

Worship on All Saints' Sunday

November 5, 2023

The Rev. Dr. Rosanna Anderson, Designated Term Pastor
Diane Dawson Dexter, Organist

Prelude "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" Sebastian Temple

Welcome and Announcements Dr. Rosanna Anderson

Call to Worship Psalm 90:1-4, 16-17
Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.
Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

You turn us back to dust, and say, "Turn back, you mortals!"

For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past, or like a time of watching in the night.

Let your work be manifest to your servants and your glorious power to their children.

Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us and prosper the work of our hands.

Prayer of the Day

Eternal God, we rejoice that neither death nor life can separate us from your unfailing love. Grant that we may serve you faithfully here on earth, and in heaven rejoice with all your saints who continually proclaim your glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.

Hymn 545 "The Church's One Foundation"

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, you sent your Son Jesus to live among us as a servant, so that we might follow his example. Yet we are hesitant to humble ourselves as he did. We are too concerned with worldly status. We confess that sometimes we ignore opportunities to serve you by assisting one another. By your Spirit, free us to embrace the calling you have given us to fulfill your good purposes in this world for the sake of Christ your Son. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Joshua 3:7-17

New Testament 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13

Sermon "What Makes Life Worthwhile?" Dr. Rosanna Anderson

Affirmation of Faith *Second Helvetic Confession*, 5.124 - 5.125
The Church has always existed and it will always exist. But because God from the beginning would have [people] be saved, and to come to the knowledge of the truth (1 Tim 2:4), it is altogether necessary that there always should have been, and should be now, and to the end of the world, a Church.

The Church is an assembly of the faithful called or gathered out of the world; a communion . . . of all saints, namely, of those who truly know and rightly worship and serve the true God in Christ the Savior, by the Word and Holy Spirit, and who by faith are partakers of all benefits which are freely offered through Christ. They are all citizens of one commonwealth, one city, living under the same Lord, under the same laws, and in the same fellowship of all good things.

Offertory "Here I Am, Lord" Dan Schutte

Doxology
Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise him, all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

God our helper, thank you for always encouraging us to draw near to you in prayer and worship. In times of trouble or concern, we find hope and peace in your presence. Guide our congregation to share the warmth and good news of your love through ministries with people in our wider community. Receive our gifts in the name of Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

Invitation to the Lord's Supper

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 God thanks and praise.

(Prayer continues.) ... Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with the choirs of angels, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all the faithful of every time and place who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**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.**

(Prayer continues.) ... Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Prayers of the Church and the Lord's Prayer (*trespasses*)

Sharing of the Elements and Prayer After Communion

Hymn 711 "For All the Saints"

Benediction

Dr. Anderson

Postlude "*Panis Angelicus*"

César Franck

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your faith journey, you are welcome here."*



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