

**November 6, 2022**  
**HYMNS FOR ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**  
**WOV #742 “Come we That Love the Lord”**  
**WOV#690 “Shall we Gather at the River”**  
**LBW #174 “For All the Saints” (verses TBA)**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P O God, our eternal redeemer, by the presence of your Spirit you renew and direct our hearts. Keep always in our mind the end of all things and the day of judgment. Inspire us for a holy life here, and bring us to the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C Amen.**

**FIRST READING: Job 19:23-27a**

*Job suffers the loss of children, wealth, and health. Accused by his companions of wrongdoing, he knows himself to be innocent. Here, in the midst of his suffering, Job clings to the radical hope that his vindicator, his redeemer, lives; and that one day he himself will see God.*

- <sup>23</sup>“O that my words were written down!  
O that they were inscribed in a book!  
<sup>24</sup>O that with an iron pen and with lead  
they were engraved on a rock forever!  
<sup>25</sup>For I know that my Redeemer lives,  
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;  
<sup>26</sup>and after my skin has been thus destroyed,  
then in my flesh I shall see God,  
<sup>27a</sup>whom I shall see on my side,  
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.”

**PSALM: Psalm 84:1-7**

*R Keep me as the apple of your eye; hide me under the shadow of your wings. (Ps. 17:8)*

- <sup>1</sup>Hear a just cause, O Lord; give heed to my cry;  
listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.  
<sup>2</sup>**Let my vindication come forth from your presence;  
let your eyes be fixed on justice.**  
<sup>3</sup>Examine my heart, visit me by night,  
melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.  
<sup>4</sup>**I have not regarded what others do;  
at the word of your lips I have avoided the ways of the**

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<sup>5</sup>My footsteps hold fast to your well-worn path;  
and my feet do not slip.

<sup>6</sup>**I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me;  
incline your ear to me and hear my words.**

<sup>7</sup>Show me your marvelous lovingkindness,  
O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand from those  
who rise against them.

<sup>8</sup>**Keep me as the apple of your eye;  
hide me under the shadow of your wings,**

<sup>9</sup>from the wicked who assault me,  
from my deadly enemies who surround me. **R**

## **SECOND READING: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17**

*This portion of the letter provides encouragement for the church at Thessalonica during a time of confusion and opposition, as some allowed their concern over Jesus' imminent return to divert them from the central teachings of the gospel.*

<sup>1</sup>As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, <sup>2</sup>not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. <sup>3</sup>Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. <sup>4</sup>He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. <sup>5</sup>Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

<sup>13</sup>But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. <sup>14</sup>For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>15</sup>So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

<sup>16</sup>Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, <sup>17</sup>comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

## **GOSPEL: Luke 20:27-38**

*Some Sadducees, who do not believe in the resurrection of the dead, try to trap Jesus. They formulate the convoluted case of a serial widow who marries a succession of seven brothers. Jesus responds by teaching about God to whom all are alive and in whom all relationships are fulfilled.*

<sup>27</sup>Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to [Jesus] <sup>28</sup>and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. <sup>29</sup>Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; <sup>30</sup>then the second <sup>31</sup>and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. <sup>32</sup>Finally the woman also died. <sup>33</sup>In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

<sup>34</sup>Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; <sup>35</sup>but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. <sup>36</sup>Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. <sup>37</sup>And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. <sup>38</sup>Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

P United with your saints across time and place, we pray for our shared world.

*A brief silence.*

A God of time and space, our faith has been passed down through the generations. Bless new believers, catechumens, and any affirming their faith in you (*especially*), that they share what they have first received. Lord, in your mercy,

**C Receive our prayer.**

A God of tempest and tide, our world is full of dazzling beauty and brutal destruction. Protect us and all your creatures from hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, and fires. Restore what has been lost. Lord, in your mercy,

**C Receive our prayer.**

A God of truth, raise up leaders with integrity, honesty, and compassion. Unite our elected officials in shared goals that benefit and serve all people. Instill in them hearts of justice, mercy, and peace. Lord, in your mercy,

**C Receive our prayer.**

A God of tumult, you sustain and guide your people when the way forward is uncertain. Abide with all going through transitions at work, school, or in their personal lives. Bring healing to those who are sick (*especially*). Reassure us of your constancy in the midst of change. Lord, in your mercy,

**C Receive our prayer.**

A God of togetherness, deepen the relationships that are built in this place. Form us as a community where tears of sorrow and shouts of joy can both be shared. Lord, in your mercy,

**C Receive our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

A God of tenderness, we give thanks for all who have died in the faith. (*Here the names of those who have died in the previous year may be read.*) Console our mourning spirits with the promise of eternal life in your presence. Lord, in your mercy,

**C Receive our prayer.**

Accept these prayers, gracious God, and those known only to you; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C Amen.**

