

Prelude:

Prelude and Fugue in C Major (BWV 545)

Johann Sebastian Bach

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Hymn #287 (Blue Hymnal 1982) "For all the saints"

Celebrant Today we gather to remember the saints—those people who bless us by the strength of their faith and their gifts of the Spirit. Today we especially remember those who have died in the last year, and those who during this time of pandemic, died and have not been remembered formally. In this service, we come together to remember their lives, commend them to God, to comfort those who mourn, and to recommit ourselves to the resurrection hope of Jesus, surrounded by all the saints.

Hear the words of Jesus Christ: "I am the resurrection and I am the life; even in death, anyone who believes in me will live." And "Come to me all who labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest."

Celebrant God is with you

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray together this prayer:

God our Comforter, you are a refuge and a strength for us, a helper close at hand in times of distress. Help us so to hear the words of our faith that our fear is dispelled, our loneliness eased, and our hope reawakened. May your Holy Spirit lift us above our natural sorrow, to the peace and light of your constant love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (NZPB)

Reading of names: Let us first read the names of those who have died in the last year.

Remembrances: Then we invite those who would like to share a brief remembrance of a loved one.

Silence and Prayer: In this time of silence, let us make our personal thanksgiving to God for all that these persons have meant to us. . . (finished by prayer)

First Reading: Daniel 7:1-3,15-18

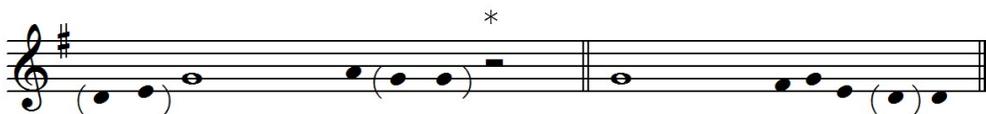
In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed.

Then he wrote down the dream: I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: "As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom for ever—for ever and ever."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 149



- 1 Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord a new / song; * (pause)--sing God's praise in the congregation \ of the faithful.
- 2 Let Israel rejoice in their / Maker; *(pause)--
let the children of Zion be \ joyful in their King.
- 3 Let them praise God's Name in the / dance; * (pause)--let them sing praise to the Holy One with \ timbrel and harp.
- 4 For the Lord takes pleasure in the \ people *
(pause)--and adorns the \ poor with victory.
- 5 Let the faithful rejoice in / triumph; *(pause)--
let them be \ joyful on their beds.
- 6 Let the praises of God be in their / throat *
(p)-- and a two-edged \ sword in their hand;
- 7 To wreak vengeance on the / nations *(pause)--
and punishment \ on the peoples;
- 8 To bind their kings in / chains *(pause)--
and their nobles with \ links of iron;
- 9 (ALL) To inflict on them the judgment \ decreed; *(pause)--this is glory for all God's faithful people. /
Hallelujah!

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all God's people. So I never stop being grateful for you, as I mention you in my prayers. I ask the glorious Father and God of our Lord Jesus Christ to give you his Spirit. The Spirit will make you wise and let you understand what it means to know God. My prayer is that light will flood your hearts and you will understand the hope given to you when God chose you. Then you will discover the glorious blessings that will be yours together with all God's people.

I want you to know about the great and mighty power that God has for us followers. It is the same wonderful power he used when he raised Christ from death and let him sit at his right side in heaven. There Christ rules over all forces, authorities, powers, and rulers. He rules over all beings in this world and will rule in the future world as well. God has put all things under the power of Christ, and for the good of the church he has made him the head of everything. The church is the body of Christ and is filled with Christ who completely fills everything.

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Music

Down to the River to Pray

Patricia Pike, arr.

Alleluia



Gospel: Luke 6:20-31

The Holy Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, according to Luke: **Glory to you, Lord Christ!**
Jesus looked up at his disciples and said:

- "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.
- "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.
- "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.
- "Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets."
- "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

"Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

The Gospel of the Lord: **Praise to you, Lord Christ!**

Sermon or Reflection Time

The Rev. Lise Hildebrandt

Prayers and Commendation

Book of Common Prayer p. 497, 499

Offertory Hymn # 593 (Blue 1982 Hymnal), "Lord, make us servants of your peace"

Communion Hymn #764 (Green WLP Hymnal), "Taste and See"

Congregation (refrain): Taste and see. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

O taste and see. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.

Final Hymn #782 (Green WLP Hymnal), "Gracious Spirit, give your servants"

Postlude I've Got a Robe Robert J. Powell, based on I'VE GOT A ROBE, an African-American spiritual

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Saint John's Church NEWS AND NOTES: Nov 6, 2022

Zoom Coffee Hour, aka "Reliable Joy" Sunday at 12:30 pm. Meeting ID: 873 3272 1412 Passcode: 01930 Dial by location: 1 646 558 8656

Welcome to Joseph (Joe) Stoddard Jr., our new music director. Joe comes to us from the United Church of Christ in Burlington, where he served for 11 years. No stranger to St. John's, he served as tenor section leader here in 2002-3, and has been substitute organist several times. He is excited to be here and we are THRILLED to have him! Welcome!

Turn Clocks Back Saturday Night! Daylight Saving Time is going away . . . FALL BACK one hour for Sunday.

All Saints' Sunday is TODAY, Nov. 6th. We will remember BOTH those who have died in the last year AND those who have died in the pandemic and not been remembered formally. If you'd like to remember a loved one who died without a memorial (or one you could attend), please write their name on the list in the back of the church, and bring in a picture to share and/or be prepared to say a few words about that person in our "memorial service" this Sunday.

Pledge Drive Continues . . . next Sunday in "in-gathering" time:

Last chance to sign up for a pledge gathering: in person (Tuesday at 6 or Wednesday at noon) in the parish hall or virtual (Wednesday at 6 pm). Contact Elizabeth@stjohnsgloucester.org for Zoom link or to sign up for in person gathering if you won't be in church on Sunday.

PLEDGE: Mail in, bring in next Sunday (ingathering date) or email to Elizabeth@stjohnsgloucester.org.

Updates from Diocesan Convention:

Resolutions passed: For a complete record of the elections and resolutions, go to <https://diomass.org/diocesan-convention-2022>.

For greeters and lovers of St. John's: Join a Zoom orientation to the book Invite, Welcome, Connect Sunday, Nov. 13 at 4 pm, Wed, Nov. 16 at 7 pm, or Thurs, Nov. 17 at 10 am. Email mgardner@diomass.org for link.

"Peaceful Christmas" Service Planning: Join St. Paul's Lutheran in planning for a meditative Christmas observance on Thursday, Dec. 15 in early evening. Planning THIS TUESDAY at 7 pm by Zoom. Contact Pastor Lise for link.

Extended Advent starts Nov. 13th, with a theme of "Homecoming," both in the sense of life here and "end times," our eternal home. You are invited over the season to bring in pictures or objects that represent "home" to you and/or people/"things of home" that have been lost or changed.

Next Vestry Meeting Nov. 15. Note new date. 7 pm, in person and Zoom.

St. John's Village Fair: Only 2 weeks left till our Fair on Saturday November 19th from 9am-2pm. A sign-up sheet has been posted for ways you can help. This week we're asking you to clean out your un-used jewelry for our fabulous Jewelry tables. People wait patiently outside for the doors to open, and head straight to the Jewelry. So help us by donating yours! Thanks so much.

Ways to Give to St. John's: Did you know, that in addition to giving to St. John's through cash or check in worship, you can set up a recurring contribution through PayPal or a bank card, or give through the St. John's website? Go to <https://www.stjohnsgloucester.org/giving> for these options or reach out to Elizabeth for help elizabeth@stjohnsgloucester.org. You can also give by using this QR Code to access PayPal or pay by credit card.



All Saints' Sunday — November 6, 2022

9:30am

Participating in the Liturgy	<i>The People of God gathered in St. John's Church</i>
Celebrant & Preacher	The Rev. Lise Hildebrandt, Interim Priest
Lector	Faith Berry
LEM	Carolyn Stewart
Acolyte	Sue Lupo
Usher	Dani Stotzer
Musicians	The Congregation, the Choir, Joe Stoddard, Organist
Altar Guild	Karen Kasper and Melanie Murray-Brown
Flower Guild	Carolyn Stewart

Action Shelter Sandwiches were provided by Georgetown Girl Scouts this weekend.

The sanctuary lamp burns this week in memory of Marie and John Mohr given by their daughter Joan Gorga.

AN ALL SAINTS' donation has been given in remembrance of Pietro "Petey" Mola by his mother Joanne Mola.

Please sign up for future dates including flower and lamp, Action Sandwiches and coffee hour. Sign ups are on the kiosk in the parish hall.

St. John's Intercession List: Naomi Astyk, Chris Klosterman, Sereda Feener, Alex, Lynn Runnells, Alex Furth, Simeon Teitelbaum, Miriam Teitelbaum, Pandora Gorman, Elizabeth Whitney Fagan, Debra Ketchopulos, Rita Peritore, Jim and Mary Drogan, the Baxter Family, Deneice, Len Berry, Ellen, Ginga Graves and Patrick DeMuller, Wayne Martin, Hope and Lily Newhouse, Jackson, Bo Goldman, Nate Mook, Lily Newhouse, Cecily Merrill, Ernie Runnells, Sarah Hackett, Jack Ketchopulos, Jacqueline Vannah, the Featherstone family, DeeDee Bedford, Pat Earle, Michael Rocha, Liana and Joe Webb, Laura, Becki Pedersen, Anne Sullivan, Linda, Malcolm Henderson, Emelia Currier, Danny, Patricia Anders, Meghan, David Arnold, Connor Macauley, Patti Kelleher, Margie Sonthemier, John Fleming.

Contact prayer list manager: Joan Gorga 978-283-5926 or jmgorga@yahoo.com



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2024: Doug Parsons, Janet Knott, Melanie Murray-Brown
2025: Steve Jencks, Dori Mottola