

GRACE CHURCH IN PROVIDENCE

Welcome to "Voices of Grace", our virtual worship experience that features parishioners leading worship from their own homes. We hope you join us from yours! Wherever you are, we pray for your health and well-being. God bless you!

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NOVEMBER 1, 2020 ~ THE FEAST OF ALL SAINTS & BISHOP'S VISITATION

VOICES OF GRACE "VIRTUAL" WORSHIP

VOLUNTARY

Chorale and Fugue

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

HYMN 287

Stanzas 1-4, 7 & 8



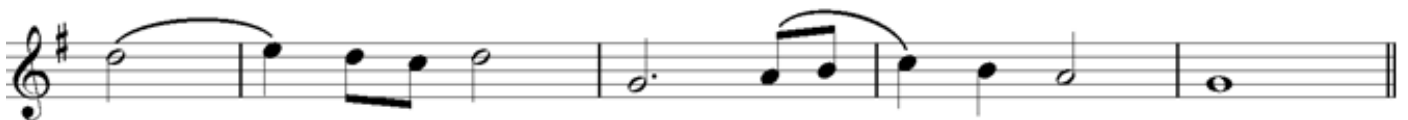
1 For all the saints, who from their la - bors rest, who
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might:___
 3 O may thy sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,___
 4 O blest com - mun - ion, fel - low - ship di - vine!___



thee___ by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
 thou, Lord, their Cap - tain in the well - fought fight;___
 fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old, and
 We feeb - ly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet



Name, O___ Je - sus, be for ev - er blessed.
 thou, in the dark - ness drear, the one true Light.
 win, with___ them, the vic - tor's crown of gold.
 all are___ one in thee, for all are thine.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



*7 But lo! there breaks a yet more glo - rious day; the
 *8 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through
 saints tri - umph - ant rise in bright ar - ray; the
 gates of pearl streams in the count - less host
 King of glo - ry pass - es on his way.
 sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Words: William Walsbam How (1823-1897)

Music: Sine Nomine, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958); Descant: Vincent Edwards (b.1968)

THE LESSONS

THE FIRST LESSON

Revelation 7:9-17

Read by Peter Dugan

AFTER THIS I, JOHN, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. "For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 34:1-10, 22

Said by all

Led by Anaëzi Modu

**I will bless the LORD at all times; *
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
I will glory in the LORD; *
let the humble hear and rejoice.
Proclaim with me the greatness of the LORD; *
let us exalt his Name together.
I sought the LORD, and he answered me *
and delivered me out of all my terror.
Look upon him and be radiant, *
and let not your faces be ashamed.
I called in my affliction and the LORD heard me *
and saved me from all my troubles.
The angel of the LORD encompasses those who fear him, *
and he will deliver them.
Taste and see that the LORD is good; *
happy are they who trust in him!
Fear the LORD, you that are his saints, *
for those who fear him lack nothing.
The young lions lack and suffer hunger, *
but those who seek the LORD lack nothing that is good.
The LORD ransoms the life of his servants, *
and none will be punished who trust in him.**



ANTHEM

O TASTE AND SEE, how gracious the LORD is;
blest is the one that trusteth in him.

Words: Psalm 34:8

Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

THE SECOND LESSON

Matthew 5:1-12

Read by David Olsen

WHEN JESUS SAW THE CROWDS, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

People The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE HOMILY

The Right Rev. W. Nicholas Knisely, XIII Bishop of Rhode Island

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Led by Pam Stephanopoulos

Please join in responding to each petition saying:

Hear our prayer.

ANTHEM

O HOW GLORIOUS is the kingdom wherein all the saints rejoice with Christ;
Clothed in white robes, they follow the Lamb wherever He goeth.

Words: Adapted from the Revelation to St. John the Divine

Music: Healey Willan (1880-1968)

THE BLESSING

Bishop Knisely

VOLUNTARY

Improvisation on 'Grand Isle'

*A memorial gift to support the music for today's worship
was given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Edith Firth Drake and James Drake,
by their daughter Carol J. Drake.*



~ PRAYER LIST ~

This week, we pray for: Hope Brothers, Eli, Michael Tonry, Sue and Kevin Farley, Barbara Salisbury, Nancy Ducharme, Pat, Linda, Nyree, Brian, Tony McKeown, Sarah, Diana, Ruby, Lola, Jennifer, Art McGovern, Rob Compagna, Sean, Claire, Amanda, Jerry, Nancy, Nick, Richard and Christine Pelletier, Bill, Jen & Marc, Sarah, and Robert Cramer and all those caring for the sick, those seeking treatments and vaccines for the virus, and all those whose work places them in harm's way. We also pray for those members of our church who are homebound.



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