

All Saints Sunday/ Commitment Sunday

Prelude ~

Welcome & Announcements

Worship Leader: Loren Swenson

Christ’s Light

**(Please stand as you are able)*

Introit

“Listen, Jesus Is Calling You”

***Call to Worship**

Let us gather with the faithful from every nation, race, people, and language, in worshiping the God made known to us in Jesus Christ.

Let us gather in God's presence, singing songs of praise and joy with the people of God in every place and time.

Holy, holy, holy, great God of Hosts! The whole earth is full of your glory.

Glory be to you, O God most high!

***Opening Hymn** “For All the Saints” (vs. 1-2, 6) #711

During the hymn, you are invited to bring your flowers forward to place on the altar railings in memory of someone who has died. You may also use a provided flower from the basket if you wish.

Opening Prayer

Timeless God, we thank you for all those before us who have kept the faith to the end. We thank you for brave souls of deathless fame, and also for those whose names are remembered only by you. Give us wisdom to understand your will, and courage to live as your people in this day; through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Slide Presentation in Memory of Our Members Who Have Died in the Past Year

New Testament Reading 1 John 3:1-3 **Liturgist:** Jean Wilcox

Anthem “The Gift of Love” (choir) Renata Knox, director

Children’s Moment:

Pastor Melanie

[After Children’s Moment, children may go to the nursery or return to their parents.]

Gospel Reading

Mark 2:23-28

Sermon “Can We Live More Simply?” **Pastor Melanie Adams**

Sermon 7: Financial Health for the Christ Follower

Time of Prayer

(Where have you seen God’s presence? What joys and concerns are in your hearts and minds?)

Lord’s Prayer #895

Offertory

The Doxology “Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow” #94

***Offertory Prayer [Unison]**

We have received many blessings from you, God. Our gratitude overflows for so many things: our church family, our own families, the changing seasons, the food we eat, and the promise of life with you beyond this life. Thank you for never giving up on us! Thank you for your abiding love. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

Holy Communion

As you come forward for Holy Communion, please bring your 2018 Commitment Forms and place them in the plate provided.

Prayer of Dedication for Our 2019 Financial Pledges

Our hearts are full of gratitude to you, Loving God, for all your blessings. We dedicate these pledges, as well as those we make today in our hearts, to the glory of your Kingdom on earth. Amen.

***Closing Hymn** “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” #140 vs. 1,3

Our Purpose

What is our purpose? **To provide a place for all to BELONG to our community, BELIEVE in and experience the transforming love of Jesus Christ, and BECOME his disciples. BELONG! BELIEVE! BECOME!**

Benediction

Benediction Response

“Spirit Song”

Postlude

Thoughts to Ponder

Is there a way that you can honor and remember loved ones by seeking to live more simply?

By living more simply, what do you anticipate will be the blessings you receive? What do you anticipate will be the blessings you will be able to share?

PRAYERS

Please see the Prayer Board outside the office for ongoing prayer requests.

Pray for our congregation: For the ministry of making, nurturing, and sending out of disciples; because we believe that God's Love is the answer for the most difficult questions of our world today.

Jesus changes lives!

Larry Bowman

Gerald Campbell

Bill & Sydney Conner
(loss of sister-in-law)

Joyce Peterson

The Poore Family
(loss of grandma)

Bill Valcoure



If you are interested in baptism and/or church membership, please call the office to make an appointment to talk with Pastor Melanie.

Events this week in church:

Sunday, November 4th

- 9:30 am Sunday school
- 10:30 am Worship Service
- 11:30 am Fellowship
- 4:00 pm Church Conference

Tuesday, November 6th

- 7:00 pm Trustees

Wednesday, November 7th

- 5:00 pm Sittin' with Jesus
- 5:30 pm Choir Practice
- 5:45 pm Table Talk Meal
- 6:30 pm Table Talk Classes

Thursday, November 8th

- 7:00 pm Life Changes Support Gr.

Saturday, November 10th

- 9:00am Thanksgiving Prep Day

Sunday, November 11th

- 9:30 am Sunday school
- 10:30 am Worship Service
- 11:30 pm Thanksgiving Dinner



Annual Thanksgiving Dinner

Sunday, November 11th

11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Suggested Donation:

\$10 for adults

\$5 for children (ages 10 and under)



Takeout and delivery available - call 243-4560

We also need help with serving, clean-up, and delivering meals.
Sign-up on the Missions Bulletin Board if you are available to help!



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