

ALL SAINTS

(Standing)

Behold, a great multitude, which no one can number, out of every nation and of all tribes, and peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, with palm branches in their hands,

And they cry with a loud voice saying, "Salvation belongs to our God, who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb."

LYONS

Sal - va - tion to God, who sits on the throne! Let all cry a -
Then let us a - dore and give him his right, all glo - ry and

loud and hon - or the Son; the prais - es of Je - sus the
pow'r and wis - dom and might, all hon - or and bless - ing, with

an - gels pro - claim, fall down on their fac - es and wor - ship the Lamb.
an - gels a - bove, and thanks nev - er ceas - ing for in - fi - nite love.

These are the ones of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and the holes in the ground. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were slain with the sword, they were burned at the stake, they were killed by an assassin's bullet. They were destitute, persecuted, tormented. These are the ones who have come out of great tribulation; they have washed their robes and cleansed them in the blood of the Lamb.

Therefore they are before the throne of God, and they worship day and night in the temple.

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They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and will guide them to springs of living water.

And God shall wipe away every tear from their eyes.

BEDFORD (14 C)

Glo - ry to God whose wit - ness train, those he - roes bold in faith,
God whom we serve, our God can save, can damp the scorch - ing flame,
Lord, if your arm sup - port us still with its e - ter - nal strength,
could smile on pov - er - ty and pain, and tri - umph e'en in death.
can build an ark, can smooth the wave, for such as love his name.
we shall o'er - come the might - iest ill, and con - quer'rs prove at length.

(Kneeling or sitting)

Almighty God, Redeemer and Sustainer, we offer you thanks and praise for the holy lives of all your servants — the prophets, apostles, and martyrs — who have shone forth as lights in the world and sacrificed their lives in testimony of their faith.

(On the Sunday nearest July 6 the following sentence is added:)

We thank you for calling your servant John Hus to be an instrument of reformation and renewal in your church, and for keeping him faithful even unto a martyr's death.

We thank you for the triumphant fellowship of all the saints in glory. We remember before you all who have been called to the more immediate presence of the Savior, and especially those most dear to us and our congregation. We rejoice in our present fellowship with them, in our continuing hope, and in the promise of eternal joy. Let the great cloud of witnesses, the innumerable company of those who have gone before and entered into rest, be to us an example of godly life. May we run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith; and may we obtain entrance into your eternal kingdom, and with the glorious assembly of the saints, worship and adore you.

In the name of Je - sus. A - - men.

(Standing)

LANCASHIRE (151 M)

A - pos - tles, proph - ets, mar - tyrs, and all the sa - cred throug

who wear the spot - less rai - ment, who raise the cease - less song;

for those passed on be - fore us, our Sav - ior, we a - dore,

and walk - ing in their foot - steps, would serve you more and more.

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

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Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. If God is for us, who can be against us!

Hear the words of the Amen, the Faithful and True Witness, who was dead and is alive again: Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.

To him who loves us and washed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests to God, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

("Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand," Hymn 394, may be used in place of the following to conclude the liturgy.)

GOUDIMEL (205 A)

O ex - alt and praise the Lord, sing to Christ for - ev - er - more,
Let us call to mind with joy those who have be - fore us gone,

grate - ful - ly with one ac - cord with the an - gels now a - dore,
who ob - tained the vic - to - ry through the blood of Christ a - lone;

thank him for the faith - ful - ness where - with he his wit - ness - es,
that we all may zeal - ous - ly im - i - tate their con - stan - cy,

who in heav'n are per - fect - ed, through great trib - u - la - tion led.
till we too the prize re - ceive and with them in glo - ry live.

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