



THE  
**ABBHEY**  
CHURCH



## **All Saints Day**

November 1, 2020 + 4pm

All Saints Murals from St. Gregory of Nyssa Church, San Francisco.

Welcome to the AbbeyChurch

No matter who you are or what you are carrying today, know you are beloved and so very welcome here!

At the AbbeyChurch, we tell stories of faith, encourage hope, share meals, care for each other and for God's creation – and strive to practice the teachings of Jesus.

We're at different places in our faith journey - but we share a guiding sacred Story as found in scripture (The Bible) and summarized in ancient Christian creeds.

We share a willingness to honestly wrestle with God, and with our questions and doubts.

We invite diversity in our community and our leadership; old, young, rich, poor, conservative, liberal, radical, single, married, LGBTQ2IA+, straight, evangelical, progressives, overeducated, undereducated, overhoused, underhoused, certain, doubting, hurting, thriving (to name a few).

We believe that Christ's love binds our differences together in unity as we gather each week at Jesus' table of welcome.

### **Covid-19 Reminders:**

- Please keep your physical distancing at 2m.
- Follow the arrows.
- Please refrain from singing. Having said this, many of our songs were written as prayers - and we encourage you to pray this song as the band sings!
- If you use the washroom, please use spray and paper towel to sanitize surfaces that you touch.
- Communion is only currently offered in bread and masks and extra hand sanitizers are used in distribution.
- Masks are optional but encouraged - and should be worn when moving around the church or nearing others

# **Welcome & Announcements / Land Acknowledgement**

*Bell x3*

## **Opening Chant**

*As these requiem words are chanted, children bring forward photos and icons.*

## **In Paradisum**

In paradisum deducant te Angeli; in tuo adventu suscipiant te martyres, et perducant te in civitatem sanctam Jerusalem. Chorus angelorum te suscipiat, et cum Lazaro quondam paupere æternam habeas requiem.

Translation: “*May the angels lead you into paradise; may the martyrs receive you at your arrival and lead you to the holy city Jerusalem. May choirs of angels receive you and with Lazarus, once poor, may you have eternal rest.*” Credit Liber Usualis (1961), p. 1768-1769. Latin lyrics

## **Lighting of the Pascal candle**

‘In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him, all things were made. In him was life, and that life was the light of all. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.’

## **Poem and Collect**

*Blessed by Jan Richardson*

*Blessed are you  
who bear the light  
in unbearable times,  
who testify  
to its endurance  
amid the unendurable,  
who bear witness  
to its persistence  
when everything seems  
in shadow  
and grief.*

*Blessed are you*  
in whom  
the light lives,  
in whom  
the brightness blazes—  
your heart  
a chapel,  
an altar where  
in the deepest night  
can be seen  
the fire that  
shines forth in you  
in unaccountable faith,  
in stubborn hope,  
in love that illumines  
every broken thing  
it finds.

Let us pray: Almighty God, whose people are knit together in one holy Church, the mystical Body of your Son, 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 your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.. **Amen.** *BAS*

### **The Readings**

#### **The Psalm: Psalm 34: 1-10, 22**

*chanted*

I will bless the Lord at all times; the praise of God 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 the name of God together.

I sought the Lord, who answered me and delivered me out of all my terror.

Look upon God 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 God, and will deliver them.

Taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are they who trust in God!

Fear the Lord, you holy ones of God, for those who fear God lack nothing.

The young lions lack and suffer hunger, but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.

O Lord, you redeem the life of you servants, and none will be punished who trust in you.

*[spoken, at the end]* Glory to You Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit.

**As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

### **The Epistle**

A reading from the Book of Revelation. 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 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 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."

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Let us prepare our hearts to hear the gospel.  
Please stand in body or in spirit.*

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Glory to God who does wondrous things

Let all the people God's praises now sing

All of creation in splendor shall ring! Alleluia!

O filii et filiae / 1494 / Public Domain (and Marty Haugen, GIA 1986 / OneLicense)

### **The Gospel:**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Matthew. **Glory to you, Lord Jesus 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."

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

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia x 2      O filii et filiae / 1494 / Public Domain

*Bell / Silence / Bell*

**Affirmation of Faith**      *Please stand in body or in spirit.*  
Hear, O Israel **the Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first and the great commandment. The second is like it: Love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.**

**Prayers of the People:**

***The first candle is lit***

*May light shine in the darkness for all who suffer from depression and despair, for the unwanted and the unloved, and for those whom we find it hard to love.*

*Silence*

***The second candle is lit***

*May light shine in the darkness for all those have lost their way in life, where confusion has conquered confidence, the harshness of reality has diminished hope, for those whose lives are surrounded by uncertainty, for the anxious and the abused and isolated.*

*Silence*

***The third candle is lit***

*May light shine in the darkness for the world. For those whose sufferings are beyond our understanding. For our world, our city, our neighbourhoods, the sick and the lonely, for those close to our hearts. For the prayers, we name silently or aloud at this time...*

*Silence*

## **The fourth candle is lit**

*May light shine in the darkness for the earth. For “the lakes hidden among the hills are saints, and the sea too is a saint who praises God without interruption in her majestic dance.” May it burn for the unnamed and unnoticed Saints of wood and leaf and flower, of creatures minuscule and beautiful and terrible. May it shine for all places on this planet that have been desecrated, neglected, stripped or damaged.*

*Silence*

## **The fifth candle is lit**

*May light shine in the darkness for the dead and for those for whom this night will be their last, for all who ache with the pain of grieving, for those who cry in despair at the passing of one who was much beloved.*

## **The sixth candle is lit**

*Hear us, O merciful God, as we remember in love those whom we have placed in your hands. We remember..... And all those we name aloud or silently at this time.... Enfold them in the arms of your mercy, in the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and in the glorious company of the saints in light.*

*During this chant people are welcomed to come to the front or the back station and light a candle for the departed*

The Litany of the Saints.

The musical notation is for a litany. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The time signature is common time (C). The tempo is marked as  $\text{♩} = 48$ . The key signature has one sharp (F#). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "A - do - ra - mus te O Chri - ste." The first note of the melody is a whole note, followed by a series of eighth notes and quarter notes.



## ***The seventh candle is lit***

*May this light burn for the promise of hope beyond despair and light in our shadows. Let it burn for the mystical communion of saints living and dead that lead us into a life of love, justice and peace. Let it burn for God's resurrected life we commit ourselves to, a life in which we know ourselves as forgiven, a life as God's beloved in and for the world. In Jesus's name, we pray. **Amen***

## **The Peace**

The peace of the Lord be with you all. **And also with you.**  
*A gesture of the peace is shared (without touching)*

## **Offertory Song: Sing With All The Saints in Glory**

Sing with all the saints in glory,  
sing the resurrection song!  
Death and sorrow, earth's dark story,  
to the former days belong.  
All around the clouds are breaking,  
soon the storms of time shall cease;  
in God's likeness we, awaking,  
know the everlasting peace.

O what glory, far exceeding  
all that eye has yet perceived!  
Holiest hearts, for ages pleading,  
never that full joy conceived.  
God has promised, Christ prepares it,  
there on high our welcome waits.  
Every humble spirit shares it;  
Christ has passed th' eternal gates.

Life eternal! heaven rejoices;  
Jesus lives, who once was dead.  
Join we now the deathless voices;  
child of God, lift up your head!  
Matriarchs from distant ages,  
saints all longing for their heaven,

prophets, psalmists, seers, sages,  
all await the glory given.

Life eternal! O what wonders crowd on faith;  
what joy unknown,  
when, amidst earth's closing thunders,  
saints shall stand before the throne!  
O to enter that bright portal,  
see that glowing firmament;  
know, with thee, O God Immortal,  
Jesus Christ whom thou has sent!

*Tune: Beach Spring / Words: William J. Irons (Public Domain)*

### **Prayer Over The Gifts**

Holy and mighty God, we give you thanks for the triumph of Christ in the lives of all his saints. Receive all we offer you this day, and help us, like them, to run our course with faith, that we may come to your eternal kingdom. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### **Eucharistic Prayer**

Presider: The Lord be with you.

Cantor: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts

Cantor: We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Cantor: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Holy God, How wonderful is the work of your hands! All of creation echoes the music of your praise...

...Therefore with the company of heaven and all of your creation we sing

**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 is the highest.**

While Jesus was eating with his disciples...

...Holy God we give you thanks for the mystery of faith given to us in Jesus your Child:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine...may your church, scattered to the ends of the earth, be gathered and made one in your love.Amen.

**All: Amen.**

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

As beloved children of a loving parent we pray as Jesus taught us... *(said in a language or translation or paraphrase of your choice):*

***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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.***

### **Silence.**

These are the gifts of God for the people of God given for the life of the world. Feed on Christ in your hearts through faith with thanksgiving! **Thanks be to God!**

*All are welcome to receive at Christ's table. If you would prefer gluten-free, please let the person distributing know.*

## Communion Song: Lamb of God (Agnus Dei)

The image shows a musical score for the 'Communion Song: Lamb of God (Agnus Dei)'. It consists of six staves of music, each with a corresponding line of lyrics. The music is written in a single melodic line on a treble clef staff. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature changes from 3/4 to 4/4 and back to 3/4. The lyrics are: 'O Lamb of God you take a-way the sin - of the world have mer - cy. O Lamb of God you take a-way the sin - of the world have mer - cy. O Lamb of God you take a-way the sin - of the world Grant us peace.'

O Lamb of God you take a-way the sin - of the  
world have mer - cy.

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O Lamb of God you take a-way the sin - of the  
world Grant us peace.

Lacey Brown / Poor Clare / Church of The Apostles (Seattle) - used with permission

## Communion Song: Let All Mortal Flesh

Let all mortal flesh keep silence,  
And with fear and trembling stand;  
Ponder nothing earthly-minded,  
For with blessing in His hand,  
Christ our God to earth descendeth,  
Our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,  
As of old on earth He stood,  
Lord of lords, in human vesture,  
In the body and the blood;  
He will give to all the faithful  
His own self for heav'nly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven -  
Spreads its vanguard on the way,  
As the Light of light descendeth -  
From the realms of endless day,  
That the pow'rs of hell may vanish -  
As the darkness clears away.

At His feet the six-winged seraph,  
Cherubim with sleepless eye,  
Veil their faces to the presence,  
As with ceaseless voice they cry:  
“Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Lord Most High!”

The Greek text of "Let All Mortal Flesh" may date back to the fifth century. The present text is from the Liturgy of St. James, a Syrian rite thought to have been written by St. James the Less, first Bishop of Jerusalem. It is based on a prayer chanted by the priest when the bread and wine are brought to the table of the Lord. Paraphrased: Moultrie 1864 / Public Domain.

### **Prayer after Communion**

God of love, may the death and resurrection of Christ, which we have celebrated in this eucharist bring us, with all the faithful departed, into the peace of your eternal home. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our rock and our salvation, to whom be glory for time and for eternity. **Amen.**

### **Blessing**

#### **Closing Song: For All The Saints**

For all the saints who from their labors rest,  
who thee by faith before the world confessed,  
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;  
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;  
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine,  
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west;  
soon, soon to faithful warrior cometh rest;  
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,  
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,  
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia! Alleluia!

*William W. How / Public*

### **Sending**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**





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