

Morning Worship and Holy Communion

Sunday, November 1, 2020, 10:00 am

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Beginning Music Spiritual Medley

Prelude

Words to ponder: “Let the saints sing for joy. We are children of the living God. We will see God face to face.”

Additional Scriptures for this Sunday: Revelation 7:9-17;
Psalm 34:1-10, 22; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12

Scriptures for 23rd Sunday after Pentecost: Joshua 24:1-3a; 14-25;
Psalm 78:1-7; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13

WE GATHER AS GOD’S PEOPLE

Welcome Pastor Ed

Call to Worship (*Responsively*) Leader

Leader: As we gather, we remember that we are not alone!

People: **We gather with the saints, who live in the presence of God, singing praises to the God of our salvation**

Leader: From every nation, race, clan and culture, God’s people gather to worship the One-Who-Is-Without-Peer!

People: **To God and to the Lamb, all honor, glory, wisdom, thanksgiving, strength and power.**

Leader: Blessed be God, now and forever! Amen!

Opening Prayer (*Unison*) Leader

Blessed are you, God of our salvation. As we turn to you in prayer, be with us and reveal to us your ways From your self-revelation in Jesus teach us how to live in ways that honor you: by humbling ourselves; by being content with what we have rather than striving for more; by caring, and cooperating, rather than competing in unhealthy ways. Teach us, giver of all goodness, to be strong in your strength for the sake of the gospel. Help us honor your prodigal grace, by living as doers of peace in this world you love. Amen.

Opening Hymn “Come, Let Us Join Our Friends Above”
Eunice Alberts, Ron Giannattasio

Offering One Another the Peace of Christ

A Time for Children of All Ages Rose Aiello

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD OF GOD

First Reading 1 John 3:1-3 Leader

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Gospel Reading Matthew 5:1-12 Leader

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ!**

Hymn of Preparation “Spirit of the Living God” Eunice Alberts
Ron Giannattasio

Sermon Pastor Ed

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

Prayer of Confession (*Unison*) Leader

Holy God, we so often fail to remember how profoundly you love us. You bless us even when we are at our wit’s end. You created us, and you love us as we are, even as you inspire our desire to be better through your Holy Spirit. Forgive us when we fail to remember that we are the body of Christ, saints-in-process. Empower us to begin anew, encouraged by the stories of those who live in your eternal presence. In the name of Jesus, and for the sake of the gospel, we pray. Amen.

Silent Meditation

Words of Assurance

We Lift Up to God Our Prayers and Concerns Bill Florin

Prayers of Our Saints Bill Florin, Tim Quinn

Silent Prayer followed by the Pastoral Prayer

The Offering of our Gifts (*Please mail in your offerings*)

Doxology

Offering Prayer (Unison) Holy God, thank you for the great cloud of witnesses that surrounds us as we worship. Their diversity reminds us of your infinite grace to all your creatures. Thank you for the vision of a world at peace: paradise restored, where no one hungers, no one thirsts, and no one is wanting. You guide us to the source of living water and invite us to drink deeply of your love. Your magnificent generosity evokes our deepest thanks. And so receive these offerings, that we may join that great cloud of witnesses as we share our gifts with others. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Giving of the Bread and Cup

The Lord's Prayer

Prayer of Thanksgiving

WE CARRY THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

Sending Hymn "I'll Fly Away" Rose Aiello, Patti Early
Dave Aiello, guitar

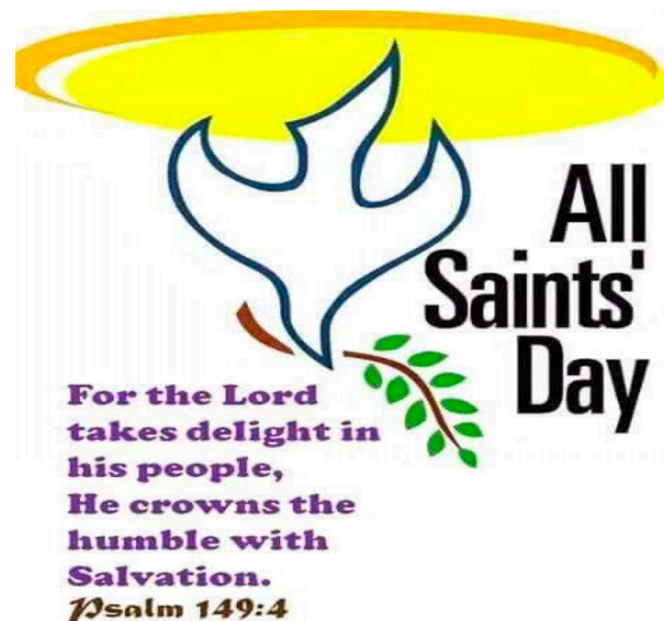
Benediction

Our Worship Tech Team

Rose Aiello
Eunice Alberts
Patti Early
Bill Florin
RoseAnne Homola
Amy Rajpolt
Sheryl Rajpolt

Ed Dayton – Pastor

Leader: Martha Quinn; Children's Time: Rose Aiello
Soloist(s): Rose Aiello, Patti Early and Dave Aiello, guitar; Eunice Alberts,
Organist: RoseAnne Homola; Pianist Ron Giannattasio
Bill Florin – Joys and Concerns Leader
All Saints' Day Readers: Bill Florin, Tim Quinn
UMC Monroe Lay Leader: Rose Aiello
LHUMC Lay Leaders: Maggie Flemma and Tim Quinn
Music Leaders: Patti Early, RoseAnne Homola, Eunice Alberts



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