ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY



NOVEMBER 7, 2021

WELCOME

We welcome you to Mt. Hermon Lutheran Church!

If you are worshipping with us for the first time, WELCOME,

If you are worshipping again, WELCOME BACK.

Worship is much more joyful when we add our voices to offer praise and thanksgiving. If you need anything, just ask one of the ushers or greeters. If you would like to discuss discipleship at Mt. Hermon,

Pastor Gina would love to speak with you!

Again welcome ...

CANDLE LIGHTING

If you would like to light a candle to remember loved ones, you may proceed to the table at the front of the sanctuary. To light a candle, please hold the candle to the Light of Christ candle in the center of the table.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TO ORDER

This meeting is for the purpose of nominating council members for the 2022-2024 term. The meeting will be recessed following the collection of the nominating ballots.

PRE-SERVICE

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please see the Community Announcements in the back section of the bulletin. Please note that all congregation responses are printed in **Bold and Italics**.

We are silent as we prepare our hearts for worship.

PRELUDE

"In Paradisum" from the Requiem

Gabriel Fauré / arr. David Patrick Permission by banksmusicpublications.co.uk (Rosemary Goodwin)

THE GATHERING

We stand and face the doors of the sanctuary.

Welcome in the name of Jesus, the Savior of the world. We are gathered to worship, to proclaim Christ crucified and risen, to remember before you our loved ones. We give thanks for their lives. All Saints' Sunday is a day when we honor and remember those who, in death, have joined the Church Triumphant, as well as the faithful saints of the present who serve Jesus Christ.

Eternal God, maker of heaven and earth, who formed us from the dust of the earth, who by your breath gave us life, we glorify you.

We glorify you.

Jesus Christ, the resurrection, and the life, who suffered death for all humanity, who rose from the grave to open the way to eternal life, we praise you.

We praise you.

Holy Spirit, author and giver of life, the comforter of all who sorrow, our sure confidence and everlasting hope, we worship you.

We worship you.

To you, O blessed Trinity, † be glory and honor, forever and ever.

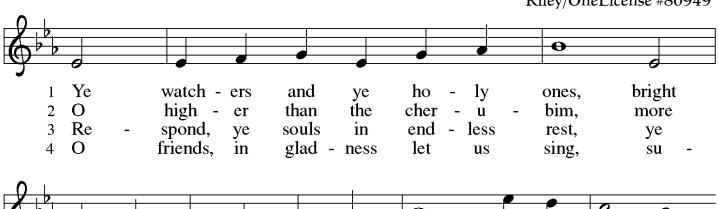
Amen.

As the cross passes your pew, turn and face the altar.

HYMN

Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

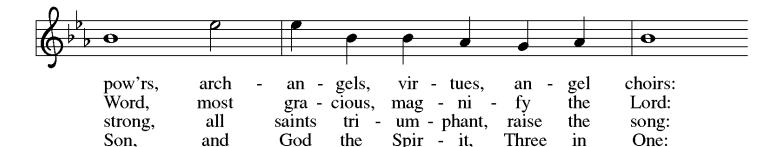
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raise the glad strain: lead their prais - es: "Al - le - lu - ia! "Al - le - lu - ia!



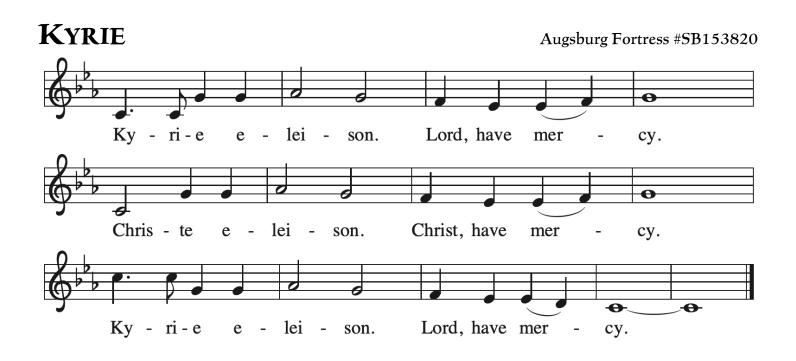


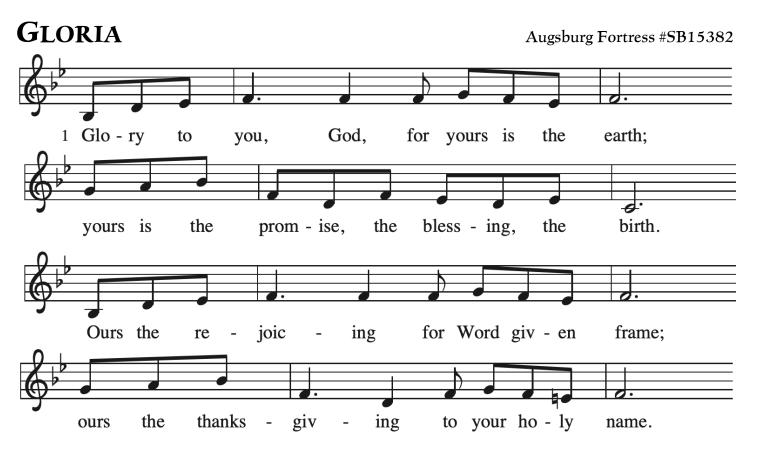


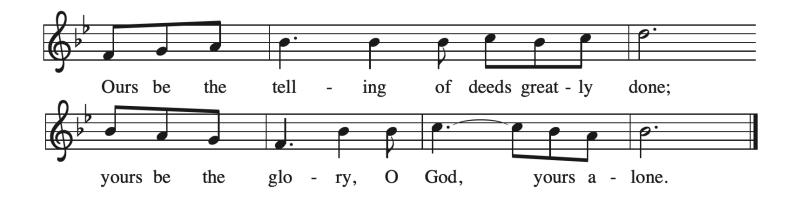


GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. *And also with you.*







PRAYER OF THE DAY

We pray together.

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

We sit.

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

In holy baptism, God makes saints out of sinners. In worship today, we give thanks for all the saints "who from their labors rest", who have fought the good fight and who have gained the crown. Recalling that we have been sealed by the Spirit and sustained by the Savior's body and blood, we keep on keeping on as God gives us breath, to the praise of God's glory.

We sit in silence.

We remember before you this day disciples of Christ who called this place as "home" and *others who have been lay to rest in Mt. Hermon cemetery.

Mike Watford
Lois Watson
Lila Catt
Virginia Kiser
Ray Prater
Margie Hook
Buddy Hydrick
*Don Fagg

THE WORD

Isaiah 25:6-9

A reading from Isaiah.

⁶On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

⁷And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; ⁸he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken.

⁹It will be said on that day,

Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him,

so that he might save us.

This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God.

MUSIC

Arise, My Soul Arise!

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Revelation 21:1-6

A reading from Revelation.

¹I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.

²And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

⁴he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away."

⁵And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." ^{6a}Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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GOSPEL: John 11:32-44

The Holy Gospel according to St. John in the 11th chapter **Glory to you, O Lord.**

³²When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." ³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." ³⁵Jesus began to weep. ³⁶So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" ³⁷But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

³⁸Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." ⁴⁰Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd

standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me."

43When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice,

"Lazarus, come out!" 44The dead man came out, his hands
and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a
cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.** We sit.

CHILDREN'S TIME

light a candle

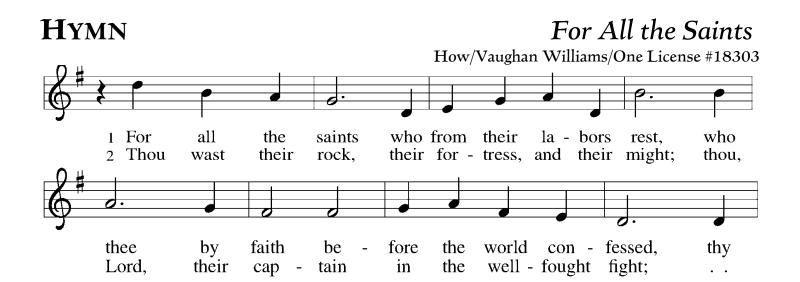
PRAYER OF PREPARATION

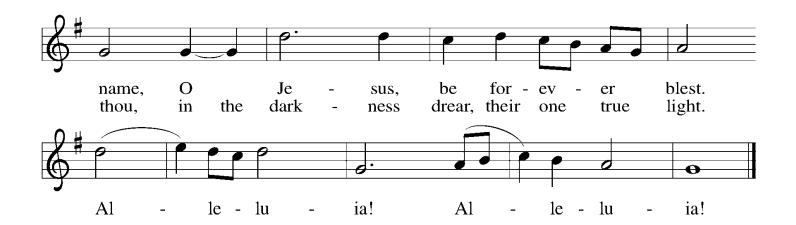
Please pray with me the prayer of preparation.

Holy God, you have a word for me today. Make my heart soft and plant your word in me in order that it may bear fruit in your kingdom. Amen.

SERMON

See how he (Jesus) loved him (us)





Stanzas 3-5 below.

ser-vants com-eth rest; . . . sweet



- 3 Oh, blest com-mu-nion, fel-low-ship di-vine, we fee-bly strug-gle,
- 4 And when the strife is fierce, the war-fare long, steals on the ear the
- 5 The gold en eve ning bright-ens in the west; soon, soon to faith ful

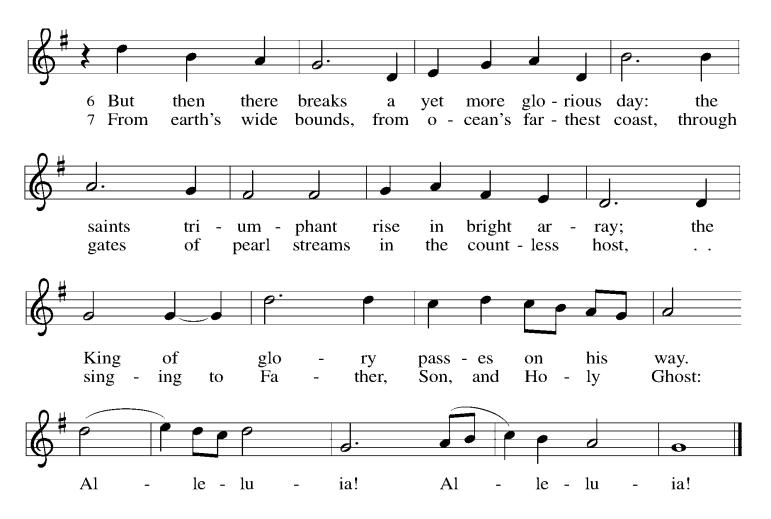


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APOSTLES' CREED

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith with the Apostles' Creed. I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Eternal God, you hold firm amid the changes of this world. Hear us now as we pray for the church, the world, and everyone in need.

After each petition: Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

Confident that you hear us, O God, we boldly place our prayers into your hands; through Jesus Christ, our truth and life. *Amen*.

We sit.

OFFERING

We give our monetary offering to support Christ's mission in this place and around the world in gratitude of God's amazing grace. You may contribute any time by visiting www.WeAreMtHermon.com and click on "On-line Giving." Thank you for your gifts and your stewardship.

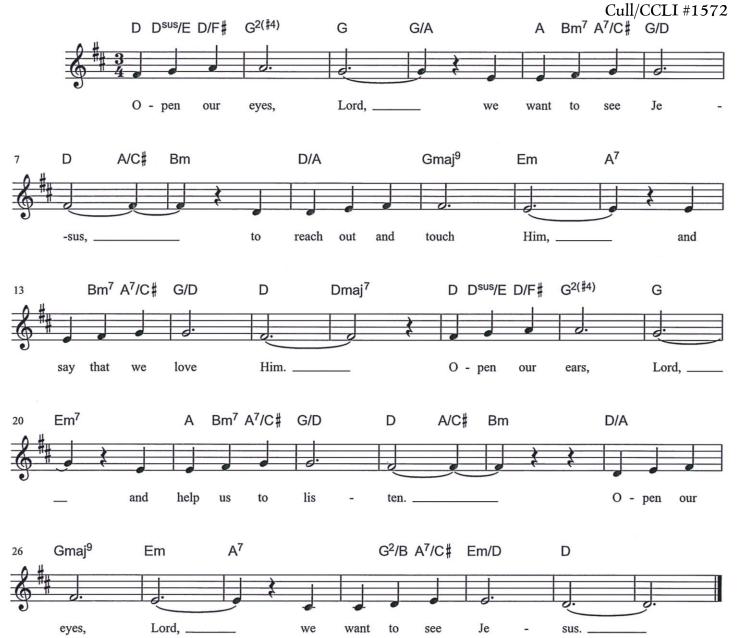
OFFERING

The Journey

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OFFERTORY

Open Our Eyes, Lord



OFFERING PRAYER

We give thanks for these gifts and we pray together. Jesus, bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal.

Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. Amen

THE MEAL

Christ is truly present in the most ordinary and unexpected of places.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

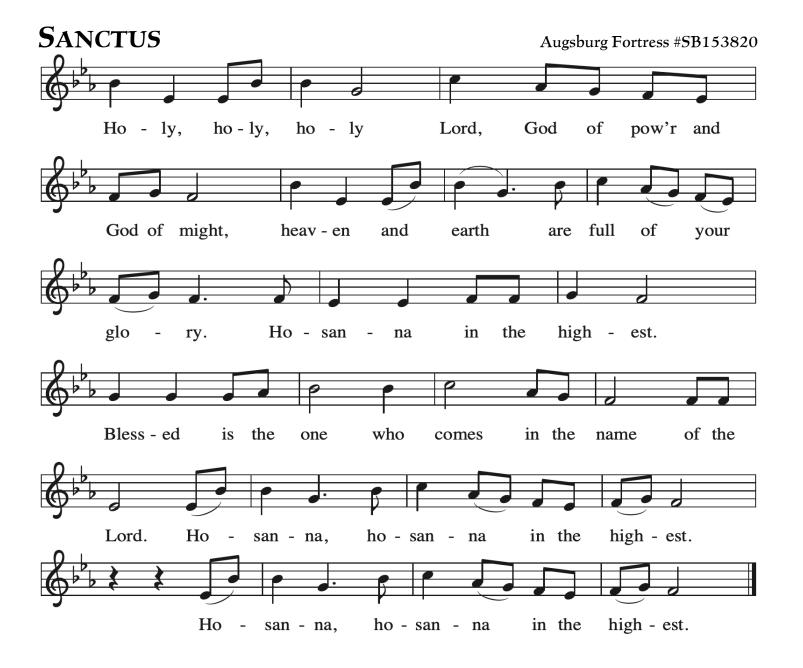
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

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

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

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ. By the witness of your saints, you show us the hope of our calling, and strengthen us to run the race set before us, that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory. And so, with Mike Watford, Lois Watson, Lila Catt, Virginia Kiser, Ray Prater, Margie Hook, Buddy Hydrick, Don Fagg, and all the saints, with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed...

Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end. *Amen.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray,
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 trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

AGNUS DEL

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Invitation to Communion

All who hunger and thirst, come. The table is ready.

Communion assistants come forward.

COMMUNION

Please come forward to receive communion. Both sides will form a single line in the center aisle. You will receive the bread and then receive the wine from the side in which you are seated. You may then return to your pews using the outside aisles. Please return to your pews for a time of prayer and meditation

MUSIC

Laudate Dominum

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In Thee Is Gladness

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THE SENDING

BLESSING

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, † be upon you now and forever. *Amen.*



As the cross passes your pew, please turn and face the entrance of the sanctuary.

POSTLUDE Prelude on a Theme of Gustav Holst "Thaxed" Callahan/One License #10-799-1

SENDING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

We follow the light of Christ into the world.

We are God's people on a mission.

We have gathered. We have been fed.

Now, we go out to make a difference in the world. Amen.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of all our loved ones who have passed in our family and to all the saints who have passed in our church family here at Mt. Hermon by Ronnie & Debbie Fulmer and Marie Gardner.



Annual Congregational Meeting – Sunday November 21st in the Fellowship Hall – immediately following worship. We will elect new council members and also approve the 2022 Ministry Plan.

November 14th
Baptismal Water
needed from your home.
Bring 2-4 oz. of water from your home.
There will be a glass vessel at the entrance of the sanctuary for you to add your water.
The water will be combined and used in the baptismal font and used to baptize

Easton Thomas Donaldson into the combined community of faith at Mt Hermon Lutheran Church.

Adopt-A-Highway

We will start the next Adopt-A-Highway pick-up from the church parking lot at 9:00 am on Saturday November 13. Please join if you can!





Food Pantry

During the month of November, we will continue collecting food for Thanksgiving and Christmas Bags for our Food Pantry patrons. Please donate what you can. Drop your donations in the plastic container in the office foyer. Monetary donations are also appreciated.



Puppet rehearsal Dates:

Angels Aware Puppet Rehearsals!

Angels Aware, the puppet musical, will be performed on December 12th at 3:00 pm. Rehearsals are held in the fellowship hall on Saturdays and Sundays throughout November. Please come when you can!

Saturday, November 6, 3:00 p.m. Sunday, November 7, 3:00 p.m. Saturday, November 20, 3:00 p.m. Sunday, November 21, 3:00 p.m. Saturday, November 27, 3:00 p.m. Sunday, November 28, 3:00 p.m.





December Events



December 3 at 9 am Free Garage Sale

December 5 at 6 pm Advent Cantata (sanctuary)

December 12 at 3:00 Puppets Musical (fellowship hall)

> December 18 at 6 pm Candlelight Dinner*

December 22 at 6 pm Community Carols & Smores (fire-it)

December 24 at 4 pm Children's Christmas Eve Service

> December 24 at 7:30 pm Festival Service

December 26 at 9 am Lessons and Carols

*The Dulcimer Guy returns as our guest musician for the December Candlelight Dinner

Tithes, and Offerings

10/31/2021

In-person 81 + Live Stream Worship 72 = 153

Current & Benevolent	Received	\$3,057.62
Building Improvement	Received	\$115.00
Growing on Holy Ground	Received	\$535.00

Honorariums and Memorials (all funds)

In memory of all the saints who have gone before us this year of 2021 by Marion & Cyndi Leaphart

In memory of Stephen Price by Jeff & Alyson Price

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Continual Prayers

Patricia Bachman, Generations Alberta Berry, home

Hazel Bockus, Springdale Home Lyle Bockus, Springdale Home

Nell Buff, NHC

Gennar Kiser, home

Rev. Everette Price, home

June Roof, Rapha Tom Roof, home

Lena Wessinger, Presby. Home

Members in Special Need of Prayer

Clifton Addy James Hallman Angie Hydrick Frankie Jackson Jimmy Maddox Jerry Price III Jane Sexton Jean Shealy

Cyndi Thurman *Gene Schofield Linda Waters-Hamilton

Family and Friends Who Have Requested Our Prayers

*family of Sarah Geddings, mother of Allison Swygert

*family of Richard Lindler, friend of Marion & Cyndi Leaphart

Grayson Dykes, friend of Angie Hydrick

Martha Eastwood, sister of Marie Kleckley

David Hydrick, family of Angie Hydrick

Charlotte & Paul Nelson, friends of Herb Bucknam

Robert Lindler, father of Cassie Swygert

Bob Eastwood, brother-in-law of Marie Kleckley

Molly Kate Shealy, friend of Jean Shealy

Chuck Bachman, nephew of Jean Shealy

Dawn McIlwain-Merck, friend of Robin Ellisor

Gary & Linda Hodgin, friends of Herb Bucknam

Tressa Oswalt, sister of Angie Hydrick

Don Freeman, friend of Marion & Cyndi Leaphart

Jessica Drigger's mother, friend of Denise Thurman

Iris Wellborn, sister of Earl Sease

Bill Harrell, friend of Ryan & Jennifer Price

Richie Tallent, friend of Danny Scott

John Catoe, family of Ellisors

Dr. Kay Moore, friend and co-worker of Cyndi Leaphart

Thomas McDonald, son-in-law of Joel and Cindy Price

Cindy Maples, mother of Jennifer Miller

Carter Miller, great-grandson of Mary and Wynne Price

Lewis Turner, friend of Jo Leach

Emma Hunt, grandmother of Laura Carroll

Beth Ellsworth, friend of Kenny Bouknight

Charlie & Henry King, grandsons of Francis & Joanne Eargle

David Gosnell, friend of Allison Swygert

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Serving Today* Serving November 14th

Greeter: Mary Price *

Crucifer: Quentin Kinard Lawson Morris

Acolytes: Walker Kinard Mackenzie Burns

Lector: Ronnie Fulmer Jamie Addison

Communion Asst.

Terry Swygert Frankie Jackson

Wynne Price Danny Scott

Serving in November

Council Representative: Mike Rawl

Altar Guild: Diane Boulware, Mary Frances Sease

Tabulators: Ann Addy, Mary Frances Sease

Ushers: call the church office

If you are unable to serve, please ask someone to cover for you and notify the church office of the change. If you are serving during worship, please arrive no later than 8:30am for sound check or updates to responsibilities during worship.

NEXT WEEK

Sunday, November 14th (Baptism)

9:00 am Worship In-person and Live Streaming

10:15 am Cherub Tonechimes

10:30 am Sunday School

10:30 am Choir Rehearsal

3:00 pm Confirmation Class

6:00 pm Council Meeting

Monday, November 15th

10:00 am Staff Meeting

6:00 pm Outreach Team (Conference Room)

Tuesday, November 16th

6:00 pm CR: Michelle Gantt

6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, November 17th

9:00 am Food Pantry

(Diane Boulware, Mary Frances Sease)

12:05 pm One Body in Christ (Fellowship Hall)

6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, November 20th

9:00 am Food Pantry (Parker & Diane Boulware)

3:00 pm Puppet Rehearsal



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CONGREGATIONAL OFFICERS

Ronnie Fulmer, President Robin Ellisor, Secretary Annette Price, Financial Secretary Marion Leaphart, Vice President Parker Boulware, Treasurer Ricky Bouknight & Terry Swygert, Sextons

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Sunday, November 7th - All Saints Sunday

9:00 am Worship: In-person and Live Streaming

10:15 am Cherub Tonechimes

10:30 am Sunday School

10:30 am Choir Rehearsal

2:30 pm Youth Handbells

3:00 pm Puppet Rehearsal

Monday, November 8th

10:00 am Staff Meeting

1:00 pm CR: Dot Mathias

6:30 pm Lutheran Men Meeting

Tuesday, November 9th

6:00 pm CR: Michelle Gantt

6:00 pm Executive Committee

Wednesday, November 10th

9:00 am Food Pantry (Ann and Fran Bouknight)

Thursday, November 11th - Veterans Day

6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, November 13th

9:00 am Food Pantry (Mike Rawl, Melanie & Frankie Jackson)

3:00 pm Puppet Rehearsal