

November 2nd, 2025 | FIRST TRADITION 11:00 AM | All Saints Sunday

GATHERING

PRELUDE James Stanley

Processional Fanfare | James Stanley

CALL TO WORSHIP †

Rev. Heather Rose

We have come to affirm our historic faith.

To worship the God of our ancestors

We have come to remember God's benefits to us the living.

To respond in thanksgiving to the mighty works of God in our lives.

We have come to affirm our trust in the God of all futures,

To whose name be blessing and honor, glory and power forever and ever. Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 711 †

'For All the Saints | United Methodist Hymnal

PRAYER OF THE DAY †

We seek and find you in Creation, O God, in the world you have made and the people you have called. Your vulnerable, powerful Lamb is our shepherd and guide, leading us to share the shelter of your abundant life.

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST †

May the peace of Christ be with you **And also with you**

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINISTRY MOMENT

Rev. David C. Freeman

Going An Extra Mile In Faith

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SONG

Jesus loves me, this I know for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me- the Bible tells me so

CHILDREN'S TIME

Rev. Brittany Richardson Watson

PRAYERS FOR ALL SAINTS

Response: In Jesus' name, we pray **We remember, O God. GOSPEL LESSON** †

Carol Roddy

Luke 6: 20-28

This is the Gospel of our Lord **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Rev. David C. Freeman

It's not business. It's personal.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Truth by Macrina Wiederkehr

I will believe the truth about myself no matter how beautiful it is: I believe in my power to transform indifference into love. I believe I have an amazing gift to keep hope alive in the face of

despair.

I believe I have the remarkable skill of deleting bitterness from my life.

I believe in my budding potential to live with a nonviolent heart. I believe in my passion to speak the truth even when it isn't

popular.

I believe I have the strength of will to be peace in a world of violence.

I believe in my miraculous capacity for unconditional love. I will believe the truth about myself no matter how beautiful it is.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

OFFERTORY

Chancel Choir, Cory Olson, soloist

I'll Be on My Way | Shawn Kirchner

DOXOLOGY 94 †

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

INVITATION TO COMMUNION †

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING †

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.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

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

Holy, holy, holy Lord.

God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your

glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

....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.

Christ has died. Christ is risen, Christ will come again. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

....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. Amen. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

And now with the confidence of the children of God, we boldly pray....

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, forever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE GIVING OF THE CUP

Communion hymns can be found on pages 704, 706.

SENDING FORTH IN THE NAME OF THE LORD

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP †

HYMN OF COMMITMENT 702 †

Sing with All the Saints in Glory | United Methodist Hymnal

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS †

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

BENEDICTION †

CHORAL RESPONSE TO THE BENEDICTION †

The Lord Bless You and Keep You | Peter Lutkin

POSTLUDE

James Stanley

Celebration on "Hymn to Joy" | James Stanley

November 1 brings uncertain times for many low-income neighbors on Medicaid and SNAP. We want to make sure we can fill any gaps that may arise, as well as strengthen the ministries that have helped our neighbors downtown for many years. The Communion fund this Sunday will be set aside to assist with our partnering feeding programs that may see an increase in participants, bolster our FANN and Community Cafe budget, and ensure emergency food kits are available for those in need.

ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE

Clergy:

Rev. David C. Freeman

Rev. Heather Rose

Rev. Brittany Richardson Watson

Music & Worship Arts: Chancel Choir, Cory Olson, James Stanley,

Shannon Webb

Liturgist: Carol Roddy

Audio/Visual: Chris Cone, Lesley Andrews

Altar Guild: Judy Jewell, Kim Keith

Altar Flowers: To the glory of God and in honor of my Anniversary.

Given by Mary Thompson

IN OUR PRAYERS

Requesting Prayer:

Kaye Hoover, Hilda Thomas, Pat Blackstone, David Anderson,
Donna Bair, Nancy Wood

Sympathy:

To Kent and Julie Holt on the death of his mother, Frances Faye Wittenberg, on October 25.

To Laura and David Elrod on the death of her mother, Ellen Moody Ford, on October 27.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH

Sunday, November 2, 2025

9:00 am First Word Worship

10:00 am Sunday School

11:00 am First Tradition (Sanctuary)

12:00 pm First Arts Sundays

12:00 pm UWF Meeting

12:30 pm MOFA Luncheon 1:00 pm Beginner Taiko

2:30 pm Mike Charles Basketball Academy

3:00 pm Intermediate Drumming

5:30 pm Canvas Community Worship

Monday, November 3, 2025

9:00 am Flower Girls

1:00 pm Community Café 5:00 pm SPRC Meeting

Tuesday, November 4, 2025

7:00 am Tues Morning Bible Study

9:00 am Staff Meeting

10:30 am Worship Planning1:00 pm Community Café

4:00 pm Mike Charles Basketball Academy

6:30 pm Intermediate Taiko

Wednesday, November 5, 2025

9:00 am Jericho Way

11:00 am Canvas Meal Prep 1:00 pm Community Café

5:45 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 6, 2025

4:00 pm Mike Charles Basketball Academy