



ST. ANDREW'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

5pm All Hallows' Eve Worship



October 29, 2017

Greeting and Introduction to the Service

Celebrant This is the day that the Lord has made.

People **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Together **Lord, direct our thoughts, teach us to pray, lift up our hearts to worship you in Spirit and truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Opening Song and Prayer

All Creatures of Our God & King

*All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing:
Oh, praise Him! Alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam:
Oh, praise Him! Oh, praise Him!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

*Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
Ye clouds that sail in heav'n along:
Oh, praise Him! Alleluia!
Thou rising moon, in praise rejoice;
Ye lights of evening, find a voice:
Oh, praise Him! Oh, praise Him!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

by St. Francis of Assisi and David Crowder

*Let all things their creator bless,
And worship Him in humbleness:
Oh, praise Him! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, three in one:
Oh, praise Him! Oh, praise Him!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

Celebrant Holy God, we gather in this place on this night to celebrate your love for us. We remember the words of David: "The Lord is my light and my salvation; of whom can I be afraid?" On All Hallows' Eve, we face the things we are afraid of and trust that with your help, we are stronger than our fears. Help us feel your power and strength tonight, and guide us now, as we come into your presence. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ, who brought us the perfect love that casts out fear. *Amen.*

Readings

Reading: Ezekiel & the Dry Bones (Ezekiel 37:1-14)

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all round them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, 'Mortal, can these bones live?' I answered, 'O Lord God, you know.' Then he said to me, 'Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.'

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, 'Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.' I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, 'Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, "Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely." Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will

bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord.'

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Reading: Psalm 23

- 1 I am not alone,
because God is with me.
- 2 God will let me rest when I am tired.
God will help me be strong.
- 3 Even when the world feels dark
and the people in it seem scary, God is with me.
- 4 The creator of the universe is by my side.
Nothing can hurt me.
- 5 God has amazing things in store for me
even when other people try to make me feel afraid.
- 6 My glass will never be empty,
because God will take care of me.
- 7 God is with me in every move I make.
I will live in God's house forever.

Song

Unwavering

by Matt Maher

*Blessed are the poor
The kingdom is theirs
Alive in the promise
To be dead to the world*

*Blessed are the righteous
On bended knee
Bound in this freedom
Committed to you*

*Blessed are the meek
In awe of you Father
The Word at your right hand
The Spirit of truth*

*Blessed are those who see
The heights of glory
Found in the valley
In suffering for you*

Refrain

*Unwavering is your voice
Unwavering is your hand
Unwavering is the heart
That bled for the sins of men
Unwavering is your will
Unwavering is your plan
The fount of salvation
On which we will stand*

Refrain

*Send us out to be your hands and feet
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Refrain

*The fount of salvation
On which we will stand*

Homily

Casting Out of Fears

*After each bidding, please respond, **Love is stronger!***

Song

Rain Down

by Jaime Cortez

Refrain

*Rain down, rain down,
Rain down your love on your people.
Rain down, rain down,
Rain down your love, God of life.*

*Faithful and true is the Word of our God.
All of God's works are so worthy of trust.
God's mercy falls on the just and the right.
Full of God's love is the earth.*

Refrain

*We who revere and find hope in our God
Live in the kindness and joy of God's wing
God will protect us from darkness and death
God will not leave us to starve*

Refrain

*God of creation, we long for Your truth
You are the water of life that we thirst
Grant that Your love and peace touch our
hearts
All of our hope lies in You.*

Refrain

Celebration of Costumes

Passing of the Peace

Celebrant Let love be genuine. Never pay back evil for evil. As far as it lies with you,
live at peace with everyone. May the peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Testimonial and Announcements

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Closing Song

Amazing grace (my chains are gone)

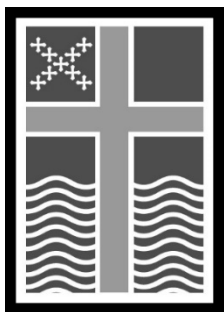
*Amazing grace,
How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now I'm found;
Was blind, but now I see.
'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.
My chains are gone; I've been set free.
My God, my Savior,
Has ransomed me.
And like a flood, his mercy reigns:
Unending love, amazing grace.*

New Britain arr. Chris Tomlin (b. 1972)

*The Lord has promised good to me;
His word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.
The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,
The sun forbear to shine;
But God, who called me here below,
Will be forever mine,
Will be forever mine.
You are forever mine.*

Blessing and Dismissal

Have a safe and happy Halloween!



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