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All Saints' Day, 1 November, Gold or White

No Christian is solitary. Through baptism we become members one of another in Christ, members of a company of saints whose mutual belonging transcends death:

One family, we dwell in him,
one Church, above, beneath;
though now divided by the stream,
the narrow stream of death.

(Charles Wesley)

All Saints' Day and the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed on All Souls' Day both celebrate this mutual belonging. All Saints' Day celebrates men and women in whose lives the Church as a whole has seen the grace of God powerfully at work. It is an opportunity to give thanks for that grace, and for the wonderful ends to which it shapes a human life; it is a time to be encouraged by the example of the saints and to recall that sanctity may grow in the ordinary circumstances, as well as the extraordinary crises, of human living. The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed celebrates the saints in a more local and intimate key. It allows us to remember with thanksgiving before God those whom we have known more directly: those who gave us life, or who nurtured us in faith.

Redemption is a work of God's grace; it is God who redeems us in Christ and there is nothing to be done beyond what Christ has done. But we still wait for the final consummation of God's new creation in Christ; those who are Christ's, whether or not they have passed through death, are joined in prayer that God's kingdom will be revealed finally and in all its fullness. We also sense that it is a fearful thing to come before the unutterable goodness and holiness of God, even for those who are redeemed in Christ; that it is searing as well as life-giving to experience God's mercy; and this instinct also is expressed in the liturgy of All Souls' Day.

From the Introduction to the Season, for All Saints to Advent, from Common Worship

Invitation to Confession

Since we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, looking to Jesus in penitence and faith. *Hebrews 12.1*

Kyrie Confession

Lord, you are gracious and compassionate:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

You are loving to all and your mercy is over all your creation:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Your faithful servants bless your name and speak of the glory of your kingdom:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Collect

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 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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

or

God of holiness, your glory is proclaimed in every age: as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Intercession

United in the company of all the faithful and looking for the coming of the kingdom, let us offer our prayers to God, the source of all life and holiness.

Merciful Lord, strengthen all Christian people by your Holy Spirit that we may live as a royal priesthood and a holy nation to the praise of Christ Jesus our Saviour.

Lord, have mercy.

Bless **N** our bishop, and all ministers of your Church, that by faithful proclamation of your word we may be built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets into a holy temple in the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Empower us by the gift of your Holy and Life-giving Spirit that we may be transformed into the likeness of Christ from glory to glory.

Lord, have mercy.

Give to the world and its peoples the peace that comes from above, that they may find Christ's way of freedom and life.

Lord, have mercy.

Hold in your embrace all who witness to your love in the service of the poor and needy; all those who minister to the sick and dying; and all who bring light to those in darkness.
Lord, have mercy.

Touch and heal all those whose lives are scarred by sin or disfigured by pain, that, raised from death to life in Christ, their sorrow may be turned to eternal joy.
Lord, have mercy.

Remember in your mercy all those gone before us who have been well-pleasing to you from eternity; preserve in your faith your servants on earth, guide us to your kingdom, and grant us your peace at all times.
Lord, have mercy.

Hasten the day when many will come from east and west, from north and south, and sit at table in your kingdom.
Lord, have mercy.

We give you thanks for the whole company of your saints in glory, with whom in fellowship we join our prayers and praises; by your grace may we, like them, be made perfect in your love. Blessing and glory and wisdom, thanksgiving and honour and power, be to our God for ever and ever.
Amen.

Introduction to the Peace

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God, through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near.

Ephesians 2.19,17

Prayer at the Preparation of the Table

As the grain scattered in the fields and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside are now reunited on this table in bread and wine, so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together from the corners of the earth with all your saints into your kingdom.

Amen.

Preface

And now we give you thanks for the glorious pledge of the hope of our calling which you have given us in your saints; that, following their example and strengthened by their fellowship, we may run with perseverance the race that is set before us, and with them receive the unfading crown of glory.

Extended Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

And now we give thanks, most gracious God, surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses and glorified in the assembly of your saints. The glorious company of apostles praise you.

The noble fellowship of prophets praise you. The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.

We, your holy Church, acclaim you. In communion with angels and archangels, and with all who served you on earth and worship you now in heaven, we raise our voice to proclaim your glory, for ever praising you and *saying*:

Post Communion

Lord of heaven, in this Eucharist you have brought us near to an innumerable company of angels and to the spirits of the saints made perfect: as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage we have shared their fellowship, so may we come to share their joy in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Blessing and Dismissal

May God, who kindled the fire of his love in the hearts of the saints, pour upon you the riches of his grace.

Amen.

May he give you joy in their fellowship and a share in their praises.

Amen.

May he strengthen you to follow them in the way of holiness and to come to the full radiance of glory.

Amen.

And the blessing...

Following God's saints in the ways of holiness and truth, go...

Short Passages of Scripture

Rejoice, people of God, praise the Lord! Let us keep the feast in honour of all God's saints in whose victory the angels rejoice and glorify the Son of God.

You have come to mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to the spirits of the just made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant.

Hebrews 12.22-24

Do not abandon me, Lord. My God do not go away from me! Make haste to help me, Lord, my Saviour.

Psalm 38.21, 22

Lord, you will show me the path of life and fill me with joy in your presence.

Psalm 16.11

Let my prayer come before you, O Lord; deliver me according to your promise.

Psalm 119.170

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. In green pastures he gives me rest, he leads me beside the waters of peace.

Psalm 23.1, 2

When you call me I will listen, says the Lord. I will bring you back from your place of exile.

Jeremiah 29.12, 14

I tell you solemnly, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours, says the Lord.

Mark 11.24

The Lamb who was slain is worthy to receive strength and divinity, wisdom and power and honour; to him be glory and power for ever.

Revelation 5.12

Be assured of this - God has made Jesus both Lord and Christ. He has exalted him, and given him a name above every name.

Acts 2.36; Philippians 2.9

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**All Souls Day, The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed,
2 November, Violet/Purple or Black**

Following Communion

Glory and honour and power: are yours by right, O Lord our God;
For you created all things: and by your will they have their being.

Glory and honour and power: are yours by right, O Lamb who was slain:
For by your blood you have ransomed for God a kingdom of priests from every race and language, from every people and nation.

The names of those to be remembered may be read aloud. Silence may be kept after each name, or group of names, or after all the names have been read.

These words are used: either

A

This is the will of him that sent me that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me,
and I will raise them up at the last day.

Lord God, creator of all, you have made us creatures of this earth, but have also promised us a share in life eternal. According to your promises, may all who have died in the peace of Christ share with your saints in the joy of heaven where there is neither sorrow nor pain, but life everlasting.

Alleluia! Amen.

Grant to us, Lord God, to trust you not for ourselves alone, but for those also whom we love and who are hidden from us by the shadow of death; that, as we believe your power to have raised our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead, so may we trust your love to give eternal life to all who believe in him; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

or

B

Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with the saints: where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

You only are immortal, the creator and maker of all: and we are mortal, formed from the dust of the earth, and unto earth shall we return. For so you ordained when you created me, saying: 'Dust you are, and to dust you shall return.' All of us go down to the dust, yet weeping at the grave we make our song:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with the saints, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting. *

Hear us, O merciful Father, as we remember in love those whom we have placed in your hands. Acknowledge, we pray, the sheep of your own fold, lambs of your own flock, sinners of your own redeeming. Enfold them in the arms of your mercy, in the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and in the glorious company of the saints in light.

Amen.

Prayer after Communion

God of love, may the death and resurrection of Christ which we have celebrated in this Eucharist bring us, with the faithful departed, into the peace of your eternal home. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our rock and our salvation, to whom be glory for time and for eternity.

Amen.

**** a metrical version to the tune Russian Hymn may be sung***

**Christ the Victorious, give to your servants
rest with your saints in the regions of light.
Grief and pain ended, and sighing no longer,
there may they find everlasting life.**

**Only Immortal One, Mighty Creator!
We are your creatures and children of earth.
From earth you formed us, both glorious and mortal,
and to the earth shall we all return.**

**God-spoken prophecy, word at creation:
"You came from dust and to dust shall return."
Yet at the grave shall we raise up our glad song,
"Alleluia, alleluia!"**

**Christ the Victorious, give to your servants
rest with your saints in the regions of light.
Grief and pain ended, and sighing no longer,
there may they find everlasting life.**

Carl P. Daw

Gen. 1:26-27; 3:19

Carl P. Daw, Jr., 1982

1 Christ the Vic - to - ri - ous, give to your ser - vants
 2 On - ly Im - mor - tal One, might - y Cre - a - tor!
 3 God - spo - ken proph - e - cy, word at cre - a - tion:
 4 Christ the Vic - to - ri - ous, give to your ser - vants

rest with your saints in the re - gions of light.
 We are your crea - tures and chil - dren of earth.
 "You came from dust and to dust shall re - turn."
 rest with your saints in the re - gions of light.

Grief and pain end - ed, and sigh - ing no long - er,
 From earth you formed us, both glo - rious and mor - tal,
 Yet at the grave shall we raise up our glad song,
 Grief and pain end - ed, and sigh - ing no long - er,

there may they find ev - er - last - ing life.
 and to the earth shall we all re - turn.
 "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!"
 there may they find ev - er - last - ing life.

Carl P. Daw, Jr.'s paraphrase of the "Kontakion for the Departed" from the Eastern Orthodox memorial service was written specifically for this tune to preserve some of the flavor of the original text for congregations unable to sing the traditional Kiev melody.

Tune: RUSSIAN HYMN 11.10.11.9.
 Alexis F. Lvov, 1833

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**Saints, martyrs, missionaries and teachers of the Anglican Communion,
8 November, White**

Collect

God, whom the glorious company of the redeemed adore, assembled from all times and places of your dominion: we praise you for the saints of the Anglican Communion and for the many lamps their holiness has lit; and we pray that we also may be numbered at last with those who have done your will and declared your righteousness; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Andrew, Apostle, 30 November, Red

Invitation to Confession

We run the race set before us, surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses. Therefore let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which clings so closely, bringing them to Jesus in penitence and faith.

Hebrews 12.1

or

Jesus said to his apostles, 'You are my friends if you obey my commands.'
Let us now confess our disobedience to him.

John 15.14

Kyrie Confession

You were sent to preach the good news of light in the darkness of the world:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

You were sent to plant in our hearts the seed of eternal life:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You were sent to reconcile us to yourself by the shedding of your blood:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

or

Lord Jesus, in your love you invite us to be your friends:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, in your joy you choose us to go out and bear fruit:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, in your power you send us to be your faithful witnesses:

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Collect

Almighty God, who gave such grace to your apostle Saint Andrew that he readily obeyed the call of your Son Jesus Christ and brought his brother with him: call us by your holy word, and give us grace to follow you without delay and to tell the good news of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Introduction to Peace

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household of God, through Christ our Lord, who came and preached peace to those who were far off and those who were near.

cf Ephesians 2.19,17

Prayer at the Preparation of the Table

Father, accept all we bring before you this day. Guide us with your love and feed us at your table as you nourish the faith of the Church by the preaching of your apostles. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

or

God our Father, keep us united in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread and the prayers, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

cf Acts 2.42

Preface

And now we give you thanks because your Son Jesus Christ after his resurrection sent forth his apostles and evangelists to preach the gospel to all nations and to teach us the way of truth.

or

And now we give you thanks because you formed your Church on the apostles to stand firm for ever, as a sign on earth of your infinite holiness and the living gospel for all to hear.

Extended Preface

It is indeed right and good that we should give you thanks, praise and glory, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

For after his resurrection he sent out his apostles and evangelists to preach the gospel to all nations and lead us in the way of truth.

Himself the chief cornerstone, he founded his Church upon the apostles firmly to stand for ever as a sign of your holiness upon earth and a living witness to all of the way that leads to heaven. And so with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we lift our voices and join in their unending hymn of praise:

Post Communion

Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: by the power of the same Spirit strengthen us to witness to your truth and to draw everyone to the fire of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

or

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Blessing

God, who has prepared for you a city with eternal foundations, bring you, with all the saints, to the eternal and triumphant joy of that city; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Short Passages of Scripture

Jesus said, 'I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

Matthew 28.20

Do not be afraid: you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; you will see him, just as he told you.

Mark 16.6,7

Jesus said to the disciples, 'Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation.'

Mark 16.15

Jesus said to his disciples, 'I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son.'

John 14.13