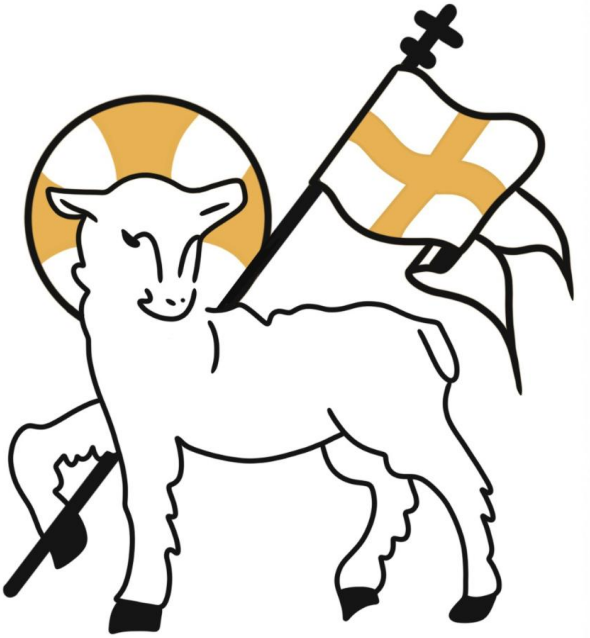

Apostles
Anglican Church

All Saints' Day

November 1, 2026

Liturgy for the Contemporary Service

The Anglican Church in North America

The Holy Eucharist

THE BELL

OPENING SONGS

<u>Better Is One Day</u>

(Verse 1)
How lovely is Your dwelling place
O Lord almighty
For my soul longs and even faints for You
For here my heart is satisfied
Within Your presence
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings

(Chorus)
Better is one day in Your courts
Better is one day in Your house
Better is one day in Your courts
Than thousands elsewhere

(Verse 2)
One thing I ask and I would seek
To see Your beauty
To find You in the place
Your glory dwells

(Bridge)
My heart and flesh cry out
For You the living God
Your Spirit's water to my soul
I've tasted and I've seen
Come once again to me
I will draw near to You
I will draw near to You

Christ Be Magnified

(Verse 1)
Were creation suddenly articulate
With a thousand tongues to lift one cry
Then from North to South and East to West
We'd hear Christ be magnified

(Verse 2)
Were the whole Earth echoing His eminence
His name would burst from sea and sky
From rivers to the mountain tops
We'd hear Christ be magnified

(Chorus)
Oh! Christ be magnified
Let His praise arise
Christ be magnified in me
Oh! Christ be magnified
From the altar of my life
Christ be magnified in me

(Verse 3)
When every creature finds its inmost melody
And every human heart its native cry
Then in one enraptured hymn of praise
We'll sing Christ be magnified

(Bridge)
I won't bow to idols, I'll stand strong and worship You
And if it puts me in the fire, I'll rejoice 'cause You're there too
I won't be formed by feelings, I hold fast to what is true
If the cross brings transformation then I'll be crucified with You
'Cause death is just the doorway into resurrection life
And if I join You in Your suffering, then I'll join You when You rise
And when You return in glory with all the angels and the saints
My heart will still be singing, my song will be the same

THE ACCLAMATION

Priest: Worthy is the Lord our God.

People: ***To receive glory and honor and power.***

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: ***And with your spirit.***

Priest: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. ***Amen.***

THE LESSONS

Revelation 7:9-17

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!"

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one who knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God
and worship him day and night within his temple,

and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
They will hunger no more and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat,
for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People : ***Thanks be to God.***

Psalm 149

1 Praise the Lord. O sing unto the LORD a new song; *
let the congregation of the faithful praise him.
2 Let Israel rejoice in the one who made him, *
and let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.
3 Let them praise his Name in the dance; *
let them sing praises unto him with timbrel and harp.
4 For the LORD has pleasure in his people *
and gives victory to those who are oppressed.
5 Let the faithful be joyful with glory; *
let them rejoice upon their beds.
6 Let the praises of God be in their mouth *
and a two-edged sword in their hands,
7 To inflict vengeance on the nations *
and to rebuke the peoples,
8 To bind their kings in chains *
and their nobles with links of iron,
9 That they may execute judgment upon them, as it is written; *
such honor have all his faithful. Praise the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.

Ephesians 1:11-23

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: ***Thanks be to God.***

THE GOSPEL *(congregation standing)*

Speak O Lord as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word
Take Your truth plant it deep in us
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: ***Glory to you, Lord Christ.***

Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he began to speak and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: ***Praise to You Lord Christ.***

Speak O Lord and renew our minds
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity

And by grace we'll stand on Your promises
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us
Speak O Lord till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory

THE SERMON

HOLY BAPTISM

THE EXHORTATION

Dearly beloved, Scripture teaches that we were all dead in our sins and trespasses, but by grace we may be saved through faith. Our Savior Jesus Christ said, "Unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God"; and he commissioned the Church to "make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." Here we ask our heavenly Father that this Candidate being baptized with water, may be filled with the Holy Spirit, born again, and received into the Church as a living member of Christ's body. Therefore, I urge you to call upon God the Father, through our Lord Jesus Christ, that of his abundant mercy he will grant to this Candidate that which by nature she cannot have.

THE PRESENTATION

Celebrant: The candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.
Presenters: We present N.N. to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

(For Adults and Older Children)
Celebrant: Have you already been baptized?
Candidate: No.
Celebrant: Do you desire to be baptized?
Candidate: I do.

(For Infants and Young Children)
Priest: Today, on behalf of *these children*, you shall make vows to renounce the devil and all his works, to trust God wholeheartedly, and to serve him faithfully. It is your task to see that they are taught, as soon as they are able to learn, the meaning of all

these vows, and of the Faith that you will profess as revealed in the Holy Scriptures. They must come to put their faith in Jesus Christ, and learn the Creeds, the Lord's Prayer, the Ten Commandments, and all other things that a Christian ought to know, believe, and do for the welfare of their souls. When they have embraced all these, they are to come to the Bishop to be confirmed, that they may publicly claim the Faith for their own and be further strengthened by the Holy Spirit to serve Christ and his kingdom.

Are you willing and ready to undertake this?
Presenters: *I am, the Lord being my helper.*

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Question: Do you renounce the devil and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?
Answer: *I renounce them.*

Question: Do you renounce the empty promises and deadly deceits of this world that corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?
Answer: *I renounce them.*

Question: Do you renounce the sinful desires of the flesh that draw you from the love of God?
Answer: *I renounce them.*

Almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness and evil, and lead you into the light and obedience of the kingdom of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Question: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and confess him as your Lord and Savior?
Answer: *I do.*

Question: Do you joyfully receive the Christian Faith, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?
Answer: *I do.*

Question: Will you obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in them all the days of your life?

Answer: *I will, the Lord being my helper.*

Priest: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these people in their life in Christ?

People: ***We will.***

Let us join together to proclaim our faith in the words of the ancient baptismal confession, the Apostles' Creed.

Priest: Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

People: ***I do.***
I believe in God, the Father
almighty, creator of heaven and
earth.

Priest: Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ?

People: ***I do.***
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by 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.

Priest: Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

People: ***I do.***
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.

LITANY FOR THE CANDIDATES
Let us now pray for those who are to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

That They may come to confess their faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.
People: We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.

That they may continue in the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers.
People: We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.

That they may walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which they have been called, ever growing in faith and all heavenly virtues.
People: We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.

That they may persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever they fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord.
People: We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.

That they may proclaim by word and deed the Good News of God in Christ Jesus to a lost and broken world.
People: We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.

That as living members of the Body of Christ, they may grow up in every way into him who is the head.
People: We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.

That, looking to Jesus, they may run with endurance the race set before them, and at the last receive the unfading crown of glory.
People: We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.

PRAYER FOR THE CANDIDATES
Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting Father, in your great mercy you saved Noah and his family in the Ark from the destruction of the flood, prefiguring the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Look mercifully upon these, your servants. Wash and sanctify them through your Holy Spirit, that they may be delivered from destruction and received into the Ark of Christ's Church; and being steadfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in love, they may pass through the turbulent floods of this troublesome world and come into the land of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen*.**

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER
Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: And with your spirit.
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them up to the Lord.
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John in the River Jordan when the Holy Spirit descended upon him as a dove.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are made regenerate by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now, Father, sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit. May all who are baptized here be cleansed from sin, be born again, and continue for ever faithful in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. ***Amen*.**

THE BAPTISM
Priest: Name this child.
N.N., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. ***Amen*.**

N.N., you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.
Amen.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, received them as your own children by adoption, made them members of your holy Church, and raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit, that they may enjoy everlasting salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord. ***Amen*.**

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People: ***We receive you into the fellowship of the Church. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in the royal priesthood of all his people.***

THE PEACE

Priest: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: ***And with your spirit.***
Priest: Let us greet one another and share the peace of Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE DOXOLOGY *(congregation standing)*
Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE OFFERTORY

Celebrant: Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for everything in heaven and on earth is Yours; Yours is the Kingdom, O LORD, and You are exalted as Head above all. All things come from You, O LORD,
People: **And of your own have we given You.**

THE SURSUM CORDA

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: ***And also with your spirit.***
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
People: ***We lift them up to the Lord.***
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: ***It is right to give Him thanks and praise.***

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For in the multitude of your Saints, you have surrounded us with so great a cloud of witnesses that we, rejoicing in their fellowship, may run with patience the race that is set before us, and, together with them, may receive the crown of glory that does not fade away.

Therefore we praise You, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever say this hymn to proclaim the glory of Your Name:

THE SANCTUS

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 PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Holy and gracious Father: In Your infinite love You made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against You and become subject to evil and death, You, in your mercy, sent Your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary He became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to Your will, He stretched out His arms upon the Cross and offered Himself once for all, that by His suffering and death we might be saved. By His resurrection He broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and

Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, He ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when He had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for 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 in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer You these gifts.

Sanctify them by Your Word and Holy Spirit to be for Your people the Body and Blood of Your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with Him, that He may dwell in us and we in Him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under Your Christ, and bring us with all Your saints into the joy of Your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through Your Son Jesus Christ: By Him, and with Him, and in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is Yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. ***Amen.***

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

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.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

COMMUNION SONG
23, Legacy Nashville (Kiki Negron, Brian Nhira, Rebekah White, Gracie Binion)

THE PRAYER OF CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Heavenly Father, we thank You for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of Your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out into the world to do the work You have

given us to do, to love and serve You as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To Him, to You, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

THE RECESSIONAL (congregation standing)

<u>The Lion and the Lamb</u>

(Verse 1)
He's coming on the clouds
Kings and kingdoms will bow down
And every chain will break
As broken hearts declare His praise
For who can stop the Lord Almighty

(Chorus)
Our God is the lion, the Lion of Judah
He's roaring with power, and fighting our battles
And every knee will bow before Him
Our God is the lamb, the lamb that was slain
For the sins of the world, His blood breaks the chains
And every knee will bow before the lion and the lamb
Every knee will bow before Him (yeah)

(Verse 2)
So, open up the gates
Make way before the King of Kings
The God who comes to save
Is here to set the captives free
For who can stop the Lord Almighty

(Bridge)
For who can stop the Lord Almighty
Who can stop the Lord Almighty

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon: Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: ***Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

Announcements

Firepit Party: Mark Your Calendars!

We will be hosting a Firepit Party in the Apostles parking lot on **Friday, November 13th at 6 pm**. We plan on providing hot dogs, hamburgers, s'mores, and sides. ***Please plan on bringing chairs.*** We look forward to a fun time together!

APOSTLES ANGLICAN CHURCH

Cold Weather Drive

Providing Warmth to Those Experiencing Homelessness in Lexington

Sunday, October 25 - Sunday, November 15

Community Partners Need:

Blankets
Knit Hats
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Donations Can Be Made During Sunday Services

Service Times - 8:30, 10:55 AM
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