# ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY



**NOVEMBER 2, 2025** 

# **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 2026-2028 term. The meeting will be recessed following the collection of the nominating ballots.

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

We leave all that which might be a distraction from worship at the doors this day and we prepare our hearts for worship. Peace be with you. *Amen.* 

#### **PRELUDE**

Medley Roof

# **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,  $\dagger$  be glory and honor, forever and ever. *Amen.* 

## **H**YMN

#### For All the Saints

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- 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



they in glo - ry shine; yet thee, for all all are one in are dis-tant tri-umph song, and hearts a - gain and arms are are brave ser-vants com-eth rest; . . . sweet the calm is of par - a - dise the



#### **GREETING**

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

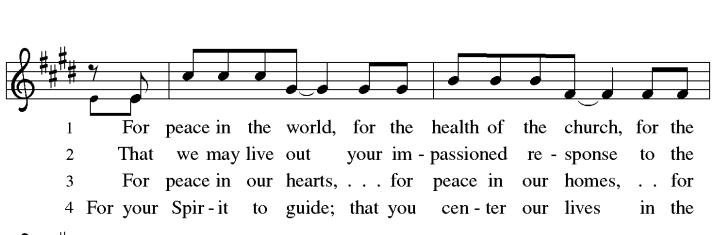
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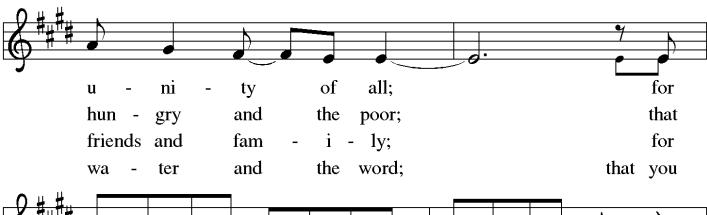
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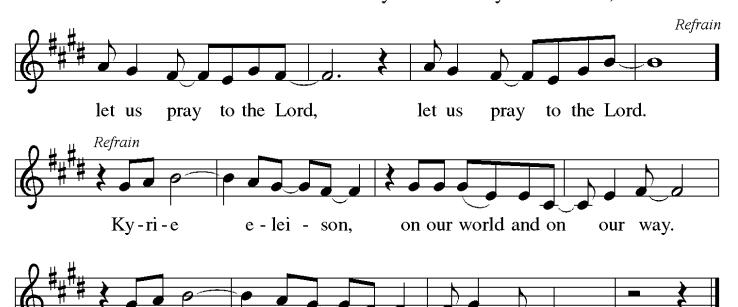




this ho - ly house, for all who we may live out . . . . truth and life and for love, . . . . for our nour-ish our souls . . . with your

Ky-ri - e

wor-ship and praise, jus-tice and grace, work and our play, bod-y and blood,



ev-'ry

day.

e - lei - son,

#### 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.

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Frances Eargle
Jane Sexton
Sarge
Bobby Carver
Ronnie Mathias

We sit in silence.

# THE WORD

#### **PSALM 149**

We read responsively.

<sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord a new song, God's praise in the assembly of the faithful.

<sup>2</sup> Let Israel rejoice in their maker; let the children of Zion be joyful in their ruler.

<sup>3</sup> Let them praise their maker's name with dancing; let them sing praise with tambourine and harp.

<sup>4</sup> For the Lord takes pleasure in the people and adorns the poor with victory.

<sup>5</sup> Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; let them sing for joy on their beds.

<sup>6</sup> Let the praises of God be in their throat and two-edged sword in their hand,

<sup>7</sup> to wreak vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples,

<sup>8</sup> to bind their kings in chains and their nobles with links of iron,

<sup>9</sup>to inflict on them the judgment decreed; this is glory for all God's faithful ones. Hallelujah!

#### **EPHESIANS 1:11-23**

A reading from Ephesians.

<sup>11</sup> In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, <sup>12</sup> so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup> In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with

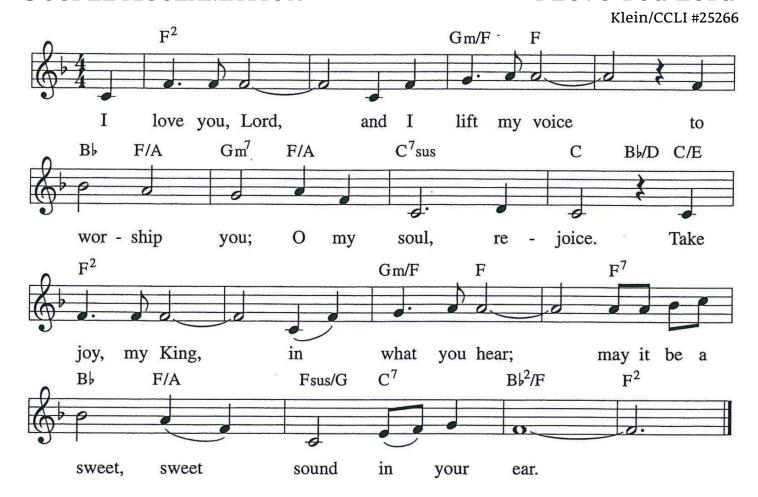
the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; <sup>14</sup> this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

<sup>15</sup> I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason 16 I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, 17 that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, <sup>18</sup> so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, <sup>19</sup> and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. 20 God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup> far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. 22 And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup> which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The word of God for the people of God. *Thanks be to God.* 

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

#### I Love You Lord



## **HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 6:20-31**

The holy gospel according to St. Luke the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

- <sup>20</sup> Then [Jesus] looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.
- <sup>21</sup> "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.
  - "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

<sup>22</sup> "Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. <sup>23</sup> Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven, for that is how their ancestors treated the prophets.

<sup>24</sup> "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

<sup>25</sup> "Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,

for you will mourn and weep.

<sup>26</sup> "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is how their ancestors treated the false prophets.

<sup>27</sup> "But I say to you who are listening: Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; <sup>28</sup> bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you. <sup>29</sup> If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. <sup>30</sup> Give to everyone who asks of you, and if anyone takes away what is yours, do not ask for it back again. <sup>31</sup> Do to others as you would have them do to you."

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

We sit.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

blessed are you!

#### 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**

you are set apart!





# **APOSTLES' CREED**

Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith with the words of 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,

#### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.* 

#### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you.

## And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

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.org and click on "On-line Giving." Thank you for your gifts and your stewardship. Friendship pads have returned to the pews. Please take a moment to sign the forms so that we may get to know our neighbors and we will also have a record of your communing.

#### **OFFERING**

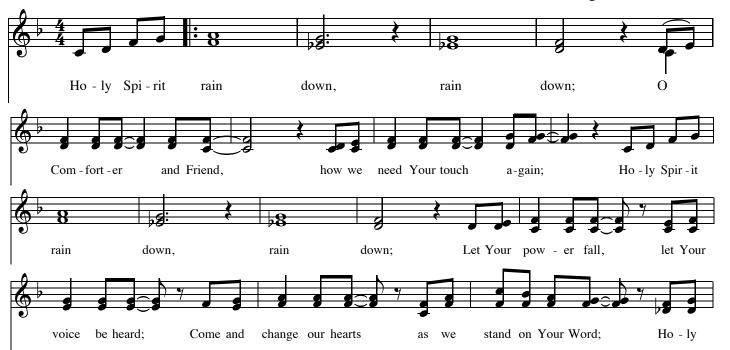
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We stand.

#### **OFFERTORY**

# Holy Spirit, Rain Down

Frager/CCLI #2405227





#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

We give thanks for these gifts and we pray together.

God of healing and hope, you bless those who are hungry, promising to fill them with good things. Fulfill that promise through us and these gifts. Nourish us with the abundance of your feast and untie us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior, now and forever. Amen.

# THE MEAL

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

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and all the saints, we praise your name.

#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

In the night in which he was betrayed...

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup, we proclaim Christ in our lives. *Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again*.

We remember the sacrifice of Christ, his eating with outcasts and sinners. We remember his resurrection from the dead and his ascension to you. Now we share this promised feast. *Amen, Come, Lord Jesus.* 

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that we and all who share in this bread and cup may be united in the communion of the Holy Spirit, may enter the fullness of the kingdom of heaven, and we may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light. *Amen, Come, Holy Spirit*.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty Father, now and forever. *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.

We sit.

#### **Invitation to Communion**

The kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice.

# **COMMUNION**

Please come forward using the side aisles to receive communion. You will receive the bread and then you may dip in the first chalice of wine, or in the second challis of grape juice. You may then return to your pews using the center aisle. Please return to your pews for a time of quiet prayer and meditation. If this is the first Sunday of the month, we also offer communion at the rail. On this Sunday, you may continue through the side doors, and an usher will guide you to the altar to receive communion.

Music Medley

#### POST COMMUNION BLESSING

May the Body and Blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in His grace. *Amen.* 

#### SENDING OF COMMUNION

We invite those who will serve as eucharistic ministers for this month to come forward and receive the communion.

Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are sick or homebound. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen**.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We pray together.

God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world. Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name. Amen.

# THE SENDING

#### **BLESSING**

The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you, God the Son save you, and God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead. The holy Trinity bless you † and grant you a faithful and courageous heart now and forever. *Amen.* 

#### Hymn

# What a Fellowship

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- 1 What a fel-low-ship, what a joy di-vine, lean-ing on the ev-er-
- 2 Oh, how sweet to walk in this pil-grim way, lean ing on the ev er -
- 3 What have I to dread, what have I to fear, lean ing on the ev er -



last-ing arms; what a bless - ed - ness, what a peace is mine, last-ing arms; oh, how bright the path grows from day to day, last-ing arms?

I have bless - ed peace with my Lord so near,



lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms. lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

Lean - ing, lean - ing, safe and se-cure from all a - larms;



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

SENDING

The Blessing

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#### 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**

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of all the saints who celebrate today by Debbie and Ronnie Fulmer and Marie Gardner.

## **TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

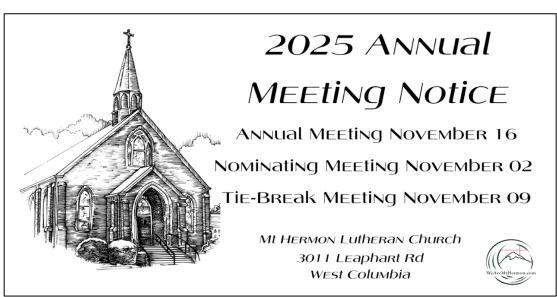
10/26/2025 9:00 worship 110 + live stream 152 = 262 Sunday School= 25

Current & Benevolent	Received	\$3,012.00
<b>Building Fund</b>	Received	\$1,050.00
<b>Building Improvement</b>	Received	\$250.00

#### HONORARIUMS AND MEMORIALS

In memory by **Stephen Price** by Wynne & Mary Price, Jeff & Alyson Price.

In honor of **Larry Amick and Kay Bryant** by Ryan & Jennifer Price. In memory of **Jane Sexton** by Lynn Bouknight.



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# **SERVING IN WORSHIP**

	Today	Next Sunday	
Ushers:	Joel Price, Jr.	Parker Boulware	
	Cindy Price	Jeff Price	
Crucifer:	Spencer Price	Mackenzie Burns	
Acolyte:	Walker Kinard	Brayden Morris	
Lector:	Mary Price	Frankie Jackson	
Communion Assts:	Arron Kinard	Mackenzie Burns	
	Elyse Kinard	Frankie Jackson	
	Spencer Price	Melanie Jackson	
	Walker Kinard Devona Price	Brayden Morris	
	Wynne Price Mary Price	Denise Thurman	
Audio:	Breanna Metze	Arron Kinard	
Video:	Breanna Metze	Quentin Kinard	
Nursery:	Charlene Corley	Cassie Swygert	
	DJ Plummer	Laura Carroll	
Flowers:	Fulmers & Gardner	The Jacksons	

# **SERVING IN NOVEMBER**

**COUNCIL REP:** Ronnie Fulmer

<u>ALTAR GUILD:</u> Jennifer Price & Angie Hydrick <u>TABULATORS:</u> Ann Addy, Mary France Sease

## MT HERMON PRAYS

\*family of Ronnie Mathias

## Continual Prayer

Patricia Bachman, Asbury Arms Lauvenia Butts, Lakeside Place Doris Carver, Presby Home Georgianna Gray, home James Hallman, Lakeside Place Marie Kleckley, *Lex Ext Care* Gloria Mathias, *home* Jean Shealy, *Lex Ext Care Rehab* Cyndi Thurman, *home* Linda Waters-Hamilton, *home* 

#### Members in Special Need of Prayer

Chris Carroll Debbie Duval Renee Greenbaum
Joye Haygood Frankie Jackson Doris Maddox
Skyler Miller Dennis Thurman Mary Frances Sease
Jim Whitaker Lauren Addy

#### Family and Friends Who Have Requested Prayer

Billy Huckabee, friend of Danny Scott Stetson Cooper, grandson of Dan Cooper Paula Miller, friend of Brittany Allen Dawn McIlwain-Merck.

friend of Robin Ellisor John Catoe, family of the Ellisors Mrs. William L. Coleman Jr (Carolyn),

friends of Marion & Cyndi Leaphart
Iris Wellborn, sister of Earl Sease
Mrs. Cruz, teacher of Abbey Carroll
Phil Dennis, brother of Lavonne Roof
Nancy Lail-Hulon & Family,

friends of Debra & Dave Butts
Sandra Watson,

aunt of Courtney Bucknam Jaimie Womack,

friend of Ryan & Jennifer Price Cynthia Rabon, friend of Ryan & Jennifer Price Blase Rhine,

grandson of Frank & Bonnie Bouknight
Jeslyn, friend of Scarlett Bryant
Faye McCartha, mother of Debra Butts
Robbie Rector, friend Jennifer Miller
Bill Geddings, father of Allison Swygert
Jane Baxley, cousin of Michelle Gantt
Joyce Davis, grandmother of Jaquelyn Hawlik

Will & Summer Satcher, friend of Courtney Bucknam Sam Lockridge, friend of Scottie Marsh Mary Duffie, mother of Alyson Price Thelma Moyer, mother of Diane Boulware Kaiden Howell,

friend of Jacquelynn Hawlik
Randy Stonehill, friend of Ryan & Jennifer
Linda Bennett, mother of Beth Jordan
Neice of Abbey Carroll's teacher
Singley & Parisano families,

friends of Sam & Kathy Cooper Joy Jordan, friend of Michelle Gantt Dorris Layton,

friend of Earl & Mary Frances Sease
Jody Harper, friend of Kelli Goff
Tressa Oswalt, Angie Hydrick's sister
Wayne LaBounty, friend of Herb Bucknam
Scarlett Redmon, cousin of Kinard Family
Joe & Billy Corder, friends of Ryan Price
Michael Williams,

son-in-law Georgianna Gray
\*Wayne & Kristen Watkins,
friends of Courtney Bucknam
\*Meredith Thorndike,
goddaughter of Wayne & Charlene Corley



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#### **CONGREGATIONAL OFFICERS**

Terry Swygert, *President* Sheila Eargle, *Secretary* Annette Price/Karen Nicholson, *Financial Secretary*  Ronnie Fulmer, Vice President Frank Bouknight, Treasurer Ricky Bouknight & Terry Swygert, Sextons

# THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

## Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>

9:00 am Worship – All Saint's Sunday

9:00 am Church Council Nominations

10:15 am FH: Coffee, Food, and Fellowship

### Monday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>

5:30 pm CR: Care Team

6:30 pm Team for Ministry

# Tuesday, November 4th

5:00 pm Executive Team

6:00 pm GR: Grief Group

# Wednesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>

9:00 am Food Pantry

(Fran Bouknight, Angie Hydrick, Sherwood Garrett)

# Saturday, November 8th

9:00 am Food Pantry (Laura Stevens & Friend)

6:00 pm HeBrews Dinner



Meet in the church parking lot at 9am



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