

RECESSIONAL

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

1. Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, Bright  
2. O high - er than the cher - u - bim, More  
3. Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, Ye  
4. O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, Su -

ser - aphs, cher - u - bim, and thrones, Raise the  
glo - rious than the ser - a - phim, Lead their  
pa - tri - archs and proph - ets blest: "Al - le -  
per - nal an - thems ech - o - ing: "Al - le -

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glad strain: "Al - le - lu - ia!" Cry out, do - min - ions, prince - doms,  
prais - es: "Al - le - lu - ia!" O bear - er of the e - ter - nal  
lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!" Ye ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyrs  
lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!" To God the Fa - ther, God the

pow'rs, Vir - tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels' choirs:  
Word, Most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the Lord:  
strong, All saints tri - um - phant, raise the song:  
Son, And God the Spir - it, Three in One:

"Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!" Al - le - lu - ia,

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

Text: John A. Riley, 1858–1945  
Tune: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, LM with alleluias; Geistliche Kirchengesänge, Cologne, 1623; harm. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958

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Solemnity of All Saints

LITANY OF THE SAINTS

Cantor, then All: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.  
Cantor: [Saint Invocation] All: Pray for us. 8 times, then:  
All: All you holy men and women pray for us.

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INTROIT Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honor of all the Saints,  
at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

PROCESSIONAL How Firm a Foundation

1. How firm a foun - da - tion, you saints of the Lord,  
2. "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dis-mayed,  
3. "When through the deep wa - ters I call you to go,  
4. "The soul that on Je - sus still leans for re - pose,

Is laid for your faith in Christ Je - sus, the Word!  
For I am your God, and will still give you aid;  
The riv - ers of woe shall not you o - ver - flow;  
I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;

What more can God say than to you has been said,  
I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,  
For I will be with you, your trou - bles to bless,  
That soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,

To you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
Up - held by my right - eous, om - nip - o - tent hand.  
And sanc - ti - fy to you your deep - est dis - tress.  
I'll nev - er, no nev - er, no nev - er for - sake!"

Text: 2 Peter 1:4; John Rippon's A Selection of Hymns, 1787, alt.  
Tune: FOUNDATION, 11 11 11 11; Funk's Compilation of Genuine Church Music, 1832.

FIRST READING

RV 7:2-4, 9-14

I, John, saw another angel come up from the East, holding the seal of the living God. He cried out in a loud voice to the four angels who were given power to damage the land and the sea, “Do not damage the land or the sea or the trees until we put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.” I heard the number of those who had been marked with the seal, one hundred and forty-four thousand marked from every tribe of the children of Israel. After this I had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They stood before the throne and before the Lamb, wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice: “Salvation comes from our God, who is seated on the throne, and from the Lamb.” All the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They prostrated themselves before the throne, worshiped God, and exclaimed: “Amen. Blessing and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving, honor, power, and might be to our God forever and ever. Amen.” Then one of the elders spoke up and said to me, “Who are these wearing white robes, and where did they come from?” I said to him, “My lord, you are the one who knows.” He said to me, “These are the ones who have survived the time of great distress; they have washed their robes and made them white in the Blood of the Lamb.”

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 24



Lord, this is the peo - ple that longs to see your face.

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SECOND READING

1 JN 3:1-3

Beloved: See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. Everyone who has this hope based on him makes himself pure, as he is pure.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

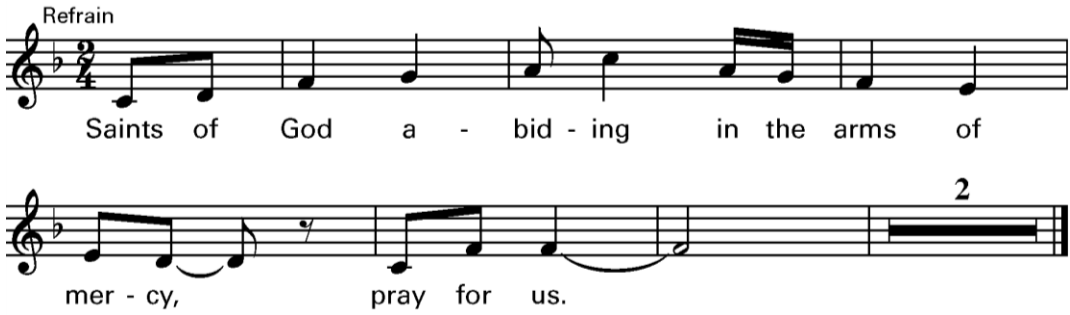
MT 5:1-12A

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying: “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land. Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the

clean of heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.”

OFFERTORY

Saints of God



Verses

- 1. I saw the souls of the saints beneath the altar, slain for bearing witness to God’s Word, and each one was robed in white.
- 2. I saw a multitude from every land and people worshipping before the throne of grace, where all tears are washed away.
- 3. Since even now this cloud of witnesses surrounds us, let us cast aside the weight of sin, so with them we may run the race.

Text: Based on Revelation 6:9–11; 7:9, 17; Hebrews 12:1.  
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**COMMUNION ANTIPHON** *Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs in the Kingdom of Heaven.*



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