AN ORDER OF CELEBRATION FOR THE GATHERED COMMUNITY Woodridge United Methodist Church

Sunday, November 2nd, 2025

All Saints Sunday

Music to Prepare Our Hearts

Lighting of the Altar Candles

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Kathy Falout: On this All Saints Sunday, we gather to remember the saints who made God's stories and messages come alive through their lives.

Many Voices: We give thanks!

Kathy Falout: We remember parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, and siblings who showed us how to hold fast to the faith.

Many Voices: We give thanks!

Kathy Falout: We remember our church families – this one and others we have loved. We remember all those who have been part of this faith family, with whom we have grown in our faith and love for God and neighbor.

Many Voices: We give thanks!

Kathy Falout: We remember our ancestors in the faith whose courage enables us to be here today.

Many Voices: We give thanks for the saints who came before us, are present with us now, and will continue after us.

All: Thanks be to God!

*Opening Hymn

"In the Garden"

UMH #314

Opening Prayer

Kathy Falout: Sovereign of Creation, all that we have comes from you. We gather in your presence, surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, people from every tribe and nation, every kindred and tongue, to lift our voices in praise, to be transformed into your saints, to be sent out to gather others to share the eternal banquet. Receive the praise we offer, work in us and through us. You alone are holy, you alone are the Most High, you alone are worthy of our praise. Glory to you, O God, and to the Lamb, our Shepherd, and to the Spirit that unites us all, today and ever more.

All: Amen.

*The Apostle's Creed

UMH #881

Youth Presentation (Sleep Out Saturday)

Offering Ourselves

Blessing our Gifts with Music

*Doxology

*Offering Prayer

All: Gracious God of every growing gift, you call forth saints not with perfection, but with purpose — to grow in faith, abound in love, and serve with

steadfastness. Receive these offerings as signs of our gratitude, given by those you are shaping for good works in Christ. Use them to build up your church, to bless the world, and to honor those who have taught us to love more deeply. May our generosity today reflect your glory and strengthen us to walk ever more faithfully in your way. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Scripture Readings

New Testament Lesson 2 Thessalonians 1:3-4, 11-12 (NRSVue) Gospel Lesson Luke 19:1-10 (NRSVue)

Kathy: The Word of God for the People of God.

Many Voices: Thanks be to God.

Responsive Song "Lord, Be Glorified" TFWS #2150

Proclaiming "The Love for One Another" Pastor Dave Yim

Welcome New Members

Praying

Joys & Concerns Responsive Prayer

Holy Communion

Invitation

Pastor Dave: Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Confession & Pardon

Many Voices: Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

[Silent Prayer]

Pastor Dave: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners: that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ; you are forgiven!

Many Voices: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: Glory to God. Amen.

*Passing the Peace

The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor Dave: The Lord be with you. Many Voices: And also with you. Pastor Dave: Lift up your hearts.

Many Voices: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor Dave: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Many Voices: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor Dave: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, the Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth, God of Abraham and Sarah, God of Moses and Joshua, God of Ruth and David, God of Mary and Joseph, God of our mothers and our fathers, God of our children to all generations.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Many Voices: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Pastor Dave: Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is 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 many, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, 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.

Many Voices: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pastor Dave: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and juice. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

Renew our communion with all your saints, both here on earth and in heaven and strengthen us to run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

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 for ever.

Many Voices: Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Breaking the Bread

"Feed Us, Lord" (verses 1 & 2)

W&S #3167

Sharing the Bread and Cup

(Come forward to receive the communion elements and light candles in remembrance of all the saints on the way back to your pew).

*Closing Hymn

"Marching to Zion" (verses 1 & 4)

W&S #3167

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Benediction