**All Saints Day Litany 2021**

**Call to Worship** (based on Exodus 15:1-11, 20-21; Romans 14:1-12)

No one is an island.

We are all joined in Christ Jesus.

**Who else is like you, loving God?**

**Who is like you: beautiful in holiness,**

**awesome in all the things you do for us.**

No one lives by themselves,

no one dies by themselves.

Whether we live or die

we are the Lord’s.

**The Lord is my strength and my song,**

**and he has become my salvation.**

— Bruce Prewer

**Scripture**

Psalm 23

Psalm 24

Isaiah 25:6-9

John 14:1-7, 27

Philippians 4:4-9

Revelation 21:1-6a

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We remember the great ancestors of our faith,

from Abraham and Sarah, to Paul and Phoebe:

**Ancestors of the faith, we remember you.**

We remember the prophets and priests,

the ministers and teachers who have taught us the way of God:

**Teachers of the faith, we remember you.**

We remember our grandparents and parents, aunts and uncles,

those who have gone before us in our lifetime:

**Family of our faith, we remember you.**

We lift up the memories of children and grandchildren,

brothers and sisters, husbands and wives and parents

whose lives ended too soon:

**Those close in our heart, we remember you.**

We lift up those known and unknown, but especially those dear to us,

Who died alone these past years.

Whose funerals are still waiting or we could not attend,

Whose families are scattered and whose grief is incomplete.

 **Those close in our hearts and their families, we remember you.**

We lift up to You, O God,

the names of those we have lost in this past year from our lives,

knowing that they are with Your heart forever.

As we read these names, we will pause after every name

to remember, pray, and give thanks for their life.

(*Reading of the names of those who have died in the past year.*)

We celebrate the lives of those we have named, O God,

and lift up many more names in our hearts.

**Family of God, we remember you, and we honor you.**

**We know you are with us in the spirit of worship,**

**and you will not be forgotten.**

We give thanks, O God,

for all who have gone on to join with You beyond this life.

We trust in the hope of resurrection and the promise of new life in Christ,

and know that in our grief and celebration, O God,

You are with us through it all, and we are not left alone.

In the name of Christ, in whom love lives forever, we pray.
**Amen.** — Rev. Mindi, on her [**Rev-o-lution**](http://rev-o-lution.org/2011/10/23/worship-resources-for-october-30-2011-and-all-saints-day/)website.

**Committal**

 “Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?”

…….. thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Almighty God,

 into your hands we commend again our dear loved ones,

 in sure and certain hope of resurrection to eternal life

 through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Care for them and keep them safe until we meet again.

**Hymn Selections**

11 The Lord’s my shepherd

26 As pants the hart

81 Unto the hills around

611 For all the saints

620 Go now in peace

621 God be with you till we meet again

794 Abide with me