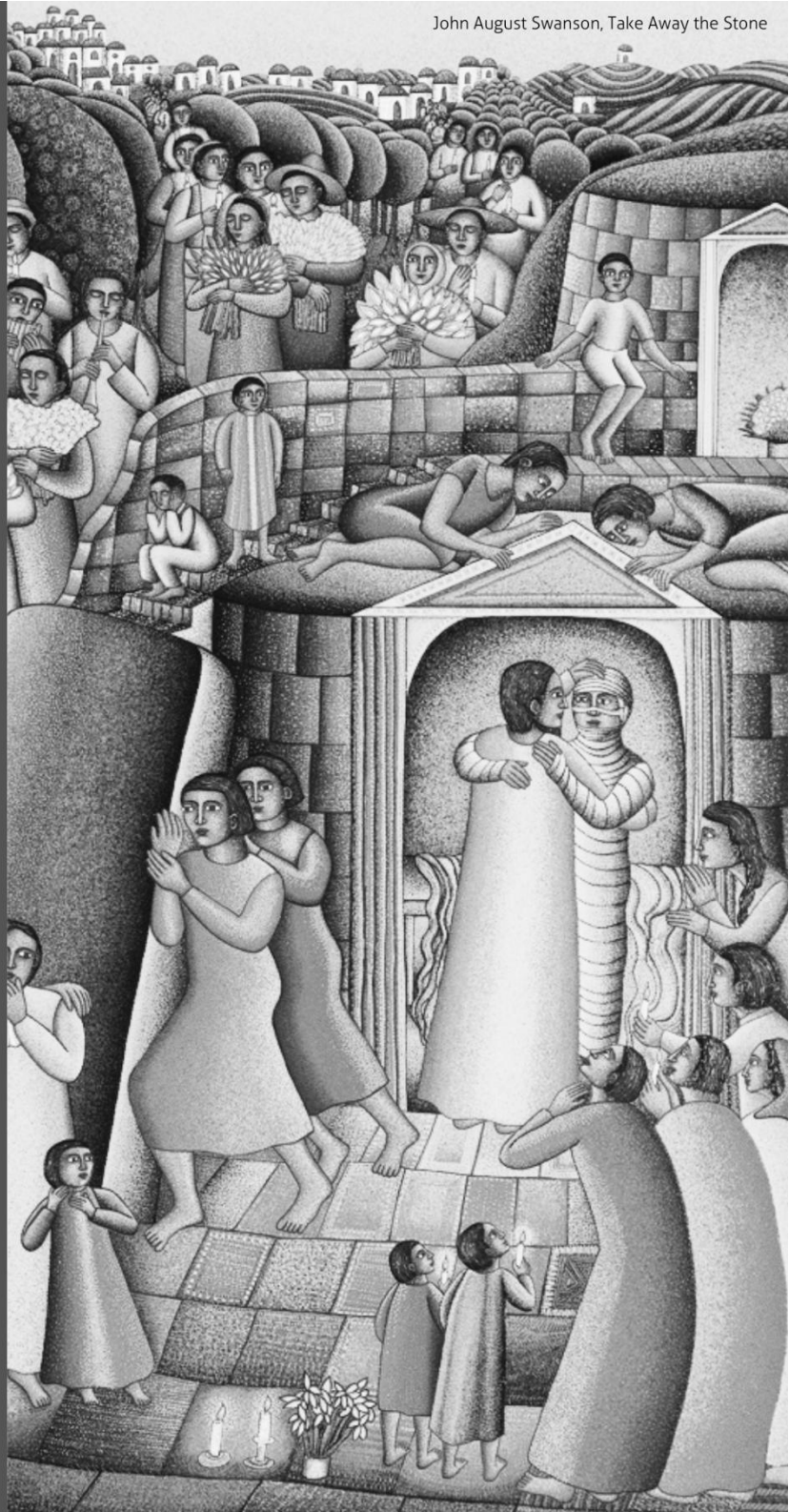


# All Saints' Sunday

November 3, 2024  
10:30 A.M.



FIRST  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

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## THE GATHERING

OPENING VOLUNTARY

*Improvisation in G*

CHORAL INTROIT

*The Souls of the Righteous*

Marchant

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there shall no torment touch them. In the sight of the unwise, they seem'd to die, but they are in peace. (Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-2)

POURING OF THE BAPTISMAL WATER

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

In baptism, we are united with the saints of every time and place. As we join our hearts in worship on this All Saints' Sunday, let us remember those who have completed their baptism in death.

**Eternal God, we bless you for the great company of all those who have kept the faith, finished their race, and who now rest from their labor. We praise you for those dear to us whom you have received into your presence. Bring us at last with all your saints into the joy of your home, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

CANDLE LIGHTING

*You are invited to come forward to light a candle to remember saints who have gone before us.*

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call

an - swer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord hear my prayer. Come and lis - ten to me. O

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## LITURGY FOR ALL SAINTS' DAY

We give you thanks, O Lord, for all your saints and servants who have lived justly, loved mercy, and walked humbly with their God.

For all the high and holy ones, who have done wonders and been shining lights in the world, we give you thanks. For all the meek and lowly ones, who have earnestly sought you in darkness, held fast to their faith in times of trial, and done good as they have had opportunity, we give you thanks.

Especially we give thanks for those whom we have known and loved, who, by their patient obedience and self-denial, steadfast hope and helpfulness in trouble, have shown the same mind that was in Christ Jesus.

*The members of our church who have died in the past year are named:*

JULIA CARLAND LEDFORD  
MARIAN SUE "SUSAN" HAWES  
RAYMOND STRAND KRAMER

EMMA JANE GROEZINGER KIRKLAND  
MARTHA WRONA  
KAREN LYNN DOYLE-SANDERS

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son, Christ our Lord. Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

\*HYMN 326

*For All the Saints*

SINE NOMINE

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

*Rev. 21:1*

God has promised to make of us a new creation, laying to rest the former things, making all things new. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty Lord and God, in Jesus Christ you came from heaven to dwell among us, calling us to be your faithful people. Yet we remain shrouded in sin—we hurt and disgrace ourselves; we abuse and destroy one another; we dishonor your holy name. Forgive us, unbind us and let us go so that we may stand among your saints, rejoicing in your saving grace; through Jesus Christ our redeemer. Amen.**

CHORAL RESPONSE

“Kyrie” from Service in F

Harold Darke

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Listen! The one who is seated on the throne says: See, I am making all things new.  
And now it is finished! Hear the good news: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. **Amen.**

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

\*SUNG RESPONSE (Hymn 583)

GLORIA (TAIZE)

**Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!**  
**Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!**

*During the hymn, children may depart the sanctuary with their teacher for Kid's Kirk . They will return to the sanctuary before communion.*

## THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Almighty God, your word is life and your promise is trustworthy and true. By the power of your Holy Spirit write your word upon our hearts so that we may be your new creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

READINGS FROM SCRIPTURE

Revelation 21:1-6a (N.T. p. 259)

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

\*HYMN 375

*Shall We Gather at the River*

HANSON PLACE

\*John 11:32-44 (N.T. p. 105)

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

SERMON

Jeff Moles

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Patti Burns Taylor

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Iona Community*

**We believe that God is present in the darkness before dawn; in the waiting and uncertainty where fear and courage join hands, conflict and caring link arms, and the sun rises over barbed wire. We believe in a with-us God who sits down in our midst to share our humanity. We affirm a faith that takes us beyond the safe place into action, into vulnerability, and into the streets. We commit ourselves to work for change and put us on the line; to bear responsibility, to take risks, live powerfully and face humiliation; to stand with those on the edge; to choose life and be used by the Spirit for God's new community of hope. Amen.**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

MUSIC FOR THE OFFERING

*O Thou the Central Orb*

Charles Wood

O thou, the central orb of righteous love, pure beam of the Most High, eternal light,  
Of this our wintry world; thy radiance bright awakes new joy in faith: hope soars above.  
Come, quickly come, and let thy glory shine; gilding our darksome heaven with rays divine.  
Thy saints with holy lustre round thee move, as stars about thy throne, set in the height  
Of God's ordaining counsel, as thy sight gives measured grace to each, thy power to prove.  
Let thy bright beams disperse the gloom of sin: our nature all shall feel eternal day  
In fellowship with thee, transforming ray to souls, erewhile unclean, now pure within. Amen.

\*THE DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## SEALING THE WORD WITH THE SACRAMENT

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

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 572)*

**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.**

*The prayer continues, concluding with the Lord's Prayer, found on p. 35 in the front of the hymnal.*

#### 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. Gluten free elements are available on the small plate near the baptismal font. Servers will come to those who prefer to remain in their seats.*

#### COMMUNION MOTET

*The Best of Rooms*

Robert Lehman

Christ, He requires still, wheresoe'er He comes to feed or lodge, to have the best of rooms:  
Give Him the choice; grant Him the nobler part of all the house: the best of all's the heart.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**God of glory, in this holy feast you have made us one with Christ and with the 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 315

*In the Midst of New Dimensions*

NEW DIMENSIONS

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE

*Sevenfold Amen*

Stainer

\*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*Prelude on How Fair and Pleasant You Are*

Marcel Dupre

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*\*Rise in body or spirit*

# LEADING OUR WORSHIP TODAY

Speaker: *Jeff Moles* ~ Communion Leader: *Marilyn Ericksen* ~ Liturgist: *Patti Price*  
Communion Servers: *Patti Burns Taylor & Diane Bowers* ~ Kids' Kirk: *Marsha Nash*

## The Life of the Church

**Pledge Dedication Sunday is next Sunday, November 10.**

**A Donation Drive for St. Benedict's Homeless Shelter** is being held this November to help our neighbors prepare for the winter months. Please plan to bring the following items: **Sunday, Nov. 10** - Hats and Gloves; **Sunday, Nov. 17** - Deodorant and Body Wash (full or travel size); **Sunday, Nov. 24** - Socks and Hand Warmers

**SpiritLifters** will meet Monday, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 PM at Niko's. Please let Jerry Price know if you plan to attend.

**A Fall Study on Poverty** will not meet this week, but will resume Monday, November 11 when we will discuss Section IV of *The Kingdom of the Poor* by Charles Strobel.

**Be Thankful Potluck Meal**, Sunday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>, following worship. See PN for details.

**Faith Fest Owensboro** is a cooperative effort of local faith communities. FPC will host The Art of Spiritual Hospitality on Saturday, November 16, at 10AM in the fellowship hall. Please pick a brochure in the hallway to find out more information.

**You are invited to make a gift to support our church's ministry of sharing God's love:**

- As the offering plate is passed
- By scanning the QR code to the right
- Online at [fpcobky.com/give](http://fpcobky.com/give)
- Or by contacting the church office to set up automatic withdrawal



**Financial Update** Our ministry is funded by the giving of members and friends. Thank you for your generosity.

<b>Year (through Oct.)</b>	<b>Month of Oct. (to date)</b>	<b>Week Ending Oct. 31</b>
Income: \$414,693.48*	Income: \$47,573.57	Income: \$ 8,997.25
<u>Expense: \$444,596.11</u>	<u>Expense: \$43,275.93</u>	<u>Expense: \$ 9,669.40</u>
Balance: -\$29,902.63	Balance: \$ 4,297.64	Balance: -\$ 672.15

\*This includes \$20,000.00 from Permanent Funds

**Want to help?** If you are writing or renewing your will, please remember the church.



First Presbyterian Church is an inclusive community of faith called to proclaim the good news of the love of Jesus Christ for all people, and to join God in the building of a just, peaceful, and compassionate world.

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