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LEADER: For those through whose sacrifice we live, whose witness has given us a vision of justice, peace and compassion…those whose lives have emulated the life and ministry of our Lord Jesus Christ.

PEOPLE: We do praise and will praise you, O God.

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PEOPLE: We remember and promise, O God.

LEADER: May our children grow into sainthood, living lives worthy and grateful for all your goodness. Renew within us the ties to the past, present, and future of the communion of the saints.

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