

Peace United Church of Christ



Worship Resources for the Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost October 29, 2023 Totenfest/ All Saints'

Welcome

Opening Hymn "For All the Saints"

For all the saints, who from their labors rest, Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blessed. Alleluia, Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast, Through gates of pearl streams in the
countless host, And singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost: Alleluia, Alleluia!

Prayer of Invocation

*God of each encircling year,
we gather with the spirits of loved ones, friends,
companions on our journies in the faith today.
As we give thanks for their gifts, their witness, their love,
we confess that we sometimes get caught up in the whys
of life and of death. Help us to hold fast to your presence,
to trust in your love through all our days.
In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen*

Scripture Reading

I John 3: 1-3

Matthew 22: 34-46

Meditation

Totenfest/Prayers of the People/The Prayer of Our Savior (debts and debtors)

Closing Hymn "More Love to Thee"

More love to Thee, O Christ; More love to Thee;
Hear Thou the pray'r I make On bended knee;
This is my earnest plea, More love, O Christ, to Thee,
More love to Thee; More love to Thee.

Then shall my latest breath, Whisper Thy praise,
This be the parting cry My heart shall raise;
This still its pray'r shall be, More love, O Christ, to Thee,
More love to Thee; More love to Thee.

Benediction & Sending Forth