

All Souls' Day Liturgy of the Word

"They will hunger no more, and thirst no more . . . and God will wipe away every tear, from their eyes." Revelation 7:16-17"



Opening Prayer:

+ God of comfort, may our hearts be open to your healing touch. May our spirits be prepared to acknowledge the glory of your heavenly kingdom.

We ask this through Jesus your Son and our brother in love. Amen.

Scripture: John 14:1-7

Litany: We Look to You

All: We look to you with praise

For the blessing of the lives of our departed loved ones,

All: In praise

For opening your arms to receive our kin,

All: In praise

For the home of peace and love in which they now reside,

All: In praise

For the welcome you give to all your cherished children.

All: We look to you in hope

For healing amidst our sorrow for your loss,

All: With hope

For an abating of our mourning with the knowledge that our loved ones rest in you,

All: With hope

For the promise of tomorrows without grief and heartache,

All: With hope

For serenity that will return to our hearts in your time.

All: We look to you in remembrance

Of the life of our loved ones,

All: In remembrance,

Of their patience and strength,

All: In remembrance,

Of their love and support,

All: In remembrance,

Of their humour and companionship.

All: We look to you in thanksgiving

For our fond memories,

All: In thanksgiving

For the sharing of gifts,

All: In thanksgiving

For your everlasting love,

All: In thanksgiving

For the comfort you offer us.

**God of comfort, we look to you with praise, hope, remembrance and thanksgiving.
May our souls be open vessels into which you can pour your wisdom.
Amen.**

Closing Prayer:

Compassionate God,
May we open our hearts to receive your blessing.
May we open our souls to witness your grace.
May we open our lives to welcome your love..
We ask this through your Son, our companion, Jesus Christ.
+Amen.

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