



Sunday, November 3, 2019
All Saints' Sunday
 2nd Week of Stewardship Season
 Celebration of The Lord's Supper

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Adult Bible Groups @ 9:15 AM
 Updates in the Life & Work of the Church @ 10:30 AM
 Worship Service @ 10:30 AM
 Sunday School: Children Dismissed from Worship

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Something to Think and Pray About:

"For centuries the church has confronted the human community with role models of greatness. We call them saints when what we really often mean to say is 'icon,' 'star,' 'hero,' ones so possessed by an internal vision of divine goodness that they give us a glimpse of the face of God in the center of the human. They give us a taste of the possibilities of greatness in ourselves." **-Sister Joan Chittister**

"Remember the sufferings of Christ, the storms that were weathered... the crown that came from those sufferings which gave new radiance to the faith... All saints give testimony to the truth that without real effort, no one ever wins the crown." **-Thomas Beckett**

"I am reminded of the biblical use of the term saint in the book of Acts. That it applies to each of us. All who are attempting to imitate the Christ in their lives merit the title of 'saint.' Some do it more fully than others and are willing to let go of more to get the job done." **-Matthew Fox**

"History is hereditary only in this way: we, all of us, inherit everything, and then we choose what to cherish, what to disavow, and what to do next, which is why it's worth trying to know where things come from." **-Jill Lepore**

GATHERING OF THE FAITH COMMUNITY

+ **Designates all who are able please stand.**

10:30 am - Updates in the Life and Work of the Church

10:30 am - Ringing of the Church Bell

Prelude **"Iste Confessor"** Thomas Tallis

WELCOME

+ Opening Hymn #73 [vs. 1,4] **"The God of Abraham Praise"**

+ **Call To Worship** (with Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon) *(responsive)*
[in honor of All Saints' Sunday; based on Ephesians 1:11-23]

Leader: Dearest Christ, we gather in thanks and praise for the inheritance you have granted us.

PEOPLE: **Help us to live into the purposes you have destined for us -that we might accomplish all the things you intend for us.**

Leader: And forgive us, we pray, when we fail to listen to your counsel and will, Lord. Strengthen us to keep our hope resting upon you -that we might live for your glory.

PEOPLE: **Then we will hear and repeat the Word of Truth afresh -sharing the Gospel of Salvation through the power of The Holy Spirit.**

Leader: May we remain sealed as YOUR People, Holy One -honoring and walking in the Redemptive Power YOU have passed down to us as an inheritance from the saints who have gone before us.

PEOPLE: **Let us also be continually grateful for the faith of our sisters and brothers -praying with and for one another; and seeking YOUR Wisdom and Revelation for those who have yet to know Jesus and the Hope to which he calls us all. Enlighten the eyes of their hearts, that they might see YOU.**

Leader: For the riches of the glorious inheritance YOU offer YOUR saints is immeasurable, and the power YOU pour out upon us is oh-so-great.

PEOPLE: YOU put that power to work in our Lord, Christ-Jesus when YOU raised him from the dead and seated him at YOUR Right Hand in the Heavenly places.

Leader: Anoint us to remember that he is far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named -not only in this age but also in the age to come.

PEOPLE: And grant us mercy, we humbly ask, when we do not acknowledge that YOU put all things under the feet of our Master and Savior. Remind us that he is the Head over all things for The Church (which is his Body -the fullness of The One who fills all in all).

Leader: With all of these things in mind, we lift-up before YOU now a celebration of remembrance for The Great Cloud of Witnesses who have gone on before us...

[Here, following the reading of the names of congregation members who passed in the last year, feel free, as The Spirit leads, to speak-aloud the names of loved-ones who died whom you wish to honor]

And now, in gratitude that their afflictions have ended, and in trust of YOUR Rescuing Power for us, we entrust our lives to YOUR Righteous Care.

ALL: YOU, LORD, are our Redeemer and we rejoice -knowing that no one who takes refuge in YOU is condemned; AMEN!

+ Sung Response #9 “Glory Be to the Father” (Gloria Patri)

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.*

FEASTING UPON THE LIVING WORD OF GOD

The Christian Scriptures (New Testament)

The Gospel According to Luke 6:20-31

Children’s Message -Gary Bickel (Director of Youth & Family Ministries)

(Children up to grade 6 are dismissed for Sunday School. Confirmation age children and above are to stay in worship, unless they are requested to help in Sunday school.)

Communion Meditation:
“Living in Our Inheritance”

+ Hymn of Response & Preparation #749 [vs. 1,3] “Here, O My Lord, I See Thee”

Gathering at The Lord’s Table

Words of Institution and Prayer of Consecration

Invitation and Distribution of The Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord’s Prayer

(using “sins” and “those who sin against us”)

Sharing and Responding to Our Stories-Of and Needs-for Resurrection

Prayers of The People (Joys and Concerns)

Prayer Response #41 “We Bring the Sacrifice”

*We bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord;
We bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord.
And we offer up to You the sacrifices of thanksgiving;
And we offer up to You the sacrifices of joy.*

Bringing our Gifts and Thanksgiving Before The LORD

Mission Moment: Gary Mulheim (Finance & Stewardship Committee member)

Call to Offering

Offertory “Rind nu op i Jesu navn’ (based on Danish Psalm 739)” Natalia Jespersen

+ Offertory Response #7 “Doxology”

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heav’nly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

+ **Prayer of Dedication** [based on Psalm 149] (responsive)

Leader: In praise of The LORD, we bring these gifts as a “new song” being sung to GOD’s glory before the assembly of the faithful.

PEOPLE: Receive them, we pray, Magnificent Maker, as a testimony to our gratitude in having YOU as our Parent and King.

Leader: Use them and us, we pray, to establish YOUR Holy City in our lives and world.

PEOPLE: Allow our living and giving to be as joyful as dance. Use our offerings to produce new melodies in honor of YOU.

Leader: And anoint us, we humbly request, that we would use every resource at our disposal wisely and well.

PEOPLE: For we know that YOU take pleasure in YOUR People; and YOU will adorn the humble with victory.

Leader: So, grant us the desire and strength to revel in YOUR Goodness and Glory -singing YOUR praises at home and out in the world. Let us steward these contributions in such ways that even the powerful, wealthy and influential would be bound to YOUR Cause of Justice and Righteous Judgement.

ALL: For in doing these things, we will be faithful to YOU and bring YOU the glory and praise YOU deserve; AMEN!

Following The Holy Spirit Into the World

+ Charge and Benediction (Challenge & Blessing)

+ Sending Hymn #685 [vs. 1,3,6] “For All the Saints”

+ Carillon Postlude on Hymns of the Day Michael Calabris

WELCOME GUESTS:

If you are visiting us today, our prayer is that you would see and experience the whole-life transformation offered us in Jesus.

Large print bulletins are at the entry doors of the sanctuary.

Please visit our Welcome Center. Most any information you would want to know about our ministry and/or all sign up sheets are centrally located there. Also make sure to pick up your welcome gift!

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN:

Please remember to visit our Children’s Area located to the right of the sanctuary doors. There you may sign your kids in, as well as grab a children’s bulletin and a busy box.

Our education wing is located downstairs in the lower level. We have education classes for children (during worship) and also have a nursery.

COMING NEXT WEEK:

3rd Sunday of Stewardship Season
Honoring Our Veterans

Mission Guest:
Pastor Berry Carter
(Hammer & Nails)

Theme/Message:
“Earthly Relationships
and Heavenly Gain”

Focus Text:
Luke 20:27-38
(with Psalm 145 and
2nd Thessalonians 2:1-17)

Please join us for our hospitality social after worship in our Fellowship Hall directly behind our sanctuary.