

Great Thanksgiving for All Saints Day

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

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

One: It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,
Almighty God,
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.

All: We confess that at times we forget that we, too, will be the "ancestors" of those to come. We sometimes think only of ourselves, whether our own plates will be full, whether our own needs are met. Hear the regrets of our hearts as we open ourselves to the promise of your grace and forgiveness. Call us again to be your saints today.

One: As forgiven and freed people, we join the company of heaven,
praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**All: 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.**

One: 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."

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.

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

One: 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 love.

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, until he comes in final victory, and we
feast at his heavenly banquet.

Now hear our prayers for your people, whom we name before you in the silence of our hearts. (offer
your own silent prayers)

**All: 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, forever. Amen.**