

A SERVICE OF REMEMBERING

Monday, June 4 | 8:50 AM

+ You are invited to stand. | **Bold** words are read responsively.

PRELUDE

Dr. Todd E. Hill, organist

SERVICE NOTES

+ GREETING¹

We are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses.

Death has no dominion over them.

Blessed are the ones who die in the Lord,

For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

+ HYMN OF PRAISE

"For All the Saints"

UMH 711, vss 1,2,4,6

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

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

**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:
 Alleluia, Alleluia!**

+ PRAYER²**Almighty God,****your people of all the ages live and praise you without ceasing.****In our communion with you, we have communion****with generations past and generations yet unborn.****Before your throne we are one****with a great multitude which no one could number,****and in praising you we join with those from every nation.****Grant to your Church on earth****that as we celebrate the triumph of your saints in glory****we may profit by their example****and enter with them into the inexpressible joys****you have prepared for those who love you,****through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

¹ "All Saints' Day/Sunday - A Service of Holy Communion," Discipleship Ministries, accessed January 18, 2018, <https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/resources/all-saints-daysunday-a-service-of-holy-communion>.

² Ibid.

ACTS OF REMEMBRANCE

*Jerry Lynn Wilson
 Helen L. Williams
 Grover C. McNeill
 Henry Ewell Russell
 Ruth T. Mulroy
 Paul Douglass
 Rachel Harting
 Robert Lee Cole
 Everett Gray Porter
 Elton A. Watlington
 John Allen Broyles
 Rebecca Jane Coke
 Wanda Ford*

*Luther Allen Clark, Jr.
 Eudora Nell Dotson
 Jerry Lee Hassell
 Harry E. Burkhead
 Viola S. Denton
 Rebecca Jane Yoder
 John Thomas Cook
 John Bernard Clarke
 Deborah J. Smith
 James R. DeBardleben
 Frank Bulle
 Gary Drum*

+ PSALM 105: THE STEADFAST LOVE OF THE LORD³

All sing: **The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;
 God's mercies never come to an end.
 They are new every morning, new every morning;
 Great is your faithfulness, O Lord,
 Great is your faithfulness.**

*Give thanks to the Lord and call upon God's name;
 Make known the deeds of the Lord among the peoples.*

***Sing to the Lord, sing praises,
 And speak of all God's marvelous works.***

*Glory in God's holy name;
 Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.*

***Search for the Lord and the strength of the Lord;
 Continually seek the face of God.***

*Remember the marvels God has done,
 The wonders and the judgments of God's mouth,*

***O offspring of Abraham, God's servant,
 O children of Jacob, God's chosen.***

All sing: **The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;
 God's mercies never come to an end.
 They are new every morning, new every morning;
 Great is your faithfulness, O Lord,
 Great is your faithfulness.**

*The Lord is our God,
 Whose judgments prevail in all the world.*

³ Refrain words and music by Edith McNeill, responsive reading Order of St. Benedict, published in *Glory to God*, Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox Press, 2013.

***The Lord has always been mindful of the covenant,
The promise made for a thousand generations:
The covenant made with Abraham,
The oath sworn to Isaac,***

***Which God established as a statute for Jacob,
An everlasting covenant for Israel.***

*For God remembered the holy promise
And Abraham, chosen to serve.*

***So God led forth the people with gladness,
The chosen ones with shouts of joy.***

All sing: **The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;
God's mercies never come to an end.
They are new every morning, new every morning;
Great is your faithfulness, O Lord,
Great is your faithfulness.**

SCRIPTURE Deuteronomy 34.1-8

SERMON "For Every Moses..."

INVITATION⁴

The invitation is simple: come and eat of the feast.
Not a meal to nourish the body, but to feed the soul.
Woven into this time are the hopes and tears of generations.
Still there is great joy here:
no one is turned away, for God is the host!

CONFESSION & PARDON⁵

Tender, transforming God, you have invited us to gather at this table,
**To taste the feast, the same abundant promises
offered to our ancestors in faith.**

Time and time again you've offered your grace,
**Even as we have stepped away, you continue to call us
to be your people.**

You have never left us.
**We praise you for second, third, and fourth chances.
You are ever-patient, always faithful.**

+ THE PEACE

As those forgiven by and reconciled to God,
let us offer signs of forgiveness and reconciliation to one another.

⁴ Adapted from "All Saints Day," UCC Files, accessed January 18, 2018, uccfiles.com/rtf/ww110112.rtf.

⁵ Ibid.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING⁶

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.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to you, almighty God,
maker of heaven and earth.

You created us and have brought your people through many trials:

Abraham and Sarah, Miriam and Moses,
Deborah and Isaiah, Peter and Mary,
Francis and Clare of Assisi,
Martin Luther and John Wesley,
Martin Luther King, Jr. and Mother Teresa—
all attest to your providence and mercy
and show us ways to live.

You came in human form to walk among us,
teaching us to live as your children.

You showed us what holy living looks like in Jesus,
who, on the night before he gave his life for us,
took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said,
"Take and eat; this is my body given for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup,
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said,
"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it, do so in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice,
in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Spirit on us,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us Christ's body and blood,
that we may be for the world Christ's body, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ,
one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,
until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.
Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,
all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

⁶ Adapted from "Great Thanksgiving for All Saints Day," Just In Time! Communion Services, accessed January 18, 2018, <https://www.cokesbury.com/pdf/worshipconnection/0687498368.pdf>.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

With boldness we join our voices now,
praying the prayer Jesus taught us and saying:

**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 for ever. Amen.**

BREAKING THE BREAD

The body of Christ, the bread from heaven.
The blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.

GIVING THE BREAD & CUP

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

"Come, Ye Disconsolate"	arr. Terre Johnson	Brittany Martin, soloist
"I Come With Joy"	<i>The United Methodist Hymnal</i> 617	
"One Bread, One Body"	<i>The United Methodist Hymnal</i> 620	
"All Who Hunger"	<i>The Faith We Sing</i> 2126	
"Bind Us Together"	<i>The Faith We Sing</i> 2226	

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING⁷

**God our Parent,
you fill the hungry with good things
and send the self-satisfied away empty.
In this Eucharist you have filled us
with the word and the bread of life
of your Son Jesus Christ.
Make us hunger now for his coming
in each of our hearts and communities.
Fill us with his spirit of service and self-forgetting love,
that through us he may become near to all the people.
We ask this in his precious name. Amen.**

+ HYMN

"In Unity We Lift Our Song"

The Faith We Sing 2221

**In unity we lift our song of grateful adoration,
for brothers brave and sisters strong. What cause for celebration!
For those whose faithfulness has kept us through distress,
who've shared with us our plight,
who've held us in the night,
the blessed congregation.**

⁷ Adapted from "Prayer after Communion: Luke 1:47-55," re:Worship, accessed April 30, 2018, <https://re-worship.blogspot.ca/2011/12/prayer-after-communion-luke-1-47-55.html>.

For stories told and told again to every generation,
to give us strength in times of pain, to give us consolation.
Our spirits to revive to keep our dreams alive,
when we are far from home
and evil seasons come;
how firm is our foundation.

For sacred scriptures handed down, a blessed trust and treasure,
which give us hope when hope is gone and make us weep with pleasure.
And when our eyes grow blind and death is close behind,
we shall recite them still
whose words our hearts can fill
with hope beyond all measure.

For God our way, our bread, our rest, of all these gifts the Giver.
Our strength, our guide, our nurturing breast whose hand will yet deliver.
Who keeps us till the day when night shall pass away,
when hate and fear are gone
and all our work is done,
and we shall sing forever.

+ BENEDICTION⁸

Go on your way rejoicing,
surrounded as you are by such a great cloud of witnesses.
Take courage as you face each new challenge,
and comfort when you pick yourself up from a fall.
In whatever good God gives you to do,
precede it with hope,
accompany it with prayer,
and follow it with thanksgiving.
And the blessing of God Most Wonderful,
whom the saints have trusted as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
will be with you now and always. **Amen.**

+RECESSIONAL

The congregation will please remain until the Bishop and the families of those honored have exited from the Auditorium. A reception will be held on the Williams Family Terrace (2nd level) following the service. All are invited to greet family members there.

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Serving in Worship:
Mr. Walter Sanders, Liturgist
Rev. Nancy Varden, Acts of Remembrance
Rev. Amy Martin, Song Leader
Dr. Todd E. Hill, Organist
Dr. Stephen Shapard, Preacher
Bishop Bill McAlilly, Celebrant
Rev. Shannon Pryor, Concelebrant

⁸ Adapted from "Benediction for All Saints," re:Worship, accessed February 19, 2018, <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2011/10/benediction-for-all-saints.html>.