

Sunday Worship

November 5, 2023

11:00 am

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## All Saints Sunday

November 5, 2023

23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

*We are called by Jesus Christ to worship, make disciples, and serve.*

Welcome

Rev. Carol L. Pazdersky

Centering our Hearts on God

*"Lord, I give you thanks for those who helped to form my faith in you. Amen."*

Prelude

"Ain't That Good News"  
*Marguerite Willbanks, Soprano Soloist*

arr. E. Boatner

\*Call to Worship

Roger Price

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection, and I am life.

**Those who believe in me, even though they die, yet shall they live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die.**

I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning, and the end, the first and the last.

**I died and behold I am alive for evermore, and I hold the keys of hell and death.**

Because I live, you shall live also."

**Let us worship and praise the Lord of Life!**

Sing with all the saints in glory, sing the resurrection song!  
Death and sorrow, earth's dark story, to the former days belong.  
All around the clouds are breaking, soon the storms of time shall cease;  
in God's likeness we, awaking, know the everlasting peace.

O what glory, far exceeding all that eye has yet perceived!  
Holiest hearts, for ages pleading, never that full joy conceived.  
God has promised, Christ prepares it, there on high our welcome waits.  
Every humble spirit shares it; Christ has passed th'eternal gates.

Life eternal! heaven rejoices: Jesus lives, who once was dead.  
Join we now the deathless voices; child of God, lift up your head!  
Patriarchs from the distant ages, saints all longing for their heaven,  
prophets, psalmists, seers, and sages, all await the glory given.

Life eternal! O what wonders crowd on faith; what joy unknown,  
when, amidst earth's closing thunders, saints shall stand before the throne!  
O to enter that bright portal, see that glowing firmament;  
know, with thee, O God Immortal, "Jesus Christ whom thou has sent!"

#### All Saints Prayer

Let us pray: **Almighty God, you have knit together your faithful into the mystery that is the Body of Christ. Grant us grace to live virtuous and godly lives that we may know the fullness of joy you have prepared for those who sincerely love you. We pray in the name of Jesus our Savior. Amen.**

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

**He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:  
he leadeth me beside the still waters.**

He restoreth my soul:  
he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

**Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil: for thou art with me;  
thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.**

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:  
thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

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

Anthem

“Song of the Saints”\*  
*Chancel Choir and Quartet*

P. Choplin

\*The choir music given in loving memory of  
Rick Warren by his sister, Cathy Zink.

Epistle Lesson

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

All Saints Litany

Today we stand beside saints in the making.

**Yesterday we stood by those who now live as saints in light.**

Tomorrow may be our turn to take our place among them.

**While we live, we live to the Lord.**

When we die, we die to the Lord.

**So then whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's!**

Roll Call of the Saints

Peggy Otradovec

Verna Wendel

Richard Warren

Terre Kohajda

Nancy Akehurst

Vivian Gyr

Patricia Crawford

Edward Crawford

Anthem

“For Those Who Walked with Us”\*

J.E. Clemens

*Chancel Choir and Quartet*

\*Choir octaves given in loving memory of my parents,  
Carville G. and Doris M. Akehurst by Doris Tarleton.

For those who walked with us, this is a prayer.  
For those who have gone ahead, this is a blessing.  
For those who touched and tended us,  
who lingered with us while they lived,  
this is a thanksgiving.

For those who journey still with us  
in the shadows of awareness,  
in the crevices of memory,  
in the landscape of our dreams,  
this is a benediction.

\*Gospel Lesson

Matthew 5:1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. “Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. “Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. “Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. “Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. “Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

The Word of God for the People of God,  
**Thanks be to God!**

Message

Offering our Best to God

With the generosity of the saints of God, let us with open hands  
and joyful hearts offer our gifts to the Lord.

Offertory

“Gather by the River to Pray”\*  
*Chancel Choir and Quartet*

arr. P. Choplin

\*Choir music given in loving memory of  
Louise Tuckmantel by her daughter, Ann Ansel.

\*Doxology

Rejoice, the Lord is King (vv. 1&4)

UMH 715

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore;  
mortals, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore.  
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice; again I say, rejoice.

Rejoice in glorious hope! Jesus the Judge shall come,  
and take his servants up to their eternal home.  
We soon shall hear th'archangel's voice; the trump of God shall sound,  
rejoice!

Let us pray: **God of all generations, today we offer our whole selves to you  
- all that we have and all that we are. As did the saints who have gone  
before us, we pray for spiritual fruit. Guide us to be loving, joyful,  
peaceful, patient, kind, generous, faithful, gentle, and controlled, let our  
words and actions be bold and bring you glory throughout the world.  
Grant us grace to one day stand amidst the multitude that gathers at your  
heavenly throne. We pray this in the name of our Savior and Redeemer,  
Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Sharing Our Lives

Communion

“Musical Setting B”  
*Leader – Katelyn Hemling*

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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.**

And so,

With your people on earth and all the company of heaven

We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

For all the saints, who from their labors rest,  
who thee by faith before the world confessed,  
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.

Refrain: Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;  
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;  
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. [Refrain]

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,  
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,  
and win with them the victor's crown of gold. [Refrain]

O blest communion, fellowship divine!  
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;  
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. [Refrain]

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,  
steals on the ear the distant triumph song,  
and hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. [Refrain]

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,  
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,  
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: (Refrain)

\*Blessing

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds  
in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord. And  
the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be among you  
and remain with you always. **Amen.**

\*Postlude

“For All the Saints”

R. Vaughan Williams

Guest Quartet

Marguerite Willbanks – Soprano  
Katelyn Hemling – Alto  
Ryan Wilson – Tenor  
Louis Gephardt-Gorsuch – Bass

The remuneration for the four guest Quartet today has been  
given in loving memory of Bob Burt by his life partner.

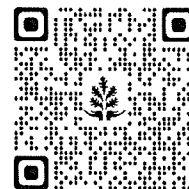
## KNOWN PRAYER CONCERNS WITHIN THE CONGREGATION

<u>Insiders</u>	<u>Hospitalized</u>	<u>Recovering</u>	<u>Special Concerns</u>	<u>Recently Bereaved</u>
Dottie DeCarlo Helen Fringo Bob Knight Florence Littleton James Morris	Cheryl Welsh	Shirley Curtain Dave Kalendek George Krause Debbie Porter Cheryl Stephens	Larry Daubert Ruth Diggs Marvin Gyr Nancy Stark	Margaret Baker sister of Betty Day

**SUNDAY HOSPITALITY** – The hospitality committee is looking to revive the Sunday coffee fellowship and looking for volunteers to help set up and break down weekly. This requires setting the table in the hall with beverages and snacks (provided) and then break down. If interested, see Barbara Thompson or email [barbara7916@msn.com](mailto:barbara7916@msn.com)

**GIFT CARDS** – Retailer list and order forms are at each church entrance. Orders must be received by noon on Sunday, December 3. Gift cards will be available for pick up on Sunday, December 10 from 8 am – 12:30 pm.

**FILM SEMINAR** – Saturday, November 18, 6:00-9:30 pm  
 “Twelve O’ Clock High” (1949) starring Gregory Peck.  
 General Frank Savage whips the 119th bomber group  
 into shape. Join us and enjoy a film and a lively discussion.



### **HOLIDAY BAZAAR–Saturday, November 18, 9:00 am–2:00 pm**

White Elephant Table - Homemade Bake Table - Your Favorite Vendors  
 Delicious Luncheon - BBQ Sandwich and Hot Soups

**White Elephant Table** – Consider donating unwanted or slightly used items – handbags, jewelry, tablecloths, placemats, any household item. Please put the items in a bag or box, labeled “White Elephant” and put them outside the craft room door or contact Jackie Brawn 410-652-2776 to arrange pick up.

**Homemade Bake Table** - We will be selling a variety of homemade baked goods. Your contributions have made this very successful. Please consider donating something to this fundraising event. Contact Jackie Brawn with your name, email, phone number and your bakery item at 410-652-2776, email [jackiebrawn@gmail.com](mailto:jackiebrawn@gmail.com) or Jackie’s church mailbox.

**Volunteers Helpers** - Do you have free time to help? It’s a lot of fun and would be greatly appreciated. Times available:

10:00 am-12:00 pm      12:00–2:00 pm      2:00–3:00 pm

Contact Jackie Brawn at 410-652-2776 or [jackiebrawn@gmail.com](mailto:jackiebrawn@gmail.com)