Welcome to Holy Hermits Online Worship

Contemplative All Hallowtide 2026

Halloween, All Saints, and All Souls

Service Prep: Lauren
Music: Lauren
Proof-reader: Viki
Broadcaster: Lauren
Backup Broadcaster: Paul
Zoom Buttons: Viki

Chat Host: Viki
Welcomer: Chris
Leader: Julie
Cantor: Margo

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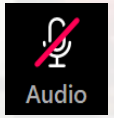
Attendance: Viki
Preacher: Jamee
Deacon: Lauren
Priest: Jamee

Hospitality

Leader:

Please mute 

for the service unless invited to offer your voice as part of the service ministry

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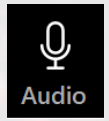
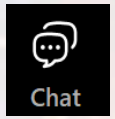
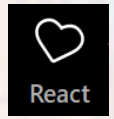
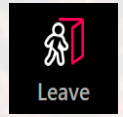
Our Cantor acts as our voice, 

offering the responses, in **Bold Text**, which we say together

Feel welcome to use the chat 

and reaction emojis 👆 

🫂 Please take care of yourself in this space. 🫂 Come and go as you need 

😔 It is great to take rest in this space, so falling asleep is also OK 😔

🗣️ Remember, pastoral care is available to all in the community, if you'd like to speak to someone about anything spiritual. ❤️ Visit the help page at the website to reach out 🌐

Our **Being Together ethos and safeguarding practices** can also be accessed on the website

🙌 Come as you are – we are all here together! 🙌

Leader: Our Holy Hermit today is St Teresa of Avila

St. Teresa of Ávila (1515-1582) was a courageous mystic, writer, and reformer who transformed Carmelite life through prayer, simplicity, and deep contemplation. Despite illness, opposition, and hardship, she founded 17 convents, inspired lasting spiritual renewal, and became the first woman named a Doctor of the Church in 1970. Her timeless writings continue to guide seekers towards God.

To read more about our hermits click the link in the send out

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Quotes from St. Teresa of Avila

"Let nothing Disturb you, Let nothing frighten you, Though all things pass, God does not change. Patience wins all things. But he lacks nothing who possesses God; For God alone suffices. "

"Christ has no body now on earth but yours, no hands, no feet but yours. Yours are the eyes with which Christ looks out his compassion to the world. Yours are the feet with which he is to go about doing good. Yours are the hands with which he is to bless us now."

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Invitation

Leader: As we come into worship let's take a few deep breaths,

Let go of anything that isn't serving us,

And become aware of God's presence here with us as we remember the names of those we love and remember.

Opening Music: Music of nature
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LTXD6XZXc3U

Leader and Cantor unmute

The Greeting

Leader:

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

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Gathering Prayer

Leader: I bless God every chance I get;

my lungs expand with praise to God.

I live and breathe God;

if things aren't going well, hear this and be happy.

Join me in spreading the news:

let us praise the Lord together and exalt God's name.

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Gathering Prayer

All:

Awesome God, as we meet here today,
we acknowledge that you are worth all our praise.
As we spend time together,
enable us to experience your presence;
teach us from your Word and inspire us to live
as your people, every day.
Amen.

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Sentence

Leader: I invite our Cantor to proclaim the sentence for today.

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

Matthew 5.10

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Prayer of Approach

Leader: We pray the prayer of approach together

All: **Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord.**

Together, let us proclaim the greatness of the Lord.

Amen.

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Leader unmutes

Our first Taizé Song

Song Adsumus Sanctus Spiritus
(We stand before You, Holy Spirit)
Written for the Taizé Community 2023

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tFknL5MhwA4

Translation on next slide

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We are here before You, Holy Spirit: we are all gathered in Your name.

Come to us, assist us, descend into our hearts.

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

We ask this of You, who act at all times and in all places,

in communion with the Father and the Son, for ages of ages. Amen."

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Collect

Leader: We thank you, loving God,

for all your servants, known to us and unknown,

who have departed this life in your faith and fear:

give us grace so to follow their good examples,

that with them we may be brought to a joyful resurrection,

and be made partakers of your heavenly kingdom;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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We pause before
the Gospel

Deacon: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Matthew Chapter 22 beginning at the 1st verse.

All: Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

1 When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after
he sat down, his disciples came to him. 2 Then he began to speak,
and taught them, saying:
3 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
4 'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
5 'Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

Continue...

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6 'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for
they will be filled.
7 'Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
8 'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
9 'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of
God.
10 'Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Continue...

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11 ‘Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and
utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. 12 Rejoice
and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way
they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

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We pause
after the Gospel

Leader: The Sermon is recorded to YouTube for sharing later.

Only the preacher's video and audio will be recorded.

The chat and other participants' feeds remain out of sight of the recording.

- *Leader and Cantor mute*
- *Broadcaster exits screenshare*
- *Preacher unmutes*
- *Zoom buttons "pins" preacher's screen + selects "record to the cloud"*

Sermon

Leader unmutes

Our next Song

Taize Dans nos obscurités - In our Darkest Night

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fy1GtRvRczo

Translation:

In our obscurities, Lord, let your light shine.

In our uncertainties, Lord, let your truth shine.

In our solitude, Lord, let your presence shine.

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The Leader and Cantor unmute

The Greeting of Peace

Leader: We are the body of Christ

All: God's Spirit is with us

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: A sign of peace may be exchanged

You may like to type 'Peace' into the chat, use the 'raise hand' or other reaction buttons, or just simply wave via the screen with your video turned on

(Broadcaster exits shared screen for a few moments for the exchange of peace)

A Litany of Praise for the God of All the Saints

Leader: Gracious God, you are to be praised for the women and men whose faithful witness to your love inspires each generation of your people.

All: Mindful of all those who have gone on ahead of us, teach us to follow their example:

Leader: To feed the poor; to support and comfort those who mourn;

All: to cherish and learn from the merciful; to be humbled by, and stand with, the peacemakers.

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Leader: Let us clearly recognize what it means to be called the children of God, and may we know we are to be your saints.

All: Neither by our own choosing nor in our own strength, but simply by the call of Christ Jesus our Saviour.

Leader: Loving God, the generations rise and pass away before you.

All: You are the strength of those who labour; you are the rest of the blessed dead. We rejoice in the company of your saints.

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Leader: We remember all who have lived in faith, all who have peacefully died, and especially those most dear to us who rest in you, whose names we remember before you now.

(pause as we say aloud or in our hearts the names of those we love)

Give us in time our portion with those who have trusted in you and have striven to do your holy will.

All: We bless you for their lives and love, and rejoice for them that "all is well, and all manner of things will be well." Amen.

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Memorial Prayers lead by the Priest

God our Father, we thank you that you have made each of us in your own image and given us gifts and talents with which to serve you.

We thank you for our dearly departed who we remember today, the times we shared with them, the good we saw in them and the memories we hold dear.

Now give us strength and courage to leave them in your care once again, confident in your promise of eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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The Lord Jesus is the lover of his people and our only sure hope.

Let us ask him to deepen our faith and sustain us in this life.

You became a little child for our sake, sharing our human life.

To you we pray:

Bless us and keep us, O Lord.

You grew in wisdom, age, and grace, and learned obedience through suffering.

To you we pray:

Bless us and keep us, O Lord.

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You welcomed children, promising them your kingdom.

To you we pray:

Bless us and keep us, O Lord.

You comforted those who mourned the loss of friends.

To you we pray:

Bless us and keep us, O Lord.

You took upon yourself the suffering and death of us all.

To you we pray:

Bless us and keep us, O Lord.

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You promised to raise up those who believe in you, just as you were raised up in glory by the Father.

To you we pray:

Bless us and keep us, O Lord.

Lord God, you entrusted our beloved ones to our care and now you embrace them in your love. Comfort us, your servants, who seek to do your will and to know your saving peace. **Amen.**

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We thank you, our Father, that your Son Jesus Christ came to die for us. We thank you that you raised him from the dead. We thank you for the gift of life, and the life of the saints. Bring us, with those we miss and all your faithful people, to the fullness of life you promise to those who love you.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

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We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We repent and are sorry for all our sins. Grant us forgiveness and assure us of your love.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

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Strengthen us to love and obey you, that we may live the rest of our lives in following your Son, and be ready when you call us to the fullness of eternal life.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

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We pray for those who mourn. Especially those who are missing loved ones during all-hallow-tide.

Be close to them in their loss.

Increase their faith in your undying love.

Lord, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

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Show your mercy to the dying. Sustain them with hope and fill them with the peace and joy of your presence.

Lord, in your mercy

hear our prayer.

We praise you, Lord God, for your faithful servants in every age. May we, with past Holy Hermits Online members; Barbara, Dick, Don, Gwen and Liz; and all who have died in the faith of Christ, be brought to a joyful resurrection and the fulfilment of your eternal kingdom.

Amen.

Leader: Let us pray together the prayer which Jesus gave us saying:

All: **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,**
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.

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Prayer of Remembrance

Living God, in whom there is no shadow or change, we thank you for the gift of life eternal, and for all those who having served you well, now rest from their labours.

We thank you for all the saints remembered and forgotten, for those dear souls most precious to us.
Today we give thanks for those who have died and entered into glory.

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Jacqueline Stella Hanlon
7th Oct 1937 - 26th June 2018

Bill Hanlon
20th Nov 1935 – 17th August 2025

Vanessa's beloved Mum and Dad

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Eric (1910 – 1989) and Hilary (1914 – 2009)

David (1942 – 1958) died age 16

Marcia's beloved Dad, Mum and big brother

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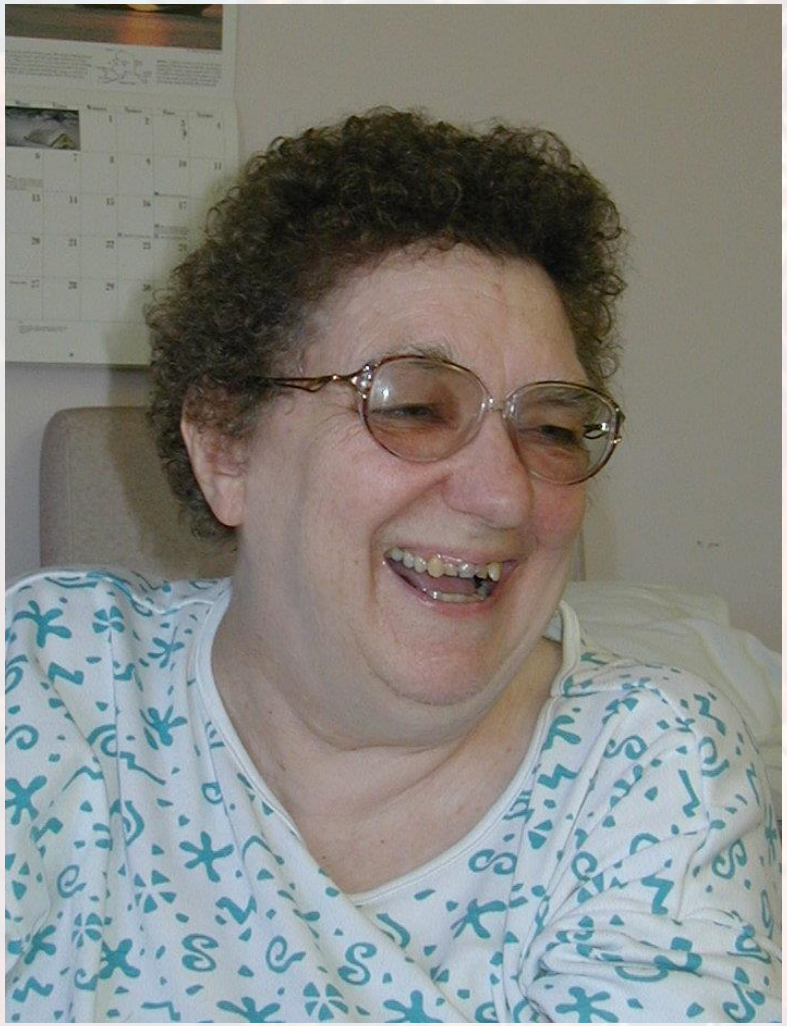

Louise
18th August 1940 – 31st March 2021

Becky
21st February 1953 - 11th February 2012

Paul's beloved sisters

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Rev'd Don Doerzbacher
– September 2026

Paul's beloved seminary roommate

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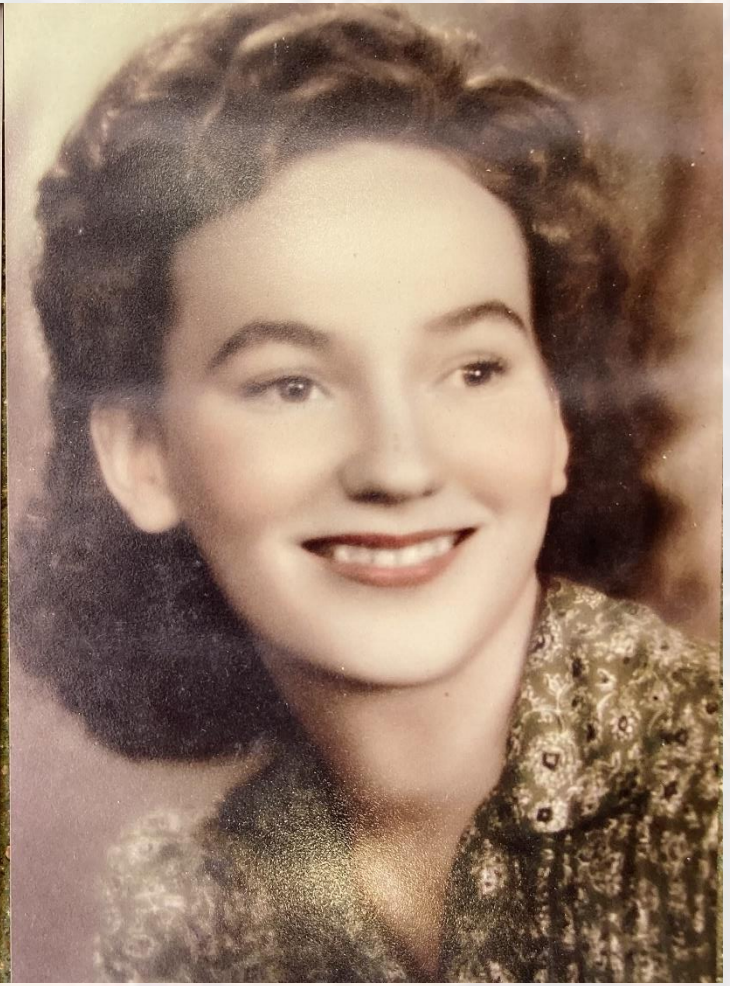
Cecil James Pearce
21st September 1921
to 4th February 2008



Gwen Pearce
5th June 1928
to 24th April 2011

Chris's beloved Father and Mother

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Maisie 16th December 1914 - 10th June 2005
and Bill 18th September 1910 - 15th September 2004

Viki's beloved grandparents

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Pam 16 April 1930 - 7 March 2013
and John 16 February 1929 - 7 February 2014

David 15 March 1962 – 24 June 2026

Phil's beloved parents and brother

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Graham Gossow 18th June 1951 – 28th August 2022
A much-loved man and like a big brother to Julie

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We now name those others, not already remembered, who are precious to us, aloud or in our hearts, or in the chat

We bless you for their life and love, and rejoice that for them "all is well, and all manner of things is well."

You may like to light a candle

https://holy-hermits-online-chapel.org/

Leader unmutes

Our next Taizé song is

I'm sure I shall see

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LW_cU7TeOWw

Lyrics:

I am sure I shall see
the goodness of the Lord
in the land of the living.
Yes, I shall see
the goodness of our God,
hold firm, trust in the Lord.

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Devotions

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Leader: As we enter a few minutes of silence together, you are invited to pray the prayer of adoration on the next slide and/or spend this time in contemplation.

The Spiritual Communion prayer follows on the slide after that.

Let us be still.

Leader and Cantor Mute.

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Holy God,

help us to live our lives by the values of your kingdom.

Open our hearts and minds to all that is good.

When we are afraid or disheartened,

remind us that you are always with us.

Give us the courage to never give up,

remembering that one day we will worship you,

with all your people.

Amen.

Making a Spiritual Communion

(Prayed in silence)

Oh, my Lord Jesus I turn to you present at the Altar and in the Tabernacle. I believe that you are present in the Holy Sacrament of your most Sacred Body and Blood. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my Soul. I cannot at this moment receive you Sacramentally in Holy Communion. Come spiritually into my heart. Purify it, Sanctify it. Render my heart like your own heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly with you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed. Amen

Leader: We give you thanks, O God, for all the saints who ever worshiped you.

Whether in brush arbours or cathedrals, weathered wooden churches or crumbling cement meeting houses where your name was lifted and adored.

We give you thanks, O God, for hands lifted in praise:

Manicured hands and hands stained with grease or soil, strong hands and those gnarled with age, holy hands used as wave offerings across the land.

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We thank you, God, for hardworking saints;

Whether hard-hatted or steel-booted, Head ragged or aproned, blue collared or three-piece-suited.

They left their mark on the earth for you, for us, for our children to come.

Thank you, God, for the tremendous sacrifices made by those who have gone before us. Bless the memories of your saints, God.

All: May we learn how to walk wisely from their examples of faith, dedication, worship, and love. Amen.

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Leader unmutes

Our final Taizé song is

"Señor, Que Florezca Tu Justicia"

https://youtu.be/kxO47mE_tJ4?si=iBDhVFNz86zNrXKb

In Spanish:
Señor, que florezca tu justicia,
y tu paz nos envuelva.
Tú eres nuestra salvación.

Translation:
Lord, may your justice blossom,
and your peace envelop us.
You are our salvation.

We stay on mute
Leader mutes

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Leader and cantor unmute

Sending Prayer

Leader: We pray our sending prayer together.

All: **Go and be empowered by the commandment to love,**
encouraged in your ability to love,
and blessed in your receiving and sharing of love, day by day.
In Jesus' name. Amen.

The Priest offers the Blessing

God give you grace to follow Teresa of Avila, Barbara, Dick, Don, Gwen, Liz and all the saints in faith and hope and love; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

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The Benediction

Leader: Let us all invite God's blessings together,

All: **May the light of Jesus shine in us. Amen.**
May the light of Jesus shine through us to others. Amen.
May we all be saints for Jesus.
Amen.

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Notices

- Advent: The Light That Guides Us study starts Wednesday 11th @ 6pm
- Contemplative Team Meeting postponed to Sunday 29th Nov
- Rev'd Lauren away 7-8th, 14-24th Nov
- See HHO Events page for further upcoming events HHO Events

Leader: If you are carrying something heavy, seeking prayer, or simply would like to talk with someone, pastoral care is available to all in the community.

You can contact Rev'd Lauren 💌
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☎️ 0415260599

💌 holyhermits@anglicanchurchsq.org.au

❤️ or visit the help page at the website to reach out 🌐

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- The HHO App
- Direct Debit
- International Direct Debit
- Please consider a one-off donation or leaving a legacy in your Will

For further information go to HHO give page

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Serving next week

8 November 2026

24th Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 am AEST

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Preacher: Flashback
Deacon: Jamee
Priest: Jamee

Thank you for your ministry gifts

New Servers always welcome!
Please email Rev'd Lauren to get involved
holyhermits@anglicanchurchsq.org.au

Leader and All may unmute

The Dismissal

Leader: I invite everyone to unmute for the Dismissal

Leader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: **In the name of Christ, Amen.**

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Fellowship

Thank you, Julie for leading Fellowship

Please feel welcome to linger or pop a message in the chat and head off when you are ready.

Extra resources developed by Roots on the Web
Images from Padlet