

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine.

Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

Renew our communion with all your saints, especially those whom we name before you – **Louie Reed, Lucille Curl, Aldene Bowen, Emily Hall, Pat Baylor, Smith Baldwin, Mary Barton, Jacky Wimer, Jim Norfolk, Bess Knight, Bobbie Zuckerman and Howard Ryon.**

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, strengthen us to run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the Pioneer and Perfecter of our faith.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen.

The Lord's Supper

***Closing Hymn #711** "For All the Saints"

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

***For those who can, please stand**

Plates are on the front pews for those who wish to make a communion offering to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund.

21st Sunday After Pentecost

November 6, 2011

8:30 a.m. Worship

Communion of the Saints

GATHERING

Choir Prelude "When the Saints Go Marching In"
Gathering Music "You Are Good"
Opening Prayer
*Opening Hymn #712 "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God"
*Call to Worship #881 "The Apostles' Creed"

Lighting Memorial Candles

Prayer of Invocation & Remembrance

Almighty God, we come before you this day in the strength of the saints, whose faith has empowered and inspired us. We thank you for the gift of communion with you, with each other and with our members who have lived and died in your steadfast love within the last year. Receive our everlasting gratitude for the life and faith of: Louie Reed, Lucille Curl, Aldene Bowen, Emily Hall, Pat Baylor, Smith Baldwin, Mary Barton, Jacky Wimer, Jim Norfolk, Bess Knight, Bobbie Zuckerman and Howard Ryon.

PROCLAMATION

Scripture Reading 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Pew Bible, Page 193

Leader: "The Word of God for the People of God."

People: "Thanks be to God."

Mission Moment

Parish Concerns

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord. Grant us grace so to follow your holy saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys, which you have prepared for those who sincerely love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Offering

1. I want to be who you want me to be, / I want to do what you want me to do,
I want to go where you want me to go, / that in me the world sees you.
*Refrain: Please, God, help me to use the gifts you've given me,
give me eyes to see your light in all around me,
give us strength to be the fam'ly we are called to be
to make this world a better place for all.*
2. We will give what you want us to give. / We will help those you want
us to help; we will shine forth the light of your love, that no one feels alone.
(To refrain)
Ending: That in us the world sees you, (2x) That in me the world sees you. (2x)

Song of Preparation #708 "Rejoice in God's Saints"

Sermon Text Matthew 25:1-13

Sermon "Borrowing Someone Else's Faith" Rev. Heaton

RESPONSE

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer #895

Act of Praise

In faith we'll gather round the table to taste and share what love can do.
This is a day of new beginnings; our God is making all things new.

Invitation to Holy Communion

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere
to give thanks to you, Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.
God of Abraham and Sarah,
God of Miriam and Moses,
God of Joshua and Deborah,
God of Ruth and David,
God of the priests and the prophets,
God of Mary and Joseph,
God of the apostles and the martyrs,
God of our mothers and our fathers,
God of our children to all generations.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of
heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you
gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and
death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the
Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took
bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his
disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given
for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to
you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of
you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you
and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."