

21st Sunday After Pentecost November 2, 2025

GATHERING: *God invites us to enter His presence*

PRELUDE *On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand*

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP *(Time for Silent Preparation)*



CALL TO WORSHIP *(Responsively)*

Susan Obenschain

Let us worship God.

**“He is our refuge and our fortress,
our God, in whom we trust.”**

Let us confess with our mouths, “Jesus is Lord,”
and believe in our hearts that God raised him from the dead.

“Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

Let us call upon our true God, believing him in our hearts,
confessing him with our mouths, worshiping him in spirit and in truth.

—based on Psalm 91:2; Romans 10:9, 13



INVOCATION

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Christ, in this hour of worship lift us out of the routine of our daily lives
and set us up on your holy mountain. Let our worship come from our hearts,
that it may be genuine. Let our praises for you leap from our mouths,
that we may be alive with faith and joy. Make us fresh again! **Amen.**



OPENING HYMN 347

Be Still, My Soul

CONFESSING: *God invites us to be honest with Him*

CALL TO CONFESSION

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When we see God’s beautiful holiness, we recognize our own lack of holiness. God is light and
truth, yet we live among shadows and lies.

People of God, let us acknowledge who and whose we are;
let us ask our powerful God to illumine us with grace and truth in Jesus, our Lord.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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Often, O holy and righteous God,
we dare your justice,
mock your mercy,
jeer your patience,
slight your power, and
show contempt for your love.

We even say “I’m sorry” insincerely and confess our sin flippantly.

We plead your help
to own up carefully to how we have wronged you,
to admit honestly how we have grieved you,

to plead penitently for your mercy and pardon.
We beg your forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**
—based on a prayer by John Bunyan (1628-88)

TIME FOR SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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“God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him
may not perish but may have eternal life.
Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world
to condemn the world,
but in order that the world might be saved through him.”
—John 3:16-17, NRSV

Leader: This is the Promise of the Lord
All: Thanks be to God



GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost:
As it was in the beginning,
Is now and ever shall be, world without end.
A-men, A-men*

OFFERING: *Thankful of the gifts God has given us, we offer ourselves to Him*

INVITATION The willingness to give is a sign of life. The fruit tree gives of its fruit, and we know it is alive. When it no longer gives, we know real life has gone out of it. The heart that hoards the blessings of God is no longer alive with spiritual power. To give is to live.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*Praise to the Lord
John Steiginga, oboe*

Arranged by Adams



DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. A-men.*



PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Dear God, wherever we look, from next door to a world away,
we see the places where your creation groans. May these gifts be a
faithful response to those cries. **Amen.**



PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The Peace of the Lord be with You
All: And also with you



PREPARATION HYMN 410 *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

PROCLAIMING: *God speaks to us through His Work*

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

We pray, Lord, that you will open the door of our hearts
to receive you within our hearts. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING *1 Corinthians 10:16-22*

¹⁶ The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? ¹⁷ Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread. ¹⁸ Consider the people of Israel: are not those who eat the sacrifices participants in the altar? ¹⁹ What do I imply then? That food offered to idols is anything, or that an idol is anything? ²⁰ No, I imply that what pagans sacrifice they offer to demons and not to God. I do not want you to be participants with demons. ²¹ You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons. You cannot partake of the table of the Lord and the table of demons. ²² Shall we provoke the Lord to jealousy? Are we stronger than he?

SERMON *"A Monument with a Message"*
 Rev. Paul Toms

SONG OF RESPONSE *We Will Feast in the House of Zion (See Screen)*

RESPONDING: *We respond to God's Word*

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God!

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise!

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Leader: For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you
proclaim the Lord's death until He comes Again!

People: Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come

PROFESSION OF FAITH *(Apostle's Creed In Unison)*

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 Spirit,
Born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and buried;
He descended into hell;
The third day he rose from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
And sitteth at 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 Spirit,

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

COMMISSIONING: *God sends us out into the world as His witnesses*

 **COMMISSION HYMN 405** *My Faith Has Found a Resting Place*

BENEDICTION & BLESSING

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.
—2 Corinthians 13:13, NRSV

POSTLUDE *Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him* *Blake*

 *Please stand if you are able.*

The names for All Saint's Sunday for you to work into the prayers. (Those who have passed in the last year since last All Saint's Sunday)

*Richard McCormick
George Knotts
Gene Lewis
Starr Rigby
Joann Fleck
Michael Christie
Michael Phillips
David Appenzeller
Sam Frame
Bill Music
Iram Frame
Samuel Frame
John MacArthur
Voddie Baucham
James Dobson
Mary Jane Crisman
Vince Buettner
Warren Walka
Charlie Kirk
Bernie Parent*

(P.S. There's a Sam Frame and a Samuel Frame on the list. They were on the same anonymous note so I am making an assumption that they are two different people, one went by Sam and the other by Samuel maybe (?).