HOLY INNOCENTS FALLOWFIELD

All Souls' Day - November 2nd

Today we remember in prayer, word and music all who we love and but see no more. Together we commit them again to God's everlasting love and hope that we, with them, may share in the eternal life promised to us in Christ.

Please be still and silent as we wait together for the service to begin. When the bell rings, please stand to sing:

HYMN 114

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

God our Father full of grace and truth,

you create us from nothing and give us life.

You give your faithful people new life in the water of baptism. You do not turn your face from us, nor cast us aside.



 $Ho \mbox{-ly and strong, } ho \mbox{-ly and im-mortal, have mercy } up \mbox{-on us.}$

May the God of love and power forgive us and free us from our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit, and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us pray.

The president says the Collect for All Souls' Day. At the end: Amen

PLEASE SIT for the Ministry of the Word.

FIRST READING: Lamentations 3.17-26

At the end: This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



In green and restful <u>pa</u>stures, <u>riv</u>erbanks or sheltered <u>paths</u>, <u>far</u> from threat of <u>death</u> or <u>evil</u>:

Beyond hostility or the shadow of the <u>tomb</u>, <u>clean</u> and clothed, <u>wel</u>comed and <u>fed</u>, <u>hon</u>oured, accepted <u>guests</u>:

Shepherd and guardian of our <u>souls</u>,

your <u>good</u>ness and your <u>mer</u>cy,

<u>at</u> our life's end will lead us to <u>dwell</u> in joy with <u>you</u>.

SECOND READING 1 Peter 1.3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials.

At the end: This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia... Alleluia, alleluia... I am the first and the last and the living one, says the Lord I was dead, but behold I am alive for evermore. Alleluia....

GOSPEL READING John 6: 37-40

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John . Glory to you, O Lord. At the end: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

PLEASE SIT for the sermon. After the sermon there will be a time of silence. Then please STAND, with the president and other ministers and move over to the font, carrying the little candles. The choir sings:

Author of the world's joy, bearer of the world's pain,

From distress heal our souls, let your ineffable peace remain.

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Jesus, bread from heaven, you feed us at your table here on earth: grant us a share with all the faithful departed

in the banquet of your kingdom: Hear us risen Lord:

Our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, light of the world, you brought healing and sight to the suffering, guide us in the way of faith,

and bring us to your eternal light and glory. Hear us risen Lord: **Our resurrection and our life.**

Jesus, Son of the living God, you summoned your friend Lazarus from death to life: raise us at the last to full and eternal life with you. Hear us risen Lord:

Our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, Crucified Saviour, from the cross you entrusted each to the other, Mary your mother and John, your beloved disciple; sustain and comfort all who mourn. Hear us risen Lord:

Our resurrection and our life.

Jesus, our Way and Truth and Life,

you drew your disciple Thomas from doubt to faith: reveal the resurrection to the doubting and the lost. Hear us risen Lord:

Our resurrection and our life.

The president stands at the font and says: This is the will of him that sent me that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me and I will raise them up at the last day.

The candles are lit from the Paschal candle.

We have received the light of Christ Let us walk in this light all the days of our life. Through the power of the Holy Spirit we have a share in the promise of eternal life As it was and shall be, throughout all generations, a now and forever.

We place our candles on the waters of baptism and stay standing near the font in prayer.

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When all the candles are in place, the president says: Rest eternal grant to them O Lord,

And let light perpetual shine upon them.

All return to their seats. After a few moments of silent prayer, the president introduces THE PEACE:

Jesus says: peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid: the peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

All exchange a sign of peace, and then join in:

OFFERTORY HYMN 329

The bread and wine are brought to the altar. The president says a prayer over the gifts to which we all respond: Blessed be God for ever.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER follows. The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give thanks and praise.



THE PRESIDENT continues the prayer, thanking God for his saving works, and then invites the people to join their praises with the whole company of heaven:with all your faithful people, evermore praising you and singing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE PRESIDENT asks the Father to send the Holy Spirit to sanctify the bread and wine, and then repeats the Lord's own words over the bread and cup.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

THE PRESIDENT CONTINUES, joining our offering with Christ's sacrifice of himself. At the end of the prayer the president says:all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever: **Amen.**

The president introduces the Lord's Prayer and all say together: Our Father, in heaven, hallowed be your name; your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Do not let us enter into temptation, but deliver us from evil; For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours Now and for ever. Amen.

We SIT or KNEEL as the president breaks the consecrated bread in pieces for all to share:

Jesus is the living bread which came down from heaven: if anyone eats of this bread, they will live for ever. Lord, give us this bread always.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us your peace.

The president addresses those who wish to come to Holy Communion: 'I am the bread of life,' says the Lord; 'whoever comes to me will never hunger; whoever believes in me will never thirst.' 'I am the vine: you are the branches.'

May we dwell in him as he lives in us.

Those who wish to receive Holy Communion or a blessing approach the altar. Communicant members of other churches are invited to receive Holy Communion. When all have received Holy Communion there will be a time of stillness and silent prayer. Then all please remain seated to join in:

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Now rest beneath night's shadow

The woodland, field, and meadow; the world in slumber lies. But you, my heart, awaking - and prayer and music making, Let praise to your Creator rise.

The radiant sun has vanished,

All golden rays are banished from dark'ning skies of night; But Christ, the Sun of gladness, dispelling all our sadness, Shines down on us in warmest light.

Lord Jesus, since you love me,

Now spread your wings above me and shield me from alarm. Though evil would devour me, let angel guards sing o'er me: 'This child of God shall meet no harm.'

Our loved ones - rest securely,

Christ's promise keeps you surely - no perils cloud your way. Sweet slumbers may he send you and bid his hosts attend you As darkness turns to endless day.

Please stand:

Let us pray

After a moment of silent prayer, voices from the congregation say: : Bring us, O Lord God, at our last awakening into the house and gate of heaven, to enter into that gate and dwell in that house, where there shall be no darkness nor dazzling, but one equal light; no noise nor silence, but one equal music; no fears nor hopes, but one equal possession; no ends nor beginnings, but one equal eternity:

The president leads the final prayer:

God of love,

may the death and resurrection of Christ which we have celebrated in this Eucharist bring us, with all the departed, into the peace of your eternal home. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our rock and our salvation, to whom be glory for time and for eternity. Amen.

Please remain standing for the blessing and dismissal.

May God give you his comfort and his peace, his light and his joy, in this world and the next; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son + and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

Go in the peace of Christ. Thanks be to God.

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Deep river, my home is over Jordan. Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground. Oh, don't you want to go to that Gospel-feast? That Promised Land, where all is peace?