



# Welcome to Worship

Sunday, November 5, 2023

9:00 & 11:10 a.m.

## ALL SAINTS DAY

from the website of the Presbyterian Church (USA)

"All Saints' Day is a time to rejoice in all who through the ages have faithfully served the Lord. The day reminds us that we are part of one continuing, living communion of saints. It is a time to claim our kinship with the glorious company of the apostles . . . the noble fellowship of prophets . . . the white-robed army of martyrs. It is a time to express our gratitude for all who in ages of darkness kept the faith, for those who have taken the gospel to the ends of the earth, for prophetic voices who have called the church to be faithful in life and service, for all who have witnessed to God's justice and peace in every nation."

Reminded that God was with the faithful of the past, we are reassured that God is with us today, moving us and all creation toward God's end in time. In this context, it is appropriate for a congregation on All Saints' Day to commemorate the lives of those who died during the previous year."

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

### PRELUDE

"Nimrod" from Enigma Variations

Edward Elgar

*As the prelude begins, you are invited to begin your personal preparation for worship.*

### SILENT MEDITATION

"Blessed are those who die in the Lord. They rest from their labors, and their works follow them."

Revelation 14:13

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, all who are weary from the past week.

**We come seeking rest; We come seeking comfort.**

Come, all who are in need of inspiration for the week ahead.

**We come seeking God's truth, word and worship that will set us on the faithful path.**

Come, all who are humble, open, and ready to learn.

**We come as God's students, ready to listen and learn.**

## PRAISE AND ADORATION

\*OPENING HYMN #326

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE

(\*Please stand, if you are able.)

### CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God our teacher, we often exalt ourselves while evaluating and judging others. We assume too much and don't invest enough in listening, learning, and seeking to understand. You call us to humility, yet we resist, puffing ourselves up with prideful arrogance and rigid certainty. Forgive us, soften our hearts and open our minds to all we have yet to learn. Amen.

## SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

### KYRIE ELEISON (#551)

"Lord, Have Mercy" (9:00)

LAND OF REST

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.

"Kyrie eleison" from *Requiem* (11:10)

Maurice Duruflé

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### \*GLORIA PATRI (#447)

"We Are Forgiven"

WE ARE FORGIVEN

The image shows two staves of musical notation for the hymn "We Are Forgiven". The music is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is simple and repetitive. Below the first staff, the lyrics are: "We are for-given. We are for-given. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God." Below the second staff, the lyrics are: "We are for-given. We are for-given. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God."

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:10)

Graham Matthew Spencer, child of Chase and Kim Spencer, born on July 16, 2023.

Graham has two big sisters, Rylee, age 7, and Dylan, age 5.

#### Congregational Affirmation:

**With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome Graham Matthew Spencer into Christ's Church to share with us in the one ministry of Christ, for we are all one in Him.**

### NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Thessalonians 2: 9-13

page 959 of the pew Bible

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

## FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

### JOYS AND CONCERNS

*We remember our church members who have passed away since All Saints Day 2022*

Anne Anderson	Jane Bowers	Beverly Neal	Jackie Upah
Phyllis Armstrong	Penny Cassling	Martha Sherman	Joan "Jody" Watt
Jerry Bland	Florence Howell	Ross Stebbins	Roy Willis
Jill Bobek	Ron Mau	Wally Stern	Robert Wright

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### The Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

### ANTHEM

"Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" (9:00)

J.S. Bach

"Requiem aeternam" from *Requiem* (11:10)

Maurice Duruflé

*Grant them eternal rest, O Lord, and let eternal light shine upon them.*

*A hymn befits thee, O God in Zion, and to thee a vow shall be fulfilled in Jerusalem.*

*Hear my prayer, for unto thee all flesh shall come.*

## PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

### SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 24:6, Romans 15: 1-6

pages 805 & 924 of the pew Bible

*This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!*

### SERMON

Ellen Smith, PCUSA Mission Co-worker

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

### \*SANCTUS (#572)

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

(Pavlechko)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na

in the high-est. \_\_\_ Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in \_\_\_ the high - est.

## RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### OFFERTORY

"Deep River"

Robert Hobby

### \*DOXOLOGY (#607)

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

OLD HUNDRETH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise Christ, all people here below.

Praise Holy Spirit evermore. Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“Go Now In Peace” (9:00)

Don Besig

Go now in peace. Ne - ver be a - fraid. God will go with you each hour of ev-'ry day. Go now in faith,  
 stead-strong and true. Know God will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you be-lieve.  
 Reach out to oth-ers so all the world can see. God will be there watch-ing from a - bove. Go now in peace, in  
 faith, and in love. — A - men. — A - men. — A - men. —

Amen from “The Lord Bless You and Keep You” (11:10)

John Rutter

POSTLUDE

“Ach Herr, lass deign lieb Engelein”  
(Lord, let at last thy angels come)

Johann Ludwig

SERVING IN MINISTRY TODAY

- Liturgist** Linda Matson, elder on the Worship & Music Committee
- Music** 9:00 Kristi Treu, piano; Mark Kanitz, organ  
11:10 Alleluia Singers; Mark Kanitz, organ
- Ushers** 9:00 Gary Lippstreu, Captain, Dave Berry, Brad Burch, Tim Zimmerman  
11:10 Jim Chapin, Captain, Paul Holubeck, Doug Reid, Inga Wagner, Kim Banat
- Greeters** North Door: 9:00 Kristin Jacobi 11:10 Judy Arms  
Welcome Center: 9:00 Linda Miller 11:10 Neal Hubbard
- Information Center** 9:00 Linda Miller 11:10 Susan Price
- Childcare Ministry** Kari Bernet, Chelsea Spielman, and Brandon Fisher
- Coffee Host** Kathy Moore
- Flowers** The flowers in the Chancel this morning are given by Charlotte Hubbard. Happy Birthday, Neal!

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# Announcements

For the week of November 5, 2023

## The Week at a Glance

### Sunday, November 5 All Saints Sunday

- 9:00 "We Are Americans" SS Class
- 9:00 Worship in Sanctuary
- 10:00 Children's/Youth Sunday School, Albert Sweitzer SS Class, Coffee Fellowship
- 11:10 Worship in Sanctuary/Livestream
- 4:00 Remembrance Service
- 4:45 SHF Fellowship the Gibson's/No JHF
- 6-8 APNC Meeting

### Monday, November 6

- 9 & 11 Music & Movement
- 10:00 Tai Chi
- 6:00 Worship & Music
- 6:30 B&G Committee

### Tuesday, November 7

- 7:00 Men's Bible Study
- 9:30 Staff Meeting
- 11:30 49ers
- 12:00 Choir Sectional for Christmas Music
- 1:00 Tuesday Bible Study
- 4:00 Congregational Life Committee

### Wednesday, November 8

- 5:15 Children's Choir
- 5:50 Chamber Singers
- 6:00 Cornerstone Dinner
- 6:30 Bible Study & Adult Education
- 6:30 Confirmation Class
- 6:50 Alleluia Singers

### Thursday, November 9

- 9 & 11 Music & Movement
- 10:00 Tai Chi
- 12:00 Serve lunch at Omaha Street School
- 6:00 Carillon Choir

### Friday, November 10

- 5:30 Friday Night Gourmets

### Saturday, November 11

- 10:00 Family Mission Day at the Zoo
- 11:00 Jerry Bland Memorial Svc & lunch

### Sunday, November 12

- 9:00 "We Are Americans" SS Class
- 9:00 Worship in Sanctuary/with Communion
- 10:00 Children's/Youth Sunday School, Albert Sweitzer SS Class, Coffee Fellowship
- 11:10 Worship in Sanctuary/Livestream/with Communion
- 11-2 Caring and Sharing at Don and Millie's
- 4:15 Serve Dinner at Siena Francis House
- 4:45 SHF/JHF Set up Angel Tree
- 5:30 Presbyterian Men Shrimp Boil

**Joys & Concerns.** Stan Hale continues at Brookstone Meadows. Bob Reid continues at Old Mill. Funeral lunch help is needed for the Jerry Bland funeral on Nov. 11 - please sign up online. We have the joy of baptism today for Graham Matthew Spencer, child of Chase and Kim Spencer, born on July 16, 2023. Big sisters are Rylee, age 7, and Dylan, age 5.

**Guest Speaker Today.** Ellen Smith, Presbyterian Mission Worker and friend of PCOC, has been with us for the BURM conference. Ellen is preaching at both services, and you'll learn more about the mission efforts in Eastern Europe.

**Special Visitors for Coffee Fellowship TODAY.** Join us in welcoming our Syrian refugee family during the 10:00 a.m. coffee hour. Along with our regular donut holes and cookies, we have fruit and assorted pastries. Since arriving in Omaha earlier this summer, the family has been getting settled with the help of the refugee assistance coordinators, who are on hand to introduce the family. Come say "hello" and welcome the family to Omaha.

**Remembrance Service is today at 4:00 p.m.** Our church's Cross Care Connections program invites members and families to come and remember your loved one. Please join us for a Remembrance Service in our Sanctuary. Fellowship will continue at the reception following in the Welcome Center.

## 2023 Stewardship Campaign

Thank you to each member and family who has chosen to participate in this fall's Stewardship Campaign. Your prayerful consideration to participate is appreciated.



**Active Minds on Tuesday Afternoons.** For November and December, Active Minds will play mah-jongg from 1-4 p.m. Please let Earlene Uhrig know if you plan to play/learn mah-jongg, so we have enough sets. There will also be one table of Sequence in November.

**Order Advent Poinsettias by November 8.** Order red poinsettias for our Sanctuary in honor or in memory of someone you love. Cost is \$17. Order forms are online and at the Information Desk. Payment is due with the order form.

**49ers on November 7.** Our speakers will be Tim & Lisa Trudell, authors of *Lost Treasures of Omaha*. We'll take a nostalgic look at our city's history. We meet for lunch at 11:30 a.m. at WHEATFIELDS, 1224 S. 103rd St. (One Pacific Place) and order from a special menu. Everyone is welcome - whether you are 49, younger, or older! Sign up at the Information Desk. Questions? Contact Mary Ott or Judy Sundberg.

**Friday Night Gourmets November 10.** Let your inner Zorba bring you to the Friday Night Gourmets at the Greek Islands Restaurant, 3821 Center, on Friday, November 10. Our menu includes a variety of six delicious Greek inspired specialties. View the menu and sign up at the Information Desk. Socializing will start at 5:30 p.m. and we'll order dinner at 6:00. Hosts are Kathy & Paul Nickel and Cindy & Ken Nisley. Opa!!

**Family Mission Project at the Zoo on November 11 – UPDATED start time.** The Mission Committee has arranged a family mission project at the Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium on Saturday, November 11 at 9 a.m. There is no cost to attend, and we will gather in the Enrichment Room to make items for the Animal Care Staff to give to various animals. Families can enjoy the zoo for the rest of the day. This event is limited to 20 people, ages 8 and older. Sign up online. Questions? Contact Sandi Stuckey.

**100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration for Betty Mack Next Sunday, November 12.** Sue Meusey and family invite the whole church family to stop by Fellowship Hall between services to have a piece of cake and celebrate Betty becoming a centenarian. Cards are welcome.

**Serve Dinner at Siena Francis House on November 12.** Our next date to serve dinner at Siena Francis House is Sunday, November 12. from 4:15 to 6:15 p.m. Join our last minute volunteer list, too! Sign up online via the church website. Questions? Contact Keith Allen.

**Classic Shrimp Boil Dinner & Fundraiser on November 12.** Presbyterian Men are hosting an old-fashioned shrimp boil next Sunday, November 12 in Fellowship Hall at 5:30 p.m. Dave Webber, former WOWT Sports Director, will sing and entertain. Enjoy scrumptious 'JUMBO' fresh shrimp (or chicken cordon bleu) served with all the fixins! The cost is \$17 per person. ALL proceeds will go to purchase baby formula for Heartland Hope Mission. Sign up and pay in advance (make checks to Presbyterian Men) at the Information Desk by TODAY. Questions? Contact Jim Miller or Frank McMullen.

**Book Group on November 15.** PCOC Book Group will meet Wednesday, November 18 from 5:15 to 6:30 p.m. to review *The Last Bookshop in London* by Madeline Martin. Questions? Contact June Fettig.

**Vesper Concert on Friday, November 17.** Tenor Brian Jeffers, together with collaborative pianist Stacie Haneline, will present a solo recital on Friday evening November 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Originally from Omaha, Brian Jeffers is a NYC-based vocalist and actor praised for his flexible and heroic tenor (Opera News). Brian is the grandson of PCOC member Nancy Hamil. As always, the concert is FREE.

**Mission Report from Romania and Moldova on November 19.** See photos and hear about Karen Morey and Annie Wattle's trip to the region between services on November 19 in the Welcome Center.

**Advent Workshop on Sunday, November 19.** Our Senior High Youth Group will prepare and serve lunch after late worship, and then the crafting begins. [Register online by November 5](#) to reserve your spot.

**Children's Christmas Pageant & Advent Dinner on Sunday, December 3.** The Children's Christmas Pageant starts at 5 p.m., and the Advent Dinner follows. Sign up for the dinner online or at the Information Desk.

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