

GRACE COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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All Saints' Sunday Service of Worship

November 4, 2018 11:05am

Jathering all People in a Caring Christian Community

GATHERING CHIMES

Linda Dover, organ

SINE NOMINE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please sign and pass the Grace Greetings books at this time.)

INTROIT

"Gloria"

Music by Kevin McChesney

Charter Ringers

Chris Krug & Celia Nicholas, co-directors

Sing to God, with joy and gladness, hymns and psalms of gratitude; With the voice of praise discover that to worship God is good.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Welcome to worship at this turn of the season.

As the temperatures dip,

All: we gather in the warmth of God's presence;

One: as the darkness grows, All: we seek God's light;

One: as the earth rests from its labors,

All: we seek God's peace.

One: Come, let us worship the LORD!

*HYMN 326 "For All the Saints"

COME AS A CHILD

(Children ages 4 through 1st grade may go to **Awakening to Worship**, our childfriendly worship time. Greeters at the back of the Sanctuary will go with children to Room 12 downstairs where parents may pick up their children following worship. Our Nursery welcomes young children and our ushers can assist families to the nursery located in the children's wing.)

Sing 658, v. 1 & 2

"God Is So Good"

God is so good; God is so good; God is so good; God's so good to me.

God cares for me; God cares for me; God cares for me; God's so good to me.

*CANDLE LIGHTING & REMEMBERING GRACE COVENANT SAINTS

For all the saints who went before us, who have spoken to our hearts and touched us with your fire,

we praise you, O God!

For all the saints who live beside us, whose weaknesses and strengths are woven with our own,

we praise you, O God!

For all the saints who live beyond us, who challenge us to change the world with them,

we praise you, O God!

Candle Lighting

(Family or friends of Grace Covenant members who have died in the last year will come forward as their names are read, lighting a candle, reminding us they are now with God.)

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Blessed are you, O God, for you are holy, gracious, and good, the hope of all the faithful.

Empower the meek and encourage the poor.

Comfort those who mourn and fill humble hearts with gladness.

Give food to the hungry, drink to the thirsty,

peace to the peacemakers, mercy to the merciful,

and honor to the despised. Sustain your saints in ministry, until at last they see their reward:

the joy of eternal life with you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: May the peace of Christ be with you and everyone.

All: And also with you and all others!

(Let us greet one another with expressions of Jesus' love.)

*HYMN 531 "Seed, Scattered and Sown" **SEED SCATTERED**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND SILENT PRAYER

Equipping People to Develop and Share a Faith that Works in Real Life

HEBREW SCRIPTURES LESSON Ruth 1:1-18

Jean Hampton

(Old Testament, Page 241)

GOSPEL LESSON

Thanks be to God!

Mark 12:28-34 (New Testament, Page 48)

Holy Wisdom, Holy Words,

SUNG PROMISE

"Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal"

arr. Alice Parker

Chancel Choir - Beth Lillian, soloist Hark, I hear the harps eternal ringing on the farther shore, as I near those swollen waters, with their deep and solemn roar. And my soul though stained with sorrow, fading as the light of day, passes swiftly o'er those waters to the city far away. Souls have crossed before me, saintly, to that land of perfect rest; and I hear them singing faintly in the mansions of the blest. Hallelujah, praise the Lamb. Hallelujah, glory to the great I AM!

SERMON

"All in the Family"

Rev. Mitch Trigger

OFFERING OF GIFTS AND MUSIC

arr. Douglas E. Wagner

"On Eagle's Wings" Linda Dover, organ

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Invitation to the Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

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 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.

The Words of Institution

The Sharing of the Bread and Cup

When passing the bread say: "The bread of life given for you." When passing the wine/juice say: "The cup of hope poured out for you." Responses may be: "Thanks be to God," "Amen," or "Alleluia." (Trays contain red wine and white grape juice. For a gluten-free option, notify an usher and an elder will bring them to you.)

Communion of the People, Roll Call of the Saints, Tolling of the Bell (The trays contain red wine and white grape juice. If you prefer gluten-free crackers, notify an usher and an elder will bring them to you.)

Communion Music

Prayer After Communion

Sending People to Serve Christ in the World

*HYMN (see insert) "Greeted as Saints, We So Become"

QUEBEC

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Trumpet Tune in C" Linda Dover, organ

by Leon Nelson

*If convenient/able, please stand.

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