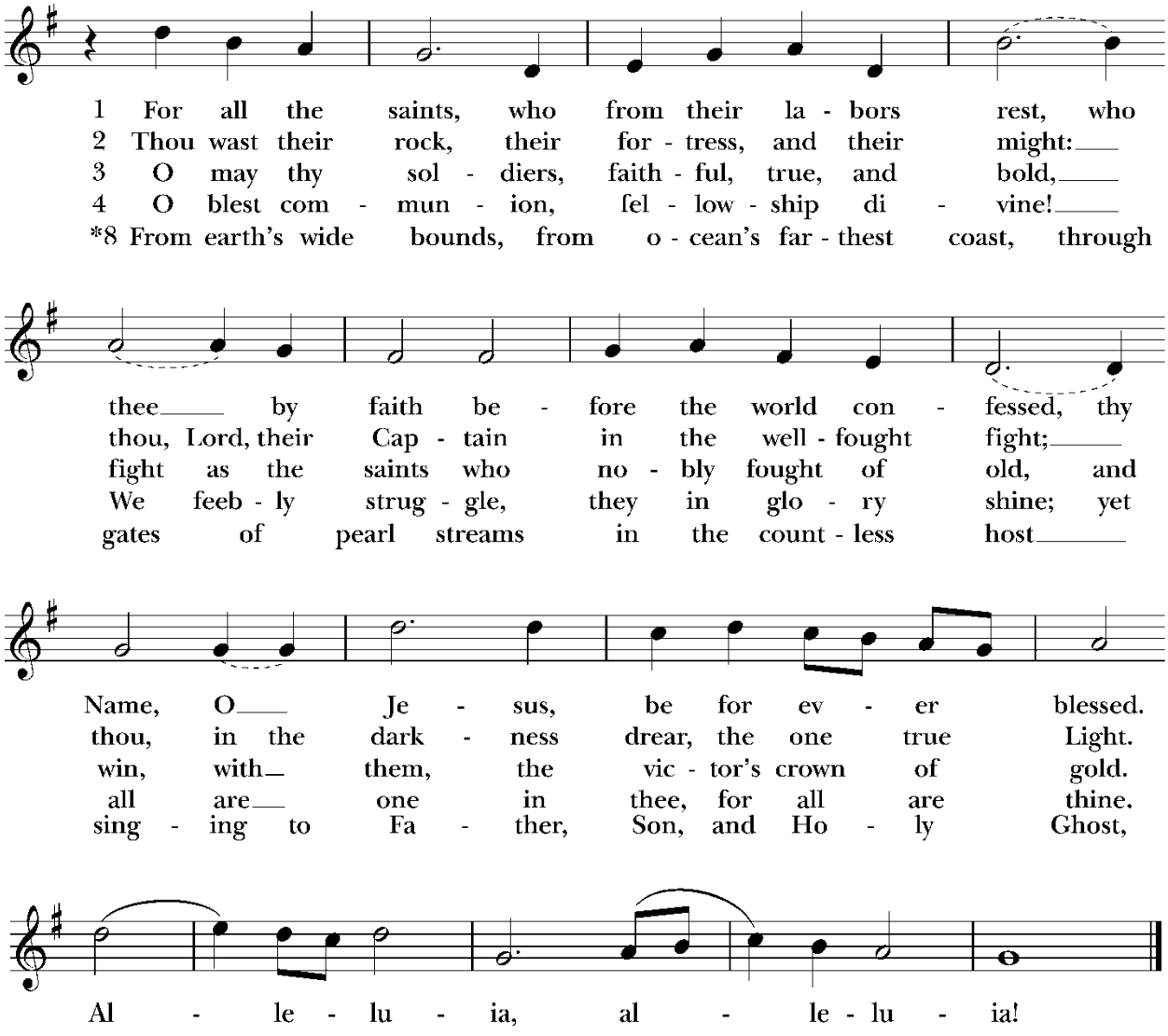
We invite you to prepare for the service in quiet meditation and prayer.
Thank you for silencing your cell phone prior to the service.

The Liturgy of the Word

Tower Bells

Voluntary .....**Prelude on *Sine Nomine***
Leo Sowerby

Processional Hymn *All stand as they are able.*



Words: William Walsham How (1823-1897). Music: *Sine Nomine*, Ralph Vaughn Williams (1872-1958).

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.
Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit.
People There is one hope in God's call to us;
Celebrant One Lord, one faith, one baptism;
People One God and Father of all.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant continues

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.*

Children's Chapel *(9:00 a.m. only)*

Pre-K through 3rd grade children gather at the front steps of the chancel for a prayer before processing to Children's Chapel.

A Reading from the Revelation to John

After this I, John, 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 worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

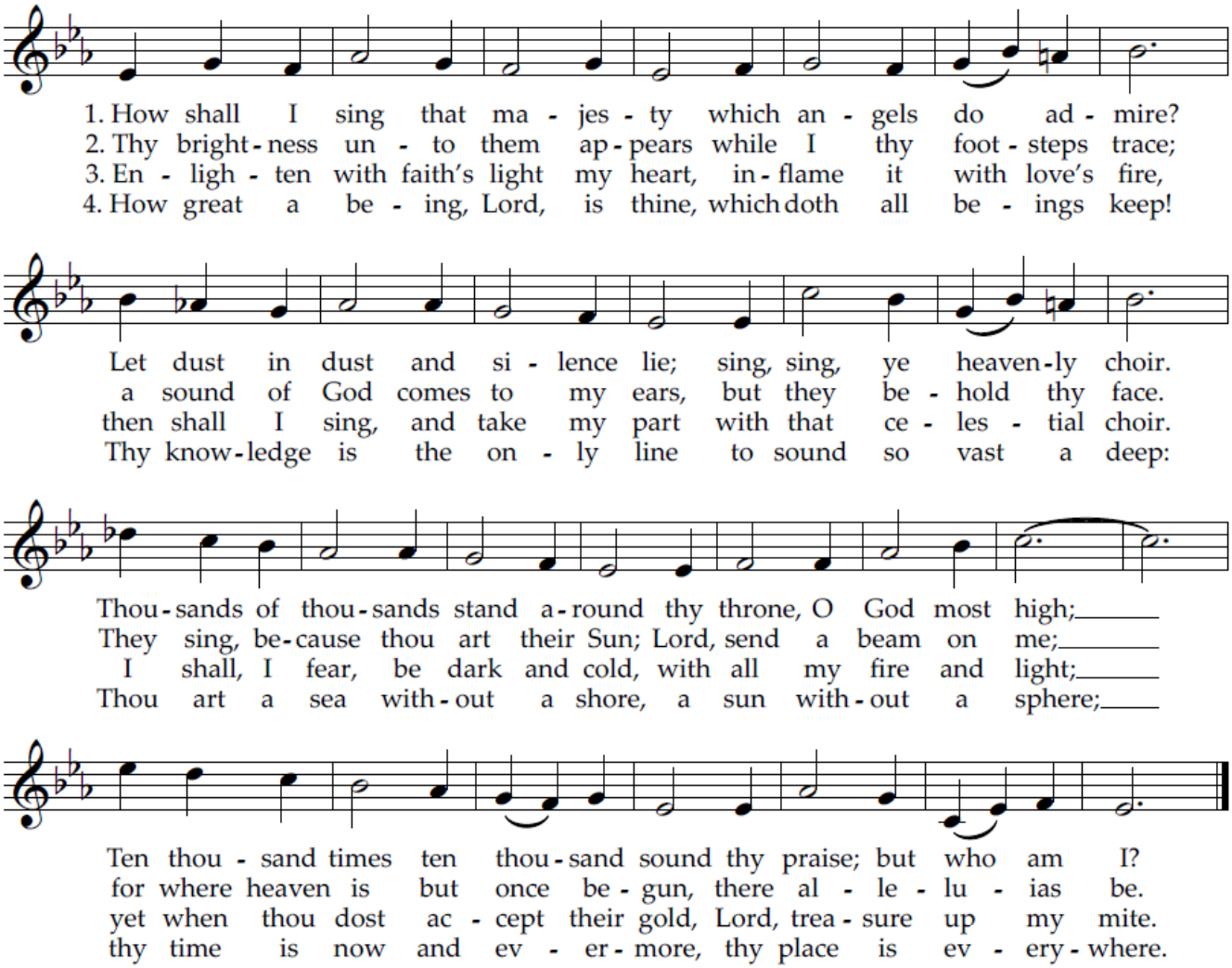
Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made

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 center 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."

[Revelation 7:9-17]

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn *All stand as they are able.*



Words: John Mason (ca. 1645-1694)
Music: *Coe Fen,* Kenneth Naylor (1931-1991)

The Gospel

Then, all standing, the Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People 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." *[Matthew 5:1-12]*

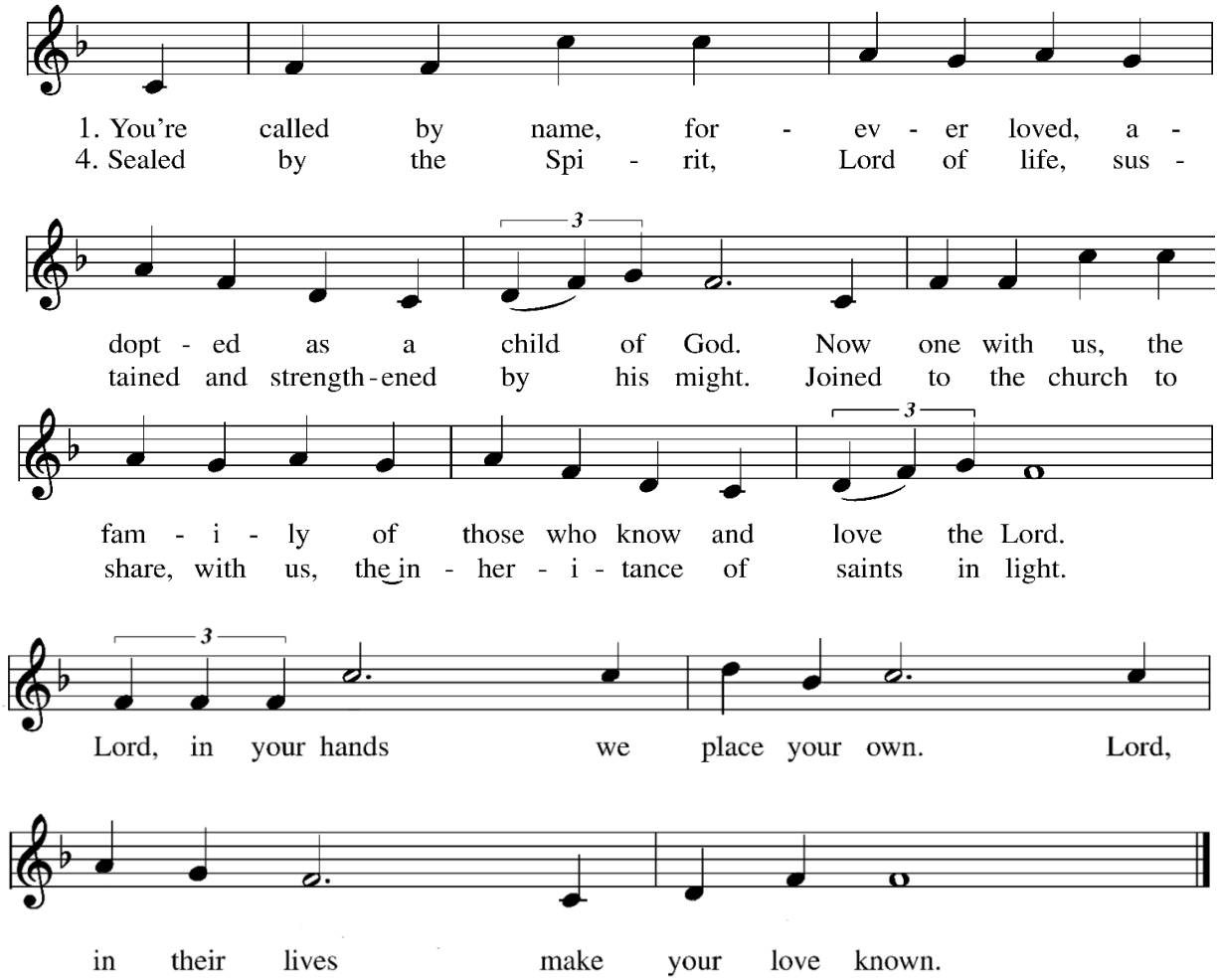
Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon.....**The Rev. Melanie Salsgiver**
Deacon

A brief period of silence follows the sermon.

Holy Baptism

Baptismal Hymn *All stand as they are able.*



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The Presentation of the Candidates

Adults and Older Children

The candidates who are able to answer for themselves are presented individually by their Sponsors, as follows

Sponsor I present N. to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Celebrant asks each candidate when presented

Celebrant Do you desire to be baptized?

Candidate I do.

Infants & Younger Children

Then the candidates unable to answer for themselves are presented individually by their Parents and Godparents, as follows

Celebrant The candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents I present *N.* to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents I will, with God's help.

Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the candidates who can speak for themselves, and of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children

Celebrant Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?
Answer I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?
Answer I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?
Answer I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?
Answer I do.

Celebrant Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?
Answer I do.

Celebrant Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?
Answer I do.

After all have been presented, the Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?
People We will.

The Celebrant then says

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?
People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
People 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.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People 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.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and
fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever
you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people,
and respect the dignity of every human being?
People I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates

The Celebrant then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for these persons who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

Leader Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send them into the world in witness to your love.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

The Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. *Amen*.

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was

anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Baptisms

9:00 a.m.
Henry Gray Frank
Folsom Worthington Polk
Jane Brevard Prescott

11:15 a.m.
Jonathan Cruce
Palmer James Harvell

Each candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant, or to an assisting priest or deacon, who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying

N., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Then the Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross and saying to each one:

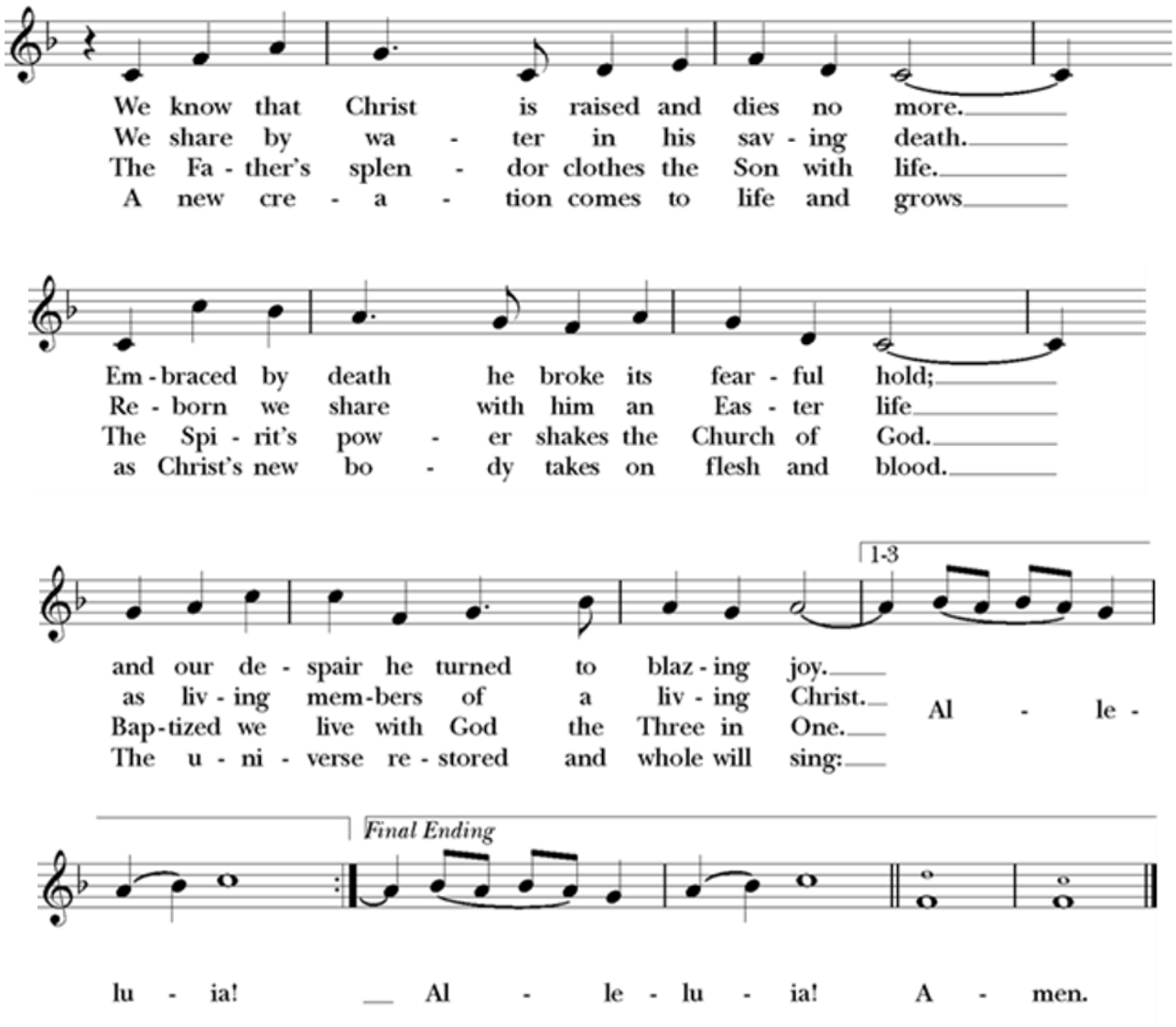
N., you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. *Amen.*

When this action has been completed for all candidates, the Bishop or Priest, at a place in full sight of the congregation, prays over them, saying

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. *Amen.*

Baptismal Hymn



Text: John Brownlow Geyer (b. 1932), alt.
Tune: *Engelberg* Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924) 10.10.10. with Alleluias

The Celebrant says

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

The Announcements

The Offertory

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GIVING

Anthem – Holy is the true light .....Gerald Near

Holy is the true light, and passing wonderful,
lending radiance to them that endured in the heat of the conflict.
From Christ they inherit a home of unfailing splendour.
Wherein they rejoice with gladness evermore.

Text: Salisbury Diurnal, trans. Dr. G. H. Palmer

Presentation of the Gifts *All stand as they are able.*

O praise ye the Lord! Thanksgiving and song
to him be outpoured all ages along!
For love in creation, for heaven restored,
for grace of salvation, O praise ye the Lord!

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer D

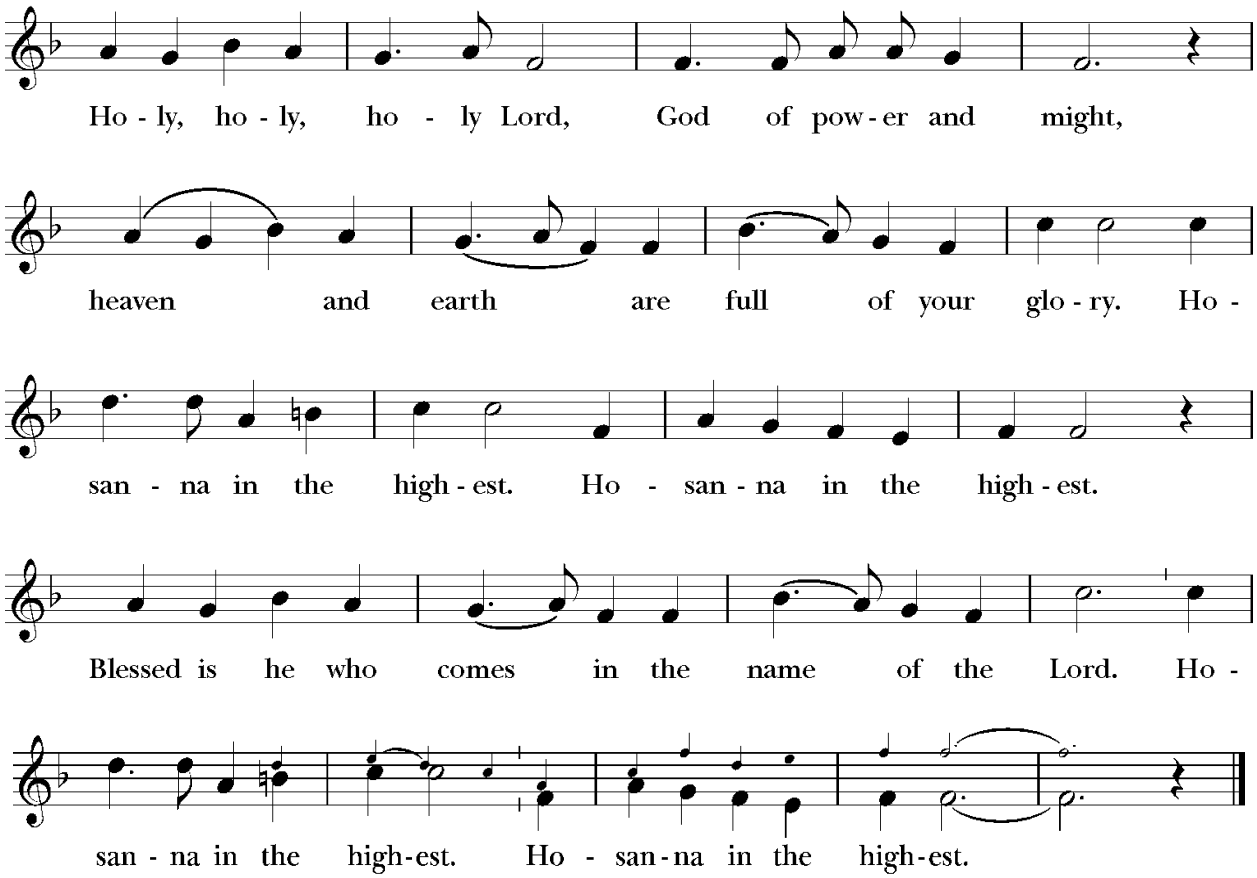
The People remain standing.

	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 him thanks and praise.

Then facing the Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created

them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,



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The People kneel as they are able. Then the Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God

The Celebrant continues

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember *NN.* and all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with St. John the Evangelist and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. *AMEN*.

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

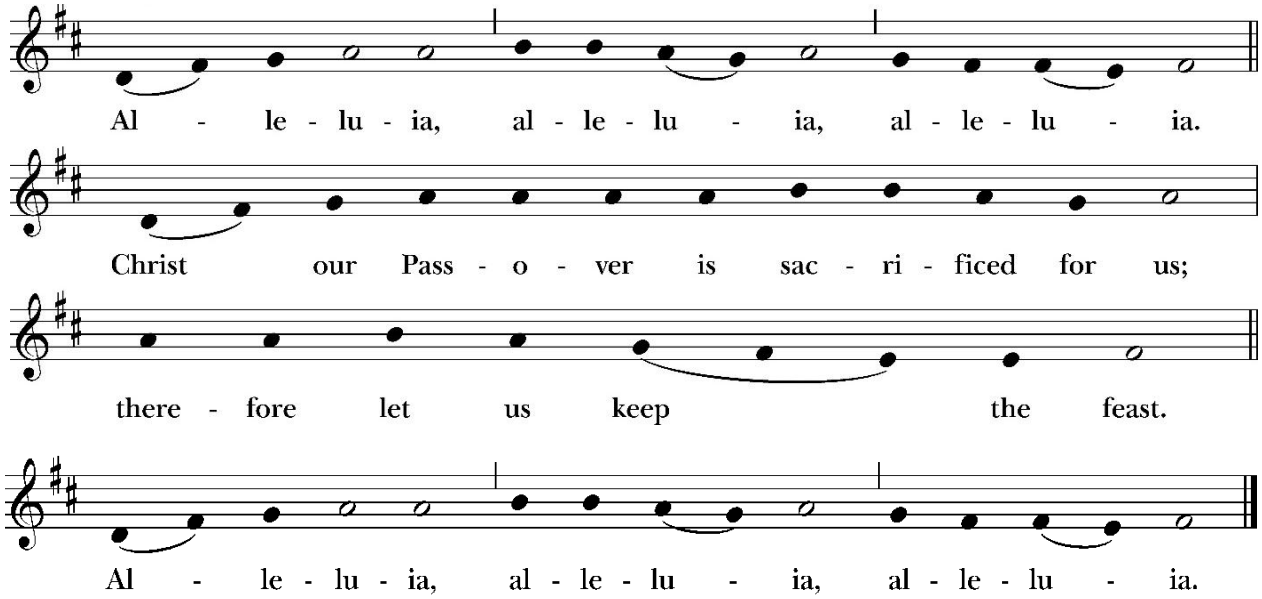
People and Celebrant

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.

The Breaking of the Bread

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

The Fraction Anthem



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The Celebrant says

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion of the People

Communion is central to our worship at St. John's. All baptized Christians—regardless of age or denominational affiliation—are welcome to receive.

❶ **Wait for guidance from the ushers.**
At the appropriate time, an usher will invite the people in your pew to rise and follow the line to the Communion rail or station. Those with limited mobility may request that Communion be brought directly to their pew.

❷ **Kneel or stand.**
Most people kneel at the rail to receive Communion, but standing is also appropriate, especially if kneeling is difficult.



❸ **Receive the Bread.**
As the minister approaches with the Bread, extend your hands with palms open and facing up. You may consume the Bread immediately or wait to have it dipped in the Wine.

❹ **Receive the wine.**
The Wine is served in a large chalice as a sign of unity. Assist the lay minister by guiding the chalice to your lips, holding it by the base, and take a small sip. If you would rather not drink directly from the chalice, you may offer your Bread to the lay minister and allow him or her to dip it in the Wine and hand it back to you to consume.



❺ **Return to your pew.**
Return to your pew, kneel if you like, sing with the congregation, or offer your silent prayers to God.

If you are unbaptized or would prefer not to receive the bread or wine for any reason, cross your arms over your chest at the rail. This signifies to the priest that you wish to receive a blessing instead.

Communion Hymns

Jerusalem the golden ..... Hymn 624

Who are these like stars appearing ..... Hymn 286

Remember your servants, Lord ..... Hymn 560

The Postcommunion Prayer

After Communion, the People kneel as they are able. The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing of the People

The Priest may bless the people, saying

May Almighty God, to whose glory we celebrate this festival of all the Saints, be now and evermore your guide and companion in the way. *Amen*.

May God, who has bound us together in the company of the elect, in this age and in the age to come, attend to the prayers of his faithful servants on your behalf, as he hears your prayers for them. *Amen*.

May God, who has given us, in the lives of his saints, patterns of holy living and victorious dying, strengthen your faith and devotion, and enable you to bear witness to the truth against all adversity. *Amen*.

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen*.

Processional Hymn *All stand as they are able.*



Words: Richard Baxter (1615-1691); rev. John Hampden Gurney (1802-1862). Music: *Darwall's 148th*, melody and bass John Darwall (1731-1789); harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889), alt.; desc. Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947).

The Dismissal

The Deacon dismisses the people with these words

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Voluntary ..... ***Litanies***
Jehan Alain

Tower Bells

The flowers on the altar today are given
by the Watson family in memory of David Watson,
and by Callie DeHaven in memory of Carolyn Adams.

Welcome!

Since 1829, St. John's Episcopal Church has sought to love Christ and our neighbors in Tallahassee and the world. Whether you are a lifelong Christian or it is your first time entering a church, welcome. We are glad you are here.

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GIVING

Childcare

Free, professional childcare is provided 8:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. each Sunday.

Hearing System

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