



North Raleigh Presbyterian Church

Memorial Vespers
November 1, 2020

11905 Strickland Rd
Raleigh, NC 27613
919-848-9529
northraleighpc.org
a congregation of the PC(USA)



FOR SINCE DEATH CAME THROUGH A
HUMAN BEING,
THE RESURRECTION OF THE DEAD HAS
ALSO COME THROUGH A HUMAN BEING;
FOR AS ALL DIE IN ADAM,
SO ALL WILL BE MADE ALIVE IN CHRIST.

1 CORINTHIANS 15:21-22

*The mission of North Raleigh Presbyterian Church is to be a
welcoming community serving Jesus Christ through
engaged discipleship.*

GATHERING

WELCOME AND GREETING

CALL TO WORSHIP

Revelation 21:6

One: Then the Lord said: It is finished!

All: Jesus is the Alpha and the Omega.

One: Let us worship God.

HYMN 645 (verses 1 & 3)

Sing Praise to God

LITANY FOR ALL SAINTS' DAY

One: Lord, be gracious to us; deliver your people.

All: Hear us, O God.

One: You loved us before the world was made.

You rescued the people of your promise.

You spoke through your prophets.

You gave your only Son for the life of the world.

All: Hear us, O God.

One: For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven and was born of the virgin Mary; who by his cross and suffering redeemed the world and has washed us from our sins; who on the third day rose from the dead and has given us the victory; who ascended on high and intercedes for us at the right hand of God.

All: Great is your love.

One: For the gift of the Holy Spirit.

For the one holy catholic and apostolic church.

For the great cloud of witnesses into which we are baptized.

All: Thanks be to God.

One: For all holy men and women, our mothers and fathers in faith.

For the noble band of the prophets.

For the glorious company of the apostles.

For the white-robed army of martyrs.

For the cherubim and seraphim, Michael and the holy angels.

All: Thanks be to God.

One: Give new life to your servants by the grace of baptism.

Strengthen all who bear the sign of the cross.

Clothe us in compassion and love.

Bring us with all your saints to the river of life.

All: Hear us, O God.

One: We confess our indifference to your will: our silent refusal of your call to proclaim your name, our idleness in response to your call to justice, and our fear when you call us to live faithfully.

All: Hear us, O God.

One: God of all the faithful, we rejoice that nothing in all creation can separate us from your love. Work out your good purpose in us and help us in our weakness as we await, with eager longing, the redemption of all things; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

PROCLAIMING

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Revelation 7:9-17

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 25:6-9

HOMILY

RESPONDING

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff— they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

PRAYERS OF REMEMBRANCE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our prayers include a reading of NRPC members' names who died November 2019-October 2020.

You will also have opportunity to speak the names of others you remember tonight.

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and
lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the
glory, forever. Amen.

SENDING

HYMN 326 (verses 1, 2 & 5) *For All the Saints*

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY



Leading and supporting worship today:

Preacher: Brandon Melton

Liturgist: Lisa Hebacker

Musicians: Terri Nicotera, Rosemary Lunsford

IN MEMORIUM

NRPC Members who died November 2019-October 2020

Jean Hines	February 16, 2020
Jackie Fleming	February 27, 2020

Friends and relatives who died November 2019-October 2020

Hutton Barron, husband of Sibylle	December 9, 2019
Henry "Modie" Carter, father of Roger Carter	December 20, 2020
Ben Snead, brother of George Snead	February 19, 2020
Amanda Papacoda, niece of Diana Minor	March 24, 2020
Loretta Bower, mother of Pam Horton	April 11, 2020
Albert Wilkat, father of Tom Wilkat	May 4, 2020
Wynema Melton, grandmother of Brandon Melton	June 15, 2020
Philip Lunsford, father of Rosemary Lunsford	June 11, 2020
Marvin Stall, father of Glen Stall	June 26, 2020
Henrietta Vander Wal, mother of Krystal Grooters	July 27, 2020
Jean C. Heater, grandmother of Danny Heater	September 7, 2020
Jean Larmour, mother of Ann Neely	October 19, 2020

Others whom we remember tonight

Mark Bidwell, son of Pat and Larry Bidwell	October 12, 2011
Rebecca Knowles, mother of Barbara Knowles	November 10, 2016
Don Allred, father of Caroline Parker	August 26, 2017
Sharon Hambleton, friend of Judith Ganey, Diana Minor & Pam Homolya	June 21, 2018
Carolyn Allred, mother of Caroline Parker	March 10, 2019
Lerline J. Brown, mother of Don Brown	September 30, 2019

Ministers: All the Congregation

Pastor: Lisa Hebacker

Assoc Pastor: Brandon Melton

Director of Music: Terri Nicotera

Church Organist: Ju Hyun Kim

Office: Caroline Parker

LisaHebacker@nrleighpc.org

BrandonMelton@nrleighpc.org

TerriNicotera@msn.com

Kimjuhyun81@gmail.com

office@nrleighpc.org

645 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

1 Sing praise to God who reigns a - bove, the God of all
 2 What God's al - might - y power has made God's gra - cious mer -
 3 The Lord is nev - er far a - way, but, through all grief
 4 Thus all my toil - some way a - long I sing a - loud

cre - a - tion, the God of power, the God of love,
 cy keep - eth; by morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade
 dis - tress - ing, an ev - er - pres - ent help and stay,
 thy prais - es, that all may hear the grate - ful song

the God of our sal - va - tion. With
 God's watch - ful eye ne'er sleep - eth. With -
 our peace and joy and bless - ing, as
 my voice un - wea - ried rais - es. Be

heal - ing balm my soul is filled, and ev - ery faith - less
 in the king - dom of God's might, lo! all is just and
 with a moth - er's ten - der hand God gent - ly leads the
 joy - ful in the Lord, my heart; both soul and bod - y,

The regal divine imagery here will not be new to most singers, but some may not expect the third stanza's image of God as mother. Yet it is part of God's self-description in Isaiah 66:13. This Bohemian Brethren tune resembles both Genevan psalm tunes and French folk songs.

mur - mur stilled:
all is right: to God all praise and glo - ry!
cho - sen band:
take your part:

THE CHURCH

326 For All the Saints

1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest, who
2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might;
3 O blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine!
4 And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long,
5 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through

thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
thou, Lord, their cap - tain in the well - fought fight;
We fee - bly strug - gle; they in glo - ry shine; yet
steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph song, and
gates of pearl streams in the count - less host,

name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
thou, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.
all are one in thee, for all are thine.
hearts are brave a - gain, and arms are strong.
sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Harmony, stanza 3

3 O blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine!

We fee - bly strug - gle; they in glo - ry shine; yet

all are one in thee, for all are thine.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! *to stanza 4*