



First Baptist Church

Worship Service for Sunday, November 3rd, 2024

All Saints' Day Observed

Welcome! Young children are welcome in the service or in our staffed nursery.

The collection is taken at the doorways as you enter the sanctuary.

**Please stand as you are able whether you are participating at home or in the sanctuary.*

We Gather as God's People

Silent Prayer: All blessing, honour, and glory, all wisdom, praise, and thanks be yours, God of our salvation! We worship you in communion with all the saints on earth and in heaven, with the martyrs and the faithful in all ages, in the name of the Lamb who was slain, who alone is worthy of worship. Amen.

Music for Gathering

Xavier Russell-MacLean

Opportunities for Life and Service

Cheryl Johnston

*The Introit

“When the Saints Go Marching In”

**O when the saints go marching in, O when the saints go marching in,
O Lord, I want to be in that number when the saints go marching in.**

**O when the sun refused to shine, O when the sun refused to shine,
O Lord, I want to be in that number when the sun refused to shine.**

**Oh, when the Lord in glory comes, oh, when the Lord in glory comes,
O Lord, I want to be in that number when the Lord in glory comes.**

**O when they crown him Lord of all, O when they crown him Lord of all,
O Lord, I want to be in that number when they crown him Lord of all.**

Leader: Welcome in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Welcoming One Another

We Approach God

*Hymn of Praise

“For All the Saints”

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The children are invited to come forward during the singing of this song and remain at the front until communion.

**For all the saints, who from their labours 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!**

**Oh, blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine,
Yet all are one in thee, for all are thine: Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**But lo! There breaks a yet more glorious day:
The saints triumphant rise in bright array,
The King of glory passes on his way: 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!**

We Listen to God

Children's Blessing

Cheryl Johnston

Hymn of Approach

"I Will Not Be Shaken"

by Norm Strauss

**I will declare my choice to the nations.
I will shout for joy to the congregation.
I will worship God, worship God,
All my days.**

**Those who love the Lord are satisfied.
Those who trust in him are justified.
I will serve my God, serve my God,
All my days.**

**When the nations crumble,
The word of the Lord will stand.
Kings may rise and fall,
But his love will endure.
Though the strong may stumble,
The joy of the Lord is strength, to my soul,
And I will not be shaken;
I will not be moved;
I will not be shaken.**

Scripture Reader

Adoniram Holtslander

Old Testament Lesson: Daniel 12:1-12

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Responsorial Lesson: Psalm 34

Leader: O magnify the Lord with me,

All: And let us exalt the Lord's name together.

Leader: This poor soul cried, and was heard by the Lord, and was saved from every trouble.

All: The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear the Lord, and delivers them.

Leader: O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in the Lord.

All: O fear the Lord, you holy ones of the Lord, for those who fear the Lord have no want.

Leader: Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord. Which of you desires life, and covets many days to enjoy good?

All: Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it.

Leader: The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and the Lord's ears are open to their cry.

All: When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears, and rescues them from all their troubles.

Leader: Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord rescues them from them all.

All: The Lord redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in the Lord will be condemned.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever. Amen.

*Gospel Lesson: The Gospel According to Matthew 19:27-30

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Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Joel Russell-MacLean

We Celebrate

*Hymn of Approach: "Come, Let Us Join Our Friends Above" *by Charles Wesley*
(*tune: Forest Green*)

**Come, let us join our friends above who have obtained the prize,
And on the eagle wings of love to joys celestial rise.
Let saints on earth unite to sing with those to glory gone,
For all the servants of our King in earth and heaven are one.**

**One family we dwell in him, one church above, beneath,
Though now divided by the stream, the narrow stream of death;
One army of the living God, to his command we bow;
Part of his host have crossed the flood, and part are crossing now.**

**Our spirits too shall quickly join, like theirs with glory crowned,
And shout to see our Captain's sign, to hear his trumpet sound.
O that we now might grasp our Guide! O that the word were given!
Come, Lord of Hosts, the waves divide, and land us all in heaven.**

*Apostles' Creed

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

I believe in Jesus Christ God's 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 from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there 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.**

Unison Prayer of Confession

Merciful and loving God, we confess to you before all of heaven, and before one another, that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, forgive us and restore us. Fill us with your Holy Spirit. Help us to delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Gift of Music

“In Remembrance”

Sanctuary Choir

The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

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

All: **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Minister: It is right and good, always and everywhere to give thanks to you Lord, Holy Father, Creator of heaven and earth... We praise you, joining the angels of heaven, all our sisters and brothers around the world, and the faithful departed ..., saying:

All: **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is Jesus who came and will come again in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Prayers of the People

John Nelson

The Lord's Prayer

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 Words of Consecration

Minister: Lord Jesus Christ, you came to set us free from sin, death and the devil. With love, we offer ourselves to you, fully and completely, as living sacrifices, as we proclaim the good news:

All: **Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!**

Our Gifts and Offerings

Minister: Come Holy Spirit, be with us as we take this bread and cup as genuine symbols of the body and blood of Jesus. Unite us to Jesus and bring us, in the end, with all the faithful, to resurrection and everlasting life. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.

We Depart to Serve God

*Hymn for Departing “Jesus Draw Me Ever Nearer”
(Words: Margaret Becker; Music: Keith Getty)

**Jesus draw me ever nearer as I labour through the storm.
You have called me to this passage, and I'll follow, though I'm worn.**

(Refrain:)

**May this journey bring a blessing, may I rise on wings of faith;
And at the end of my heart's testing, with your likeness let me wake.**

**Jesus guide me through the tempest; keep my spirit staid and sure.
When the midnight meets the morning, let me love you even more. *(Refrain)***

**Let the treasures of the trial form within me as I go—
And at the end of this long passage, let me leave them at your throne. *(Refrain)***

*Benediction Joel Russell-MacLean

Music for Departing Xavier Russell-MacLean

“A Time For Friends”

Everyone is invited downstairs for refreshments following the service.



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