



# Celebration of Worship on the Lord's Day



Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost  
All Saints Remembrance Sunday  
November 4, 2018



## Westminster Peal

### Prelude

*"Barcarole"*

by E. L. Ashford

### Welcome and Church Family Life

Rev. Susan Haynes

*Al Waldron, November 22, 2017, Frances Couch, December 23, 2017,  
Jackie Sullivan, April 4, 2018, Rev. Doyne Michie, May 14, 2018,  
Lela Griffin, July 5, 2018, Charlene Loth, August 28, 2018*

### Choral Call to Worship

*"God, Reveal Your Presence"*

by Joachim Neander; The Presbyterian Church of Canada

*Fountain of all blessing, purify my spirit; all my trust is in your merit.  
Like the holy angels on your glory gazing, we adore, hosannas raising.  
Let your will ever still rule your church terrestrial, as the hosts celestial.*

### † Gathering as the Children of God

Rev. Haynes

One: The earth and all that is in it belongs to the Holy One.

**All: *Look, here is our God, for whom we have waited.***

One: This is the Holy One, for whom we have waited.

**All: *Let us be glad and rejoice in our salvation.***

One: Who shall ascend the hill of the Holy One? And who shall stand in this holy place?

**All: *We come, seeking the face of God.***

### † Hymn No. 470

*"O Day of Radiant Gladness"*

### † Prayer of Confession (unison)

Elder Donna Martin

***Merciful Lord, Grant to us endurance in affliction, hardship, and calamity.  
Purify us. Instill in our minds true knowledge and in our hearts, perfect  
patience. May we be people united by the peace of Christ, ever-worshiping  
at your throne. Prepare us. Send us your Spirit of holiness, truth, and love,  
that we may be purged of wrongdoing and contention, and receive the victo-  
ry you have already achieved. In the name of your son Jesus Christ and by the  
power of the Holy Spirit, we pray all things, Amen.***

### † Assurance of Pardon

One: Friends, believe the Good News.

**All: *In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.***

Today, we celebrate All Saints' Day. In the Protestant tradition, All Saints' Day is set aside to recognize the generations of believers who have worshiped and served before us and to consider how their examples might direct our journeys of faith.

† Response

*"Gloria, Gloria"*  
**Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo!**  
**Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia!**

(Hymn no. 576)

† Passing of the Peace

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One: The peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

*Please exchange greetings of peace and welcome with your neighbor.*



Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Haynes

Scripture Lesson (p. 244 NT)

Revelation 21:1-6a

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One: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

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**Anthem/Special Music** *"Rejoice and Be Glad (The Beatitudes)"* by Glenn A. Pickett

*Blessed are the poor, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
Blessed are the mourn, for they will be comforted.  
Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.  
And blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.  
Blessed are you when you're poor, for yours is the kingdom of heaven.  
Blessed are you when you mourn, for then you'll be comforted.  
Blessed are you when you're meek, for you will inherit the earth.  
And blessed are you when you hunger and thirst for righteousness, for you will be filled.  
You are the salt of the earth, a seasoning unique in its worth;  
Bring out God's flavor: rejoice and be glad.  
Blessed are the merciful for you will be shown my mercy.  
Blessed are the pure in heart for you will see God.  
Blessed are those who bring peace for you will be called "my children."  
And blessed are you when people persecute you for my sake,  
Rejoice and be glad!  
For you are the light of the world, a lamp shining bright in the world.  
So let your light shine: Rejoice and be glad, so they may bring praise to your Father;  
Let them see your good works shine. Rejoice and be glad.*

Sermon

"The Irrepressible Hope of the Gospel"

Rev. Haynes



† Hymn

*"The Head That Once Was Crowned"*

Thomas Kelly, 1820

American folk melody; arr. Annabel Morris Buchanan, 1938



1. The head that once\_ was crowned with thorns Is crowned with glo - ry now;\_\_\_ A
2. The high - est place that heav'n af - fords\_ Is His, is His\_ by right,\_\_\_ The
3. The joy of all\_ who dwell a - bove,\_ The joy of all\_ be - low\_\_\_ To
4. To them the cross, with all its shame, With all its grace, is giv'n;\_\_\_ Their
5. They suf - fer with\_ their Lord be - low\_\_\_ They reign with Him\_ a - bove;\_\_\_ Their



roy - al di - a - dem a - dorns The might - y vic - tor's brow.  
 King of kings,\_\_\_ and Lord of lords, And heav'n's e - ter - nal Light:  
 whom He man - i - fests His love,\_\_\_ And grants His name to know.  
 name an e - ver - las - ting name, Their joy the joy\_\_\_ of heav'n.  
 pro - fit and\_\_\_ their joy to know The won - der of\_\_\_ His love.

**Celebration of The Lord's Supper** (see insert)



**Stewardship Talk**

Bruce Hagenau

**Offering**

*"Prelude"*

by A. Fresca

Offertory

† **Response**

The Doxology

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
 Praise Christ, all people here below;  
 Praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
 Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.***

† **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

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† **Closing Hymn No. 526**

*"For All the Saints"*

† **Benediction**

Rev. Haynes

† **Congregational Response** (hymn no. 588)

*"Amen"*

† **Postlude**

*"Goldberg Variations: Aria and Variation No. 1, BWV 988"*

by J. S. Bach

† Those who are able, please stand



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- As **children of God**, we seek to *praise* God in worship and in all that we say and do
- As **disciples of Jesus Christ**, we *listen* to scripture, tradition, one another, and the world in order to understand God's will for us as individuals and as a community
  - As **members of a family of faith**, we strive to *love* one another unconditionally, sharing our joys and standing beside one another in our struggles
  - **Moved by the Spirit**, we *serve* our gracious God by taking that with which we have been blessed and turning it into blessings for others.



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