ALL SAINTS DAY
NOVEMBER 2, 2025
11:00 AM



As a courtesy to others, please silence your phone.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

RINGING OF THE BELLS

LIFE OF THE CHURCH Rev. Timothy T. Boggess

PRELUDE *How Firm a Foundation* arr. Ken Medema

From Psalm 149

CALL TO WORSHIP Charlie Weitekamp

Sing to the LORD a new song,
his praise in the assembly of the faithful.
Let them praise his name with dancing,
making melody to him with tambourine and lyre.
For the LORD takes pleasure in his people;
he adorns the humble with victory.

***HYMN 305** *Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!* DARWALL 148TH

1 Come sing, O church, in joy!
Come join, O church, in song!
For Christ the Lord has led us
through the ages long!

Refrain:
In bold accord,
come celebrate the journey now
and praise the Lord!

2 Long years have come and gone,
and still God reigns supreme,
empowering us to catch the vision,
dream the dream! (Refrain)

3 Let courage be our friend;
let wisdom be our guide,
as we in mission magnify
the Crucified! (Refrain)

4 Come sing, O church, in joy!
Come join, O church, in song!
For Christ the Lord has triumphed o'er
the ages long! (Refrain)

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of the covenant,
who calls all people to reconciliation,
you have made us members of the very body of Christ,
yet we persist in wounding that body
with our divisions, our suspicions, and our neglect.
Forgive us, and teach us to nurture unity and peace.
For the sake of Jesus Christ
and the world he came to save.

(a moment for silent reflection)

* Please rise in body or in spirit.

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God.

***SONG OF JOY 647** *Give Thanks*

Give thanks with a grateful heart;
give thanks to the Holy One;
give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son. (repeat)

And now let the weak say,
"We are strong";
let the poor say,
"We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!" (repeat)

Give thanks.
Give thanks.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

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

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM *Gather at the River* Susan LaBarr
(The Chancel Choir)

When peace like a river attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll,
whatever my lot thou has taught me to say,
it is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
let this blest assurance control,
that Christ hath regarded my helpless estate,
and hath shed his own blood for my soul.

Yes, we'll gather at the river,
the beautiful, the beautiful river,
gather with the saints at the river that flows,
that flows by the throne of God.

And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend,
even so, it is well with my soul.

It is well with my soul.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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SCRIPTURE READING Luke 18:9-14

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON *Keeping Up Appearances* Rev. Boggess

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND LORD'S PRAYER

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.

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

PARTAKING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY *Thou Art God* Lionel Bourne
(Victor Jannett, soloist)

Thou art the peace of all things calm,
Thou art the place to hide from harm,
Thou art the light that shines in dark.
Thou art the heart's eternal spark,
Thou art the door that's open wide,
Thou art the guest who waits inside,
Thou art the stranger at the door,
Thou art the calling of the poor.

Thou art peace, thou art calm,
Thou art my love, thou art my Lord and with me still,
Thou art my love, keep me from ill,
Thou art the light, the truth, the way.
Thou art my Savior this day,
Thou art my Savior this very day.

***DOXOLOGY 608** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* PRAISE GOD (Hopson)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

from *The Study Catechism*, 1998

What do we affirm when we speak of "the communion of saints"?
All those who live in union with Christ,
whether on earth or with God in heaven, are "saints."
Our communion with Christ makes us members one of another.
As by his death he removed our separation from God,
so by his Spirit he removes all that divides us from each other.
Breaking down every wall of hostility,
he makes us, who are many, one body in himself.
The ties that bind us in Christ
are deeper than any other human relationship.

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***HYMN 757** *Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples* KINGSFOLD

1 Today we all are called to be
disciples of the Lord,
to help to set the captive free,
make plowshare out of sword,
to feed the hungry, quench their thirst,
make love and peace our fast,
to serve the poor and homeless first,
our ease and comfort last.

2 God made the world and at its birth
ordained our human race
to live as stewards of the earth,
responding to God's grace.
But we are vain and sadly proud;
we sow not peace but strife.
Our discord spreads a deadly cloud
that threatens all of life.

3 Pray justice may come rolling down
as in a mighty stream,
with righteousness in field and town
to cleanse us and redeem.
For God is longing to restore
an earth where conflicts cease,
a world that was created for
a harmony of peace.

4 May we in service to our God
act out the living word,
and walk the road the saints have trod
till all have seen and heard.
As stewards of the earth may we
give thanks in one accord
to God who calls us all to be
disciples of the Lord.

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION** Rev. Boggess

POSTLUDE Improvisation on *For All the Saints* Steven Phillips

The postlude concludes our worship today. It's the custom of this congregation to sit and enter into this moment with gratitude and celebration.

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