All Saints' Sunday November 1, 2020

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church Richmond, Virginia

WELCOME The Rev. Gary Jones

HYMN 287 For all the saints St. Stephen's Virtual Choir Brent te Velde, organ

OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY Page 355, The Book of Common Prayer *Amy Rose*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY <u>Page 233</u>, The Book of Common Prayer (All Saints) *Meg Tucker*

> Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON Revelation 7:9-17 *Ruddy Rose*

After this I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

ANTHEM

The Road Home Stephen Paulus, composer; Michael Dennis Browne, text St. Stephen's Virtual Choir

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 5:1-12 Virginia Davis

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

THE HOMILY *The Rev. Cate Anthony*

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION Hymn 623 O what their joy and their glory must be, O quanta qualia Brent te Velde, piano THE NICENE CREED Setting by Calvin Hampton (S-105) Malcolm Hines, Stephanie Hill Blackwood, Abby Outlaw

THE LORD'S PRAYER Laura Kirby

PRAYERS FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS The Book of Common Prayer of the Church of Ireland *Wilda Ferguson, Nancy Thompson, Jay Moore, Martha Moore*

We give thanks for all the blessings of this life, especially the Baptisms today of:

Charlotte Grace Wilkinson, daughter of Elizabeth Campbell Tucker and Tyler Andrew Wilkinson

Lee Colyer Speight

Elliott David Hodge, son of Laura Williams Hodge and David William Hodge

We remember those we love who have died.

We remember all who have died of COVID-19

PRAYER FOR AN ELECTION The Book of Common Prayer, page 822 *The Rev. Will Stanley*

> Almighty God, to whom we must account for all our powers and privileges: Guide the people of the United States this community in the election of officials and representatives; that, by faithful administration and wise laws, the rights of all may be protected and our nation be enabled to fulfill your purposes; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

HYMN 293 I sing a song of the saints of God St. Stephen's Virtual Choir Brent te Velde, organ

THE PEACE Patrick Hughes

In Loving Memory

Mildred Haley Allen Evelyn Anderson Wilson Palmer Anthony Mary Mann Nash Arrington Gerald Baliles Lib Bartenstein David Basto Grace Battle Gloria Berberich Bo Bohanan Robin Bohanan Vara Louise Holland Bottoms Peter Edwin Broadbent, Sr. Ann Lee Saunders Brown Ilia Desportes Brown Roderick Dew Brown Claire McCormack Bruen John Theodore Bruns Geraldine Burke Burnen L. Christian Dixon Wallace Christian Polly Christian **Daniel** Clites John Coffey Nick Costas Margaret Crabtree Anne Kimball Davis David Davis David L. Davis Eleanor Davis Gordon Bell Davis James Edwin Davis Jim Davis Samuel Arthur Derieux Phyllis Jane Stevens DeMaurizi Megan Elizabeth Dibble Robert Dilday Paul Dixon, Jr. **Billy Doswell** Evie Drummond

Dorothy Ann Ertell Joe Farrell Norman Faulkner Carter Blackford Filer Lynn Flory Frances Hope Ford Isabel Tannahill Kay Garcia Anne Marsden Garrigue Forrest Glass Warren Maynard ("Dutch") Goddard III Denita Goodlow William Hunter Goodwin III Millie Gretz John Montgomery Griffith John Henry Hager Joanna Hanna Maury Hanson Sam Hardy Conway Harris Bobbby Hash Bitsy Marshall Hillsman Ronald Dean Hooten John Shelton Horsley III Nancy Curtis Howard The Rt. Rev. Sam Hulsey Betsy Jamerson Anne Jennings Cindy Johnson Constance Johnson Tom Joyce Kaity Kasper Randy Keeble William Kemp Nancy Bruce King Jamie Knight Sarah Oliver Knorr The Rev. Dr. John D. Lane Carter Blackford Lankford Stuart Bost Laughon Nancy Leech Jack Leigh

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Thank you to the singers who make up St. Stephen's Virtual Choir, whose beautiful music helps lifts our hearts each Sunday:

Abby Outlaw, soprano Kelsey Snyder, soprano Stephanie Hill, soprano Alyssa Shevchuk, alto Claudia Kessel, alto Martha Prewitt, alto Katie Fessler, alto Matt Hassmer, tenor Margee Krebs, tenor Chris Edwards, tenor Joe MacDonald, tenor Jim Smith-Parham, bass James McClure, bass Travis Krickovic, bass Malcolm Hines, bass Christopher Lindbloom, bass

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Hymn 287, For all the saints, Sine Nomine; from The Hymnal 1982

Anthem: The Road Home, Stephen Paulus, composer; Michael Dennis Browne, text; used by permission

Music for meditation: Hymn 623, O what their joy and their glory must be, O quanta qualia; from The Hymnal 1982

The Nicene Creed; setting by Calvin Hampton; S-105 from The Hymnal 1982

Music during the prayers: "Going Home" from the New World Symphony by Antonin Dvorak; public domain; Brent te Velde, piano

Hymn 293, I sing a song of the saints of God, Grand Isle; from The Hymnal 1982

Music during the closing credits: *Home Away from Home* by Phil Coulter; published by Hal Leonard; use with OneLicense #A710911. Brent te Velde, piano

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