Commemoration of All Faithful Departed (Observed)

1 November 2026 | 5:00 pm

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL, CINCINNATI, OH

Empowering people of peace to reconcile, liberate, heal, and serve the world.

THE WORD OF GOD

Today's Commemoration of All Faithful Departed features settings of texts from the Tridentine Requiem Mass by Maurice Duruflé. Some of the texts do not reflect the theology of the Episcopal Church, especially those that portray a vengeful God who must be begged for mercy from impending torment. Nevertheless, Requiem settings have a long history of use as an expression of lament for the deceased. We hope that you will experience Duruflé's setting in that light, commending to God those you love, knowing that God grieves with you in your loss and offers assurance of eternal life through the saving work of Jesus.

The People's responses are in ***bold.***

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Prelude (from *Suite,* Op. 5) Maurice Duruflé (1902–1986)

The People stand as the procession enters the cathedral.

INTROIT & KYRIE

from *Requiem*, Op. 9 by Maurice Duruflé

Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine:
et lux perpetua luceat eis.
Te decet hymnus Deus in Sion:
et tibi reddetur votum in Jerusalem.
Exaudi orationem meam,
ad te omnis caro veniet.

Give them eternal rest, Lord:
and may perpetual light shine on them.
A hymn is owed to you in Zion, O God:
and to you a vow shall be fulfilled in Jerusalem.
Hear my prayer,
to you all flesh will come.

Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy.
Christe eleison. Christ, have mercy.
Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy.

SALUTATION & COLLECT

God be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, the Maker and Redeemer of all believers: Grant to the faithful departed the unsearchable benefits of the passion of your Son; that on the day of his appearing they may be manifested as your children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The People sit.

THE FIRST LESSON

A reading from the Book of Wisdom.

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. *Wisdom 3:1-9 (NRSV)*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL

Sung by the choir.

Antiphon
WITH the Lord there is mercy, and with him there is plenteous redemption.

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.

Antiphon
With the Lord there is mercy, and with him there is plenteous redemption.

Psalm 130
Plainchant (Tone III:5)

THE SECOND LESSON

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

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. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words. *1 Thessalonians 4:13–18 (NRSV)*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

MUSIC AT THE SEQUENCE

Libera me from *Requiem*, Op. 9 by Maurice Duruflé

Libera me, Domine, de morte aeterna,
in die illa tremenda:
Quando coeli movendi sunt et terra:
dum veneris judicare saeculum per ignem.
Tremens factus sum ego, et timeo,
dum discussio venerit, atque ventura ira.
Dies illa, dies irae, calamitatis et miseriae,
dies magna et amara valde.
Requiem aeternam dona eis Domine:
et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Deliver me, Lord, from eternal death,
on that dreadful day:
When the heavens and the earth are shaken:
when you come to judge the world with fire.
I am seized with trembling, and I am afraid,
until the judgment shall arrive, and the coming wrath.
That day, day of anger, calamity, and misery,
great and exceedingly bitter day.
Give them eternal rest, Lord:
and may perpetual light shine on them.

The people stand.

THE GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

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." *John 5:24-27 (NRSV)*

The Gospel of our Savior.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE HOMILY

The people stand.

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

In the assurance of eternal life given at Baptism, let us proclaim our faith and say,

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 NECROLOGY & PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LET us remember before God those who have gone before us in faith, and especially these persons commended to our prayers:

The People sit.

During the reading of the Necrology, the people are invited to light candles and bring photos of loved ones forward to display at the front of the church.

Following the reading of the Necrology, all stand for the prayers.

ALMIGHTY God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Grant, we pray, 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 journey, 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 who mourn a sure confidence in your tender care, that, casting all their grief on you, they 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 show to all people. **Amen.**

Grant that, increasing in knowledge and love of you, they 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.**

The people sit.

Pie Jesu from *Requiem*, Op. 9 by Maurice Duruflé

Pie Jesu Domine, dona eis requiem. Merciful Lord Jesus, give them rest.
Pie Jesu Domine, dona eis requiem sempiternam. Merciful Lord Jesus, give them eternal rest.

The people stand.

THE PEACE

THE peace of Christ be always with you.
And also with you.

The Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Celebrant says an Offertory sentence.

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

Domine Jesu Christe from *Requiem*, Op. 9 by Maurice Duruflé

O Domine, Jesu Christe, Rex gloriae,
libera animas defunctorum
de poenis inferni,
et de profundo lacu:
O Lord, Jesus Christ, King of glory,
free the souls of the dead
from the pains of hell,
and from the deep pit:

O Domine, Jesu Christe, Rex gloriae,
libera animas defunctorum
de ore leonis,
ne absorbeat Tartarus:
O Lord, Jesus Christ, King of glory,
free the souls of the dead
from the lion's mouth,
do not let hell swallow them.

O Domine, Jesu Christe, Rex gloriae,
ne cadant in obscurum.
O Lord, Jesus Christ, King of glory,
do not let them fall into darkness.

Hostias et preces tibi Domine laudis offerimus:
tu suscipe pro animabus illis,
quarum hodie memoriam facimus.
Sacrifices and prayers of praise we offer to you, Lord:
receive them for the souls
we remember today.

Fac eas, Domine, de morte transire ad vitam.
Quam olim Abrahae promisisti
et semini eius.
Lord, make them pass from death to life.
As you once promised to Abraham
and to his descendants.

The people stand.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord; who rose victorious from the dead, and comforts us with the blessed hope of everlasting life. For to your faithful people, O Lord, life is changed, not ended; and when our mortal body lies in death, there is prepared for us a dwelling place eternal in the heavens.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

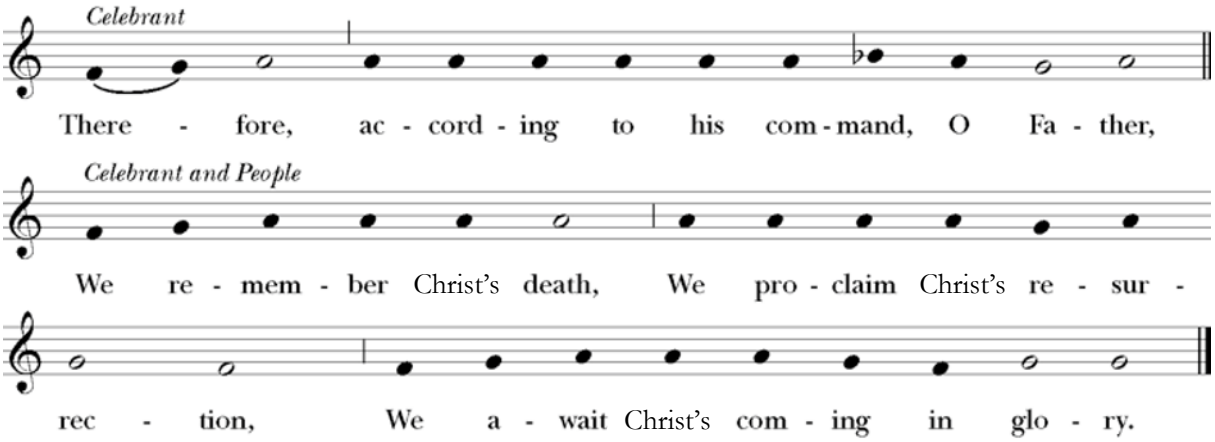
Sanctus from *Requiem*, Op. 9 by Maurice Duruflé

Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus,	Holy, holy, holy,
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.	Lord God of hosts.
Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua.	Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in excelsis.	Hosanna in the highest.
Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini.	Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in excelsis.	Hosanna in the highest.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent Jesus to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

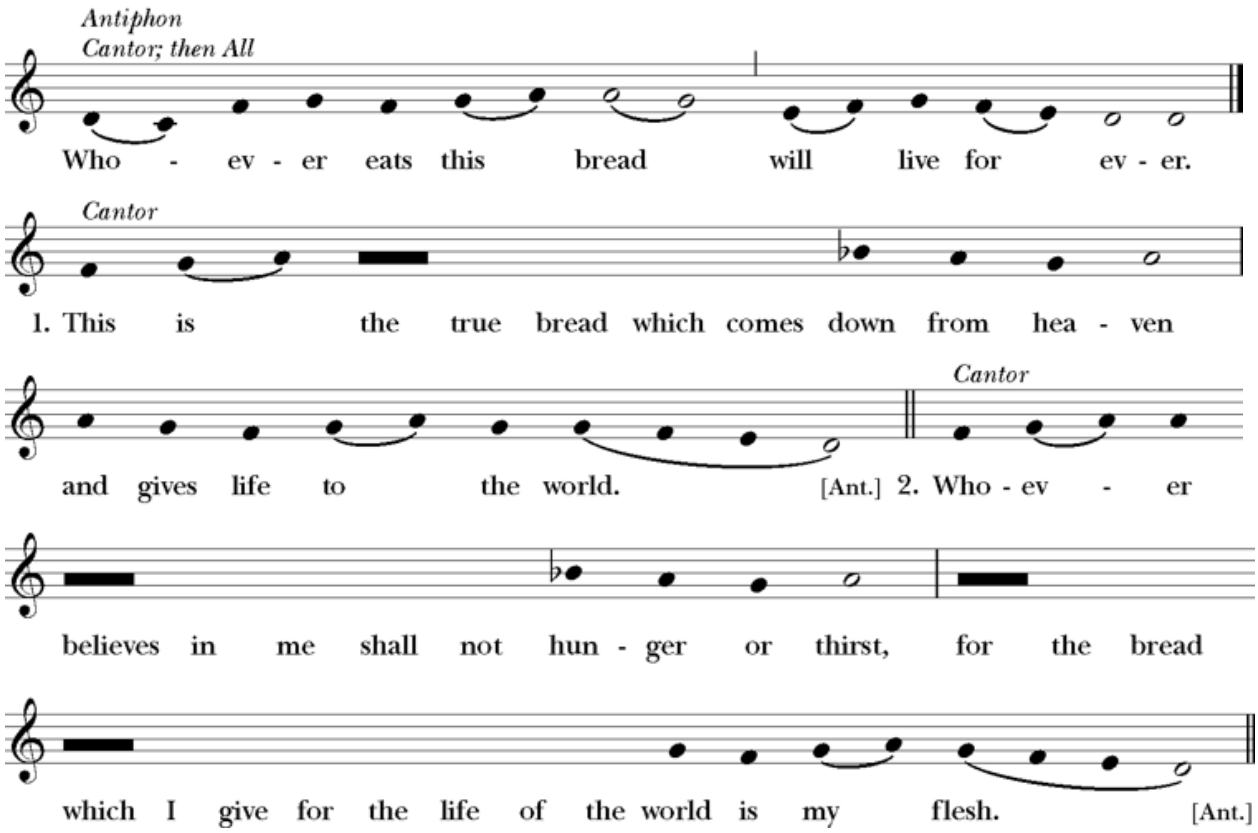


And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.



The Celebrant says an Invitation to Communion. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

MUSIC AT THE COMMUNION

Agnus Dei from *Requiem*, Op. 9 by Maurice Duruflé

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:
dona eis requiem.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:
dona eis requiem.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi:
dona eis requiem sempiternam.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
give them rest.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
give them rest.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
give them eternal rest.

Following Communion, the People stand.

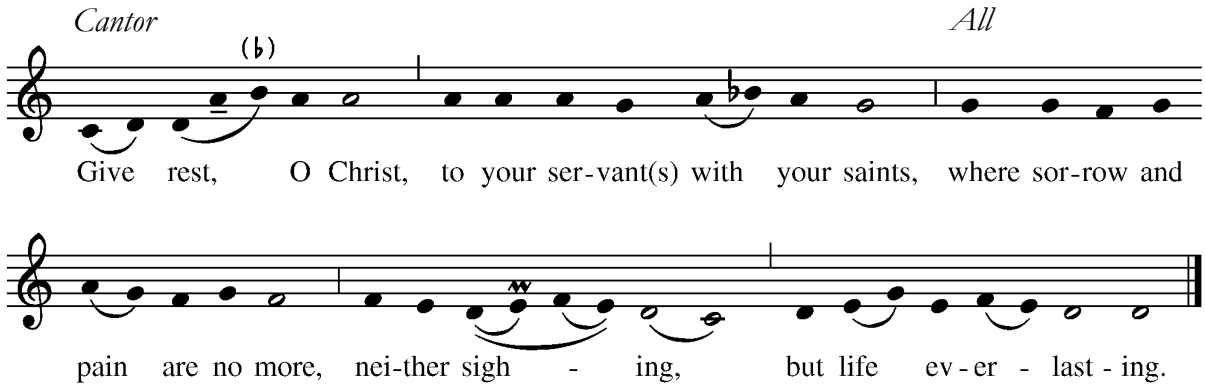
THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, we thank you that in your great love you have fed us with the spiritual food and drink of the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and have given us a foretaste of your heavenly banquet. Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction, and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death, neither sorrow nor crying, but the fullness of joy with all your saints; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

ANTHEM AT THE COMMENDATION

Antiphon



Cantor

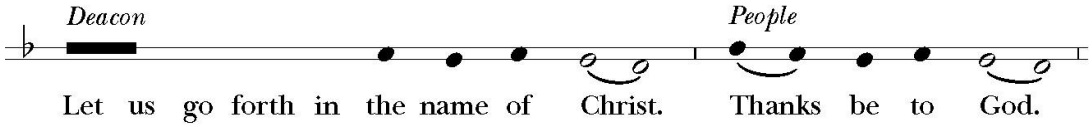
You only are immortal, the creator and maker of humankind; and we are mortal, formed of the earth, and to earth shall we return. For so did you ordain when you created me, saying, "You are dust, and to dust you shall return." All of us go down to the dust; yet even at the grave we make our song: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Antiphon (All)

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

INTO your hands, O merciful Savior, we commend your servants. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech you, sheep of your own fold, lambs of your own flock, sinners of your own redeeming. Receive them into the arms of your mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. **Amen.**

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 Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**



MUSIC AT THE PROCESSION

In Paradisum from *Requiem*, Op. 9 by Maurice Duruflé

In Paradisum deducant te angeli,
in tuo adventu suscipiant te martyres,
et perducant te in civitatem sanctam Jerusalem.
Chorus angelorum te suscipiat,
et cum Lazaro quondam paupere
aeternam habeas requiem.

May angels lead you into Paradise,
and upon your arrival may the martyrs welcome you,
and lead you into the holy city Jerusalem.
May the choir of angels welcome you,
and with Lazarus, once a beggar,
may you have eternal rest.

All are invited to follow the procession to the Columbarium.

PRAYERS AT THE COLUMBARIUM

EVERYONE the Father gives to me will come to me; I will never turn away anyone who believes in me.

He who raised Jesus Christ from the dead will also give new life to our mortal bodies through his indwelling Spirit.

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

God be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

O God, the King of saints, we praise and glorify your holy Name for all your servants who have finished their course in your faith and fear: for the blessed Virgin Mary; for the holy patriarchs and matriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs; and for all your other righteous servants, known to us and unknown; and we pray that, encouraged by their examples, aided by their prayers, and strengthened by their fellowship, we also may be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The vaults in the Columbarium are censed.

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord;
And let light perpetual shine upon them.
May their souls, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen.

Alleluia. Christ is risen.
The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.
Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

The People may linger in prayer at the Columbarium or depart quietly.

MINISTERS

The Very Reverend Owen Thompson*, Celebrant*
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