

Beloved God, who was known to our mothers and fathers, and even to our spiritual forebears, have mercy on us. We do not always love as you would have us love. We do not always do as you would have us do. In our stubbornness, we turn from you when we should turn toward you. Hold us, dear One – comfort us when we mourn the passing of friends and family, and help us to know that they are rejoicing in your presence. We praise you for the grace you shower on us, constantly forgiving our errors, especially the ones that we don't share with any but you. Hear now the silent fears and worries of our hearts.

Assurance of Pardon

***Hymn 581** Glory Be to the Father GLORIA PATRI (GREATOR EX)

*Glory Be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.*

Message For All God's Children

(Children and youth will go downstairs for Church School.)

Prayer for Illumination

Lesson from the Hebrew Bible: Deuteronomy 6:1-9

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Anthem

I Believe
Chancel Choir

Mark Miller

Lesson from the Gospels: Mark 12:28-34

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Sermon "Not Far from the Kingdom of God"

The Reverend Thomas A. Brown

Litany of Remembrance for All Saints' Day

Today, we are remembering these former PCCT members:

Merilee M. Anderson Martha T. Hellriegel Nancy A. Sellen

Hymn 731 (*seated*) Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith Is Firm

REPTON

The Lord's Prayer "debts . . . debtors"

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Call to Offering

Offertory Salvation is Created Paul Chesnokov/arr. Matthew Zabiiegala

***Doxology** OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***Prayer of Dedication**

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Elements

All who put their trust in Jesus are welcome to partake of the sacrament. Ushers will serve worshippers in the pews, first the bread, then the cup. Please hold the elements until all have been served so we may take them together. Bread in the center dish is gluten-free.

Prayer after Communion

***Recessional Hymn 730** I Sing a Song of the Saints of God GRAND ISLE

***Benediction**

Postlude Improvisation on *SINE NOMINE* arr. Matthew Zabiiegala

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This morning's plate offering (gifts received in cash) is designated for the work of our Board of Deacons, which coordinates important ministries of congregational care and compassion. Please remember them in your giving today and on the first Sunday in the months to come.

Today's worship leaders are Rev. Thomas A. Brown
and Elder Evan Skinner.

Our ushers this morning are Linda Barnes, Lissa MacCallum,
Doug Magill, Story Savage, and Carolyn Smith.

Special thanks to Bob Eager and Lynn Apolinaro
for their technical assistance today.

THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH: November 4 - 9, 2024

Monday

11:30 am A New Day, Halldorson Hall
7:00 pm Deacons, Halldorson Hall
Boy Scouts, Mulford Hall

Tuesday

10:00 am Staff Meeting, Halldorson Hall

Wednesday

9:30 am Bible Study, Theos
5:00 pm Children's Music, Bell Room
5:45 pm Chat & Chew, Mulford Hall
6:00 pm Personnel Mtg., Staff Conf. Rm.

Thursday

Office working from home due to
Boiler Work - Music Rehearsals TBD
6:45 pm Sanctuary Ringers, Bell Room
7:45 pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room

NEXT SUNDAY, November 10, 2024

Guest Minister: Rev. Peter Magnan

10:00 am **Worship, Sanctuary;** Nursery Care, A-9
10:15 am One Room Schoolhouse, Theos
11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship, Mulford Hall

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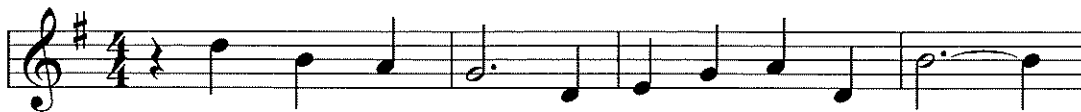
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For All the Saints



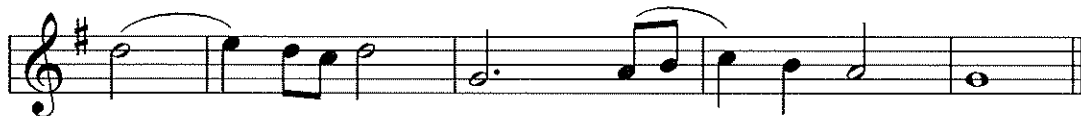
1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest, who
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might;
 3 O blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine!
 4 And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long,
 5 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through



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!

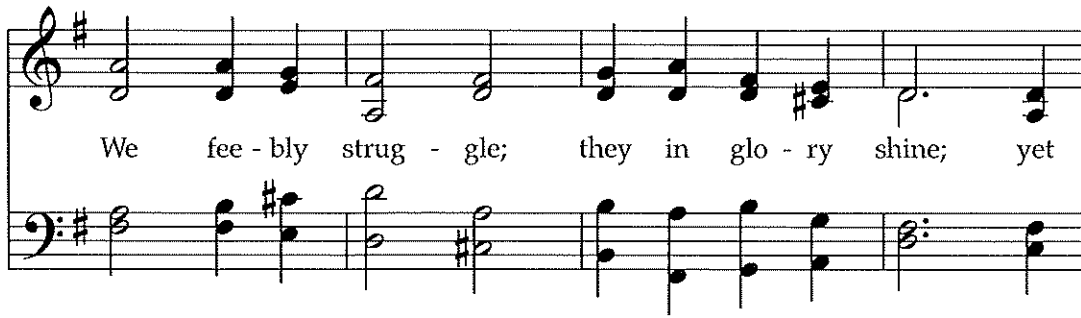
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The broad and sweeping tune with which this hymn is so closely identified was created to be sung during a reverent but dramatic procession at the beginning of an All Saints' Day service, an enacted representation of the enduring "fellowship divine"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

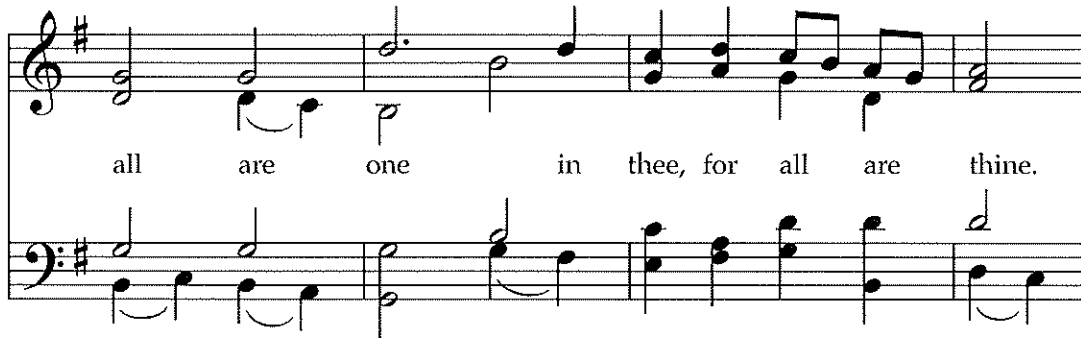
Harmony, stanza 3



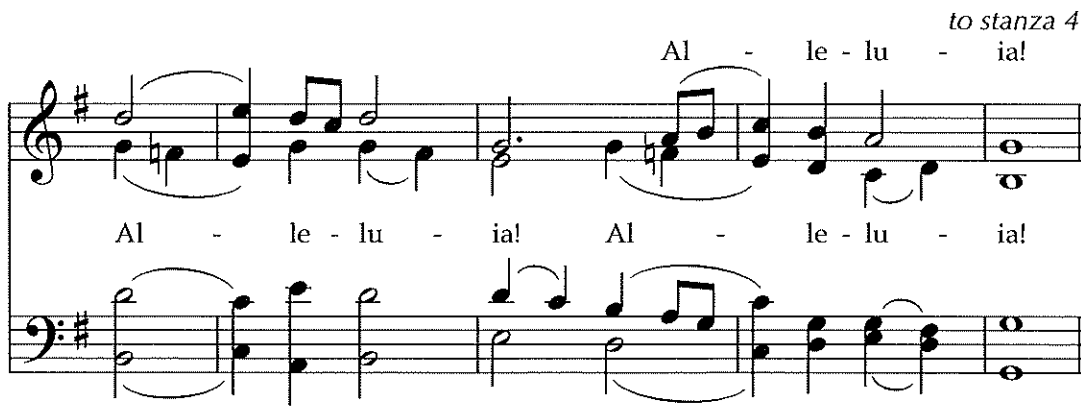
3 O blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine!



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

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Give Thanks for Those
Whose Faith Is Firm

Capo 1: (D) (A) (Bm) (G)
E^b B^b Cm A^b

1 Give thanks for those whose faith is firm when all a -
 2 Give thanks for those whose hope is clear, be - yond mere
 3 Give thanks for those whose love is pure, a spar - kling
 4 Give thanks for saints of a - ges past and saints a -

(D) (A) (D) (G) (Em) (A) (F#m)
E^b B^b E^b A^b Fm B^b Gm

round seems bleak: on God's good prom - ise they re - ly, so
 mor - tal sight: who seek the cit - y God has planned, the
 pre - cious stone: they show by what they say and do an
 live to - day: though of - ten by this world de - spised, their

(Bm) (G) (Em) (A7) (D)
Cm A^b Fm B^b7 E^b

while they live and when they die how force - ful -
 true, e - ter - nal prom - ised land, and steer on
 in - ward beau - ty, warm and true, for God's con -
 hearts by God are rich - ly prized. Give thanks that

(A7) (B) (Em) (G) (A7) (D)
B^b7 C Fm A^b B^b7 E^b

ly they speak: the strong, who once were weak!
 toward that light, a bea - con ev - er bright.
 cerns they own: God's love through them is known.
 we may say we share their pil - grim way.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

The first three stanzas of this text are organized around the three great virtues—faith, hope, and love—mentioned in 1 Corinthians 13:13. These have indeed been the marks of the faithful people of God always and everywhere, and the final stanza sums up our gratitude for them.

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God 730



1 I sing a song of the saints of God, pa - tient and
 2 They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, and God's love
 3 They lived not on - ly in a - ges past; there are hun - dreds of



brave and true, who toiled and fought and lived and
 made them strong; and they fol - lowed the right, for Je - sus'
 thou - sands still; the world is bright with the joy - ous



died for the Lord they loved and knew. And one was a
 sake, the whole of their good lives long. And one was a
 saints who love to do Je - sus' will. You can meet them in



doc - tor, and one was a queen, and one was a shep - herd - ess
 sol - dier, and one was a priest, and one was slain by a
 school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains, or in



on the green: they were all of them saints of
 fierce wild beast: and there's not an - y rea - son,
 shops, or at tea; for the saints of God are just



God, and I mean, God help - ing, to be one too.
 no, not the least, why I should - n't be one too.
 folk like me, and I mean to be one too.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Despite the quaintness of some of the language in this text, it has an important message to communicate about the down-to-earth ordinariness of the holy people of God at all times and places. The tune name honors the island in Vermont's Lake Champlain where the composer lived.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 3, 2024

We are delighted you've chosen to worship with us today. Please let an usher or the minister know if we can assist you in any way. Our Sanctuary is equipped with an induction loop system for those with hearing difficulties.

TODAY AT CHURCH

The Sacrament of Communion

All Saints' Remembrance

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| 9:15 am & 11:00 am | Confirmation Class, Youth Suite |
| 10:00 am | Worship , Sanctuary; Nursery, Room A-9 |
| 10:15 am | Church School & Breakfast Club |
| 11:00 am | Coffee & Fellowship, Mulford Hall |



CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel Flowers are presented to the Glory of God and in memory of our loved ones.

PUMPKIN PATCH THANK YOU!

Thank you for supporting our 18th annual pumpkin patch! This year we had over \$13,000 in pumpkin sales with 100% of the proceeds going to local hunger relief efforts. Any pumpkins left over and the extra hay bales are picked up by a local farmer and used as feed for the animals on the farm.



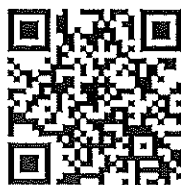
2025 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

Empowering Those Who Guide Us

Our church's success is built on the dedication of our incredible staff. Your contribution to the "Strength for Today, Bright Hope for Tomorrow" stewardship campaign supports this knowledgeable and caring team that helps us achieve our mission. **Whether mailed, delivered in-person, or online, let's make our pledges count by November 24.** Your support ensures that we can continue to grow and thrive together.

CHILDREN'S MUSIC MEETING: Wednesday, November 6, 5:00 pm

Children's Music will be meeting again on Wednesday, November 6 from 5:00 - 5:45 pm in the Bell Room with Ms. Caitlyn. All are welcome to join. Ms. Caitlyn will be there to escort children to Chat & Chew with Ms. Yvonne for those who are participating in both programs. Please scan the QR code to fill out an information form. Feel free to reach out at chuetz@pcct-nj.org with any questions!



CHILDREN'S CLUB CHAT & CHEW: Wednesday, November 6, 5:45 pm

Our mid-week Church school program meets again this week on Wednesday, November 6 from 5:45 pm – 7:00 pm. Please contact our Director of Family Ministries Yvonne Anderson for more information.

DINNER CHURCH: Wednesday, November 13, 6:00 pm in Mulford Hall

Save the date for our second Dinner Church, an informal, all-ages worship service with the theme of **Gratitude**. Come as you are for a casual dinner and time to center your week around the sustaining presence of God. The meal is being lovingly prepared by our children, under the direction of Ms. Yvonne Anderson. They will also have a hand in designing elements of the service, helping participants to express a shared sense of thanksgiving. Expect to be fed in body, mind, and spirit. Please sign up to attend via our website or weekly e-blasts.

COMMUNITY FOODBANK OF NJ: Saturday, November 16, 9:00 – 11:00 am

Our next day to join us at the Community FoodBank of New Jersey in Hillside is coming up. Volunteers ages 12 and up generally help sort and repackage food for distribution. Carpooling can be arranged as needed. Advance signups are required. Please contact Joslin Ruffle at joscookson@aol.com for more information.

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

Sunday, November 17, 3:30 pm in Halldorson Hall

Led by the Deacons, this contemplative candlelight service provides an opportunity to remember and give thanks for loved ones recently lost and long-missed during the holiday season. During the service of prayer and reflection, the Deacons read the names of those we are remembering. If you are unable to attend, but would like a name read, please email the person's name and their relationship to you to Pastor Tom at tbrown@pcct-nj.org or fill out a card found on the back table in the narthex.

WOMEN'S EVENING FELLOWSHIP "MILESTONES"

Thursday, November 21

Please join other PCCT midlife moms for our next "Milestones, embracing grace in the middle place" evening of fellowship. We'll gather on Thursday, November 21, at a local restaurant to enjoy dinner together. More details will follow. For more information about the group, please reach out to Stacy McCann at swmccann@optonline.net

FRIENDSGIVING: Saturday, November 23, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

at the home of Sally and Tom Abbott

Save the date for our first Friendsgiving event! Please bring a beverage of your choice and an appetizer to share. More details to follow.



HARVEST FESTIVAL: Sunday, November 24

Join us in celebrating Thanksgiving by bringing non-perishables to worship on November 24, for donation to the Interfaith Food Pantry in Morris Plains. There is a list of items needed in today's insert. Following worship, please join us in Mulford Hall to help sort food. Many hands make light work for this wonderful cause! This is a Faith Forward opportunity. If possible, please bring your donations in **reusable bags** which will also be donated.

Giving Trees will be up too! Grab a tag or two!

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE: Tuesday, November 26, 7:30 pm

Join with Chatham friends and neighbors across all faiths and traditions in a joyous celebration of the many blessings we share. The service will be held here at PCCT. The event is sponsored by the Interfaith Council of the Chathams and Green Village. Please bring a non-perishable food item for donation to the CUMC Food Pantry; offering to go to the Chatham Emergency Squad.

SEEKING MEMORIAL GARDEN VOLUNTEERS

Did you know the Memorial Garden has been around for more than 40 years? During this time, we've had some wonderful volunteers who have shaped it into what it is today, however we are currently looking for new volunteers who would be willing to share their time and talents to continue making the garden flourish. If interested, please contact Virginia Hofler (973-443-4323) or Lauren Magill (973-610-5081).

