



November 7, 2021 - Livestream
All Saints Sunday

PRELUDE *Marching to Zion* arr. J. Spong

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS Sunil Kotian

UMOJA PARTNERSHIP UPDATE Leonard Otiende, Project Director, Kenya

CHORAL INTROIT *Ni Wangu* arr. H. Hopson
sung in Swahili Cathedral Singers

Ni wangu. Yesu wangu. Milele, milele, Yesu wangu.
He is mine. Jesus is mine. Forever and ever, Jesus is mine.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: I will praise the Lord at all times.

People: I will constantly speak God's praises.

Leader: Come, let us tell of the Lord's greatness;

People: let us exalt God's name together.

Leader: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

People: O the joys of those who take refuge in God!

*OPENING HYMN #702 *Sing with All the Saints in Glory*

***Sing with all the saints in glory, sing the resurrection song!
Death and sorrow, earth's dark story, to the former days belong.
All around the clouds are breaking, soon the storms of time shall cease;
in God's likeness we, awaking, know the everlasting peace.***

***O what glory, far exceeding all that eye has yet perceived!
Holiest hearts, for ages pleading, never that full joy conceived.
God has promised, Christ prepares it, there on high our welcome waits.
Every humble spirit shares it; Christ has passed th'eternal gates.***

***Life eternal! heaven rejoices: Jesus lives, who once was dead.
Join we now the deathless voices; child of God, lift up your head!
Patriarchs from the distant ages, saints all longing for their heaven,
prophets, psalmists, seers, and sages, all await the glory given.***

***Life eternal! O what wonders crowd on faith; what joy unknown,
when, amidst earth's closing thunders, saints shall stand before the throne!
O to enter that bright portal, see that glowing firmament;
know, with thee, O God Immortal, "Jesus Christ whom thou has sent!"***

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

Joel 2:25-29

²⁵ The Lord says, "I will give you back what you lost to the swarming locusts, the hopping locusts, the stripping locusts, and the cutting locusts. It was I who sent this great destroying army against you.
²⁶ Once again you will have all the food you want, and you will praise the Lord your God, who does these miracles for you. Never again will my people be disgraced.
²⁷ Then you will know that I am among my people Israel, that I am the Lord your God, and there is no other. Never again will my people be disgraced.
²⁸ "Then, after doing all those things, I will pour out my Spirit upon all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy. Your old men will dream dreams, and your young men will see visions.
²⁹ In those days I will pour out my Spirit on all my servants.

SOLO

The Lord is My Shepherd
Psalm 23

A. Kaplan
Kate Roberts, soloist

The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want, He maketh me to lie down in green pastures. He restoreth my soul, He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of my enemies: Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over, surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

SECOND LESSON

2 Timothy 2:22-25

²²Shun youthful passions and pursue righteousness, faith, love, and peace, along with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart. ²³Have nothing to do with stupid and senseless controversies; you know that they breed quarrels. ²⁴And the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but kindly to everyone, an apt teacher, patient, ²⁵correcting opponents with gentleness. God may perhaps grant that they will repent and come to know the truth,

SERMON

Ripe Faith Part 8: Gentleness

Darren Cushman Wood

*HYMN #723

Shall We Gather at the River

***Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod,
with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?***

***Refrain: Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river;
gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.***

***On the margin of the river, washing up its silver spray,
we will walk and worship ever, all the happy golden day. [Refrain]***

***Ere we reach the shining river, lay we every burden down;
grace our spirits will deliver, and provide a robe and crown. [Refrain]***

***Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease;
soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace. [Refrain]***

PRAYER FOR THE WORLD

Amy Sell

INVITATION, CONFESSION AND PARDON

Leader: Let us prepare to take our place at the table of grace
with servants among us and saints above us,
united in the joy of Christ our Hope:

**People: Eternal God, whose timeless grace unites us,
forgive us for sinning against our ancestors,
and for failing to follow their example and heed their wisdom.
Forgive us for carrying on their sins,
and for failing to address the legacy of evil.
Forgive us for sinning against our descendants,
for our greed that threatens their well-being,
and our hatred that diminishes their peace.
Free us to be your worthy servants in this hour,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Leader: The saying is true for all generations:
Christ died for us while we were still sinners.
This proves God's love for us.
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

UPDATE ON STEWARDSHIP

Eric Lekberg

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

A Flower Remembered

J. Rutter
Cathedral Singers

A flower remembered can never wither: forever blooming as bright as day, its fragrance lingering like music softly playing, a gentle voice that's saying, 'I'll never fade away.' I hear the echoes of many voices; sometimes they're distant, sometimes so clear; through all the sounds of life they seem to whisper, 'Will you remember?'

The birds fly homeward across my valley toward the mountains all white with snow; the birds are gone now, the mountains snows have melted, but still I see their beauty, these scenes of long ago. The birds still fly in other valleys; the snows have turned to flowing streams; all things must pass, but memories are lasting: we will remember.

*DOXOLOGY #94

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God....
And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Leader: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ....

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Leader: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here....

....Renew our communion with all your saints, especially those whom we name before you:

James Briggs	Elena Lea
Kathryn Meredith	Yolanda Floreancig
Albert Crandall	Richard Hamilton
Gene Scott	Janet Campbell Baker
Clyde Hochstedler	David Owen
Joyce Flight	Bill Harmon
Paul McClure	Phyllis West
George Sweet	Donald Smithson
John Ruby	Carol Wharton

....All honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER #895

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, forever. Amen.

RECEIVING THE BLESSING

As persons are sharing the bread and cup in the sanctuary, extend your hands to receive the blessing of the Holy Spirit. If you would like to receive communion from today's service please contact the church to schedule for a pastor to bring it to your home this week, nricketts@northchurchindy.com.

**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!**

**Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win with them the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

PRAYER

**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!**

*THE CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

When the Saints Go Marching In

arr. R. G. te Velde

<u>New Members</u>	
Dustin Fregiato	Erica Fregiato
Ryan Williams	Thomas Inskeep
Dick Tiller-Luchtman	Allen McCormack
Joe Housh	Blake Clatterbuck
Bri Beer	

<u>This week's worship leaders:</u>
Darren Cushman Wood
<i>Senior Pastor</i>
Sunil Kotian
<i>Pastor of Mission & Outreach</i>
Amy Sell
<i>Minister of Discipleship & Formation</i>
John Hague, James Horton, Carol Tiller-Luchtman
<i>Audio Visual</i>
Heather Hinton
<i>Organist</i>
Mark Gilgallon
<i>Music Director</i>

<u>Coming up at North:</u>
Introduction to Contemplative Prayer Workshop Saturday, Nov. 13, 9:30am-12:30pm, \$20 book fee due at the event RSVP to asell@northchurchindy.com
Advent Festival, Sunday, December 5, 2:30 - 5pm
Volunteer at Bread and Bowl Email skotian@northchurchindy.com
Beginning Sunday, November 14: Child Care is available for ages 6 weeks to 5 years old in room 102.
Children & Youth Ministry Sunday School resume.
Children's Church during 11am service in the Fellowship Hall for all kids grade K-6.