## CHRIST CHURCH JERUSALEM



## Kenyan Liturgy for All Saints Day

We welcome to the Communion Table all who are baptized and have made Jesus Lord

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

## Preparation

Let us pray.

Almighty God, we give You thanks for the hope to which You call us in Your Son; may we know the riches of His glorious inheritance in the saints and the immeasurable greatness of His power towards us who believe.

Amen.

#### Reassurance

Hear good news: If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. To this end Jesus died and lived again, so that He might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

#### Call to Praise

Praise the Lord!

The name of the Lord be praised.

Our help is in the name of the Lord **Who made heaven and earth.** 

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it. Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad.

I was glad when they said to me 'Let us go to the house of the Lord.'

Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in His holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully.

We have come to Mount Zion, city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem; to an innumerable company of angels, to the assembly of the firstborn which are written in heaven:

# to God the judge of all, and to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant;

to a great multitude from every nation, tribe, people and language, crying with a loud voice:

#### Salvation belongs to our God!

To Him who sits on the throne and unto the Lamb. Be blessing and honor and glory and power forever.

#### **Praise**

## Scripture/Sermon

#### Intercession

Let us pray to the God of our forefathers Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, through Jesus the Messiah in the power of the Holy Spirit.

May Your church be faithful to Jesus until He returns.

#### Amen. Lord, have mercy.

May the leaders of our churches have Your wisdom and speak with one voice.

#### Amen. Lord, have mercy.

May the leaders of our countries rule with justice and righteousness.

#### Amen. Lord, have mercy.

May Your peace be upon Israel and the Middle East.

Amen. Lord, have mercy.

May the Lord bring the dew and the rain in its season.

#### Amen. Lord, have mercy.

May the fields be fertile and the harvest plentiful.

#### Amen. Lord, have mercy.

May the love of the Father touch the lonely, the bereaved and the suffering. **Amen. Lord, have mercy.** 

May the Lord be our shield and defender. Amen. For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting, and His faithfulness to all generations.

## Prayers of Penitence

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight and sin that so easily ensnares us, fixing our eyes on Jesus in repentance and in faith

Almighty God, Creator of all, You marvelously made us in Your image; but we have corrupted ourselves and distorted Your likeness by rejecting Your love and hurting our neighbor. We have done wrong and neglected to do right. We are sincerely sorry and repent of our sins. Forgive us and cleanse us through the sacrifice of Your Son; remake us and lead us by Your Spirit, the Comforter. We ask this through Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, whose steadfast love is as great as the heavens are high above the earth, remove our sins from us as far as the east is from the west; strengthen our life under Your kingship and keep us upright until the last day; through Jesus the Messiah our merciful High Priest. **Amen.** 

Thank you, Father, for forgiveness. We come to Your table as Your children, not presuming, but assured; not trusting ourselves but Your Word. We ask for our hearts to to be satisfied with the body and blood of Jesus the Messiah, and we pray that we may know Him and the power of His resurrection. Amen.

## Offering

#### The Peace

We are fellow-citizens with the saints and the household of God through Jesus the Messiah. He is our peace and has made us one. The peace of the Lord be always with you;

And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

## **Holy Communion**

Is the Father with us?

He is!

Is the Son among us?

He is!

Is the Spirit here?

He is with us!

He is our God.

Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

We are His people; We belong to Him.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

And now we give You thanks for the hope to which You call us in your

Son, that following in the faithfulness of all your saints, we may run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim Your great and glorious name, forever praising You and singing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

All things belong to You. We thank You for giving us your only Son even though we were not worthy of Your generosity. Pour your refreshing Spirit on these gifts of your creation as we remember Him in the way He commanded.

At Passover on the same night that He was betrayed, He took the bread and recited the blessing giving You thanks: Barukh atah Adonai Eloheinu Melekh ha'olam ha'motzi lechem min ha'aretz

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, who brings forth bread from the earth.

He broke the bread and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take, eat, this is My body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

#### Amen. His body was broken for us.

In the same way, after supper He took the cup and gave You thanks:

Barukh atah Adonai Eloheinu Melekh ha'olam borei pri ha'gefen.

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, King of the universe, who creates the fruit of the vine

He gave it to them saying, "Drink this, all of you. This is My blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of Me."

We are brothers and sisters through His blood.

We have died together, We will rise together, We will live together.

Therefore, heavenly Father hear us as we celebrate this covenant with joy and await the coming of our Lord and Saviour. He died in our place, making atonement for the sins of the whole world, the perfect sacrifice, once and for all. You accepted his offering by raising Him from the dead, granting Him great honour at Your right hand on high, and sending us his Holy Spirit.

Amen. Jesus is Lord.

This is the feast of victory.

The Lamb who was slain has begun
His reign. Hallelujah!

We break this bread to share in the body of Messiah.

Though we are many we are one body, for we all share in one bread.

The cup of blessing which we bless, is a sharing in the blood of the Messiah.

Draw near with faith and receive the body and blood of Jesus the Messiah. **Jesus is the host and we are his guests.** 

## Agnus Dei

Lamb of God You take away the sin of the world, **Have mercy on us.**Lamb of God You take away the sin of the world, **Have mercy on us.**Lamb of God You take away the sin of the world, **Give us Your peace**.

#### After Communion

O God of our fathers, before whose face the generations pass away; We thank You that in You we are kept safe for ever, and that the broken fragments of our history are gathered up in the redeeming act of Your dear Son, remembered in this holy sacrament of bread and wine.

Help us to walk in the communion of saints, declaring our faith in the forgiveness of sins and the resurrection of the body. Now send us out in the power of your Holy Spirit to live and work for your praise and glory. Amen.

## Blessing

All our problems
We send to the cross
of Jesus the Messiah.

All the devil's works
We send to the cross
of Jesus the Messiah.

All our fears

We send to the cross of Jesus the Messiah.

All our hopes

We set on the risen Jesus of Nazareth.

And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

#### **Dismissal**

If we have died with Him, we shall also live with Him. If we endure, we shall also reign with Him. Therefore go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting, and His faithfulness to all generations.



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