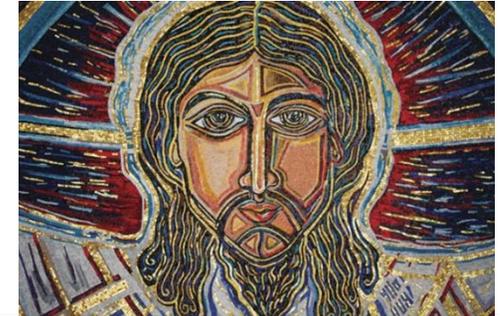


Pathways Monthly Prayer Readings
November 2022



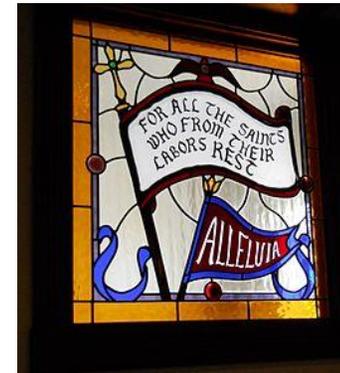
Wed. November 2, 2022
Lectio Divina

O that my words were written down!
O that they were inscribed in a book!
O that with an iron pen and with lead
they were engraved on a rock forever!
For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;
and after my skin has been thus destroyed,
then in my flesh I shall see God,
whom I shall see on my side,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another. -Job 19:23-27 NRSV



All Saints/All Souls

I have heard of your faith
in the Lord Jesus and your love
toward all the saints, and for this reason ...
I remember you in my prayers.
I pray that God...
may give you a spirit of wisdom
and revelation so that, with the eyes
of your heart enlightened,
you may know what is the hope
to which he has called you,
what are the riches of his glorious inheritance
among the saints. -Ephesians 1:15-18 NRSV



Thurs. November 3, 2022

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
the world and those who live in it.
Let the floods clap their hands;
let the hills sing together for joy,
at the presence of God coming... -Psalm 98:7-8 NRSV

Wed. November 9, 2022
Lectio Divina

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth;
the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.
But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating;
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.
I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people;
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. - Isaiah 65:17-19 NRSV

Thur. November 10, 2022
Centering Prayer

The sun of righteousness shall rise,
with healing in its wings. -Malachi 4:2a

<p>Wed. November 15, 2022 Lectio Divina</p>	<p>I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. -Jeremiah 23:5 NRSV</p>	
	<p>"By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace." -Luke 1:78-79</p>	
<p>Thur. November 17, 2022 Centering Prayer</p>	<p>"Be still, and know that I am God! - Psalm 46:10</p>	
<p>November 2 All Souls</p>	<p>Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, All Souls' Day Wednesday 2 November 2022</p> <p>Romans 12:9-16 NRSV Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.</p> <p>Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are.</p> <p>Today the Church remembers all those who have died, and in this reading remembers them in the context of genuine love. Remember before God, for a few moments, people you love who have died.</p> <p>"Hold fast to what is good", Paul tells us here. What particular good memories do you have of the people you have been remembering?</p> <p>Paul offers 21 commands, or perhaps pieces of advice, in this short passage. As it is read again, pick just one of these as a focus for the rest of this prayer.</p> <p>Finally, take a moment or two to speak to God about the command or advice that you chose. Why is it important to you, and what would you have to do to follow it? Pray as You Go</p>	

November 1,2022

The Feast of All Saints | Tuesday 1 November 2022

Holy, holy, holy!
Lord God Almighty
Early in the morning
Our song shall rise to Thee
Holy, holy, holy!
Merciful and mighty
God in three persons
Blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy!
Though the darkness hide thee
Though the eye of sinful man
Thy glory may not see
Only Thou art holy
There is none beside Thee
Perfect in power, in love and purity

Holy, holy, holy!
Lord God Almighty
Oh thy works shall praise Thy name
In earth and sky and sea
Holy, holy, holy!
Merciful and mighty
God in three persons
Blessed Trinity
Oh God in three persons
Blessed Trinity!

Today's reading is from the book of the Apocalypse.
Apoc 7:2-4,9-14

I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, having the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to damage earth and sea, saying, 'Do not damage the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have marked the servants of our God with a seal on their foreheads.' And I heard the number of those who were sealed, one hundred and forty-four thousand, sealed out of every tribe of the people of Israel.

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 worshipped God, singing:
'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honour
and power and might
be to our God for ever 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 that 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.'

The author of the Apocalypse here paints a vivid picture of all the saved gathered around the throne of God. Take a moment, as this prayer starts, to get a sense of what that's like. Make sure that you include yourself in the huge crowd.

What unites all these people is their determination to praise God. What kind of situation have you ever been in that gives you some hint of what that might be like?

At the centre of this crowd is a select group who have been persecuted for what they believe in. Who might you see in that group, or what kinds of people would you expect to be there?

As the second part of the passage is read again, notice the words that the angels sing in praise of God, and make those words your own.

Let your praise of God continue, in your own words this time, as this time of prayer draws to a close.
Pray As You Go