



THE COMMUNITY OF ST. PHILIP AT WORSHIP  
ALL SAINTS' DAY  
NOVEMBER 1, 2020

What we have once enjoyed we can never lose. A sunset, a mountain bathed in moonlight, the ocean in calm and in storm — we see these, love their beauty, hold the vision to our hearts. All that we love deeply becomes part of us. Our beloved ones are no more lost to us when they die than if they were still laughing and loving and working and playing at our side. Life is overlord of Death, life is stronger than death, and Love can never lose its own.

— Helen Keller: *The Open Door*, page 131

**Opening Voluntary**

*Suite du 2e Ton: Plein Jeu & Duo*

Louis-Nicolas Clérambault  
(1676–1749)

**Handbell Introit**

*For All the Saints*

SINE NOMINEE • arr. Jason Krug  
(b. 1978)

**Opening Sentences**

**Hymn 326** (*see page 7*)

*For All the Saints*

SINE NOMINE

**Prayer of Confession**

Eternal God,  
in every age you have raised up men and women  
to live and die in faith.  
We confess that we are indifferent to your will.  
You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent.  
You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle.  
You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid.  
In your mercy, forgive us.  
Give us courage to follow in your way,  
that joined with those from ages past,  
who have served you with faith, hope, and love,  
we may inherit the kingdom you have promised in Jesus Christ.

*silent prayer*

**Response**

John Weaver

Lord, have mer - cy.  
Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

**Declaration of Forgiveness**Believe the Good News. **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.****Response**

John Weaver

Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the  
Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is  
now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men. A - men. A - men.

**Words of Peace**

In Christ, God is reconciling the whole world,  
and God is entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.  
We are ambassadors for Jesus Christ. God's appeal is being made through us.  
Peace be with you. Peace be with all.

**Anthem***O quam gloriosum*Tomás Luis de Victoria  
(1548–1611)

SUNG IN LATIN	TRANSLATION
<i>O quam gloriosum est regnum in quo cum Christo gaudent omnes sancti. Amicti stolis albis, Sequuntur Agnum quocumque ierit.</i>	O how glorious is the kingdom in which, with Christ, all the saints rejoice. Clothed in white robes, they follow the Lamb wherever he goes.

**Prayer for Illumination****Scripture Reading**

Revelation 7:9-17

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God!****Sermon**

The Whole Church

John W. Wurster

**Hymn 375** (see page 8)*Shall We Gather at the River*

HANSON PLACE

**Prayers of the People and Remembrances of the Saints**

**Anthem***Lead, kindly Light*Howard Helvey  
(b. 1968)

Lead, kindly Light, amid the encircling gloom, lead thou me on!  
 The night is dark, and I am far from home; lead thou me on!  
 Keep thou my feet; I do not ask to see the distant scene;  
 One step enough for me.

I was not ever thus, nor prayed that thou shouldst lead me on;  
 I loved to choose and see my path, but now lead thou me on!  
 I loved the garish day, and, spite of fears, pride ruled my will.  
 Remember not past years!

Meantime, along the narrow, rugged path thyself has trod,  
 Lead, Savior, lead me home in childlike faith, home to my God.  
 To rest forever after earthly strife in the calm light of everlasting life.  
 Amen, amen, amen.

— words by John Henry Newman (1801–1890)  
 and Edward H. Bickersteth, Jr. (1825–1906)

**The Sacrament of Holy Communion****Invitation to the Lord's Table****The Great Thanksgiving**

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 our thanks and praise.**

Thanks and praise to you, O God . . . who forever sing your praise:

**Sanctus**

LAND OF REST

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and  
 might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is  
 he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

We give you thanks for Jesus Christ . . . and we offer ourselves in your service:

Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.  
 Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, . . . Holy Three-in-One, now and forever.



## The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

## Breaking of Bread and the Sharing of God's Gifts

### Communion Anthem

*Within These Walls*

Stephen Caracciolo  
(b. 1962)

Within these walls, the sound of praises,  
Radiant alleluias rise.  
Ceaseless prayer and hymn ascending,  
Sweet as incense to the skies.  
Holy, holy, holy God, all glory,  
Saints on earth and saints above  
join to bless the Lord of love.

Within these walls, a meal for sharing,  
Tender alleluias rise.  
Bread and wine for celebration,  
Hymns to praise the Crucified.  
Holy, holy, holy God, all glory,  
Saints on earth and saints above  
join to share this feast of love.

Within these walls, a faith confessing,  
Joyous alleluias rise.  
Songs of hope and revelation,  
God's own word and sign inspire.  
Holy, holy, holy God, all glory,  
Saints on earth and saints above  
speak of promise, sing of love.

Within these walls, yet far beyond all,  
Wondrous alleluias rise.  
Word and song and all creation  
Praise the Son of God, Most High!  
Holy, holy, holy God, all glory,  
Saints on earth and saints above,  
join to bless the Lord of love.

## Prayer after Communion

**Closing Hymn** *(see page 9)**O God, Beyond All Praising*

THAXTED

**Charge and Blessing****Closing Voluntary***Suite du 2e Ton: Caprice sur les Grands Jeux*

L-N Clérambault

 **SERVING TODAY****Liturgists**

Keatan King and Omar Rouchon

**Musicians**

Deb Burks, Elizabeth Duerr, Jane Malcewskyj, Bonnie Moore, Jeromy Murphy and Diana Weiss — bell players  
 Julia Fox, Cecilia Duarte, Thomas Lewis O'Neill and Nicholas Rathgeb, vocalists  
 Matthew Dirst, organist | Randall Swanson, music director

 **WORSHIP NOTES**

On All Saints' Day, we remember with thanksgiving those from our church family who have died this past year: Virginia Lemen, Betty Golemon, Bob Stanley, Paxton Williams, Rita Hannah, Patrick Ball, Virginia McFarland, Donna Host, Paul Pennington, Toto McGehee, Ruth Weber, Jane English, Betty Stone, and Barbara German.

An additional mission offering is received on Sundays when communion is celebrated. Our November communion offering will support our mission partner Living Waters for the World. Living Waters for the World (LWW) empowers everyday people to change lives through clean water. LWW trains, equips and supports volunteers in forming global, clean water mission partnerships. These mission partnerships empower international communities to install and sustain water purification systems and health education programs that transform lives. Several St. Philip members are active with LWW and have participated in trips to water project sites in the Yucatan and elsewhere. You can find out more about LWW at: <https://www.livingwatersfortheworld.org/> You can give securely to the November Communion Offering through the MyStPhilip link, or send a check to the church office, with "November Communion Offering" in the memo line.

**Lectionary Readings**

- Revelation 7:9–17—*The redeemed gather at God's throne; the Lamb is their shepherd.*
- Psalm 34:1–10, 22—*Bless the Lord, our redeemer; taste and see that the Lord is good.*
- 1 John 3:1–3—*See what love the Father has given us; we are God's children now.*
- Matthew 5:1–12—*The Beatitudes: blessed are you; your reward is great in heaven.*

## MUSIC NOTES

**Organ music** — Louis-Nicolas Clérambault served as organist for two prominent Paris churches: L'église des Grands-Augustins and Saint-Sulpice. He was also a chamber musician in the household of Madame de Maintenon, longtime mistress to Louis XIV. His organ music follows the normal plan of French organ books from this time, following the flow of the mass, with individual suite movements bearing titles that refer to their particular stop combinations. His Second Suite opens with a “Plein Jeu,” which refers to the principal chorus with mixtures. A sprightly duet (“Duo”) follows directly. A “caprice” brings this suite to a close on the “Grands Jeux,” the full reed choruses of the organ.

**Handbell music** — This morning we also hear “real” handbell music during the 11:00 a.m. hour for the first time since February! Many thanks to members of Bell Canto who have braved COVID restrictions and joined us to play a brief hymn-tune arrangement by Indianapolis-based composer Jason Krug, who has written over 400 handbell compositions, as well as other works for piano, organ, choir, and string orchestra. Krug’s setting of *For All the Saints* (which we also sing as our opening hymn) is written for a small handbell ensemble of just six ringers, today playing widely distanced from each other (and masked) along the two side aisles in the church.

**Choral music** — Today’s **first anthem** *O quam gloriosum*, a motet for All Saints, was written during 16th-century Spanish composer Victoria’s time in Rome — when he was in his early 20s and serving as organist at the Aragonese Santa Maria di Monserrato church — and published in his First Book of Motets in 1572. One of Victoria’s most popular motets, its opening is notable for its verve and drive, heralding with joyful vigor the Latin words for “O how glorious is the kingdom.” The three lower voices then climb triumphantly up the scale at ‘*gaudent*’ (“rejoice”) below long notes in the top voice. The motet’s unrelenting energy pauses only briefly at ‘*amicti stolis albis*’ as the righteous are clothed for heaven. It’s all very joyous — one of those happy pieces that remind us that Victoria’s music is not all penitential or linked to Holy Week and Tenebrae. • This morning’s **second anthem** is by American composer and organist Howard Helvey, who serves as organist and choirmaster of Calvary Episcopal Church in Cincinnati, Ohio. His setting of John Henry Newman’s *Lead, kindly Light* fits its text well with beautiful harmonies and gently flowing movement that mirror the quiet dignity of eternal life in the heavenly kingdom. • Today’s **communion anthem** features a beautiful eucharistic text for All Saints with both words and music by American composer Stephen Caracciolo. *Within these walls* was commissioned by First Presbyterian Church in Steubenville, Ohio, and published in 1995. It is yet another depiction of the heavenly kingdom — this one both here and in the beyond — its refrain concluding each stanza with “Holy, holy, holy God, all glory. Saints on earth and saints above join to bless the Lord of love.” Stephen Caracciolo serves as the Artistic Director of [LancasterChorale](#), Central Ohio’s premier professional chamber choir, as well as Assistant Professor of Music at the University of Maryland Baltimore County (UMBC), where he teaches voice and conducting in addition to leading the Camerata Chamber Choir.

— Matthew Dirst and Randall Swanson

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## Opening Hymn 326

*For All the Saints*

SINE NOMINE



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!

The broad and sweeping tune with which this hymn is so closely identified was created to be sung during a reverent but dramatic procession at the beginning of an All Saints' Day service, an enacted representation of the enduring "fellowship divine" celebrated by this text.

TEXT: William Walsham How, 1864  
 MUSIC: Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

SINE NOMINE  
 10.10.10 with alleluias

Return to order of service...

1 Shall we gath-er at the riv-er, where bright an-gel feet have trod,  
 2 On the mar-gin of the riv-er, wash-ing up its sil-ver spray,  
 3 Ere we reach the shin-ing riv-er, lay we ev-ery bur-den down;  
 4 Soon we'll reach the shin-ing riv-er; soon our pil-grim-age will cease;

with its crys-tal tide for-ev-er flow-ing by the throne of God?  
 we will walk and wor-ship ev-er, all the hap-py gold-en day.  
 grace our spir-its will de-liv-er, and pro-vide a robe and crown.  
 soon our hap-py hearts will quiv-er with the mel-o-dy of peace.

*Refrain*

Yes, we'll gath-er at the riv-er, the beau-ti-ful, the beau-ti-ful riv-er;

gath-er with the saints at the riv-er that flows by the throne of God.

A Baptist pastor wrote this hymn while seated at his parlor organ. Created as an alternative to gloomy "river of death" hymns, it is a celebration of the "pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb" (Revelation 22:1 KJV).



## Closing Hymn

*O God, Beyond All Praising*

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1. O God be-yond all prais - ing, we wor-ship you to -  
 2. Then hear, O gra-cious Sav - ior, ac - cept the love we  
 day and sing the love a - maz - ing that  
 bring, that we who know your fa - vor may  
 songs can - not re - pay; for we can on - ly  
 serve you as our king; and whe - ther our to -  
 won - der at ev - ery gift you send, at  
 mor - rows be filled with good or ill, we'll  
 bless - ings with - out num - ber and mer - cies with - out  
 tri - umph through our sor - rows and rise to bless you  
 end: We lift our hearts be - fore you and  
 still: To mar - vel at your beau - ty and  
 wait up - on your Word, we hon - or and a -  
 glo - ry in your ways, and make a joy - ful  
 dox - ology, our great and might - y Lord.  
 du - ty our sac - ri - fice of praise.

WORDS: Michael Perry (Heb. 13:15)

MUSIC: Gustav T. Holst

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Return to order of service...

## IN OUR PRAYERS

*Family and friends of Nancy Craig, former secretary at St. Philip, who died on October 27.*

*Douglas Duerr and family upon the death of his father-in-law, Drury Caine, on October 28.*

*St. Philippians and their families—* Ellen MacDonald; Arlette Keene; CJ Miller; Jan Ostendorf; Laney Miller; Susan Huffman; Joyce Fugit; Vicki McKay; Mary Sinderson; Marion Takehara; Emily Estill; Travis Calhoun; Jeanne West; Greg Moore; Lonnie Fugit; Mezgebe Gebray; Douglas Everhart—brother of Nancy Everhart Johnson; Carol Paine Kendrick—sister of Stephen Paine; Gene Lindley—father of Janet Hess; Betty Grant—sister of Eleanor Grant; John Anderson—brother of Tom Anderson; Janet Fisher—sister-in-law of Dan Cleveland; Liam Hunter—cousin of Mary Ann Thomas; Bessie Johnson—mother of Pat Lindsay; Mac & Beverly Wilson—parents of Butch Wilson; Vera Moore—mother of Chuck Johnson; Kelsey Higgs Gallegos & family—daughter of Nancy Higgs; Dottie Laas and family—cousin of Sam Fisher; Alice Barron—sister-in-law to Beth Atkinson; Nikolaus Malczewskyj—father-in-law of Jane Malczewskyj; John Beck—brother of Nancy Young; Margie Foster—mother of Mark Young; Miriam Kalmbach—aunt of Nancy Higgs; Shirley and Weldon Boggus, Sr.—grandparents of Omi Ford; Jimmy Reagan—father of Sarah O'Dell; Dona Rowe—mother of William Rowe; Elizabeth Carlton Lithio—granddaughter of Jeanie Flowers; and Ann Morgan—sister of Dorothy Blackwell.

*Homebound:* Sue Baier; Walter Baker; Joe Anne Berwick; John Bobbitt; Paulie Carlson; Kitty Curry; Barbara German; George Helland; Alice Pennington; Joyce Randolph; Van Rathgeber; Jean Nelson; Jody Tomforde; and Penny Vieau.

*Friends of St. Philippians:* Charlie McCarthy—friend of Bonnie Moore; Cecil Trent—friend of Jane Cooper; Craig Slein—friend of Denise Ferrell and Steve Carmichael; Melinda Penny—friend of Denise Ferrell; David Shebay—friend of Greg Han; Hyam Ashoo and Clayton Amacker—friends of Peg Palisin and Gary Gardner; Shirley Stubblefield—friend of Barbara Runge; and Walter "Buddy" Hamman III friend of Robin and Gary Willis.

*We also pray for health care workers, first responders, and caregivers; for those who are sick; and for those watch and wait.*

If you have a pastoral care need or a prayer request you would like to share, please email [deacons@saintphilip.net](mailto:deacons@saintphilip.net).

Pledge payments, communion gifts and other gifts to support the Church can be made anytime through our website (<http://saintphilip.net/>) or sent to the Church Office at 4807 San Felipe, Houston, TX 77056.

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

**We continue to invite you to attend our daily prayer services at 11:00 a.m. (Monday-Saturday).** Currently, we have a limit of five persons per day. Advance registration is required. For more information on conditions and to register click [here](#). We hope that the opportunity to again worship in the sacred space of our Sanctuary will be a source of comfort and hope. If you have trouble with the registration or are not online, please call Lorrie Castle (832-262-1244—cell).

[Our website](#) has information a current list of **opportunities on Zoom** for fellowship and spiritual formation.

**CHURCH & SOCIETY - November 8 - 10:00 a.m. - 10:50 a.m. - *How to Calculate Carbon and Plastic Footprints* -** Learn what we can do to bring the carbon footprint for a person in the USA from 16 tons to under 2 tons by 2050. By making small changes to our actions, we can start making a big difference. Presented by Prof. Jim Blackburn - Professor in the Practice of Environmental Law in the Civil Environmental Engineering Dept. - Rice University.



### SAVE THE DATE

#### Celebration Drive-thru

November 14

10:00 a.m. until 12 noon

- Drop off your pledge card.
- Pick up a meal to take home.

Or mail your pledge card to the church office at 4807 San Felipe, Houston, TX 77056