November 10, 2024 All Saints Day Twenty-Fifth Sunday After Pentecost 10:30 AM *Those who are able, please stand

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

WELCOME

We are pleased that you are worshipping with us today. We pray that the service will be inspiring and meaningful. This is All Saints Sunday. Today we are honoring those who have gone before us. We will be ringing a bell in remembrance of each saint that we name.

The flowers on the Alter are in Memory of Loretta Mabee given by Robert Mabee

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

November 11, 2024 - Free Lunch 11:00-12:30 - Veterans' Day

November 11, 2024 - Bible Study in Parlour @ 1:00 PM

November 18, 2024 Monthly Food Pantry 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

November 26, 2024 - Interfaith Council Service @ 7:00 Grace Lutheran Church

November 28, 2024 - Thanksgiving "Church is Closed"

MUSICAL PRELUDE "For All The Saints" Pianist Mavis Baldwin UMH 711

WORDS OF ASSURANCE (in unison)

Redeeming God, come and heal our lives this day. Open our hearts to receive your words of hope and joy that we may become faithful servants of yours in this world which you have loaned to us. We rejoice in knowing that You are always with us, especially today as we remember all the Saints who have gone before us. In the midst of our darkness, the bright light of God's love shines through, healing us. Rejoice, beloved of God, you are blessed, for God's love and forgiveness are given to you this day. AMEN.

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the beginning, God called the world into being, saying,

People: "Let there be light!"

Leader: In the fullness of time, Jesus came from God to us, saying,

People: "I am the Light of the world."

Leader: In our everyday life, we see the work of the saints,

People: The ones in whom God's light shines.

Leader: So let us give thanks for the saints this day,

People: And let us worship God.

Leader: We gather this morning to remember our call:

People: To do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with God.

Leader: We bring with us the events of the week in the world and in our lives,

People: Trying to know how to be just, loving and humble in the midst of it all.

Leader: We gather here, and see those who are doing justice, who are kind beyond measure, who set the example for humility.

People: With gratitude for living saints, with thankfulness for the purpose of faith, let us worship God.

Leader: For all those who have paved the way for our freedom of worship, we give thanks, O Lord.

People: Our hearts are filled with joy when we think of those who have framed our faith.

Leader: Today we are given the opportunity to thank all who have come before us.

People: For all the saints, those who rest from their labors, and those who labor still, we give thanks, O Lord. Amen

GATHERING SONG "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God"

UMH 712

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (In Unison)

Lord God of love and peace, how good it is to gather in prayer and worship today. Open our hearts to receive the invitation of Jesus to come and be present in our lives. Release us from our smallness and create an atmosphere of confession and healing love in our hearts and our spirits. Remind us today to be thankful for all the Saints who have made it possible for us to worship here today. As we light a candle of remembrance for each of them, may they feel our love and prayers also. In Jesus' Name we pray. AMEN.

TIME WITH GOD'S KIDS Second Sunday Offering -- Blessing of Bibles

SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

(Prayer request forms are available at the back of the sanctuary)

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE 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, forever. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" Verse only UMH 334

GIVING OF OURSELVES & OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "I'll Fly Away" Chancel Choir TFWS 2282

DOXOLOGY "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 95

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGIVING

God of all generations, as we worship today, we offer our whole selves to you, all that we have and all that we are. Like your saints who have gone before us, we pray that you will help us to be bold in our mission and in our witness. May we who have been given so much give freely, ministering in your compassion to the multitudes near and far, so that one day, we may stand amid the multitude that gathers at your heavenly throne. Open our hearts to receive his invitation this day as we ask his blessing upon these gifts that they may be used to further our work in this church, our community and the world. Amen..

SONG OF COMMITMENT "Shall We Gather at the River" UMH 723

SPECIAL READING Canticle of Remembrance UMH 652

Ringing the Bell of Remembrance of Saints

Prayer for All Saints *All Saints Prayer" UMH 713

GLORIA PATRI (We use this ancient response to praise God for the Bible) UMH 70

SCRIPTURE Ephessians 1: 1-14 Hebrews 11: 1-3 Hebrews 12: 1-2

SHARING THE STORY "We are all called to be Saints" Pastor Joyce

SENDING SONG "The Spirit Sends us Forth to Serve" TFWS 2241

THE SENDING FORTH

Do not be afraid to witness to the love of God through Jesus Christ. Go in peace, knowing that God's peace and love go with you. As you leave here today, remember all those who worked for our church before us and go into the world to work for others also in Jesus name. AMEN

MUSICAL POSTLUDE "Faith of our Fathers" UMH 710

Prayer List Mike Frederick's Mother Ann, Calae Bonfey, Logan Rose, Jean Hart, Elaine Schrum, Carol Johnson, Kevin Quaresino, Portia Robles, Dave & Stacy Winnie, Ivy Patterson, Family of Andrea Russell and for her daughter Zoey and Matt Brezosky, James's Mother, Valerie Eisenhauer***



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