

ALL SAINTS' VESPER SERVICE
NORTHMINSTER BAPTIST CHURCH
November 2, 2025

“But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Anthem	“Children of the Heavenly Father” Cheryl Coker, <i>soprano</i>	Ferguson
The Reading of Names		Scott Dickison
*The Hymn of Commitment, No. 539 “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”		HOUSTON
*The Benediction		Scott Dickison

A Last Beatitude

By Malcolm Guite

And blessed are the ones we overlook;
The faithful servers on the coffee rota,
The ones who hold no candle, bell or book
But keep the books and tally up the quota,
The gentle souls who come to ‘do the flowers’,
The quiet ones who organise the fete,
Church sitters who give up their weekday hours,
Doorkeepers who may open heaven’s gate.
God knows the depths that often go unspoken
Amongst the shy, the quiet, and the kind,
Or the slow healing of a heart long broken
Placing each flower so for a year’s mind.
Invisible on earth, without a voice,
In heaven their angels glory and rejoice.



