

Prelude Ludwig van Beethoven
Piano Sonata No. 14 in C# minor, Op. 27, No. 2, I: Adagio sostenuto

Katie Hendry, piano

Welcome Prayer

Kaleb Davis

Welcome, welcome, welcome.

I welcome everything that comes to me today because I know it's for my healing.

I welcome all thoughts, feelings, emotions, persons, situations, and conditions.

I let go of my desire for power and control.

I let go of my desire for affection, esteem,
approval and pleasure.

I let go of my desire for survival and security.

I let go of my desire to change any situation,
condition, person or myself.

I open to the love and presence of God and God's action within. **Amen**

Opening Acclamation

Jack Jones

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Hymn of Praise

Houston, Crocker and Lighthelm

Where feet may fail Sam Hornung, voice

You call me out upon the waters
The great unknown where feet may fail
And there I find You in the mystery
In oceans deep
My faith will stand
And I will call upon Your name
And keep my eyes above the waves

When oceans rise, my soul will rest in Your embrace For I am Yours and You are mine

Your grace abounds in deepest waters
Your sovereign hand
Will be my guide

Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me You've never failed and You won't start now

So I will call upon Your name

And keep my eyes above the waves

When oceans rise, my soul will rest in Your embrace For I am Yours and You are mine

Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders

Let me walk upon the waters

Wherever You would call me

Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander And my faith will be made...

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The Collect of the Day

Rebecca Jones

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

The First Lesson

Ethan Phillips

Acts 7:55-60

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

Jack Jones

- 1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; * deliver me in your righteousness.
- 2 Incline your ear to me; * make haste to deliver me.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold; * for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.
- 4 Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me, * for you are my tower of strength.
- 5 Into your hands I commend my spirit, * for you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.
- 15 My times are in your hand; * rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.
- 16 Make your face to shine upon your servant, * and in your loving-kindness save me."

The Epistle

George Rogers-Kirkpatrick

1 Peter 2:2-10

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual

house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

"See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious;

and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

"The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner",

and

"A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall."

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people;

once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel Trenity Boland

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John 14:1-14

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily Julia Holdren

The Nicene Creed

Bernadette & Rosalie Fulton

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Joseph Sass & Devyn Miller

Written by All Saints' Youth

Leader: Heavenly Father, We pray for all of our healthcare workers on the

frontlines who are fighting at full force. We pray to you Lord to give

them strength and we thank them for keeping all of us healthy.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Heavenly Father, we pray for your guidance for essential workers

who risk their health in service of other people. Be also with those who have lost their jobs or unable to work in this time of turmoil.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Almighty God, we pray for those who struggle to put food on the

table and especially for the children who go hungry. We ask you to help encourage people to help feed the hungry and donate food to food pantries knowing that we are doing something good in your

name.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Father God, we pray for those affected. We pray for the healing for

those currently suffering both in body, mind, and spirit. We pray those hospitalized are kept to a minimum. We pray that people will follow the physical distancing guidelines to take of themselves and

others.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Heavenly Father, we pray that you lead our church leaders so that

they can lead our parish. Give them strength to comfort those in

need.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for all those who have served like mothers who care for us

in sickness and in health. The mothers that leads us through hard times. We pray for strength and support to love in their footsteps.

We ask God to lift their spirits and fill them with your love.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for teachers and schools who are trying to still help us

learn when we are all away.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Dearest God, we sincerely God pray for animals of your creation

and for the proper protection of our earthy home.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Dear Heavenly Father, we pray for those ones who are suffering

and falling ill to the virus. We pray for the families of those who

have fallen ill and for their friends. God give them comfort.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Heavenly Father, we pray for the holy catholic and apostolic church

that allows us to spread your message of love and support to all

those in need.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Leader: May we be thoughtful when praying and talking with others about

our politics. We ask for your wisdom and righteousness to be

evident in our nation's policies and leaders.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for the peace among humans. We pray for answers to

stop the coronavirus. We pray for the healing of the world

environment.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We pray for all of Cabarrus County that those currently suffering

are healed. We pray for our mayors and elected officials that they may be guided to serve the people well. We pray that the virus does

not spread quickly throughout the community. We pray for the

health of Cabarrus County.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Compassionate and gracious God, we thank you for giving life for

those who are recently deceased. We pray for their eternal rest. May

they find love and peace in your presence.

Lord, in your mercy,

People: **Hear our prayer.**

Almighty Father, whose blessed Son before his passion prayed for his disciples that they might be one, as you and he are one: Grant that your Church, being bound together in love and obedience to you, may be united in one body by the one Spirit, that the world may believe in him whom you have sent, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

Maxwell, Crosby & Nolan Phillips

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 Peace William Charest

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

A Scottish Blessing

Grace Whitley

May the blessing of light be on you - light without and light within.

May the blessed sunlight shine on you like a great peat fire, so that stranger and friend may come and warm himself at it.

And may light shine out of the two eyes of you, like a candle set in the window of a house, bidding the wanderer come in out of the storm.

And may the blessing of the rain be on you, may it beat upon your Spirit and wash it fair and clean, and leave there a shining pool where the blue of Heaven shines, and sometimes a star.

And may the blessing of the earth be on you, soft under your feet as you pass along the roads, soft under you as you lie out on it, tired at the end of day; and may it rest easy over you when, at last, you lie out under it.

May it rest so lightly over you that your soul may be out from under it quickly; up and off and on its way to God.

And now may the Lord bless you, and bless you kindly. Amen.

Closing Song

Ezzy, Grul and McPherson

Jesus, lover of my soul Piper Lewis, voice

Jesus, lover of my soul,

Jesus, I will never let you go;

You've taken me from the miry clay,

You've set my feet upon the rock and now I know

I love you, I need you,
Though my world will fall,
I'll never let you go.
My Savior, my closest friend,
I will worship you until the very end.

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Closing Rebecca Jones

Leader: Go in Peace to Love and Serve the Lord People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude River flows in you Yiruma *Katie Hendry, piano*

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Announcements

Front Door Food Drive on Tuesday, May 12 | Many of our neighbors are newly unemployed and worried about feeding their families. Our partners at Cooperative Christian Ministries (CCM) are facing a large increase in requests for food and shortages in supply.

In response, All Saints' is conducting a "front door" food drive. Parishioners wishing to make food donations need to <u>sign up here</u>, then simply place the food at their front door or front porch before 9 AM on Tuesday, May 12. Drivers will come by and pick up the food between 9 AM-Noon, then deliver it to CCM. Please donate generously! If you wish to volunteer as a driver, please contact <u>Don Foskey</u>.

May Blood Drive on Tuesday, May 19 | There is an urgent need for blood in this region and all over the country. To help meet the demand, the Red Cross has requested we hold a Blood Drive on Tuesday, May 19, 2020, from 2:30-7:00 PM.

Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS or visit <u>RedCrossBlood.org</u> and enter All Saints to schedule your appointment time. Then, complete your registration online at <u>RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass</u>.

Let's Celebrate our 2020 Graduates | We're in the process of collecting information about All Saints' students who are graduating this spring from high school, college, trade school, or grad school. We'll be featuring graduates in upcoming

publications. If you'd like to recognize your 2020 graduate, please send their full name, school, degree (if applicable), and photo to Emily Badgett.

Request "Forward Day by Day" | If you'd like to receive the *Forward Day by Day* meditation booklet, we'd love to mail one to you! Just email <u>Markeisha</u> at the church office, and she'll be sure to get it to you ASAP!

Grapevine | News from the Parish

We offer condolences and prayers to the family and friends of COL Randy Moon, brother-in-law of Roxanne Friday, who entered into the Resurrection on Wednesday, April 29.

A sincere thank you to all who participated in our April Blood Drive. Turnout was a huge success during this critical time of need for blood. We collected 54 units of blood, which will save up to 162 lives! Special safety precautions were taken with respect to the pandemic to enhance the safety of the Red Cross crew, our volunteers, and our donors. These procedures allowed this and every drive to continue to be conducted in a safe and sanitary manner during this crucial time for life-saving help.

Special thanks to Martin Ericson, who coordinated the drive, and to John Erickson, who graciously sets up our Red Cross Blood drives and was called on to provide special measures for this drive. Thanks again to all who participated!

Prayers for the Parish

Prayers have been requested for: Matthew, Pat, and Stephen.

We also offer special prayers for protection and strength for those working in healthcare. We pray for their beloved families and the difficult decisions that have to be made as they navigate the tensions of dangerous work and home concerns.

Giving

Thank you for your compassionate generosity. There are many ways to continue giving. You can mail your check, use the "bill pay" function of your mobile banking, give online by <u>clicking here</u>, or use text giving (To give to the General Fund, text SAINTS to 73256. To give to the Assistance Fund, text SAINTS ASSISTANCE to 73256. To give to the Memorial Fund, text SAINTS MEMORIAL to 73256. To give the Capital Campaign, text SAINTS CAPITAL CAMPAIGN to 73256).



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