FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Order of Worship

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

November 5, 2023

At the sound of the chimes, please use this time to silently prepare for worship.

CHIMES

PRELUDE

"Saints Bound for Heaven" - arr. Helvey

GREETING

"This is the day that the Lord has made!"

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT - "When the Saints Go Marching In"

Oh, when the Saints go marching in,
Oh, when the Saints go marching in,
O Lord, I want to be in that number
When the Saints go marching in. (sing twice)

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

In you all gracious and ever-loving God lies our hope for life everlasting;

Praise the Lord with song, lyre, and harp!

You alone dear God are our rock and our redeemer;

Let us sing songs of praise to God from morning until evening!

Let us sing songs of praise to God from morning until evening! O praise the Lord with me,

Let us exalt God's name together!

* OPENING HYMN "For All The Saints" #326

INTERLUDE 1 ~ The Names of the Saints ~

(Remembering and naming Faith's members who have gone before us.)

Names read by Judy Pike and Bill Brouwer

* THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son.

Let us take a few minutes for silent reflection.

* THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsively)

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. **Thanks be to God.**

* GLORIA PATRI "Glory to God" #582

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

* PASSING OF THE PEACE (responsively)

May mercy, peace, and love be yours in abundance. The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

(You are invited to offer your neighbor a brief sign of peace)

WELCOME

We invite our guests to use the nametags in the attendance pads to identify themselves so that we may get to know each other.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDRENS TIME - Elder Richard Carter

SPECIAL MUSIC - "Thank You" - Boltz - Fred Whitley, Soloist

INTERLUDE 2 ~ The Names of the Saints ~

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Testify to us, O God, by the voice of your Spirit. Put your law in our hearts, write your word in our minds, and show your will in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON - Psalm 34:1-10; 22

Holy wisdom, holy word. Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON - Revelation 21:1-6a

Holy wisdom, holy word. Thanks be to God.

SERMON "God Makes All Things New"

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD "THE APOSTLES' CREED"

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING OUR PRAYERS FOR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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, for ever. Amen.

INTERLUDE 3 ~ The Names of the Saints ~

RECEPTION OF OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

OFFERTORY - "Appalachian Meditation" - Moore

* DOXOLOGY - "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" - #609

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

INTERLUDE 4 ~ The Names of the Saints ~

- * CLOSING HYMN "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God" #730
- * BENEDICTION
- * BENEDICTION RESPONSE "When the Saints Go Marching In"

And when the revelation comes, Oh when the revelation comes, Oh Lord, I want to be in that number, When the revelation comes.

And when they crown Him King of Kings, Oh when they crown Him King of Kings, Oh Lord, I want to be in that number, When they crown Him King of Kings.

* **POSTLUDE** "Mansion Over the Hilltop" - Stanphill

Following the Benediction you are invited to go to the Faith Memorial Garden for a prayer of thanksgiving and remembrance.