All Saints

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Blessed are these, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

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Psalm 126: 1,2ab,2cd,3,4,5,6

1. When the LORD brought back the ex-iles of Sion,  
   We thought we were dreaming.

2. Then was our mouth filled with laughter;  
   On our tongues, songs of joy.

3. Then the nations themselves said, “What great deeds 
   the LORD worked for them!”

4. What great deeds the LORD worked for us!  
   Indeed, we were glad.

5. Bring back our ex-iles, O LORD,  
   As streams in the south.

6. Those who are sow-ing in tears  
   Will sing when they reap.

7. They go out, they go out, full of tears,  
   Bearing seed for the sowing;  
   They come back, they come back with a song,  
   Bear-ing their sheaves.

Dox. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spirit,  
As it was in the begin-ning, is now,  
And will be fore-ver. Amen.