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## **Grace Presbyterian Church**

Worships God in Word and Sacrament at 11:00 a.m.

## November 3, 2019

All Saints Sunday

The Bell Calls Us to Worship

**Prelude** Praise Him Paris/Hayes

The congregation stands to sing

Processional Hymn 210 Our God, Our Help in Ages Past St. Anne Opening Sentences

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord, People: The Maker of heaven and earth.

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.

**Pastor:** Let us pray.

Prayer for the Day (spoken by the pastor; the congregation joining the Amen) Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Give us grace to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

The congregation sits.

Prayer of Confession

Unison

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up saints to live and die in faith.

We confess that we are indifferent to your will.

You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent.

You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle.

You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid.

In your mercy forgive us and grant us courage to follow your way. Joined with those from ages past

who have served you with faith, hope and love,

may we inherit the kingdom you promise in Jesus Christ ...

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

The congregation stands to sing

Hymn 364 I Sing a Song of the Saints of God Grand Isle

**Pastor:** The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Passing of the Peace (Worshippers greet one another with the peace of Christ.)

Welcome and Announcements

The children bring their ringing offering and come to the Baptismal Font for a

Time with Young Christians

**Prayer for Illumination** 

Old Testament Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

**Psalm 149:1-6a,9b,c** Unison

Praise the Lord!

Sing to the Lord a new song, God's praise in the assembly of the faithful.

Let Israel be glad in its Maker;

let the children of Zion rejoice in their King.

Let them praise God's name with dancing,

making melody to him with tambourine and lyre.

For the Lord takes pleasure in his people,

adorning the humble with victory.

Let the faithful exult in glory;

let them sing for joy on their couches;

let the high praises of God be in their throats.

This is glory for all God's faithful ones. Praise the Lord!

**Anthem** Christ Be My Leader

Slane

Christ be my leader by night as by day; safe through the darkness for He is the Way.

Gladly I follow, my future His care, darkness is daylight when Jesus is there.

Christ be my Teacher in age as in youth, drifting or doubting for He is the Truth.

Grant me to trust Him, though shifting as sand. Doubt cannot daunt me; in Jesus I stand.

Christ be my Savior in calm as in strife; death cannot hold me, for He is the Life.

Nor darkness nor doubting nor sin and its stain can touch my salvation; with Jesus I reign. (-- Text: Timothy Dudley-Smith, 1961;

Tune: ancient Irish melody; setting by Henry V. Gerike, 1978)

Epistle Gospel

Ephesians 1:11-23

Luke 6:20-31

**Sermon** Help in Ages Past, Hope for Years to Come Mike Krech

"... you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe;

Ephesians 1:18b-19a

The congregation stands to sing

**Hymn 333** Seek Ye First Lafferty

Nicene Creed Unison; Hymnal, page 15, Ecumenical Gloria Patri 579 Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

The congregation sits.

Pastoral Prayer of Thanksgiving, Intercession, and Dedication

**Offertory Sentence** 

Offertory Take My Life and Let It Be Malan/Wolaver

The congregation stands to sing the

Doxology 592 Old Hundredth

The congregation sits.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Words of Institution

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors) Unison; Hymnal, page 16, Traditional

The elders serve worshippers at their places.

All Christians are welcome to receive the Sacrament.

You may receive the bread and cup when you are spiritually prepared.

**Meditation** O Sacred Head Now Wounded/Nothing But the Blood

Hassler/Lowry/Kelsey

Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion

Prayers for All Saints Day, remembering church member:

Katherine Claybrook Fitzgerald (April 5, 1927 – March 7, 2019)

**Benediction** 

The congregation stands to sing

**Recessional Hymn 526** For All the Saints

Sine Nomine

(We will sing the four stanzas numbered 1,2,3,4.)

**Postlude** To God Be the Glory Doane/Tornquist

Welcome to worship at Grace Presbyterian Church. Today we observe All Saints Sunday, remembering the faithful who have gone before us, giving thanks for their witness and our one hope in Christ. (JMK)