

All Saints' Day/8 Minutes and 46 Seconds of Prayer

Augsburg University Daily Chapel

November 6, 2020

ALL SAINTS' DAY: The custom of commemorating all of the saints of the church on a single day goes back at least to the third century. All Saints Day celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who make up the body of Christ. On this day or the following Sunday, many congregations will remember the faithful who have died during the past year.

WELCOME

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, + one God,
the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth,
our light and salvation.

Amen.

When we were baptized in Christ Jesus,
we were baptized into his death.
We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death,
so that as Christ was raised from the dead
by the glory of the Father,
we too might walk in newness of life.
For if we have been united with him in a death like his,
we shall, with all the saints of God, be united with him
in a resurrection like his.

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters
and by your Word you created the world,
calling forth life in which you took delight.
Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah, his wife, and his family.
Through your servants Moses and Miriam you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom by
way of the Red Sea.
At the river your Son was baptized by John
and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

By water and your Word you claim us as children,
making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

Thanks be to you, O God!

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life,
and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.

Praise be to you, O God!

Shower us with your Spirit,
and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

GREETING

Beloved of God, called to be saints;
Grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray:

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: Revelation 7:9-17

READING OF NAMES OF THE SAINTS

Augsburg Faculty

Rosemarie Merrigan

Fidel Xinico Tum

Clarice Staff

Richard Nelson

Students/Former students

Malia Abdullahi

Parker Foley

Vidal Guzman

Maricio Mata-Thelen

Loved ones lost

Pierre Chatman

Peter J. Weber

Robert Johnson

Joseph Peacock

National Leaders

John Lewis

Ruth Bader Ginsburg

Victims of Police Violence and Racist Attacks

George Floyd

Breonna Taylor

Walter Wallace Jr.

Ahmaud Arbery

Elijah McClain

PRAYER

Almighty God, you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses. May the example of these, your servants, be an encouragement to us as we run the race that is set before us, and, at the last, join your saints in eternal joy; through Jesus Christ, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

8 MINUTES AND 46 SECONDS OF SILENCE

Worship Leaders

Co-Liturgists: Pastor Babette Chatman and Pastor Justin Lind-Ayres, University Pastors