

# The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed: All Souls' Day Evening Prayer Rite II

## Welcome & Announcements

## Introit & Kyrie

sung by Hirona Amamiya

*Presider* Light and peace in Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## Opening Sentence

*Presider* Jesus said, "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one lights a lamp to put it under a bucket, but on a lampstand where it gives light for everyone in the house. And you, like the lamp, must shed light among your fellow men, so that they may see the good you do, and give glory to your Father in heaven."

Let us pray.

O Lord God Almighty, as you have taught us to call the evening, the morning, and the noonday one day; and have made the sun to know its going down: Dispel the darkness of our hearts, that by your brightness we may know you to be the true God and eternal light, living and reigning for ever and ever. Amen.

Everlasting God, our maker and redeemer, grant us, with all the faithful departed, the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion and glorious resurrection, that, in the last day, when you gather up all things in Christ, we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## Confession of Sin & Absolution

*Presider* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All* **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;**

**we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Presider* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

**Psalter**

*Presider* O God, make speed to save us.

*People* **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

*All* **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!**

**Phos Hilaron**

**sung by Nobuki Momma**

*O gracious light,  
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven,  
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!*

*Now as we come to the setting of the sun,  
and our eyes behold the vesper light,  
we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

*You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,  
O Son of God, O Giver of Life,  
and to be glorified through all the worlds.*

**Psalm 130**

**sung by Motomi Tanaka**

Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice;  
let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss,  
O Lord, who could stand?

For there is forgiveness with you;  
therefore you shall be feared.

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him;  
in his word is my hope.

My soul waits for the Lord, more than watchmen for the morning,  
more than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, wait for the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy;  
With him there is plenteous redemption,  
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

*All*                    **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

### **The Lesson**

A reading from the book of Wisdom.

**Read by Karan Merry**

But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them. In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble. They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them forever. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

The word of the Lord.

*People*                    **Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn**                    **Give us the Wings of Faith**

**Sung by the Holy Apostles Choir**

A reading from the Gospel of John

**Read by Deacon John Musco**

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life, and does not come under judgment, but has passed from death to life. Very truly, I tell you, the hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. For just as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself; and he has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of Man."

The word of the Lord.

*People*                    **Thanks be to God.**

### **Homily**

**The Rev. Kimberlee Auletta**

### **The Apostles' Creed**

*Said by all*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

### **The Prayers**

*Presider*      The Lord be with you  
*People*        **And also with you**  
*Presider*      Let us pray.

**The Lord's Prayer**                    *sung by all*

**Libera Me**

**sung by Nobuki Momma**

### **Intercessions**

Let us remember before God those who have gone before us in faith, and especially the persons commended to our prayers.

Almighty God, who hast knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Grant to your whole Church in paradise and on earth, your light and your peace. *Amen.*

Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life, and that through the grave and gate of death we may pass with him to our joyful resurrection. *Amen.*

Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that your Holy Spirit may lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days. *Amen.*

Grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins, and serve you with a quiet mind. *Amen.*

Grant to all us who mourn a sure confidence in your care, that, casting all our grief on you, we may know the consolation of your love. *Amen.*

Grant us grace to entrust all who are dear to us to your never-failing love; receive them into the arms of your mercy, and remember them according to the favor which you give to your people. *Amen.*

Grant that, increasing in knowledge and love of you, we may go from strength to strength in the life of perfect service in your heavenly kingdom. *Amen.*

Grant us, with all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, to have our consummation and bliss in your eternal and everlasting glory, and, with the blessed Virgin Mary and all your saints, to receive the crown of life which you promise to all who share in the victory of your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

I now invite you to offer your prayers aloud:

### **The Necrology**

**Musical offering during Necrology Pie Jesu**

**sung by Motomi Tanaka**

### **The Collects**

*Presider* Be our light in the darkness, O Lord, and in your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

O God, the life of all who live, the light of the faithful, the strength of those who labor, and the repose of the dead: We thank you for the blessings of the day that is past, and humbly ask for your protection through the coming night. Bring us in safety to the morning hours; through him who died and rose again for us, your Son our Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. *Amen.*

### **The Blessing**

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant: Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

### **In Paradisum**

**sung by Hirona Amamiya**

*Presider* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**