

November 4, 2018

Eleven O'clock

**All Saints Sunday  
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**

**WELCOME**

Whatever your religious background and however you have come to be here, we are honored that you have chosen to worship today at First Presbyterian Church. We hope you feel welcome here and inspired. May you be strengthened by the power of God to meet the challenges of your daily life.

**GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

PRELUDE *Prelude* C. Sant-Saens

GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP *(adapted from Hebrews 11-12)*

One: Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

**Many: In faith we are gathered to bear witness to the living God.**

One: By faith this church was built, and has endured for many generations.

**Many: Since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses,**

One: we shall run the race that is set before us,

**Many: we shall run and will not grow weary; we will not lose heart.**

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 796 *We Come to You for Healing, Lord* LAND OF REST

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(adapted from Celebrate God's Presence: A book of services for the United Church of Canada)*

**Gracious God, all of our endings and beginnings are in you. We confess that there are times when we cannot feel your presence, and we forget your love. Cleanse us from wrongdoing. Free us from anxiety and doubt. Help us to remember your love which never lets us go, and help us trust that in you, we will always find wholeness and strength. We open our hearts to you in silent prayer...**

\*KYRIE 577 *Lord, Have Mercy* KYRIE ELEISON (Reindorf)

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*GLORIA 582 *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me* GLORY TO GOD (Vasile)



**PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD**

FOCUS ON CHILDREN Patti Winter

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Revelation 21:1-6

One: The word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM *O How Amiable* Vaughn Williams

\*GOSPEL READING John 11:30-45

One: The word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *For Everything There Is A Time...* Rev. Cat Goodrich

**DEDICATION OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

\*HYMN 803 *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need* RESIGNATION

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS\*\*

*Part of your offering today is the gift of your presence. Please acknowledge your presence by signing the welcome book at the end of your row.*

OFFERTORY *Jesu meine Freude* F. W. Zachau

\*THE DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God for all that love has done;  
Creator, Christ and Spirit, One. Amen.*

**THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION**

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give God thanks and praise....**

One: We join our voices with the faithful of every time and place who forever give glory to your name:

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest....**

One: Great is the mystery of faith:

**All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

## THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS

*We remember and give thanks to God for those saints of the church who died in the past year:*

Mary Ida Dillon, Evelyn Elliott, Drew Patton, Jeanne Plaxco, Sandra Storm.

## LORD'S PRAYER

## CHORAL RESPONSE

## BREAKING OF THE BREAD & POURING OF THE CUP

## COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE with PRAYER STATIONS FOR HEALING AND WHOLENESS

*We are serving communion by intinction today. There are two stations at the front of the sanctuary. Please come to the station nearest you, take a piece of bread, dip it into the cup, and eat. Udi's Gluten free, dairy free bread is in a small dish on each plate. During communion, you may choose to pray at one or more of four prayer stations around the sanctuary. Please see the insert for descriptions of each station.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

### SENDING GOD'S PEOPLE INTO THE WORLD

\*HYMN 326

*For All the Saints*

SINE NOMINE

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

*Lift High the Cross*

arr. Larry Shackley

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*Please stand as you are able.

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The **LITURGIST** for today is Susan Davenport.

The **ACOLYTE** for today is Patricia Gauntt.



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- Serving Changes Lives
- A Vibrant People Make a Vital Difference