



All Saints' Sunday

November 2, 2025
10:30 A.M

FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH



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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

THE GATHERING

Before the service and during the opening voluntary, all are invited to come forward and place a photo and light a candle to remember the saints who have gone before us.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Elegy

Douglas E. Wagner

*Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. – Psalm 23:6*

GREETING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

*LITANY FOR ALL SAINTS' DAY

God, we remember those Saints who have gone before us;

We lament their passing,

And honor their legacy.

We give thanks for all we have learned from them.

Those who followed the Way of Christ faithfully,

We follow their example.

Those who made mistakes along the way,

We learn from their experience.

Those who made progress for peace,

We continue their work.

Those who lived simply and quietly,

We are enlightened by them.

Those who gained honor and distinction without pride,

We are humbled by them.

Those who were martyred for their faith,

We commend them to your care.

They have finished their work on earth,

And it lives on,

Reverberating into our lives now

As the work of Christ lives on.

May the peace of Christ continue to inspire us

To good works, humility, simplicity and peacemaking,

As those foremothers and forefathers were inspired by him

To live in grace and love.

God of all the faithful, we rejoice that nothing in all creation can separate us from your love. Work out your good purpose in us and help us in our weakness as we await, with eager longing, the redemption of all things; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

*HYMN 326

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

Jesus said: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin:

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. We confess that we are indifferent to your will. You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid. In your mercy, forgive us. Give us courage to follow in your way, that joined with those from ages past, who have served you with faith, hope, and love, we may inherit the kingdom you promised in Jesus Christ.

A brief silence is kept for personal prayer.

PRAYER RESPONSE (HYMN 551)

Lord, Have Mercy

LAND OF REST

POURING OF THE BAPTISMAL WATER AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Jesus said: Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God!**

*GLORIA PATRI (Hymn 581)

GREATOREX

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Having been reconciled to God, let us be reconciled to one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

*SUNG RESPONSE (HYMN 730)

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

GRAND ISLE

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Diane Bowers

May God be with you in worship here.

May God be with you in worship there.

Children may depart the sanctuary for Kids' Kirk. They will return before communion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Stewardship

Diane Bowers

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Faithful God, how blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness.

Sanctify us by your Word and Spirit so that we may glorify you in the company of the faithful; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE

Psalm 32:1-7 (O.T. p. 506)

Here ends the Psalm. **Amen.**

Luke 19:1-10 (N.T.p. 82)

The Gospel of the Lord. **May Jesus Christ be praised.**

SERMON

“Seeking and Saving the Lost”

Rev. Ken Dick

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *(Please be seated)*

Surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, we pray for the fulfillment of God's promise, saying: In faith, O God, **we seek your grace.**

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

In faith, O God, **we seek your grace.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

In faith, O God, **we seek your grace.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

In faith, O God, **we seek your grace.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

In faith, O God, **we seek your grace.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

In faith, O God, **we seek your grace.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. We remember especially:

JANE SMITH, ASHLYN DUBE, HOWARD MCCLURE, JEAN FORTUNE

You are invited to share, aloud or silently, the names of others you are remembering today.

In faith, O God, **we seek your grace.**

Strengthen us to run the race that is before us, laying aside the heavy burdens of sin and death and following the pioneer and perfecter of our faith: Jesus Christ, our crucified and risen Lord. **Amen.**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

In Christ, we have received everything we need. Freely we have received; now freely let us give.

MUSIC FOR THE OFFERING

In Bright Mansions Above

arr. Roland M. Carter

*In bright mansions above,
Lord, I want to live up yonder,
in bright mansions above.*

*My mother's gone to glory.
I want to go there too, up yonder
in bright mansions above.*

*In my Father's house there are many mansions,
if it were not so, I would have told you.*

*THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

OLD HUNDREDTH

SEALING THE WORD WITH THE SACRAMENT

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

All things in heaven and earth belong to God, who is coming in glory to reveal a new creation. Let us offer our lives to the Lord.

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Sung by all: (Hymn 552)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

The prayer continues.

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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All who seek God are invited to the table, regardless of church affiliation or any other condition or identity. Ushers will guide you forward to partake by taking a piece of bread and dipping it in the cup. Servers will come to those who prefer to remain in their seats.

MUSIC FOR COMMUNION

Shall We Gather at the River

arr. Aaron Copeland

Lisa Clark, soprano

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of glory, in this holy feast you have made us one with Christ and with that great multitude of the faithful – those who hunger and thirst no more and worship night and day in your temple. Lead us in the paths of righteousness and guide us to the springs of the water of life, until we join the choir of the redeemed, singing:

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb: Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE CREATED ORDER

*HYMN 172

Blest Are They

BLEST ARE THEY

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

O Welt, ich muss dich lassen

Johannes Brahms

**Rise in body or spirit*

**THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY TODAY ARE IN MEMORY OF
ASHLYN ELIZABETH DUBE
FROM STEPHANIE, ANDREW, AND ALEXIS DUBE**

LEADING OUR WORSHIP TODAY

Preacher: *Rev. Ken Dick*

Liturgist: *John Lashbrook*

Communion Servers: *Linda Kabalen & Marilyn Van Winkle*

Kids' Kirk: *Marsba Nash*



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