

## The Great Thanksgiving for All Saints

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Good and great God, we come to you through Jesus Christ who intercedes for us sinners. We confess our sins, seeking forgiveness not only that we may be at peace with you, but also that we may pray for others. We are ashamed that our prayers are often as self-centered as our lives. Excuse our disordered priorities as we seek to change and reorder our lives according to the teaching and spirit of Jesus Christ you Son, our Lord. Amen.

### DECLARATION OF PARDON

Friends, hear the good news! God has chosen you to be saved through sanctification by the Spirit.

**We are saved by the Spirit through belief in the truth in Christ.**

Friends, believe the good news!

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,  
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,  
Father Almighty,

Creator of heaven and earth:

God of Abraham and Sarah,

God of Miriam and Moses,

God of Joshua and Deborah,

God of Ruth and David,

God of the priests and the prophets,

God of Mary and Joseph,

God of the apostles and the martyrs,

God of our mothers and our fathers,

God of our children to all generations.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**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.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.  
By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection  
you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death,  
and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks  
to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my  
body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup,  
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:  
"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out  
for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink  
it, in remembrance of me."

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.

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,  
and on these gifts of bread and wine.  
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,  
that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

Renew our communion with all your saints,  
especially those whom we named before you—

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, strengthen us to  
run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the  
Pioneer and Perfecter of our faith.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in  
ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his  
heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all  
honor and glory is yours, almighty Father (God), now and forever. Amen.

**Sharing of the elements**