

We Gather with the Great Cloud of Witnesses at Table

INVITATION TO TABLE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

FOR THE GREAT CLOUD OF WITNESSES

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RECEIVING THE ELEMENTS SONG

This Do in Remembrance of Me

PRAYER & BLESSING

HYMN 526 (Vss 1, 2, 3)

For All the Saints

EMERGING WORSHIP

November 6, 2011 ♦ 8:45 a.m.

**Listening devices and large-print materials
are available from the ushers.**

Please turn off all cell phones and electronic pagers.

**All those who are able, please stand.*

Song sheets with musical notation are available
at the Usher Table as you came into the sanctuary.



WELCOME ! On this Sunday we remember and give thanks to God
for the lives of those who kept the faith, shared the faith
and now are in the church triumphant.

During the Gathering Song you are welcome to come forward and light a candle
in remembrance of friends or family members.

GATHERING SONG

Praise His Holy Name

OUR LIFE TOGETHER AND MISSION MOMENT

RESPONSE

One: People of God, in whom is our help?

**All: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made the heavens and the earth.**

SONG

More Love, More Power

TIME WITH CHILDREN

GIVING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

DEDICATION OF ESTIMATE OF GIVING CARDS

OFFERTORY

Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

The Approach to God

PRAYER

We Reflect on the Human Condition

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 90

All: Teach us to number our days aright that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

SONG

Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Father, forgive us for all that spoils our lives. Forgive us because though we have seen a vision of your holiness, we have easily put it at the back of our minds. Forgive us because we think we can earn a place in your affections, and so easily forget that place has been bought for us at great cost by Christ. Forgive us for not following the example of so many worthy saints who have gone before us. We tend to put them high on a shelf and forget to follow their lead. Forgive us our complacency, our lack of obedience to your call, and thus assure us of our forgiveness in Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: ...Friends hear and believe the Good News of the Gospel

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

HYMN 5 (Vss 1&2)

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

We Question Our Losses

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 22

One: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
Why are you so far from helping me,
from the words of my groaning?

**All: O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer;
and by night, but find no rest.**

One: I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint;
my heart is like wax; it is melted within my breast

**All: For dogs are all around me;
a company of evildoers encircles me.
My hands and feet have shriveled; I can count all my bones.
They stare and gloat over me;**

One: All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD;
and all the families of the nations shall worship before him.
For dominion belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations.

**All: To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down;
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust,
and I shall live for him.**

One: Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about
the Lord, and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn,
saying that he has done it.

MEDITATION

SONG

Veni Sancte Spiritus

We Learn God's Counteraction

SCRIPTURE: John 11:17-31

SONG

How Great is Our God

SCRIPTURE: John 11:32 - 44

SONG

How Great is Our God

MEDITATION

SONG

Mighty to Save

We Affirm the Triumphant Vision

SCRIPTURE: Revelation 7:9 - 17

Reader 1: After that I looked and saw a vast throng, which no one could count, from all races and tribes, nations and languages, standing before the throne and the Lamb. They were robed in white and had palm branches in their hands, and they shouted aloud:

All: **Victory to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!**

Reader 2: All the angels who stood round the throne and round the elders and the four living creatures prostrated themselves before the throne and worshipped God, crying:

All: **Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might - be to our God forever! Amen.**

Reader 1: One of the elders turned to me and asked, "Who are these all robed in white, and where do they come from?"

Reader 2: I answered, "My Lord, it is you who know—they are those who have passed through the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. That is why they stand before the throne of God and worship him day and night in his temple."

Reader 1: And he who sits on the throne will protect them with his presence. Never again shall they feel hunger or thirst; never again shall the sun beat on them or any scorching heat

Reader 2: Because the Lamb who is at the center of the throne will be their shepherd and will guide them to springs and to the water of life. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.