

First Baptist Church of Greensboro  
**The Worship of God**  
**All Saints' Sunday**  
November 7, 2021

And now, dear brothers and sisters, we want you to know what will happen to the believers who have died so you will not grieve like people who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and was raised to life again, we also believe that when Jesus returns, God will bring back with him the believers who have died.

We tell you this directly from the Lord: We who are still living when the Lord returns will not meet him ahead of those who have died. For the Lord himself will come down from heaven with a commanding shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet call of God. First, the believers who have died will rise from their graves.

Then, together with them, we who are still alive and remain on the earth will be caught up in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Then we will be with the Lord forever. So encourage each other with these words.

—1 Thessalonians 4.13-18

Call to Worship	10:30 a.m.
Christ Candle	Sarah Moore, acolyte
Opening the Bible	Charlotte Gill
Opening Sentences	Rev. Alan Sherouse

The Lord be with you;  
**and also with you.**

† Congregational Anthem

arr. John Ferguson

*For All the Saints*  
Choir and Congregation



Everyone For all the saints who from their la - bors rest, who  
 Treble Voices Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might;  
 Choir O blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine!  
 Bass Voices And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long,  
 Everyone 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 stream 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!

(SINE NOMINE, The Worshipping Church Hymnal, page 751)

A Time for Children

Rev. Courtney Willis

Roll Call of Saints

Rev. Willis  
Julia Lyle, Alex Wells acolytes

2020

**Jean Bundy** October 30, **Frank York** October 31, **Elsa Troxler** November 9,  
**Jerry Thompson** November 13, **Ansel Boiter** November 28,  
**Frank Irvin** December 20, **Rick Milligan** December 30

2021

**Ed Morrah** January 15, **Ann Barnes** January 16, **Cynthia Stone** January 31,  
**Clara Jennings** February 10, **Ken Brannon** February 22, **Pam Baggett** April 1,  
**Dorothy Bowden** April 8, **Wilma Fortune** April 13, **Dwight Fickling** April 15,  
**Carolyn Whicker** April 15, **Anna Whitlow** April 25, **Frank Wilson** May 7,  
**Lawrence Glisson** June 7, **Robert Echerd** June 10, **Margaret Eckelmann** June 28,  
**Win Rose** June 28, **Frances Bolen** July 3, **Edith Edmonds** July 9,  
**Ward Burch** July 11, **Frances Fogleman** July 14, **Helen Stinson** July 26,  
**Brian Deer** July 28, **Linda Gleason** July 31, **Bob Wiggins** August 3,  
**Blanche Hodge** August 7, **Willie Pitts** August 25, **Betsy McLean** September 9,  
**Barbara Brock** October 4, **Martha Robison-Spangler** October 10,  
**Bill Herring** October 17, **Marguerite Miller** October 22

Prayers of God's People

Rev. Willis

*Introit and Kyrie* from Requiem

*Gabriel Fauré*

*Rest eternal grant them, Lord our God, we pray to thee: and light perpetual forever shine on them.  
Thou, O God, art worshipped in holy Zion: unto thee the vow shall be performed in Jerusalem.  
Hear us, Lord; hear thy servants' prayer: Lord, unto thee all flesh shall come.  
Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.*

First Lesson

Wisdom of Solomon 3.1-9

Scott Lyle

*Offertory* from Requiem

*Gabriel Fauré*

Baker Lawrimore, baritone

*Lord Jesus Christ, thou that rulest in majesty, O hear our prayer and let our cry come unto thee;  
God our Father, bow thine ear: we pray this day for all the souls departed;  
O remember them, Lord. Grant them, Lord, grant them deliverance from death unto life,  
as of old thou hast promised to our fathers, Abraham and his seed. Amen.*

## Second Lesson

Isaiah 25.6-9

Keighley Johnson

### *Sanctus* from Requiem

*Gabriel Fauré*

*Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

## Third Lesson

Psalms 24

Rev. Chris Cherry

### †Hymn 689

AURELIA

*The Church's One Foundation*  
(stanzas one and five only)

## Fourth Lesson

John 11.32-44

Rev. Sherouse

## Meditation

Rev. Sherouse

## The Lord's Supper

Debbie Huneycutt, deacon chair

### *Agnus Dei* from Requiem

*Gabriel Fauré*

*Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, grant them rest forevermore.  
Light perpetual shine on them. With all thy saints in endless glory, for thy tender mercy's sake.*

## Fifth Lesson

Revelation 21.1-6

Rev. Willis

### *Libera me* from Requiem

*Gabriel Fauré*

Baker Lawrimore, baritone

*Lord, I pray, deliver me from death's everlasting fire on that great Day of Judgement, on that last day: when the earth and the heavens shall shake, when the earth and heavens shall shake and tremble.*

***In Paradisum*** from Requiem

*Gabriel Fauré*

*God's holy angels lead you to paradise: may saints in glory receive you at your journey's end, guiding your footsteps into the Holy City Jerusalem. Choirs of angels sing you to your rest; and with Lazarus raised to eternal life, may you forever rest in peace.*

**Invitation**

Rev. Sherouse

†Hymn Medley

(see hymn insert)

*When We All Get to Heaven  
There's A Land That Is Fairer Than Day  
Shall We Gather at the River  
Face to Face with Christ Our Savior*

**Recessional Anthem**

*Natalie Sleeth*

*There'll Be Joy in the Morning*

**Passing the Peace**

Rev. Sherouse



The choral and instrumental scores for *Requiem* by *Gabriel Fauré* were provided by donations to the Music Memorials Fund in memory of **Ken Brannon**.

## Sanctuary Choir

Alice Angell, Robert Angell, Jim Bearden, Louise Burroughs,  
Jerico Carrillo, Nancy Davis, Marie Delgado, Kathryn Frye, Sarah Frye,  
Don Fuller, Nathan Hall, Bill Hix, Genelle Hix, Seth Hix, Jackson Hopper,  
Baker Lawrimore, Holly Messick, Matt Messick, Shelby Moss, Jill Pegram,  
Jeff Perry, Lorie Rainey, Mike Risotti, Penny Rowe, Mandy Ryan,  
Levone Tobin Scott, Beverly Sherouse, Craig Sherouse, Jamell Strickland,  
Gayle Wager, Grace Wall, Peyton Wheeler, Teresa Whitehead, Becky Yaun

Terri Vancil, director

Doug Vancil, organ

Margaret Stuckey, rehearsal accompanist

## Orchestra

Gregorio Midero violin, Scott Rawls, Matthew Box, Megan Fisher viola

Margaret Petty, Lauren Shriver cello, Mara Barker double bass

Will Sizemore, Caleb Harris, Addison Lawrimore horn

Bonnie Bach harp

## Notes

A **Requiem**, in the context of today's service, is a musical setting of particular parts of a funeral mass and burial service of the Catholic church. First set to music for the church service, the Requiem genre evolved to the concert stage enticing the genius gifts of venerable composers including Mozart, Verdi, Brahms and Berlioz.

**Gabriel Fauré** (1845-1924), who first presented his Requiem at the fashionable Madeleine church in Paris in 1888, did not attribute his composition to anyone in particular. However, the death of his parents during this period might have influenced his break with custom to compose this tender setting with the hope of eternal rest rather than judgment and doom. The Requiem was performed at his own funeral in 1924.

Since the fifth century the Christian church has set aside a special day of the year to remember all saints and martyrs. Today marks the 30<sup>th</sup> observance of **All Saints' Sunday** at First Baptist Church introduced in 1991 by the children's ministry under the leadership of minister Sandra Canipe.

An English paraphrase of the Latin text sung by the choir is provided in today's program.