

OPENING VOLUNTARY *Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven*

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

OPENING WORDS

MINUTE FOR ADVENT Kelly Hickey

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

All: Who made heaven and earth.

One: In life and in death

All: We belong to God.

One: Baptized into Christ's death

All: We live unto Him.

One: Come, let us worship God!

HYMN *Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven*

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; To his feet your tribute bring;

Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Evermore his praises sing:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.

Angels, help us to adore him; You behold him face to face.

Sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. We confess that we are indifferent to your will. You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid. In your mercy, forgive us. Give us courage to follow in your way, that joined with those from ages past, who have served you with faith, hope, and love, we may inherit the kingdom you promised in Jesus Christ.

(Silent Reflection)

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Sing Twice)

Jesus knows the inmost heart; nothing can be hidden.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GLORIA PATRI

PASSING OF THE PEACE (Wave at your neighbor.)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT *Jesus Loves Me*

(Please remain seated in the pew with your family..)

SCRIPTURE READINGS Isaiah 25:6-10

John 11:17-27

Riley Berger

Rev. Nick Cheek

SERMON "I Am the Resurrection and the Life" Rev. Nick Cheek

ANTHEM *Come Home*
Alex Beaton, Tenor Soloist

A LITANY OF ALL THE SAINTS

Leader: Gracious God, you are to be praised for the women and men whose faithful witness to your love inspires each generation. Mindful of all those who have gone before us, teach us to follow their example:

People: To feed the poor; to support and comfort those who mourn;

Leader: To cherish and learn from the merciful;

People: To be humbled by, and stand with the peacemakers.

Leader: Let us clearly recognize what it means to be called your saints, the children of God:

People: Neither by our own choosing nor in our own strength, but simply by the call of Christ Jesus our Savior.

Leader: Loving God, the generations rise and pass away before you. You are the strength of those who labor; you are rest for those who have entered life eternal.

People: We rejoice in the company of your saints. We remember all who have lived in faith, those most dear to us who rest in you now.

(After each name is read, a chime will ring and a candle will be lit to signify their memory and continued presence with us.)

Mary Ellen Demosthenes Blanding

Glenn Irwin Coker

John Seaborn Creech

William Andrew Dowling

Laura West Anglin

Suzanne Chapman Jackson

John Wilds James, Jr.

Sylvia Oxner Kinder

Matilda George Kuhn

Robert Ernest McDowell

Kenneth Oscar Mims, Jr.

Arthur L. Norred

Robert Graham Stage

PRAYER FOR ALL THE SAINTS

HYMN

For All the Saints

*For all the saints who from their labors rest,
Who thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!
From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia! Alleluia!*

BENEDICTION

DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below. Alleluia. Alleluia.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.*

CLOSING VOLUNTARY *Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing*

Go in Peace

(Offerings can be placed in the baskets provided as you depart.)

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JOYS AND CONCERNS

Home: Carol Reese, Tiny Owens,
Serena Davell (Marie Mills' Sister),
Brandon Hazen (Robin Thames' Brother-in-law),
Rick Parker (Lisa Bratton's Stepfather)
Charles King (Greg King's Father),
Ken Brown (Hope Alexander's Father)

St. Jude: Elizabeth Williams

West Chester, NY: Rhodes Danner (Pam George's Nephew)

Austin, TX: Robert Cain (George Cain's Father)

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to Nancy Leaird on the death of her father, John Herman Allen, who died on October 23 in Mocksville, North Carolina.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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