

Memorial Service

Thursday, July 16, 2022 10:00 AM

ORDER OF WORSHIP

+ You're invited to stand in body or in spirit. | **Bold** words are spoken responsively.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

Dr. Gregg Bunn, organist

GREETING Dr. Laura Brantley

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us focus our minds' attention and hearts' affection on the worship of

God.

VOLUNTARY

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

arr. Charles Callahan

+ CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Laura Brantley

Leader: We have gathered here to celebrate the lives of those who have served faithfully

through the years and now share the triumph of Christ.

People: We affirm with praise and thanksgiving the goodness of our Lord.

Leader: Let us rejoice in God's presence with us, in death as in life, among those who

mourn as with those who now see Christ face to face.

People: In the midst of our grief we sing with joy, for God's love is over all that has

been.

Leader: We remember in every time and place the saints of God who have shown us the

Lord.

All: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us worship

God with joy!

+ PROCESSIONAL HYMN 711

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE

For all the saints, who from their labors rest, who thee by faith before the world confessed, thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.

(Refrain) Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might; thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight; thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. (Refrain)

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold, fight as the saints who nobly fought of old, and win with them the victor's crown of gold. (Refrain)

O blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle, they in glory shine; yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. (Refrain) And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long, steals on the ear the distant triumph song, and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. (Refrain)

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, through gates of pearl streams in the countless host, singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: (Refrain)

+ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Dr. Laura Brantley

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day He rose from the dead;

He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick 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.

+ GLORIA PATRI 70 MEINEKE

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Toi King

The Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

ACT OF PRAISE Psalm 23 by Paul Basler

SCRIPTURE READING 1 Thessalonians 4:13 (NRSV) Rev. Allen Black ¹³But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope.

SERMON "Defined by Hope"

Rev. Allen Black

REMEMBERING THE DEPARTED SAINTS

Dr. Davis Chappell

PRAYER FOR THE SAINTS

Bishop William T. McAlilly

MUSICAL REFLECTION

Pie Jesu (from REQUIEM)

by John Rutter

+ HYMN 708

Rejoice in God's Saints

HANOVER

Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days; a world without saints forgets how to praise. Their faith in acquiring the habit of prayer, their depth of adoring, Lord, help us to share.

Some march with events to turn them God's way; some need to withdraw, the better to pray.

Some carry the gospel through fire and through flood; our world is their parish; their purpose is God.

Rejoice in those saints, unpraised and unknown, who bear someone's cross or shoulder their own. They shame our complaining, our comforts, our cares; what patience in caring, what courage, is theirs!

Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days; a world without saints forgets how to praise. In loving, in living, they prove it is true: the way of self-giving, Lord, leads us to you.

+ BENEDICTION Rev. Allen Black

+ CHORAL BENEDICTION The Lord Bless You and Keep You John Rutter

POSTLUDE Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart arr. Albert Travis

WORSHIP MUSIC LEADERS:

Brentwood UMC Multigenerational Choir Choir Director, Ryan Jones Pianist, Patsy Wade Organist, Gregg Bunn French Horn, Michele McClary

String Ensemble: Violinist I, Kelsie Peppars; Violin II, Laura Epling; Violist, Lila Crosswhite;

Cello, Paul Nelson