

All Souls' Day 2020 Order of Service

Evensong with the Commemoration of the faithful departed

Opening responses

Hymn: 384 Be still my soul: the Lord is on your side

Psalm: 26: 1, 4, 7, 8-9, 13-14

The Lord is my light and my help. (R)

The Lord is my light and my help;
whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
before whom shall I shrink? (R)

There is one thing I ask of the Lord,
for this I long,
to live in the house of the Lord,
all the days of my life,
to savour the sweetness of the Lord,
to behold his temple. (R)

O Lord, hear my voice when I call;
have mercy and answer.
It is your face, O Lord, that I seek;
hide not your face. (R)

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness
in the land of the living.
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.
Hope in the Lord! (R)

OT reading: Lamentations 3:17-26

¹⁷ My soul is bereft of peace;
I have forgotten what happiness is;
¹⁸ so I say, "Gone is my glory,
and all that I had hoped for from the Lord."

- ¹⁹ The thought of my affliction and my homelessness
is wormwood and gall!
- ²⁰ My soul continually thinks of it
and is bowed down within me.
- ²¹ But this I call to mind,
and therefore I have hope:
- ²² The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,
his mercies never come to an end;
- ²³ they are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.
- ²⁴ “The Lord is my portion,” says my soul,
“therefore I will hope in him.”
- ²⁵ The Lord is good to those who wait for him,
to the soul that seeks him.
- ²⁶ It is good that one should wait quietly
for the salvation of the Lord.

*Please stand for **Magnificat***

New Testament reading: **John 16:1-7**

“I have said these things to you to keep you from stumbling. ² They will put you out of the synagogues. Indeed, an hour is coming when those who kill you will think that by doing so they are offering worship to God. ³ And they will do this because they have not known the Father or me. ⁴ But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them.

“I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵ But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ ⁶ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. ⁷ Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.

*Please stand for the **Nunc Dimittis***

The Apostles’ Creed (words on our usual green Order of Service)

Prayers and responses

The All Souls' Day Collect:

Eternal God, our maker and redeemer,
grant us, with all the faithful departed,
the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion
and glorious resurrection that, in the last day,
when you gather up all things in Christ,
we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Collect for Peace

The Collect for Aid against all Perils

Hymn: 159 The strife is o'er

Address

We pray by name for..... concluding with:

Hear us, O merciful Father, as we remember in love those whom we
have placed in your hands. Acknowledge, we pray the sheep of your
own fold, lambs of our own flock, sinners of your own redeeming.
Enfold them in the arms of your mercy, in the blessed rest of everlasting
peace, and in the glorious company of the saints in light. **Amen**

Choir: Kontakion of the departed

Lighting of candles

Blessing

The Lord be with you **And also with you**

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
that great shepherd of the sheep, make you perfect in every good work
to do his will; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and
the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Final Hymn: Hymn: 368 All my hope on God is founded