

# **ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY**

November 5, 2023

10:00 am

#### GATHERING MUSIC

#### WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

\*indicates that all who are able are invited to stand. **Bold** indicates congregational response.

Hymnals are available if you like to read the musical notes.

#### **INTROIT**

CALL TO WORSHIP\* (adapted from Psalm 34)

I will bless the Lord at all times; God's praise will be continually in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the Lord; Let the humble hear and be glad.

O magnify the Lord with me, And let us exalt God's name together.

HYMN\* "For All the Saints" 326

PRAYER OF PRAISE\*

## CONFESSION OF SIN (UNISON)

Merciful God, we confess that we do not live as the saints you declare us to be. Cleanse us from the things that pollute us, forgive us for the things that hurt others and insult you, rescue us from the things that degrade the church, deliver us from the things that place the world in bondage to evil. Teach us how to live as holy ones.

(silence)

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord have mercy. Kyrie Eleison. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon / Passing of the Peace\*

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.** 

[You are invited to exchange signs of peace with one another.]

RESPONSE TO PARDON\*

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. (sing 3x) As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

THE WORD WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

GOSPEL\* - Matthew 5:1-12

**Bruce Harper** 

"A Song of Thanksgiving"

NEW TESTAMENT - Revelation 7:9-17

SERMON Linda Dickerson

"Who Are These?"

SAYING WHAT WE BELIEVE\* -

(from "The Second Helvetic Confession," 1561)

What is the Church?

The Church is an assembly of the faithful called or gathered out of the world; a communion, I say, of all saints, namely, of those who truly know and rightly worship and serve the true God in Christ the Savior, by the Word and Holy Spirit, and who by faith are partakers of all benefits which are freely offered through Christ... We call this Church catholic because it is universal, scattered through all parts of the world, and extended unto all times, and is not limited to any times or places.

### SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

**Great Prayer of Thanksgiving** 

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

. . . . .

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

. . . . .

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

. . . . .

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Words of Institution Sharing of Bread and Cup

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Eat this bread; drink this cup; come to Christ and never be hungry. Eat this bread; drink this cup; trust in Christ and you will not thirst.

**Prayer after Communion** 

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us, this meal that joins us to Jesus and to all the saints from throughout history. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN\* "O For a World" 372

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION\*

CHORAL RESPONSE\*

Congregation and Choir

Oh, when the saints go marching in, Oh, when the saints go marching in, Lord, I want to be in that number, When the saints go marching in.

**FELLOWSHIP TIME** 

Everyone is Invited!