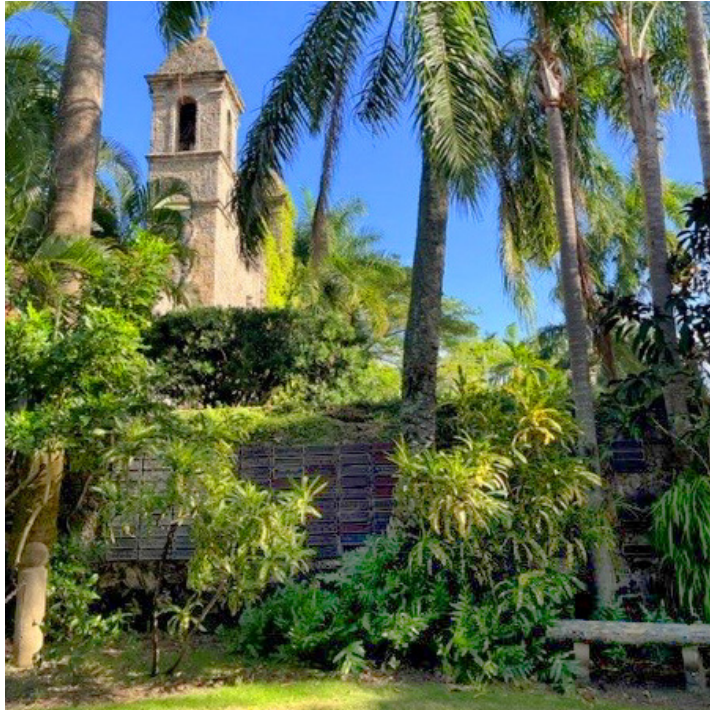


*Plymouth Congregational Church
United Church of Christ*



November 1, 2026

10 a.m.

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

All Saints Sunday

With welcoming hearts

*Plymouth seeks to share the transforming love of Christ
through*

Faith-filled worship, prayer, and study

Hope-filled service and outreach

Love-filled fellowship

Order of Worship

PRELUDE

WORDS OF WELCOME

INTROIT

Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing

Gordon Young

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us praise God with our whole heart.

Together, let us bless the Lord, who fills life with joy and our future with hope.

The Spirit of God is abounding in steadfast love.

Let us worship the Lord our God, the same yesterday, today, and forever.

BRINGING THE LIGHT

*HYMN 751

For All the Saints (vs 1-4)

SINE NOMINE

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gracious God, you are the giver of peace and a whisper of love in our stillness. In your Beloved Son, you have revealed your truth and grace for all people. In your Word and by your Spirit you invite us to walk together in faith. We thank you for choosing to dwell among your children. As we remember the saints who have gone before us in this place, we trust that your love shapes our future. May we feel your presence as we offer our prayers and praise. Incline your ear to us as we pray our Lord's Prayer...

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

LITANY OF REMEMBRANCE

Lord of Love and Life, in the rising of the sun and in its going down,
we remember those who have gone before us.

In our grief, when we are weary and in need of strength,
we remember them.

When we have joys we yearn to share,
we remember them.

In Christ's resurrection you opened the gates of eternal life.
Free us from the fear of death.

In the power of your Holy Spirit, you comfort us and renew our strength.
Free us to live as people of hope.

We remember with love and gratitude these Plymouth members and friends who have died during the past year:

***Juan Carlos Amezcua, Luz Maria Aragon Garcia, Patrick Boisserpe,
Thomas Burchill, Shaun Conaty, Elvira Ines Diaz, Grace Faison, Jock Loren Fink,
Beau Gardner, Henry Lee "Hank" Givens, Sheena Grant, Rebert Lee Green,
Daniel Halcik, Sr., Thomas Geoffrey Hale, Glenda Hayley, George Lee Irvin,
Brij Khare, Katherine Lary, Charles Lippey, Kevin McAliley, Laura Miller,***

**Please stand if able*

***Elizabeth “Betty” Jane Moya, John Nordt, Rogelio Portal,
Dorothy “Dotty” Doyle Prevatt, John Barton Resler, Dr. Richard Rea,
Beverly Ann Saunders, Joanne Shipley***

Thank you for these who have run the race of faith before us and now surround us as a cloud of witnesses.

Eternal God, through your steadfast faithfulness, the love of Jesus Christ, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, draw us into their embrace. Amen.

HYMN 751

For All The Saints (vs 5-6)

SINE NOMINE

FIRST LESSON

Galatians 3:27-28

²⁷ As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

²⁸ There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male and female, for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Andrea Burt

ANTHEM

Fairest Lord Jesus

Robert Lau

SECOND LESSON

Matthew 20:1-15

¹ “For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. ² After agreeing with the laborers for a denarius for the day, he sent them into his vineyard. ³ When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace, ⁴ and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. ⁵ When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. ⁶ And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around, and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ ⁷ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ ⁸ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ ⁹ When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received a denarius. ¹⁰ Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received a denarius. ¹¹ And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, ¹² saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ ¹³ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for a denarius?’ ¹⁴ Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. ¹⁵ Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’

SERMON

“The Elephant in the Room”

Rev. Dr. Daniel Harrell

***HYMN 722**

When the Church of Jesus

KING’S WESTON

CALL TO PRAYER

The Lord be with you,

And also with you.

Let us pray: O Lord, show your mercy upon us,

and grant us your salvation.

O God, make clean our hearts within us,

and may your Holy Spirit live within us.

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE *May the Words of My Mouth* Robert Heath
May the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart
be acceptable unto you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

2027 ANNUAL GIVING: SHARING OUR STRENGTHS Tim Hawkes and Juliana Macarena

OFFERTORY *So May it Be* Adam Feder

***PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

***DOXOLOGY** OLD HUNDREDTH
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN 309** *Wonderful Words of Life* WORDS OF LIFE

***BENEDICTION**

BENEDICTION RESPONSE *Amen* Robert Heath

POSTLUDE



Participating in today's service:

Rev. Dr. Daniel Harrell, *Interim Senior Pastor*
Rev. Moira McGuinn, *Associate Pastor*
Rev. Hollie Schmidt, *Associate Pastor*
Andrea Burt, *Director of Children's Ministries*
Dr. Vindhya Khare, *Director of Music*
Edgar Sanfeliz Botta, *Organist*
Maria Hernandez, *Soloist*
Elissa Lakofsky, *Soloist*
Plymouth Chancel Choir



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